

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA
REGULAR MEETING
May 10, 2022**

The Board of County Commissioners of Leon County, Florida met in regular session at 3:00 p.m. with Chairman Bill Proctor presiding. Present were Vice-Chair Nick Maddox and Commissioners Rick Minor, Brian Welch, Kristin Dozier, Carolyn Cummings, and Jimbo Jackson (telephonic). Also present were County Administrator Vincent Long, County Attorney Chasity O'Steen, and Clerk to the Board Beryl H. Wood

Chairman Proctor called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The Invocation was provided by Gary Linton, Pastor Seminole Baptist Church.

The Pledge of Alliance was provided by Vice-Chair Nick Maddox.

Commissioner Minor moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Maddox, to allow Commissioner Jackson to attend the Board meeting telephonically.

The motion carried 6-0.

Awards and Presentations

- Proclamation Recognizing Florida High Winning the State 3A Basketball Championship and Coach Charlie Ward's Contribution to the Community
 - Vice-Chair Maddox presented the Proclamation recognizing Florida High winning the State 3A Basketball Championship and Coach Charlie Ward's contribution to the community.
 - Coach Charlie Ward thanked the Board for the recognition. He stated that this past season they will be remembered for all their work, and they are grateful to share the Proclamation with the rest of the team.
 - Chairman Proctor acknowledged Florida High.
 - Commissioner Dozier congratulated Coach Ward.
- Proclamation Recognizing May as National Bike Month
 - Commissioner Minor presented the Proclamation recognizing May as National Bike Month.
 - Jacob Fortunaz, Tallahassee-Leon County Planning Department, and Justin Pogge, member of the Joint Bicycling Workgroup, accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Board for its support.

- Presentation and Proclamation Recognizing Elder Care Services, Inc.
 - Vice-Chair Maddox presented the Proclamation recognizing Elder Care Services, Inc.
 - Jocelyne Fliger, President & CEO, Elder Care Services, thanked the Board and provided a presentation on the services provided by Elder Care Services.
 - Chairman Proctor thanked Ms. Fliger for the services provided by Elder Care Services. He asked Ms. Fliger to provide more information about services for the 55 to 80+ age population.
 - Ms. Fliger provided information on the services provided to the 55 to 80+ population.
 - Commissioner Cummings thanked Ms. Fliger for the presentation and expressed appreciation to her and Elder Care Services for the dedication and services to seniors. She also congratulated Ms. Fliger for celebrating 50 years of great service to the community.
 - Commissioner Dozier congratulated Ms. Fliger for celebrating 50 years. She shared that she is grateful for the time spent with Ms. Fliger and Mr. Henderson, Director of Food Services, on the Meals on Wheels route. She asked Ms. Fliger to provide information on her work to provide for support to schools.
 - Ms. Fliger explained the process of delivering day care meals to different childcare facilities in the community.
 - Commissioner Welch thanked Ms. Fliger for her work, which is vital to the community.
 - Commissioner Minor thanked Ms. Fliger and her team for their excellent work. He spoke about the importance of delivering meals and providing wellness checks.

- Overview of the Upcoming 2022 Hurricane Season
 - Kevin Peters, Director of Emergency Management, provided information about the upcoming 2022 hurricane season. He stated that the hurricane season is from June 1st through November 30th, and initial indications show they are looking at another above average hurricane season. He shared that the busiest months will be August, September, and October. He stated that they are focused and staying prepared, and have begun their training cycle working with County staff and partners. He stated their main functions are sheltering, damage assessment, supply distribution, comfort stations, staffing the citizens' information line, and completing the FEMA National Incident Management System training courses. He shared the different lessons learned from emergency managers in Louisiana.
 - Kianna Gilley, Manager, Community and Media Relations, provided an overview of the County's public information and communication measures to prepare the County and the community for the hurricane season.
 - Commissioner Dozier thanked Mr. Peters and Ms. Gilley for all their work and the presentation. She added that they are always focused on the big storms, but they are also preparing for any other storms that might emerge and flooding as well.

- County Administrator Long shared that FEMA previously named Leon County the first “hurricane strong community” in the country. He stated they take hurricane season extraordinarily seriously and are ready.
- Chairman Proctor asked the County Attorney to provide information concerning the process to declare a state of emergency.
- County Attorney O’Steen stated that as a result of legislation that passed during the 2021 session, the County’s Code of Ordinances was modified to distinguish between emergencies caused by storm-related events versus a pandemic or other health-related emergency. She noted that, practically speaking, the Board and the public will not see any difference going forward if and when the County issues a state of emergency for a weather-related event.

Citizens to be Heard on Non-Agendaed Items

(3-minute limit per speaker; there will not be any discussion by the Commission)

- Stanley Sims, 1320 Avondale Way, congratulated Elder Care Services for doing a tremendous job. He also expressed concern about yard waste pick-up.
- Jeremy Block, 1109 E. 6th Ave., spoke in support of the gun buyback program and shared his concern about gun violence.

Consent:

Commissioner Dozier moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Welch, to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. The motion carried 7-0.

1. Minutes: March 8, 2022, Regular Meeting and March 22, 2022, Leon County Detention Facility Population Management Workshop

The Board approved Option #1: Approve the minutes of March 8, 2022, Regular Meeting and March 22, 2022, Leon County Detention Facility Population Management Workshop.

2. Payment of Bills and Vouchers

The Board approved Option #1: Approve the payment of bills and vouchers submitted for May 10, 2022, and pre-approve the payment of bills and vouchers for the Period of May 11, 2022 through June 13, 2022.

3. State of Florida Division of Elections Network Security Enhancements Election Security Grant for Fiscal Year 2022

The Board approved Option #1: Accept and authorize the Leon County Supervisor of Elections to recognize and spend the FY 2021-2022 Network Security Enhancements Election Security Grant award in the amount of \$32,252 within the requirements of the Memorandum of Agreement; and

Option #2: Approve the Resolution and associated Budget Amendment Request.

4. Approval of the Resolutions and Adoption Agreements for the Restatement of the 401(a) Retirement Savings Plans with AIG-VALIC, Mission Square (ICMA) and Nationwide

The Board approved Option # 1: Approve the Resolutions and Adoption Agreements for the Restatement of 401(a) Retirement Savings Plans for AIG-VALIC, Mission Square-ICMA and Nationwide in accordance with federal laws and regulations and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreements, subject to legal review by the County Attorney.

5. Leon County Indigent Cremation and Burial Program Fee Schedule Update

The Board approved Option # 1: Adopt the proposed Resolution to revise the fee schedule for the Leon County Indigent Cremation and Burial Program.

6. 9/11 Day of Remembrance and Service for 2022

The Board approved Option # 1: Accept the status report on the 9/11 Day of Remembrance and Service for 2022.

7. Approval of the Plat for Bornino Commercial Subdivision

The Board approved Option # 1: Approve the plat for Bornino Commercial Subdivision for recording in the Public Record.

8. Third Performance Agreement and Surety Device for Unit I of Chastain Manor Phase II Subdivision

The Board approved Option # 1: Accept the Third Performance Agreement and Surety Device for Unit I of Chastain Manor Phase II Subdivision and authorize the County Administrator to execute the agreement and any future extensions thereto.

9. Second Performance Agreement and Surety Device for Summerfield Phase IV Subdivision

The Board approved Option # 1: Accept the Second Performance Agreement and Surety Device for Summerfield Phase IV Subdivision and authorize the County Administrator to execute the agreement and any future extensions thereto.

10. Acceptance and Disposition of Roller Rink Equipment Donation from Tallahassee Indoor Sports, Inc.

The Board approved Option # 1: Accept the donation of Roller Rink Equipment from Tallahassee Indoor Sports, Inc; and

Option # 2: In the event staff determines the use of the Equipment is uneconomical or inefficient, or the Equipment serves no useful function to the County, direct staff to work with community sports providers to identify a permanent site for the Equipment and authorize the County Administrator to donate the Equipment to a viable nonprofit community group in compliance with applicable law and Board Policy No. 02-5.

Procurements: (These items are included under Consent).

11. Approval of Selection of Public Financial Management, Inc. to Provide Financial Advisory Services to Leon County

The Board approved Option # 1: Approve the selection of Public Financial Management, Inc. to provide financial advisory services to Leon County, and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreement subject to legal review by the County Attorney.

12. Extension of the Debris Removal and Disposal Contracts

The Board approved Option # 1: Approve the extension to the Debris Removal & Disposal Contracts with Ashbritt, Inc., Ceres Environmental Services, Inc. and DRC Emergency Services, LLC and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreements, subject to legal review by the County Attorney.

13. Approval of Award for the Leon County Solid Waste Yard Debris Processing Contract

The Board approved Option # 1: Approve the award for the Leon County solid waste yard debris processing contract to Jimmie Crowder Excavating and Land Clearing, Inc., and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreement, subject to legal review by the County Attorney.

14. Bid Award for the Renovation of the Daniel B. Chaires Community Park Tennis Courts

The Board approved Option # 1: Approve the bid award to Arris General Contractors Inc. in the amount of \$489,275 for the renovation of the Daniel B. Chaires Community Park Tennis Courts and authorize the County Administrator to execute the Agreement subject to legal review by the County Attorney.

Status Reports: (These items are included under Consent).

15. Killlearn Chain of Lakes

The Board approved Option # 1: Accept the status update on the Killlearn Chain of Lakes.

16. Report on Gun Buyback Programs

The Board approved Option # 1: Accept the report on gun buyback programs and take no further action.

17. Opioid Litigation Status Report and Consideration of the Opioid Litigation CVS Health Corporation and CVS Pharmacy, Inc., Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., and Allergan Finance, LLC, Allergan Sales, LLC, Allergan USA, Inc., and Allergan Limited Settlement Agreements and Proposed Participation Agreements.

The Board approved Option # 1: Accept the Opioid Litigation Status Report; and

Option #2: Approve the opioid litigation CVS Health Corporation and CVS Pharmacy, Inc., Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd., and Allergan Finance, LLC, Allergan Sales, LLC, Allergan USA, Inc., and Allergan Limited Participation Agreements, and authorize the County Attorney to sign the Participation Agreements.

CONSENT ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

GENERAL BUSINESS

18. Status Report on Parcels Associated with Lake Hall School House Preservation Efforts

County Administrator Long introduced this item. He stated as directed by the Board during the April 12, 2022, meeting, this item provides a report on three properties associated with the citizen-led efforts to acquire and restore the Lake Hall School House.

Public Comments:

- Dr. Geraldine Seay, 2014 Chuli Nene, spoke in support of preserving the Lake Hall School House.

Chairman Proctor asked Dr. Seay to explain why the Board should approve the \$3.3 million dollar proposition.

- Dr. Seay stated that the school has been sitting there for 154 years, is an example of the agency of free slaves, and evidence of the willingness, belief, and hope of ancestors to make sure their children could do better than they did. She also stated they should honor the school and make sure that people understand the tenacity of a free people. In terms of money, she suggested scenarios of buying the one property that gets most of the school house and eminent domain for the rest.

Chairman Proctor asked about the price of purchasing the one property and using eminent domain for the rest.

- County Administrator Long explained that in following the Board's previous direction to not exercise eminent domain but to seek a voluntary purchase, it would cost \$866,000. The total cost would be \$3.3 million, which includes infrastructure costs, that could conceivably be offset by grants.

Chairman Proctor inquired if the only way to know that grants are available is if the property came under the government's ownership.

- County Administrator Long stated in some cases that will be the only way to obtain the grant funding.
- Dr. Seay stated the longer they wait, the more grants they are missing. She mentioned two different grant opportunities that were missed because of not owning the property. She stated her concern that the school house is continuing to deteriorate.
- O'Neil Bossman, Jackson 844 N. Macomb St., spoke in support of preserving the school house. He shared that it represents the history of the black community.
- Stanley Sims, 1320 Avondale Way, spoke in favor of preserving the school house as an investment in history.

- Max Epstein, 1001 San Luis Rd., spoke in support of purchasing the land to preserve the school house. He added that this is not only about preserving history but would be an economic development project to bring money into the County.

Chairman Proctor asked how much land area encompasses the \$3.3 million figure.

Vice-Chair Maddox also asked about purchasing the land.

- County Administrator Long stated that it would be difficult to buy just one piece of property. To have full possession and control of the school house, the two lots the school is on, plus an adjacent lot, would have to be purchased. The \$866,000 figure is the cost to buy the three parcels and get constructive possession of the school house.

Chairman Proctor asked the County Attorney about other methods to obtain the property, such as eminent domain and a motion to quiet title.

- County Attorney O'Steen stated that there is no basis to file an action to quiet title, as the survey and property line are clear. There has been no assertion over time that the property owner to the South has owned or used that portion of the school house on the property to the North. Eminent domain is the only legal proceeding that could be used to obtain the portion of the property to the North.

Commissioner Welch thanked Andy Johnson and staff for the work done on this issue and offered various scenarios about purchasing the properties. He stated, at a minimum, the County needs to purchase the Thomasville Road property. After the County purchases the property to the south of the school house it could sell a portion of it after the property line is redrawn. He asked the County Attorney if his ideas might be possible.

- County Attorney O' Steen confirmed the ideas are possible.

Commissioner Welch stated this is something that can be done if they are creative about it.

Vice-Chair Maddox asked how much money is in the contingency fund.

- Deputy County Administrator Rosenzweig stated about \$110,000.00.

Vice-Chair Maddox proposed a budget discussion item for the upcoming FY 2023 budget, because at the moment the money is not in the budget. He stated that history is important, but they also need to be very thoughtful about moving forward because \$3.3 million is a lot of money when there are other needs in the community.

Commissioner Cummings asked the County Attorney and County Administrator if they purchase the one parcel where the majority of the Lake Hall School sits, would they have the opportunity to apply for grant funds for that one piece of property.

- County Administrator Long stated that if the Board provided that direction, they can bring back options on how to do that, but it would exhaust the general fund contingency and require the County to go to other fund contingencies. The school house would still be partly owned by another property owner.

Commissioner Cummings inquired if the County would have the legal ability to apply for grants on the one piece of property where the majority of the school sits.

- County Attorney O'Steen replied that the County would have legal ownership and access to a portion of the school house, but not all of the school house. Also, there

is no easement for ingress and egress, and legal access to the project will be important for the grant application. The purchase of the Thomasville Road parcel would address the access issue.

Chairman Proctor asked the County Attorney if Florida Courts are favorable toward granting easements for owner access to property.

- County Attorney O'Steen stated that right now the property is residential property. Ingress and egress to residential property is different than the ingress and egress needed for the public to access a public building. Potentially, if you do not have access off Thomasville Road, the County would be looking to obtain ingress and egress rights along the existing private road. Another concern would be whether the existing private road can sustain the traffic from the public to access the school house property in accord with its public purpose.
- Senior Assistant County Attorney Dan Rigo further added that the challenge with legal access to the parcels is, first, that Handsome Quarters is a private road coming off of Lake Hall Road, and there are no ingress/egress easements of record that provide legal access. Second, off of Handsome Quarters is a small private drive that leads to the two parcels. The County would have to obtain the legal right of ingress and egress over those properties, and the physical condition of the road would have to be improved. These are the challenges the County would face if the Thomasville Road property is not purchased.

Commissioner Welch stated that the Thomasville Road property is crucial for access. He asked if the County could put the Thomasville Road property under contract in the hopes that the property owner will give them a prolonged period to work through budget issues.

- County Administrator Long stated the money will be available in October if the Board included it in the 2022/23 budget.

Vice-Chair Maddox expressed concern from the standpoint of budget constraints, and asked the County Administrator if there is a possibility to replenish fund balances.

- County Administrator Long stated this would be an accounting exercise to keep other fund balances and reserves consistent with state statues. He reiterated that purchasing the Thomasville Road property will not get the properties where the school house is situated.

Chairman Proctor asked if DOT would allow the County to build a public road.

- County Administrator Long replied that they would have to seek authorization from DOT.

Commissioner Jackson thanked Dr. Seay and the Friends of Lake Hall School. He felt that the County had done its due diligence. He expressed concern about funding the project, including facing the upcoming hurricane season without contingency funds. He stated he will support a budget discussion for Fiscal Year 2023. He asked if the County used eminent domain, would they lose the opportunity to apply for grant funds.

- County Attorney O'Steen stated yes.

Commissioner Minor asked about the historical preservation overlay.

- County Attorney O'Steen stated it would apply to the school structure itself, and any modifications to the structure would have to be approved first by the Architectural Review Board.

Commissioner Minor asked about the available financing tools, in terms of not buying the whole property at one time.

- County Administrator Long stated that the mechanics of these deals are not the issue, as the County frequently does complicated land deals. The issue is whether the Board wants to give the direction to appropriate the dollars.

Vice-Chair Maddox stated the County does not have the budget right now to deal with the project. He suggested a 12-month land lease on the Thomasville Road property to give the County time to talk through the budget for the project.

Chairman Proctor asked if the County would be considered the owners of the property under the lease.

- County Attorney O'Steen stated no, a lease will not convey title and ownership of the property.

Commissioner Dozier stated she does not support the idea of wiping out the contingency fund and going into the fund balance for the 2022 Fiscal Year. She stated there are many needs in the community and making a choice between core services and this project will be a real struggle. She expressed her concern on getting a budget discussion item before the June budget workshop. She asked the County Administrator if they can have it as a topic of discussion.

- County Administrator Long stated yes, they can bring it as a budget discussion item.

Commissioner Dozier asked about allowing public access once the properties are purchased.

- County Administrator Long stated there would be significant work required to make the properties accessible to the public.
- Dr. Seay stated public access would not be available for at least 2 years while restoration happens. She added she wants somebody to own the school so they can write the grants.

Chairman Proctor asked Dr. Seay if she has checked with the School Board about this matter.

- Dr. Seay stated yes, the School Board bought it in 1919 and closed it in the 60's.

Chairman Proctor stated the School Board has some responsibility in this matter.

Commissioner Dozier expressed her concern about the unknowns, such as insurance and providing access to the property to do the assessment work.

- County Attorney O'Steen stated the need to consider the County's obligation to maintain and secure the property for public invitees and for those who would utilize the property for their own purposes (non-invitees). Code compliance and ADA compliance are other obligations.

Vice-Chair Maddox offered a motion for Option #2, to allow staff to negotiate a land lease agreement with right of first refusal for the Thomasville Road property at a maximum of \$20,000 to be brought back for review, and to have a budget discussion item on the \$866,000 amount to own the property.

Commissioner Minor stated he supports the motion.

Commissioner Dozier asked for a summary of issues to consider in the future in the budget discussion item.

Commissioner Welch thanked everyone for the discussion and consideration.

Commissioner Cummings stated she supports the motion.

Commissioner Jackson stated he supports the motion.

Chairman Proctor expressed his concern that the School Board abandoned the property and believes the School District should have money to preserve the school.

Vice-Chair Maddox moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Welch, to approve Option #2: as amended: Accept the status report on three properties associated with Lake Hall School House preservation efforts and direct staff to present funding options, not to exceed \$900,000, for acquisition of the properties for the Board's consideration during the upcoming FY 2023 budget process; and direct staff to negotiate a land lease with first right of refusal with the 4664 Thomasville Road property owners at a maximum of \$20,000, and provide an agenda item for the Board's review. The motion carried 7-0.

19. Commissioner Appointments to the Value Adjustment Board

County Administrator Long introduced this item. He stated it seeks Board approval to appoint Commissioners to the Value Adjustment Board.

Commissioner Cummings moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Dozier, to approve Option #1: Full Board to appoint two commissioners, Vice-Chair Maddox and Commissioner Jackson, to the Value Adjustment Board for two-year terms ending April 30, 2024; and

Option #2: Full Board to select one of the two Commissioners appointed to the Value Adjustment Board, Vice-Chair Maddox, to serve as the Chair of the Value Adjustment Board. The motion carried 6-0 (Commissioner Jackson not attending telephonically).

20. Full Board Appointments to the Advisory Committee for Quality Growth

County Administrator Long introduced this item. It seeks the full Board's consideration of the appointment of citizens to the Advisory Committee for Quality Growth.

- Vice-Chair Maddox made a motion for Option #4 to appoint Jabaree Allen.
- Commissioner Dozier offered an amendment to add Option #5 to appoint Dr. Steven Karacic and to approve Options #1 through #3.
- Vice-Chair Maddox accepted the amendment.

Vice Chair Maddox moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Dozier, to approve Option #1: Reappoint one citizen, Elva Peppers, to Seat #2 on the Advisory Committee for Quality Growth as nominated by the Big Bend Contractors Association, for a three-year term ending on May 31, 2025; and

Option #2: Appoint one citizen, Heath Annin, to Seat #4 on the Advisory Committee for Quality Growth as nominated by the Associated Builders and Contractors, for a three-year term ending on May 31, 2025; and

Option #3: Reappoint one citizen, Michael Dobson, to Seat #8, a person who is employed by or represents a community-based environment-related organization, on the Advisory Committee for Quality Growth, for a three-year term ending on May 31, 2025; and

Option #4: Appoint one citizen, Jabaree Allen, to Seat #10, a resident of Leon County, on the Advisory Committee for Quality Growth, for a three-year term ending on May 31, 2025; and

Option #5: Appoint one citizen, Dr. Steven Karacic, to Seat #16, an archaeologist, on the Advisory Committee for Quality Growth, for a three-year term ending on May 31, 2025. The motion carried 6-0 (Commissioner Jackson not attending telephonically).

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS, 6:00 P.M.

21. First and Only Public Hearing to Consider Adopting a Proposed Ordinance to Repeal Section 18-142 of the Leon County Code of Laws Regarding Open Burning

County Attorney O'Steen introduced this item. As directed at the April 12, 2022, meeting, this item requests the Board to conduct the first and only public hearing to consider adopting a proposed Ordinance to repeal Section 18-142 of the Leon County Code of Laws regarding open burning.

Commissioner Dozier moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Welch, to approve Option #1: Conduct the first and only public hearing and adopt the proposed Ordinance repealing Section 18-142 of the Leon County Code of Laws, regarding open burning. The motion carried 6-0 (Commissioner Jackson not attending telephonically).

22. ~~REMOVED - First and Only Public Hearing to Consider adopting an Ordinance Amending the Official Zoning Map to Change the Zoning Classification from Manufactured Home and Single Family Detached (R-5) Zoning District to Office Residential (OR-2) Zoning district for the 11.07 Acres Located at 6034 W. Tennessee St.~~ County Administrator Long announced this item was removed from the agenda.

23. First and Only Public Hearing to Consider Adopting an Ordinance Amending Section 10-1.101 of the Land Development Code Entitled "Definitions," and Creating a New Section 10-7.545.1 Entitled "Electric Vehicle Charging Station Infrastructure and Electric Vehicle Parking Requirements"

County Administrator Long introduced this item. It requests the Board to conduct the first and only public hearing to consider adopting a proposed Electric Vehicle Ready

Ordinance. The intent of the proposed Ordinance is to facilitate the use of electric vehicles and to further the establishment of convenient, cost-effective electric vehicle infrastructure that will also accommodate future technology advancement.

- Dory Larsen, 1846 Lexington Place, Tarpon Springs, Electric Transportation Program Manager with the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy (SACE), spoke in support of the Ordinance. She discussed formula funds that the State of Florida is expected to receive, which will be allocated to communities along designated alternative fuel corridors, and spoke of additional grant funding.
- Meta Calder, 3740 Ravine Dr., League of Women Voters, spoke in support of the Ordinance. She stated the Florida League of Women Voters is very interested in promoting all efforts to ease and encourage the transition to clean energy.

Commissioner Minor spoke in support of the Ordinance. He commented on an email from Dr. J.R. Harding, who shared that EV's are not currently designed to be used by people with disabilities. In addition, EV's cost more than gas vehicles.

Commissioner Dozier made the motion to approve Option #1. She also thanked the County for the efforts to make gas stations more accessible for persons with disabilities. She thanked Sustainable Tallahassee for its public information.

Commissioner Cummings spoke in support of the Ordinance and talked about the demand for electric vehicles and preserving clean air.

Vice-Chair Maddox confirmed his vote with the majority on Item #21 and spoke in support of the Ordinance for Item #23.

Chairman Proctor stated his opposition to the measure. He expressed concern with the wording on Attachment #2, which states that the Comprehensive Plan has no goals, adjectives, or policies to explicitly reference electric vehicles charging stations. He wanted language that was equitable and inclusive of other districts.

Commissioner Dozier confirmed with Barry Wilcox, Director of DSEM, that the Ordinance will be in effect in the entire unincorporated area of the County for future commercial and multi-family development.

- Mr. Wilcox confirmed that the wording in question is a statement of the current condition, that it is only in Welaunee, but the Ordinance will apply throughout the unincorporated area.

Chairman Proctor asked if there are any other charging stations in the community.

- County Attorney O'Steen shared examples of charging stations at the Capitol and in the Courthouse.

- Mr. Wilcox shared that the Ordinance will apply to commercial development, multifamily development, and townhomes in the unincorporated area, and would compel EV readiness.

Commissioner Dozier moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Minor, to approve Option # 1: Conduct the first and only public hearing and adopt the proposed Ordinance amending Section 10-1.101 of the Leon County Land Development Code, entitled “Definitions” and creating a new Section 10-7.545.1, entitled “Electric Vehicle Charging Station Infrastructure and Electric Vehicle Parking Requirements.” The motion carried 5-1 (Chairman Proctor in opposition) (Commissioner Jackson not attending telephonically).

24. First of Two Public Hearings to Consider Adopting an Ordinance Amending Chapter 10 of the Land Development Code to Address Sign Regulations

County Administrator Long introduced this item. It requests the Board to conduct the first of two required Public Hearings to consider adopting an Ordinance that amends the Land Development Code to address sign regulations.

Commissioner Dozier moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Welch, to approve Option # 1: Conduct the first of two Public Hearings to consider adopting an Ordinance amending Chapter 10, the Land Development Code, to address the sign regulations, and schedule the second and final Public Hearing for June 14, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. The motion carried 6-0 (Commissioner Jackson not attending telephonically).

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD ON NON-AGENDAED ITEMS (3-minute limit per speaker; Commission may discuss issues that are brought forth by speakers.)

- Jeremy Block, 1109 E. 6th Ave., spoke in support of the gun buyback program. He provided facts about how the buyback program has worked in other communities.
 - Chairman Proctor thanked Mr. Block and commented on previous buybacks. He reflected on the gun shows held on the Southside every 3-4 months.
 - Commissioner Minor reflected on reducing gun violence and mentioned the efforts of the Sheriff with the CeaseFire Program, which is a non-traditional gun buyback program.

COMMENTS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

County Attorney O’Steen:

- Shared that there has been an opioid litigation settlement between the State of Florida and two different Walgreens entities. The deadline for local governments to participate in the settlement is June 3rd. She recommends the Board’s participation in the settlement.

Vice-Chair Maddox moved, duly seconded by Commissioner Welch, to approve the proposed Walgreens opioid litigation settlement. The motion passed 6-0 (Commissioner Jackson not attending telephonically).

County Administrator Long:

- None

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS

Chairman Proctor:

- Reflected on the recent opening of the Fort Braden History Walk trail.
- Discussed mid-term grades for the County Administrator, County Attorney, and Commissioners.
- Congratulated Matt Cavell for the receipt of 8 awards.
- Asked that the County promote the FAMU Developmental Research School (DRS) summer reading and writing skills program, and the Leon County School District summer school to combat pandemic learning loss.
 - County Administrator Long stated that information will be distributed via various County platforms.
- Thanked the Leon County Sheriff's Office for its protection.
- Requested a public service announcement highlighting the services provided by Elder Services and Big Bend Hospice.
- Passed the gavel to Vice-Chair Maddox and made a motion for an agenda item to consider renaming Cascades Park to Cascades Park at Smokey Hollow. He amended the motion to request a resolution supporting the renaming of Cascades Park.
 - Commissioner Cummings asked if the action would have to be in conjunction with the City of Tallahassee.
 - County Administrator Long stated it would have to be an action taken by the City, as it is within their jurisdiction.
 - Commissioner Dozier stated that the City is considering renaming the amphitheater and asked if that is under the County's jurisdiction.
 - County Administrator Long stated that the renaming of the amphitheater would also be under the City's jurisdiction.
 - Commissioner Dozier stated her support for the motion.

Chairman Proctor moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Maddox, to approve a resolution in support of renaming Cascades Park to Cascades Park at Smokey Hollow. The motion carried 5-0 (Commissioner out of Chambers) (Commissioner Jackson not attending telephonically).

- Chairman Proctor made a motion for a resolution to rename the Capital City Amphitheater at Cascades Park for Nathaniel and Julian Adderley.
 - Commissioner Dozier suggested an amendment to combine the two motions into one resolution.
- Chairman Proctor amended the motion to tie it to the previous motion.

Chairman Proctor moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Maddox, to add to the previously approved resolution in support of renaming Cascades Park to Cascades Park at Smokey Hollow, the renaming of the Capital City Amphitheater to the Nathaniel and Julian Adderley Amphitheater. The motion carried 5-0 (Commissioner out of Chambers) (Commissioner Jackson not attending telephonically).

- Thanked Kerri Post and Cristina Paredes for their excellent work at the National Economic Development Week and National Tourist Development Week luncheon.
- Commended City Commissioner Curtis Richardson for the buyback program for unused plots at the Southside Cemetery and the possible acquisition of 3 acres adjacent to the cemetery.

Vice-Chair Maddox:

- Commended the Chairman for running a great meeting and commended staff for the great job they do.
- Mentioned a recent accident on Highway 20 where a young lady was walking in the middle of the street at night, got hit, and died. He inquired if a flashing cross walk could be installed.
 - County Administrator Long stated that staff would evaluate the situation and provide information to the Commissioners.

Commissioner Minor:

- Announced the May 20th Emancipation Day event at the Knott House Museum presented by Riley Center & Museum and the Knott House Museum.
- Recognized Mac Kemp, Leon County EMS, for chairing Honor Flight Tallahassee.

Commissioner Cummings:

- Reported that the Children’s Services Council is moving forward with contracting for services for 2 months during the summer to help address the needs of children and families. Stated that the GAP analysis is expected within 30 days.
- Congratulated County Administrator Long, Matt Cavell, and staff for receiving 8 awards in communications and media.

Commissioner Jackson:

- (Not attending telephonically.)

Commissioner Welch:

- Commended Mac Kemp on the recent Honor Flight event, and thanked EMS staff.
- Thanked the Village Square for the Town Hall meeting last month.
- Congratulated the new Leadership Tallahassee Class.
- Wished good luck to 7 local high school baseball teams that will be playing in the regional state tournament this week.

Commissioner Dozier:

- Requested a proclamation celebrating June as Pride Month.

Commissioner Dozier moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Maddox, to approve a proclamation recognizing June as Pride Month. The motion carried 6-0 (Commissioner Jackson not attending telephonically).

- Requested an agenda item on expanding the notification requirements for large-scale Comprehensive Plan amendments and large-scale developments.

Commissioner Dozier moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Maddox, to request that staff provide an agenda item to evaluate expansion of the notification area for large-scale comprehensive plan

amendments and large-scale developments. The motion carried 6-0 (Commissioner Jackson not attending telephonically).

- Mentioned Boss Man Jackson for sharing his memories of celebrating Emancipation Day at Lake Hall.
- Recognized May as Celiac Disease Awareness Month and requested a proclamation for the Board meeting on June 14th.

Commissioner Dozier moved, seconded by Vice-Chair Maddox, to approve a proclamation recognizing May as Celiac Disease Awareness Month. The motion carried 6-0 (Commissioner Jackson not attending telephonically).

RECEIPT AND FILE:

- Leon County Research and Development Authority Financial Statements, Year ended September 30, 2021, and 2020 with Report of Independent Auditors
- Children’s Services Council of Leon County Quarterly Financial Report, 2nd Quarter FY 2022

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

ATTEST:



BY: Bill Proctor
Bill Proctor, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

BY: Gwendolyn Marshall Knight
Gwendolyn Marshall Knight, Clerk of Court
& Comptroller, Leon County, Florida