

City of Leesburg
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City Councilmembers

Billy Breeden, Mayor

David Daughtry, Mayor Pro Tem

Judy Powell Rufus Sherman

Jamie Baggett Amanda White

City Staff

Bob Alexander, City Manager

Bert Gregory, City Attorney

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Breeden called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The City Manager, City Attorney and all Councilmembers were present. Mayor Breeden led the pledge and Councilmember Powell led the prayer.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(A) Mayor Breeden asked for a motion to approve the minutes from November 5, 2024. Councilmember Sherman made a motion to approve the minutes. Mayor Pro Tem Daughtry seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

3. PUBLIC HEARING**4. NEW BUSINESS**

(A) City Manager Alexander presented a Zoning Ordinance Amendment for Article XVI Sign Regulations that included Billboards for the City of Leesburg. Developer Milan Patel offered to donate one 10 second face on each side to the community for the life of the board. Councilmember Powell made a motion to approve the Zoning Ordinance Amendment. Councilmember Baggett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

(B) Engineer Matthew Inman discussed Zoning Ordinance Amendment for Sec. 18.05 Design Standards. Councilmember White made a motion to approve the Zoning Ordinance Amendment. Councilmember Powell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

(C) Engineer Matthew Inman discussed the Zoning Ordinance Amendment for Sec. 2.04 Overlay District. Councilmember Sherman made a motion to approve the Zoning Ordinance Amendment. Mayor Pro Tem Daughtry seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

(D) Engineer Ed DiTommaso presented a proposal for Stormwater Utility Implementation, Phase II from Goodwyn Mills Cawood. Councilmember Powell made a motion to Table the proposal. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

(E) City Manager Alexander discussed a pedestrian and drainage easement located between Tallassee Trail and Trojan Way. Energy Conservation Builders, Inc. requested to donate this property to the City of Leesburg. Councilmember Powell made a motion to accept the easement. Councilmember White seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously approved.

(F) Chief Prokesh discussed the Alcohol Beverage License request from MAHAA10612 INC. located at 216 Walnut Ave S. Mayor Pro Tem Daughtry made a motion to approve the License. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

(G) City Manager Alexander discussed the reappointment of Jim Quinn to the Planning Commission Board. Mayor Pro Tem Daughtry made a motion to approve the reappointment. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

(H) City Manager Alexander discussed the need for an Accounting Technician Position and presented an Update of the Compensation and Classification Study that included the position of Accounting Technician. Councilmember Sherman made a motion to approve the Update to the Compensation and Classification Study. Mayor Pro Tem Daughtry seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

- (I) City Manager Alexander discussed the need to establish a Planning and Development Department that would include the functions of Planning, Zoning and Building Inspection. Councilmember Sherman made a motion to approve and move forward with establishing a Planning and Development Department. Mayor Pro Tem Daughtry seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.
- (J) Mayor Breeden announced the resignation of Councilmember Bush after 23 years of dedicated service to the City of Leesburg. Councilmember White made a motion to call for a Special Election for Post 3. Councilmember Baggett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

5. **CITY MANAGER'S MATTERS**

- (A) The City Manager discussed the Monthly Financial Report and indicated everything was within the Budget.
- (B) City Manager discussed the current projects.

6. **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

7. **GOVERNMENTAL BOARDS/AUTHORITIES.**

8. **COUNCIL MEMBER'S MATTER**

Councilmember Richard Bush resigned from the Council effective November 20, 2024 after twenty-three years of dedicated service to the City of Leesburg.

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

10. **CITY ATTORNEY'S MATTERS**

11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilmember Powell made a motion to go into executive session. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Councilmember Powell made a motion to come out of executive session. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Councilmember Powell made a motion saying that no action was taken and that the minutes be approved. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

12. **PUBLIC FORUM**

13. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Next Scheduled Council Meeting is January 7, 2025 at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers.

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember White made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Daughtry seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.