

1 **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING** of the City Council of the City of Orange City, Florida, held
2 on Tuesday, May 24, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers, 201 N. Holly Avenue, Orange City.

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4 **CALL TO ORDER**

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6 The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Strickland and roll call was taken.

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8 **ROLL CALL**

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10 Present: Mayor Harley Strickland; Vice Mayor O. William (Bill) Crippen; Council Members Jeff Allebach,
11 Tom Laputka, Tom Abraham, Anthony J. Pupello, Gary A. Blair; City Attorney Bill Reischmann; City
12 Manager Jamie Croteau; City Clerk Deborah Renner

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14 **INVOCATION**

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16 The Invocation was given by Pastor Mignor, DeLand Church of the Nazarene, followed by the Pledge of
17 Allegiance.

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19 Ms. Croteau requested to add item 8C – A petition to the EPA to the agenda.

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21 **1. ABSENCES:**

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23 Shall the absence of Council Member Blair at the May 10, 2011 meeting be excused?

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25 **Council Member Allebach moved to excuse the absence of Council**
26 **Member Blair from the May 10, 2011 meeting, seconded by Council**
27 **Member Laputka and passed with a unanimous 7/0 roll call vote of the**
28 **Council.**

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30 **2. PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:**

Proclamation for Joe Johnson
Fish Memorial Hospital

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33 Council Member Allebach read a proclamation into the record recognizing the dedication and
34 accomplishments of Joe Johnson, Chief Operating Officer at Fish Memorial Hospital. Mr. Johnson came
35 forward and thanked the City for its support throughout the years.

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Dr. Sorenson, Director
Volusia Co. Health Dept.

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40 Dr. Bonnie Sorenson, Director Volusia County Health Department came forward to provide an update on
41 the South West Volusia Leadership project. She said County Council Member Pat Northey requested the
42 formation of the group to examine health care systems in southwest Volusia. A similar group convened in
43 2003 resulted in expansion of the Pierson Health Clinic and additional locations opening in DeLand and
44 Deltona. Dr. Sorenson thanked Vice Mayor Crippen for participating in the group.

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46 Dr. Sorenson distributed information packets to Council (a copy of which is attached and becomes a
47 permanent part of these minutes) which included a project summary and snapshot of health care data in
48 southwest Volusia. She said a directory of health and social services in the area is also included. Dr.

1 Sorenson said the group received grant funding for a referral program to capture uninsured people and
2 people with chronic medical conditions who use the emergency room for their primary care. Once
3 identified these people are referred to the health care center in Deltona for education about their medical
4 care.

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6 Council Member Abraham questioned whether this program was affected by the state budget cuts. Dr.
7 Sorenson advised the health department had no funding reductions this year.

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9 Vice Mayor Crippen said he enjoyed participating in the group, calling it an enlightening experience. He
10 thanked Dr. Sorenson and County Council Member Northey for supporting this project.

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12 **3. CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

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14 Paris Peña and Patty Engstrom, West Volusia Regional Chamber of Commerce (WVRCC) came forward.
15 Mr. Peña said he is representing the WVRCC and wished to introduce himself. He said the WVRCC is
16 forming partnerships with all the businesses in the region to bring resources and people together to help
17 businesses succeed. He said WVRCC is working on a web site using video technology. It will feature city
18 staff from various municipalities to help promote a collaborative effort between the business community and
19 the municipality and to give all businesses an on-line presence.

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21 Ms. Engstrom commented she has had a business on U.S. 17-92 since 1996. She said she was part of the
22 West Volusia Chamber when it “tanked.” Being a part of the WVRCC and working together with “sister
23 communities” is important because it will build stronger businesses and create jobs. Ms. Engstrom said the
24 WVRCC wants to work with the city and needs to know Council’s plans for the city because the business
25 community could be a part of that process.

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27 In response to a question from Council Member Laputka, Mr. Peña said the WVRCC is currently housed at
28 the First Southern Bank on Deltona Boulevard, but will be moving out of that location in June. The goal is
29 to have a business resource center in every city that will provide a co-working space for home based
30 business owners. The current location being contemplated is the Graphic Services Building on U.S. 17-92.

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32 Council Member Blair said he is an educator. He spoke about a “rift” between the state and federal
33 chambers and stated, “I would like to see that go away.” He asked the WVRCC to keep that in mind as they
34 move forward. Ms. Engstrom acknowledged there is a problem. She said Mr. Peña is collaborating with the
35 Daytona Regional Chamber and has broken through many of the barriers.

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37 In response to a question from Council Member Abraham, Mr. Peña said the WVRCC is a resource for
38 Team Volusia, but does not have the funding to become members. He said together with the Chamber
39 Alliance, WVRCC is considering city tours that will showcase the resources of a city. In response to a
40 question from Mayor Strickland, Mr. Peña said the group meets on the second and fourth Tuesday of each
41 month at the Gateway Center for the Arts.

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43 **4. CONSENT AGENDA:** None at this time

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45 **5. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING:**

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47 **A. ORDINANCE NO. 460:** An ordinance of the City of Orange City, Florida,
48 annexing the Carroll Wetherington property into the corporate limits of the City

1 of Orange City, Florida, said property being generally located on the west side
 2 of North Volusia Avenue, approximately 50 feet south of West New York
 3 Avenue, containing approximately 2.67 acres; in accordance with the voluntary
 4 annexation provisions of Florida Statute 171.044 redefining the boundaries of
 5 the City of Orange City by amending the appropriate sections of the code of
 6 ordinances; containing a repealer provision, a severability clause and providing
 7 for an effective date.

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 9 Council Member Allebach read the title of Ordinance No. 460 into the record.

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 11 **Council Member Laputka moved to adopt Ordinance No. 460 on first**
 12 **reading, seconded by Vice Mayor Crippen.**

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 14 Jim Kerr, City Planner came forward and displayed the location of the property on a Powerpoint slide (a
 15 copy of which is attached and becomes a permanent part of these minutes). Noting that the property being
 16 considered is 2 acres, he said the owner anticipates opening a new medical facility.

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 18 **Motion passed with a 7/0 roll call vote of the Council.**

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 20 **6. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

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 22 **A. ORDINANCE NO. 454:** An ordinance of the City of Orange City, Florida,
 23 amending Orange City Code Appendix A, the City’s Land Development
 24 Code, as adopted by Ordinance No. 157; amending Chapter 8, Section 8.3
 25 Establishment of Zoning Districts, Section 8.6.1 8.7.1 Schedule of Zoning
 26 Districts; and Section 8.6.14 providing for the establishment of the
 27 Commercial Recreation Zoning District; providing for conflicting provisions;
 28 providing for severability; providing an effective date.

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 30 Council member Allebach read the title of Ordinance No. 454 into the record.

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 32 **Council Member Laputka moved to adopt Ordinance No. 454 on second**
 33 **and final reading, seconded by Vice Mayor Crippen.**

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 35 Wendy Hickey, Planning & Zoning Analyst came forward and stated there have been no changes since the
 36 first reading. Council Member Blair noted he was absent at that last meeting, he asked Ms. Hickey to
 37 provide a brief summary. Ms. Hickey advised this action will correct a scrivener’s error. She explained a
 38 commercial recreation zoning district is depicted on the zoning map, but the definition and description of
 39 the district were omitted when the Land Development Code was adopted. Council Member Blair confirmed
 40 this matter is not related to “poker rooms.” Ms. Hickey said it was not.

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 42 Mayor Strickland opened the public hearing by asking if anyone wanted to speak for or against the proposed
 43 ordinance, no one appeared. The Mayor closed the public hearing.

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 45 **Motion passed by a 7/0 roll call vote of the Council.**

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 47 **A. ORDINANCE NO. 455:** An ordinance of the City of Orange City, Florida,
 48 amending Orange City Code Appendix A, the City’s Land Development

1 Code, as adopted by Ordinance No. 157; amending Chapter 9 Sign
 2 Regulations of the City of Orange City, Florida; Section 9.2.3 being Sign
 3 Permits Required and Exemptions; and Section 9.2.8 being Signs Prohibited
 4 in all zoning districts; providing for conflicting provisions; providing for
 5 severability; providing an effective date.

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 7 Council Member Allebach read the title of Ordinance No. 455 into the record.

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 9 **Council Member Laputka moved to adopt Ordinance No. 455 on second**
 10 **and final reading, seconded by Vice Mayor Crippen.**

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 12 Ms. Hickey advised there have been no changes since first reading. In response to a question from Council
 13 Member Blair, Ms. Hickey explained the size of the sign cannot exceed 6 sq. ft. per side and cannot be more
 14 than 5 ft. from the front door of the location.

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 16 Mayor Strickland opened the public hearing by asking if anyone wanted to speak for or against the proposed
 17 ordinance. A citizen came forward and asked if the signs were limited to sandwich boards and whether a
 18 permit is required. Ms. Hickey advised a permit is not required, however, sandwich board signs are limited
 19 to food and beverage establishments. The Mayor closed the public hearing.

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 21 **Motion passed by a 7/0 roll call vote of the council.**

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 23 **C. ORDINANCE NO. 458:** An ordinance of the City of Orange City, Florida,
 24 imposing and extending a temporary moratorium through December 31, 2011, on
 25 the issuance of any business tax license, permit, conditional use approval, site
 26 plan approval, and any other official action of the City of Orange City having the
 27 effect of permitting or allowing construction and/or operation of certain
 28 businesses within the City of Orange City, related to pain management clinics,
 29 excluding approvals and permits for the continuance of an existing business; the
 30 temporary moratorium shall apply to all real property located within the
 31 corporate limits of the city of orange city; providing for conflicting provisions;
 32 providing for severability, conflicts and an effective date.

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 34 Council Member Allebach read the title of Ordinance No. 458 into the record.

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 36 **Council Member Laputka moved to adopt Ordinance No. 458 on second**
 37 **and final reading, seconded by Vice Mayor Crippen.**

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 39 Mr. Reischmann advised this is second reading to extend the temporary moratorium on the issuance of
 40 business tax receipts for pain management clinics. He said the legislature passed a law that will allow for a
 41 prescription database that should be operational soon. This is a statewide problem. Other local
 42 governments are contemplating land use regulations. This moratorium will allow the City time to consider
 43 other options such as land use regulations, as well.

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 45 Mayor Strickland opened the public hearing by asking if anyone wanted to speak for or against the proposed
 46 ordinance, no one appeared. The Mayor closed the public hearing.

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 48 **Motion passed by a 7/0 roll call vote of the Council.**

1 **D. ORDINANCE NO. 459:** An ordinance of the City of Orange City, Florida,
2 repealing Chapter 10.7, Peddlers and Solicitors, and replacing repealed
3 Chapter 10.7 by adoption of a new Chapter 10.7, Solicitors and Soliciting,
4 conflicts, severability, codification and an effective date.
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6 Council Member Allebach read the title of Ordinance No. 459 into the record.
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8 **Council Member Laputka moved to adopt Ordinance No. 459 on second**
9 **and final reading, seconded by Vice Mayor Crippen.**
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11 Sgt. Greg Lariscy, Code Enforcement Supervisor came forward and advised there were no changes since the
12 first reading. He said the soliciting code had not been changed since 1986. Staff wanted to review it to
13 make it more applicable to what is happening today. Council Member Laputka said other cities are
14 considering regulations for people sleeping on park benches. He asked if this ordinance addresses that. Sgt.
15 Lariscy advised that the city does not have an ordinance for that. Mr. Reischmann discussed the revisions
16 proposed. He said the purpose is to protect the citizens.
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18 Mayor Strickland opened the public hearing by asking if anyone wanted to speak for or against the proposed
19 ordinance.
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21 Bill O'Connor, 2854 Doe Run Trail came forward and stated that he has seen several organizations
22 soliciting in the intersections on Enterprise Road. He asked if this ordinance would prohibit that activity.
23 Mr. Reischmann responded it would regulate the activity to make it safer for everyone by limiting the
24 locations and intersections where someone can solicit and by requiring reflective vests.
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26 Council Member Abraham recalled at that at the first reading Sgt. Lariscy said the police would use their
27 discretion when they encounter first time offenders. He asked Sgt. Lariscy what that would entail. Sgt.
28 Lariscy said the approach would be to educate individuals to make them aware of the ordinance and how
29 they can properly solicit. Council Member Abraham asked whether social services would be provided to
30 the homeless who are soliciting. Sgt. Lariscy responded this ordinance does not prohibit soliciting it just
31 regulates the manner in which an individual could solicit. The City could provide a list of services available
32 to the homeless in the city.
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34 Council Member Abraham asked if there is case law regarding panhandling. Mr. Reischmann said many
35 courts have talked about regulations beyond panhandling and soliciting. It is not deemed to be a form of
36 speech under the federal or Florida constitutions. There is a balancing of the rights of individuals to be able
37 to go about their ways without being harassed. That is what the courts look at and what this ordinance is
38 trying to do. In addition, it will prohibit fraud, misrepresentation, and potential opportunities for crime.
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40 Council Member Blair said he observed someone on Saxon Blvd. selling flags after the announcement about
41 Osama Bin Laden. He asked if that was the type of people this ordinance would get rid of. Sgt. Lariscy
42 responded in the affirmative, noting this will regulate this activity, not stop it.
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44 Evelyn Robinson, 311 East Cherokee Avenue came forward and said there should be some way to refer
45 those in need to the organization that can help them. She described what surrounding cities are doing with
46 regard to the homeless population. She suggested a referral list be put together that can be given to the
47 panhandlers letting them know the services that are available to them.
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1 Council Member Allebach spoke in favor of this action. He said it is a tool for the Police Department to
 2 protect citizens. The purpose of this ordinance is not to attack people who are down on their luck; it is about
 3 protecting the people that are out there every day working who need to feel safe while running their errands.
 4 Council Member Allebach said he appreciates the efforts that have gone into this. It shows compassion on
 5 both sides but also expects proper dignity from the solicitors as well.

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 7 The Mayor closed the public hearing.
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9 **Motion passed by a 7/0 roll call vote of the council.**

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 11 **7. RESOLUTIONS:**

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 13 **A. RESOLUTION NO. 640-11:** A resolution of the City Council of the City of
 14 Orange City, Florida, reappointing Robert Storke to the Volusia Growth
 15 Management Commission (VGMC); repealing all resolutions in conflict
 16 herewith and providing for an effective date.
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18 Council Member Allebach read the title of Resolution No. 640-11 into the record.
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20 **Council Member Laputka moved to adopt Resolution No. 640-11, seconded**
 21 **by Vice Mayor Crippen.**
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23 Council Member Allebach stated that Mr. Storke is doing a good job and there is no reason to change it at
 24 this time as long as Mr. Storke is agreeable to continue serving.
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26 **Motion passed by a 7/0 roll call vote of the council.**
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28 **8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION:**

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 30 **A. Report on Fire Dept. Training**
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32 Fire Chief Johnson came forward. He said he wished to showcase a rope rescue training exercise the fire
 33 fighters recently completed at Seminole State College. He displayed a slideshow of the training and
 34 described the various techniques used. Chief Johnson said the 75ft ladder truck is normally utilized on large
 35 commercial fires because the firefighters are able to rescue people from roof tops and windows. He thanked
 36 Seminole State College for allowing the Department to conduct the training for free. Chief Johnson
 37 concluded by stating that he anticipates conducting more training exercises in the future and that he would
 38 advise Council when that occurs.
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40 Mayor Strickland inquired if there was action that Council needed to take with regard to this matter. Ms.
 41 Croteau said responded in the negative. She said advertising is a requirement of accepting the grant. An
 42 article will be placed in the next community newspaper. She said she wanted to showcase the new services
 43 the Fire Department can provide. Mayor Strickland asked staff to draft a letter thanking Seminole State
 44 College for the use of their facility.
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- 46 **B. Community Development Block Grant 2011 Submittal**
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48 Linda Snyder, Financial Services Supervisor came forward and noted this is the 37th year the Community

1 Development Block Grant has been in place. She explained it is where federal funds are provided to local
2 communities for improving neighborhoods with low to moderate income levels. An annual CDBG budget
3 hearing was held earlier this year. No citizens participated. Staff talked about various ideas the funding
4 could use for, but were limited by the amount of funding provided. This year staff is recommending that the
5 CDBG grant is used for sidewalk improvements to Harley Strickland Blvd from south side Veterans
6 Memorial Parkway to the hospital entrance and from the hospital entrance to Threadgill Ave.

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8 Council Member Laputka noted the sidewalks on Blue Springs Avenue, by the middle school, are in need of
9 repair and it is a dangerous situation. Mayor Strickland said the matter that should be referred to the
10 County. Ms. Snyder suggested staff could propose that the County spend the CDBG funding on that road
11 because there is a need. Council Member Allebach stated there is no guarantee the County would use the
12 funds to fix the road and the City could lose control of its CDBG funding. He said a TPO grant would be
13 better for that project.

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15 **Council Member Allebach moved that the City approve the 2011/12 Annual**
16 **Plan and Five-Year CDBG Budget projections as presented, seconded by**
17 **Council Member Blair.**
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19 Council Member Pupello asked how it would work if there is not enough funding to complete the project
20 this year. Ms. Snyder stated money left over from last year's CDBG project may be available and could be
21 rolled over to the current year. Ms. Croteau said \$50,000 for a sidewalk program was allocated in the
22 budget and a portion may be utilized if it is necessary. Ms. Croteau said the City applied for an XU grant
23 with the TPO for a joint path along Blue Springs over to French Avenue. The TPO did not rank the project
24 very high so it is not certain if the funding would be granted at this point.

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26 Council Member Pupello said he is concerned that the citywide plan for sidewalk installation may be
27 circumvented, because the proposed sidewalks were not a part of that plan. Ms. Croteau assured Council
28 Member Pupello the City is continuing with the sidewalk program. She said there are limitations on where
29 CDBG funding could be used. This action provides additional money for a sidewalk that is needed. Staff
30 reviewed the sidewalk plan and found none of the streets listed qualified to use CDBG funds. Council
31 Member Pupello said he understands the limitations of funding, that he just wants to make sure the City
32 continues with the sidewalk plan.

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34 With regard to Council Member Laputka's concerns, Mayor Strickland noted that the County gets 38% for
35 administering the CDBG process and the City receives 2.95%. If the City were to use its grant funding to
36 repair the sidewalks at the schools, they would not reimburse the City for its efforts. Mayor Strickland
37 stated that it is important that the public understand that this pass through is at great expense to the City and
38 is it very lucrative to the County." He stated the CDBG it is a good plan and he fully supports it.

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40 **Motion passed with a 7/0 roll call vote of the Council.**
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42 **C. Petition to USEPA regarding Numeric Nutrient Requirements**
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44 Paul Johnson, Public Works Director came forward and said the United States Department of
45 Environmental Protection (EPA) has mandated that numeric nutrient criteria was needed to implement the
46 Clean Water Act in Florida. Florida is the only state that has that requirement. It was determined as a result
47 of a lawsuit and would be costly to implement. He recalled that last year Council sent a resolution
48 expressing the City's concerns but the EPA passed the new ruling anyway. The Florida Department of

1 Environmental Protection (FDEP) has petitioned the EPA to withdraw their requirement stating the EPA's
2 science is based on a program Florida is already using. The FDEP is asking municipalities to support their
3 efforts by completing a petition because it would require a response from the EPA. He said a response is
4 not necessary this evening, but staff wanted Council to consider the matter in case it is necessary to move
5 forward quickly. This issue was discussed at the West Volusia Partners meeting and all parties agreed to
6 express their concerns in this format. Mr. Johnson stated his opinion that it is a good idea.

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8 Mr. Reischmann said the Florida League of Cities has asked local governments to support the FDEP in this
9 matter. He said he wanted to review the document again to make sure it will not create a financial burden
10 for the City having to pay legal expenses associated with litigating against the EPA.

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12 Council Member Laputka asked what the risks are. He said he is aware the DEP did not fund
13 implementation of the numeric nutrient criteria and suggested the City would not be at risk. Ms. Croteau
14 disagreed noting that if the EPA guidelines go through, the City would be mandated to do numeric nutrient
15 loads and the financial costs would be "huge." Mr. Reischmann restated his concerns and said that staff is
16 requesting more time to determine if all potential risks were considered. He said he would poll other cities
17 and the Florida League of Cities to see how they are responding to this request and report back to the
18 Council.

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20 Ms. Croteau said this information is time sensitive, which is why it was brought to Council's attention
21 tonight. If the City waits too long it may be a "moot point." The Council came out against the numeric
22 nutrient criteria six months ago by passing a resolution. In addition, the requirement will be costly to
23 implement because it is not just wastewater that must be treated, it will include stormwater coming off city
24 roads. The City does not have the mechanisms or the funding to comply. Ms. Croteau said she understands
25 Mr. Reischmann's concerns and suggested that he be allowed to review the matter quickly and make a
26 determination if there are risks involved.

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28 Mayor Strickland said he spoke with Drew Bartlett at the FDEP to get clarification and learned that the
29 FDEP will enforce the new rules next year if nothing is done. The new water standards are so stringent it
30 could bankrupt everybody. Mr. Bartlett suggested that the City contact state senators and representatives
31 and raise the issue with them. He also suggested the accumulation of petitions from local governments
32 would be a powerful influence in this matter. Mayor Strickland spoke in support of providing staff
33 additional time to review the petition to ascertain the City's liabilities.

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35 Mayor Strickland polled the Council asking whether it was necessary to call a special meeting. A lengthy
36 discussion ensued. Council Members Laputka and Blair felt the matter could wait until the next meeting.
37 Council Member Pupello suggested staff review the petition and depending on what is found, determine
38 whether a special meeting is needed. Council Member Allebach pointed out the next meeting is three weeks
39 away. He suggested that the matter be reviewed quickly. Vice Mayor Crippen said he would like the City
40 Attorney to research and make a determination of the amount of risk involved. If the potential risk is low,
41 he suggested sending the petition. Council Member Abraham said he too would like the City Attorney to
42 review the matter to completion and asked how long that will take. Mr. Reischmann said he could have a
43 report by the end of the week. He restated his concerns. Council Member Blair pointed out a special
44 meeting could be scheduled. In response to a question from Mayor Strickland, Mr. Reischmann stated his
45 understanding of the direction Council would like staff to take. Council Member Allebach said a special
46 meeting would only take about 15 minutes and suggested that a meeting be scheduled for Tuesday, May
47 31st. Council Member Laputka agreed.

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1 **Council Member Allebach moved that the City Council ask the City**
2 **Attorney to investigate the potential liabilities with filing this petition and**
3 **bring a report back to a Special Meeting on May 31st, seconded by Vice**
4 **Mayor Crippen, and passed by a 7/0 roll call vote of the Council.**
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6 **9. NEW BUSINESS:** *None at this time*
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8 **10. REPORTS:**
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10 **A. City Manager**
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12 Ms. Croteau reported that the iPads and new phones are in, the IT Manger will schedule appoints with
13 Council to set up the equipment. Ms. Croteau reported a meeting to discuss alleys has been scheduled for
14 June 7th at 7 p.m. She recalled Council suggested this meeting be held after the inventory of the alleys was
15 completed. An invitation was sent to residents who live on an alley way. It is a public meeting, everyone is
16 welcome to attend.
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18 Ms. Croteau reported the City will feature The Wizard of Oz at the Movies in the Park at 8 p.m. June 3rd.
19 The movie is being sponsored by AdKore Rehabilitation Center who will be providing free massages and
20 coupons for discounts on their services before the movie. Ms. Croteau reported staff is collaborating with
21 the high school on a Homecoming Parade scheduled for October 7th. She said Council received information
22 from Mayor Strickland regarding “complete streets.” She explained that the “complete streets” concept
23 takes into account all transportation modes including pedestrians and bikes, not just automobiles. She said
24 she wanted Council to know staff is working on a mobility plan that includes the City’s “complete streets”
25 policies and plans. Once approved by the VGMC it will be brought forward for Council review.
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27 Council Member Blair said he read an article in the newspaper where the Florida Historic Preservation
28 Board said Orange City’s historic district is the 8th most endangered in the State. He stated, “It is an
29 embarrassment to the City” and suggested the Historic Preservation Board be re-established. Ms. Croteau
30 advised the board currently does not exist because the terms expired. Staff is looking into integrating the
31 board with the redevelopment plans for the City. Council Member Blair encouraged Council to think about
32 people they would like to appoint to Historic Preservation Board. Ms. Croteau noted the Code contains
33 specific criteria on the board members. She said she would provide more information.
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35 Council Member Laputka noted that Ms. Francis Weir the owner of the Seth French house has begun
36 renovations on her historic home. He welcomed her to the City.
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38 **B. Mayor/City Council**
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40 Council Member Laputka reported that he attended a TPO meeting for Council Member Allebach. Votran
41 did a presentation about the services they provide. He said he learned that Voltran’s ridership has increased
42 but due to the increasing costs of fuel, the profits are down. As a result Votran is considering a rate
43 increase.
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45 Council Member Allebach said he could not be at the TPO meeting because he attended the DARE program
46 graduations at the elementary schools. As president of the Manatee Festival he said he was invited because
47 the DARE program is funded by the Manatee Festival. Deserving students were given an Xbox 360 for
48 writing the best essay. Council Member Allebach gave “kudos” to the Police Department for supporting

1 this program and he congratulated all the fifth graders that participated.
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3 Mayor Strickland asked the City Clerk to stand. Council Member Allebach announced Ms. Renner was
4 standing because she is a finalist for the Florida League of Cities Distinguished Services Awards for
5 employee of the year. Ms. Renner will receive her award at the annual Volusia League of Cities Award
6 Banquet being held at the Pelican Bay Country Club in Daytona. He said Bob Stork was nominated as
7 citizen of the year as well.
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9 **C. City Clerk**

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11 The City Clerk distributed a report from the Supervisor of Elections about the current number of registered
12 voters in the city after the results of the latest census (a copy of which is attached and becomes a permanent
13 part of these minutes). She explained the report is broken down by districts. There are 6,205 registered
14 voters citywide. Ms. Renner reminded Council when the districts were formed it was based on population,
15 not the number of registered voters. Once the census data is available, staff will look at the districts to see if
16 the boundaries need to be revised. She said she would provide more information once it is available.
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18 **D. City Attorney**

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20 No further report.

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22 **11. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes of May 10, 2011 Regular Council Meeting

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24 **Council Member Laputka moved to approve the minutes of the May 10,**
25 **2011 Regular Council meeting, seconded by Council Member Blair and**
26 **passed by a unanimous 7/0 voice vote of the Council.**
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28 **12. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

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30 Council Member Abraham acknowledged that Mr. Johnson the CEO of the Florida Hospital, Fish Memorial
31 was present. He said Council Member Allebach is a member of the hospital board and often has very good
32 things to say about the hospital and the community's responsibility to help promote the hospital's interest.
33 Council Member Abraham said he wished to add a "missing link." He stated, "Hospitals in America are
34 facing a big crisis. Even the doctors are complaining they don't get properly paid for the services they
35 provide." Hospitals are able to get financial help from a hospital board, counties and the state. One hospital
36 alone cannot survive it has to get help from various sources nationwide. Council Member Abraham said he
37 just wanted to share that information.
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39 Vice Mayor Crippen remarked that he will miss Mr. Johnson. He stated whoever replaces him will have
40 some big shoes to fill. Vice Mayor Crippen asked for an update regarding Mill Lake. Paul Johnson came
41 forward and said he does not have an update. He said he contacted the district secretary and asked her to
42 look into the matter.
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44 Vice Mayor Crippen said he had some questions regarding comments made during the budget workshop.
45 He asked staff to look at why there is a lower speed limit on U.S. 17-92 in DeBary and how the City can do
46 the same. Regarding Mr. Strickland's comments about medical versus non-medical calls and using a
47 smaller response vehicle. He asked if there was screening or triage when 911 calls come in to determine if
48 it is a non-medical call. Ms. Croteau responded the Fire Department runs advanced life support and staffs

1 two men on a truck. A fire truck is more practical because it can be used for rescue as well as for answering
2 fire calls. If staff received a 911 fire call while on a rescue call, they can respond without having to return to
3 the department to switch out the truck.
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5 As a point of order Council Member Blair noted that according to the *Council Rules & Procedures*, this
6 section of the agenda is for council comments only. He noted that in the future these types of questions
7 should be addressed during the City Manager’s report.
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9 Council Member Laputka said he will be attending the League of Cities dinner and suggested that all
10 council members attend to support the nominees.
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12 Council Member Pupello thanked everyone for coming. He stated, “it is a goal for Orange City to be
13 considered in the highest regard in all things that we do...and be referred to as the most professionally run
14 city in our region, if not the state. I think that we are on our way to that. There are many things that we still
15 need to address but as we travel to that goal that we focus on efficiency and professionalism in providing the
16 services to the citizens.”
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18 Council Member Allebach said he and over 200 people attended the Johanna Knox Community Service
19 award banquet. Bob Storke was nominated by the City for this award. He stated, “So keep up the good
20 work everybody else, we are going to find you as a volunteer and celebrate your efforts and commitment to
21 this community.” Council Member Allebach commented there are no trash cans at the some of the bus
22 shelters in the city, and that he has often observed garbage build up, however Public Works removes it
23 timely. He stated “kudos” to Public Works for the job that they do. Council Member Allebach said there is
24 a Memorial Day service at the Deltona Gardens on Monday, he invited everyone to attend.
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26 Mayor Strickland said he attended the First Annual Titan Regiment Band & Color Guard Banquet award
27 ceremony at the DeBary Golf and Country Club. He said he was impressed with the direction the band
28 director seems to be taking the band members. He stated, “I really enjoyed all of those kids.” Mayor
29 Strickland said the County is moving ahead with building a new dispatch center. The current center will
30 remain in place until all the kinks have been worked out and the new center is fully operational. He stated,
31 “The County has a goal of October let’s see if they mean it.”
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33 **13. ADJOURNMENT**

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35 There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Strickland adjourned the meeting at 9:30 p.m.
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37 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

APPROVED ON:

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40 Gloria Thomas, CMC
41 Deputy City Clerk
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June 14, 2011
Date