

**City Council Meeting
March 22, 2021
6:00 PM
Council Chambers**

The Regular Meeting of the Crestview City Council was called to order at 6:00 P.M. Members present were Shannon Hayes, Joe Blocker, Andrew Rencich, Cynthia Brown and Harry LeBoeuf. Also present were the honorable Mayor JB Whitten, City Clerk Elizabeth Roy, City Manager Tim Bolduc, City Attorney Mr. Holloway, department heads and members of the press.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Called to Order

This meeting was called to order by the Honorable Mayor Whitten at 6:00 p.m.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The invocation led by Pastor Edward Parker of First Church of God In Christ with the pledge led by Mr. LeBoeuf.

3. Open Policy making and legislative session

4. Approval of Agenda

Mayor Whitten asked if there were any changes or objections to the current Agenda.

There were no objections or changes to Agenda it was approved by unanimous consent.

5. Presentations and Reports

5.1 Presentation from Bob Sikes Elementary

Teachers and students that represent the Robotics Team of Bob Sikes Elementary recognized the volunteer work that Mr. Kyle Lusk, an employee of the City of Crestview, with their Robotics team. They presented Mr. Lusk with a plaque.

5.2 Special Presentation- Mayor Whitten

a. Main Street

Mayor Whitten presented the President Paul Lowery and Director Sandra Wilson with a Certificate of Recognition for achieving an accreditation for the Main Street Association.

Mr. Lowery gave remarks on receiving this recognition.

b. Councilmember LeBoeuf

Mayor Whitten presented Councilmember LeBoeuf with a Certificate of Appreciation for his work serving as a councilmember for the City of Crestview. He then presented Mr. LeBoeuf with a plaque and a presentation bouquet for his wife. Members of Council gave words of thanks to Mr. LeBoeuf.

6. Consent Agenda

6.1 Permission to apply for the 2021 Attorney General's Victim of Crime Act (VOCA) Assistance Grant

6.2 Agreement to Purchase Four (4) Parcels of Property

Mayor Whitten asked for action by Council.

A motion made by Mr. Blocker to approve the items on the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Mr. Rencich with 5 yeas from Mr. Blocker, Mr. Rencich, Ms. Brown, Mr. Hayes, Mr. LeBoeuf with 0 nays, motion carried.

7. Public Hearings- Ordinances on Second Reading

7.1 Ordinance 1809 Cherokee Nene Annexation

Mr. Duley, Planning Administrator asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 1809 by title.

Ms. Roy, City Clerk stated, "Ordinance 1809 reads by title,

ORDINANCE: 1809

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING TO THE CITY OF CRESTVIEW, FLORIDA, ± 2.04 ACRES OF CONTIGUOUS LANDS LOCATED IN SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 24 WEST, AND BEING DESCRIBED AS SET FORTH HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR LAND DESCRIPTION; PROVIDING FOR BOUNDARY; PROVIDING FOR LAND USE AND ZONING DESIGNATION; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT TO THE BASE, LAND USE AND ZONING MAPS; PROVIDING FOR A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT; PROVIDING FOR FILING WITH THE CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT OF OKALOOSA COUNTY, THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF OKALOOSA COUNTY AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; PROVIDING FOR LIBERAL INTERPRETATION; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING CODES AND ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This is the Second Reading of Ordinance 1809.”

Mr. Duley stated that on February 8, 2021 staff received an application to annex and to amend the comprehensive plan and zoning designations for property located at 5687 Cherokee Nene. The subject property is currently located within unincorporated Okaloosa County with a future land use and zoning designation of Rural Residential and Residential Rural, respectively. The Planning and Development Board recommended approval on March 1, 2021 and the first reading was on March 8, 2021.

Mayor Whitten asked for action by Council.

A motion made by Mr. Hayes to adopt Ordinance 1809 on Second Reading and move to signatures. Seconded by Mr. Blocker with 5 yeas from Mr. Hayes, Mr. Blocker, Ms. Brown, Mr. LeBoeuf, Mr. Rencich with 0 nays, motion carried.

7.2 Ordinance 1810 Cherokee Nene Comprehensive Plan Amendment

Mr. Duley asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 1810 by title.

Ms. Roy, City Clerk stated, “Ordinance 1810 reads by title,

ORDINANCE: 1810

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CRESTVIEW, FLORIDA, AMENDING ITS ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; PROVIDING FOR PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION FROM OKALOOSA COUNTY RURAL RESIDENTIAL TO RESIDENTIAL (R) ON APPROXIMATELY 2.04 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, IN SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 24 WEST; PROVIDING FOR FUTURE LAND USE MAP AMENDMENT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR SCRIVENER’S ERRORS; PROVIDING FOR LIBERAL INTERPRETATION; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING CODES AND ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This is the Second Reading of Ordinance 1810.”

Mr. Duley, Planning Administrator stated, the subject property is currently located within unincorporated Okaloosa County with a future land use and zoning designation of Rural Residential and Residential Rural, respectively. The application requests the Residential future land use designation for the property. The Planning and Development Board recommended approval on March 1, 2021 and the first reading was on March 8, 2021.

Mayor Whitten asked for action by Council.

A motion made by Mr. Blocker to adopt Ordinance 1810 on Second Reading and move to signatures. Seconded by Mr. LeBoeuf with 5 yeas from Mr. Blocker, Mr. LeBoeuf, Mr. Hayes, Ms. Brown, Mr. Rencich, with 0 nays, motion carried.

7.3 Ordinance 1811 Cherokee Nene Rezoning

Mr. Holloway, City Attorney conducted a swearing in before the reading of Ordinance 1811.

Mr. Duley, Planning Administrator asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 1811 by title.

Ms. Roy, City Clerk stated, "Ordinance 1811 reads by title,

ORDINANCE: 1811

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CRESTVIEW, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR THE REZONING OF 2.04 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, OF REAL PROPERTY, LOCATED IN SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 3 NORTH, RANGE 24 WEST, FROM THE OKALOOSA COUNTY RESIDENTIAL RURAL ZONING DISTRICT TO THE SINGLEFAMILY LOW-DENSITY (R-1) ZONING DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORITY; PROVIDING FOR THE UPDATING OF THE CRESTVIEW ZONING MAP; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; PROVIDING FOR LIBERAL INTERPRETATION; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING CODES AND ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This is the Second Reading of Ordinance 1811."

Mr. Duley, Planning Administrator stated that the subject property is currently located within unincorporated Okaloosa County with a future land use and zoning designation of Rural Residential and Residential Rural, respectively. The application requests the Single-Family Low-Density (R-1) zoning designation for the property. The Planning and Development Board recommended approval on March 1, 2021 and the first reading was on March 8, 2021.

Mayor Whitten asked for action by Council.

A motion made by Mr. Rencich to adopt Ordinance 1811 on Second Reading and move to signatures. Seconded by Mr. Blocker with 5 yeas from Mr. Rencich, Mr. Blocker, Mr. Hayes, Ms. Brown, Mr. LeBoeuf with 0 nays, motion carried.

7.4 Ordinance 1812 Green Street Alley Vacation

Mr. Duley, Planning Administrator asked the City Clerk to read Ordinance 1812 by title.

Ms. Roy, City Clerk stated, "Ordinance 1812 reads by title,

ORDINANCE: 1812

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CRESTVIEW, FLORIDA, VACATING AND ABANDONING THE UNDEVELOPED ALLEYWAY RUNNING ALONG THE NORTH SIDE OF LOTS 1 AND 9 OF BLOCK 111, TOWN OF CRESTVIEW, AS SHOWN ON THE PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 72, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF OKALOOSA COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR UPDATE OF THE CRESTVIEW BASE, ZONING AND LAND USE MAPS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR FILING OF THIS ORDINANCE

WITH THE CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT OF OKALOOSA COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This is the Second Reading of Ordinance 1812.”

Mr. Duley, Planning Administrator stated in Plat Book 1, Page 72. This is between what is now Industrial Drive and Green Street. The width is approximately 14 feet and runs approximately 252 feet in length. This platted alley has never been known to have been opened and in use for any purpose. Property owners along both sides of the alley have agreed to the vacation of this alley. If approved, the width of the alley would be split along the middle and granted to each adjacent property owner as per Florida State Statutes. The City has no known utilities of any kind within this easement and have no foreseeable need for this alley and are therefore in support of the vacating of this alley.

Mr. Rencich stated that he would be abstaining from voting due to a conflict of interest.

Mayor Whitten asked for action by Council.

A motion made by Mr. Hayes to adopt Ordinance 1812 on Second Reading and move to signatures. Seconded by Mr. LeBoeuf with 4 yeas from Mr. Hayes, Mr. LeBoeuf, Ms. Brown, Mr. Blocker with 0 nays and Mr. Rencich abstaining, motion carried.

8. Ordinances on First Reading

9. Resolutions

10. Action Items

11. City Clerk Report

12. City Manager Report

Mr. Bolduc presented information to Mr. Blocker concerning the annexation fees since waiving some of the annexation fees.

Mr. Bolduc spoke about the purchase of blight property to turn into affordable housing and spoke with the golf course management company and should be finalized this week.

He noted that the City will be available for a significant amount under the American Rescue Act.

13. Comments from the Mayor and Council

Mr. Blocker gave thanks to Jacobs for the level of service that they give to the City.

Mr. Hayes informed Council that the EDC (Economic Development Council) which is now One Okaloosa is hosting a tech event on April 14th.

Mayor Whitten informed Council that Main Street will be hosting the Triple B festival will be on the 27th unless there are weather issues.

Mr. LeBoeuf gave his final closing remarks concluding his time as a Councilmember.

14. Comments from the Audience

A Citizen of Crestview read to the Council a statement addressing decriminalization concerning a discussion that took place during the last Citizen's Advisory Committee.

15. Adjournment

This meeting was adjourned by Mayor Whitten at 6:48 p.m.

Elizabeth M. Roy
City Clerk

J B Whitten
Mayor

Minutes approve this ____ day of _____, 20__.