

Council Work Session for the City Of Lake City

MINUTES

September 28th, 2020

Attendees: Mayor Dodson, Mayor Pro Tem Sowell, Councilmember Hoover, Councilmember Craven, Councilmember Kyles, City Finance Director Tonya Tripp, The City Manager Chris Leighty

10:00 AM:

Meeting called to order by Mayor Dodson

New Business:

Mr. Bobby Patel representing the Shree Shaki Hindu Temple in Lake City asked to give a presentation pertaining to their fall religious event. Mr. Patel advised the Mayor and Council The festival starts on October 17th and would last nine days. He stated this is one of their most important festivals of the year. He stated over the nine days the Temple would have 2,000 to 3,000 worshipers attend. He stated the Temple would follow the CDC guidelines for mitigating COVID-19. These precautions would include spraying the facility every 30-45 minutes, mandatory for all persons to wear masks, checking everyone's temperature and having persons over the age of 65 come to worship at a different time. Mr. Patel assured the Mayor and Council there would be no fire works and the event would be held safely.

1. The City Manager briefed the Mayor and Council on the top three vendors for the Playground equipment for Lake City Community Park. Community Services Director had prepared a power point presentation with the final three bidders projects. All three were excellent proposals. The top three were Play South, Great Southern Company and Bliss Products. The next step in the selection process would to be an in-person meeting with each company and then present that information to council for final selection.
2. The City Manager advised the Mayor and Council the Health Insurance for the city employees was going to increase in cost between 12-15 percent. This would be an increase for the city of \$30,870.00. In addition, the Mayor

and Council was advised that through August 31st, 2020 the anticipated revenues were down \$147,734.22.

3. The City Manager discussed with the Mayor and Council hiring a cleaning service for City Hall. The City Manager stated he had met with Vanguard Cleaning Service and they could clean once a week. This was a needed service since the city was no longer being provided a trustee because of COVID. The Mayor and Council supported this initiative.
4. The City Manager advised the Mayor and Council he and the Community Services Director Eddie Robinson met with a street sweeper company, Sweeping Corporation of America to discuss the possibility of cleaning Lake City's streets two-four times a year depending on cost. A cost of approximately \$2,100.00 was submitted for each cycle. A cycle would take approximately three-four days to sweep all the city streets. The Mayor and Council supported this initiative.

Old Business: NONE

Adjournment:

Mayor Dodson made the motion to adjourn and the motion was approved unanimously and the meeting ended at 12:00 PM.