

1 TAVARES CITY COUNCIL
2 MINUTES

3
4 April 20, 2016

5 4:00 P.M.

6 TAVARES CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
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8 **COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT**

ABSENT

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10 Robert Wolfe, Mayor
11 Lori Pfister, Vice Mayor
12 Bob Grenier, Councilmember
13 Lisa Johnson, Councilmember
14 Kirby Smith, Councilmember
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16 **STAFF PRESENT**

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18 John Drury, City Administrator
19 Robert Q. Williams, City Attorney
20 Nancy A. Barnett, City Clerk
21 Lori Houghton, Finance Director
22 Lori Tucker, Human Resources Director
23 Richard Keith, Fire Department
24 Jacques Skutt, Director of Community Development
25 Stoney Lubins, Police Chief
26 Brad Hayes, Director of Utilities
27 Tammy Rogers, Director of Community Services
28 Bob Tweedie, Director of Economic Development
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31 **I. INVOCATION**

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33 Tom Cavanaugh, First Baptist Church of Mt. Dora gave the invocation and led those
34 present in the Pledge of Allegiance.
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36 **II. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Wolfe

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38 **III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Wolfe

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40 Mayor Wolfe asked if staff had any changes to the agenda. Mr. Drury said there were none.
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42 **MOTION**

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44 Kirby Smith moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Bob Grenier. The motion carried
45 unanimously 5-0.
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47 **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
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49 **Tab 1) Approval of Minutes for March 16, 2016**

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51 **MOTION**

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53 **Kirby Smith moved to approve the minutes of March 16, 2016 as submitted, seconded by**
54 **Lori Pfister. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.**

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56 Mayor Wolfe advised the audience that those who wished to speak to Council on any agenda
57 item should fill out a form and bring it to the City Clerk.

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59 **V.PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

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61 **SWEARING IN BY CITY ATTORNEY AND DISCLOSURE OF EX-PARTE CONTACTS**

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63 Attorney Williams noted there are quasi-judicial items that require swearing in and disclosure:
64 Tabs 5, 6, 7, and 8. He asked those who wished to stand and be sworn in.

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66 Attorney Williams asked Council to disclose any ex parte communications. Councilmember
67 Smith said he had spoken to someone on Tab 8 in Council Chambers and Mayor Wolfe said he
68 had also spoken to someone on that issue (the Boutique Hotel ordinance) in Council Chambers.
69 Vice Mayor Pfister said she had spoken to Mr. and Mrs. Hauserman outside of Council
70 Chambers on Tab 8.

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72 **VII. READING OF ALL ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS INTO THE RECORD**

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74 Ms. Barnett read the following ordinances by title only:

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ORDINANCE 2016-07

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78 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAVARES, FLORIDA, REZONING**
79 **APPROXIMATELY 2 ACRES OF PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE**
80 **NORTH SIDE OF DEAD RIVER ROAD, ADJACENT TO TIKI VILLAGE MOBILE**
81 **HOME PARK, FROM RMF-3 (RESIDENTIAL MULTI-FAMILY) TO RMH-P**
82 **(RESIDENTIAL MANUFACTURED HOME PARK); SUBJECT TO THE RULES,**
83 **REGULATIONS AND OBLIGATIONS ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TAVARES**
84 **COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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ORDINANCE 2016-08

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88 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAVARES, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE**
89 **TAVARES COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FUTURE LAND USE MAP 2020,**
90 **PROVIDING FOR A CHANGE OF FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION ON**
91 **APPROXIMATELY 2 ACRES OF PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED ON**
92 **THE NORTH SIDE OF DEAD RIVER ROAD, ADJACENT TO TIKI VILLAGE**
93 **MOBILE HOME PARK FROM MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO MOBILE**
94 **HOME; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND CONFLICTS; PROVIDING**
95 **FOR TRANSMITTAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

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ORDINANCE 2016-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAVARES, FLORIDA, REZONING APPROXIMATELY 180 ACRES OF VACANT UNDEVELOPED PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE WESTERLY END OF WOODLEA ROAD AND EAST OF PENINSULA DRIVE FROM PLANNED DEVELOPMENT TO RSF-A (RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY); SUBJECT TO THE RULES, REGULATIONS AND OBLIGATIONS ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TAVARES COUNCIL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ORDINANCE 2016-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAVARES, FLORIDA AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS BY ADDING A DEFINITION FOR A BOUTIQUE HOTEL UNDER CHAPTER 3, DEFINITIONS; BY AMENDING TABLE 8-2, PERMITTED AND SPECIAL USES UNDER CHAPTER 8 BY ADDING BOUTIQUE HOTELS AS A PERMITTED USE UNDER THE MU, CD, C-1, AND C-2 ZONING DISTRICTS; BY ADDING NOTE 31 TO TABLE 8-2 PROVIDING FOR REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO BOUTIQUE HOTELS; SUBJECT TO THE RULES, REGULATIONS AND OBLIGATIONS ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF TAVARES COUNCIL; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Wolfe asked if anyone in the audience opposed the three items on the Consent Agenda. There was no opposition.

MOTION

Bob Grenier moved to approve the Consent Agenda, Tab 2 [Approval of Agreement Amendment with Freedom Boat Club of Tampa Bay]; Tab 3 [Agreement with Dennis Schmitz as BBQ Contest Coordinator for Planes, Trains & BBQ Event]; and Tab 4 [Appointment of Dawn McDonald to MPO Committees – Technical Advisory and Bicycle Pedestrian] seconded by Kirby Smith. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.

IX. ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS – PUBLIC HEARING

(All Ordinances under First Reading are not discussed, unless otherwise noted, until the Second Reading)

FIRST READING – NONE

SECONDING READING

Tab 5) Ordinance #2016-07 – Rezoning of 2 Acres from RMF-3 to RMHP on the North Side of Dead River Road adjacent to Tiki Village to allow RV Park

Mr. Skutt said this application will allow the construction of an RV park to be associated with Tiki Village. The property is vacant and the conceptual plan shows 25 RV lots. Each lot will be

145 equipped with individual sewer, water, and electrical hookups. An approved site plan
146 demonstrating compliance with all applicable development regulations must be approved prior
147 to any construction. Fern Avenue will be upgraded to city specifications. Under the City's Land
148 Development Regulations an RV park is only permitted in a Mobile Home park zoning and only
149 if it is associated with a Mobile Home Park.

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151 The Planning & Zoning Board voted unanimously to recommend approval on March 17th and
152 staff recommends approval.

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154 Councilmember Smith asked if there will be a fence requirement between the RV Park and the
155 residential area. Mr. Skutt said there will be a landscape buffering requirement. Councilmember
156 Smith asked if the residents next to the rezoning were notified. Mr. Skutt confirmed and said
157 there had been no objections received.

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159 **MOTION**

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161 **Bob Grenier moved to approve Ordinance #2016-07, seconded by Kirby Smith. The**
162 **motion carried unanimously 5-0.**

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164 **Tab 6) Ordinance #2016-08 – Small Scale Future Land Use Map Amendment for 2 Acres**
165 **on the North Side of Dead River Road adjacent to Tiki Village from Medium Density**
166 **Residential to Mobile Home to allow RV Park**

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168 Mr. Skutt this ordinance accompanies the rezoning just approved. It will change the existing
169 designation of medium density residential to Mobile Home. This is the only compatible land use
170 designation with a mobile home park zoning. At the March 17th meeting the Planning & Zoning
171 Board voted unanimously to recommend approval and staff recommends approval.

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173 **MOTION**

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175 **Bob Grenier moved to approve Ordinance #2016-08, seconded by Lisa Johnson. The**
176 **motion carried unanimously 5-0.**

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178 **Tab 7) Ordinance #2016-09 – Rezoning of 180 Acres at the Westerly End of Woodlea Road**
179 **(Peninsula PUD) from Planned Development to RSF-A (Low Density Residential)**

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181 Mr. Skutt said the application will revoke the PUD designation that is part of the old Peninsula
182 PUD that was passed in 1993 and rezone it to RSF-A (Residential Single Family Dwelling –
183 Three Dwellings Units per acre). He said in 2014 the City adopted Ordinance #2014-15 which
184 created a time limit for the development of approved Planned Developments. It also provided for
185 the automatic revocation of Planned Developments that failed to develop within prescribed
186 deadlines, and provided that City Council shall take action to rezone the subject property to the
187 lowest density zoning designation consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

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189 The Peninsula PUD approved in 1993 consisted of 500 homes of varying types. Other than the
190 18 lakefront lots in Phase 1, the project was not constructed and portions of the land were sold
191 off. The PUD time limit has expired and the original owner Gorgeous Groves, no longer has
192 unified control over their entire parcel. Gorgeous Groves has consented to a city initiated

193 rezoning of the westerly 213 acres of the PUD in 2015. He noted the property is owned by
194 Caldwell Citrus Grove Management who own the remaining PUD lands zoned under the
195 Peninsula PUD. They have consented in writing to the City to allow the rezoning to RSF-A
196 which is the lowest intensity and zoning that is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.
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198 The Planning & Zoning Board voted to recommend approval on March 17th and city staff
199 recommends approval.
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201 Mayor Wolfe asked if in the future someone purchases the land, can they request a rezoning.
202 Mr. Skutt confirmed.
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204 **MOTION**

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206 **Lori Pfister moved to approve Ordinance #2016-09, seconded by Bob Grenier. The**
207 **motion carried unanimously 5-0.**
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209 **Tab 8) Ordinance #2016-10 – Amendment to Land Development Regulations, Chapter 3,** 210 **Definitions and Chapter 8 – Zoning Regulations for Boutique Hotel in Mixed Use** 211 **Downtown, C1 and C2 Zoning Districts** 212

213 Mr. Skutt advised that this amendment will define, create, and provide governing regulations for
214 Boutique Hotels. He said a definition for Boutique Hotels is not included the current City Land
215 Development Regulations and was not contemplated as a permitted land use when those
216 regulations were developed.
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218 Mr. Skutt said a request has been received to allow Boutique Hotels within the City. Boutique
219 Hotels have become increasingly popular in communities that are working to attract
220 sophisticated tourists with varied interests. The ordinance defines Boutique Hotels and limits the
221 size to a maximum of 25 guest rooms. The proposed ordinance will allow Boutique Hotels in the
222 Mixed Use, in Commercial Downtown, in General Commercial, and in Highway Commercial
223 Districts. It provides regulations specifying time restrictions for outside functions when the hotel
224 is located in the Mixed Use District and addresses maximum noise levels, parking and site plan
225 requirements. He listed some of the functions that would be allowed and specific time
226 constraints.
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228 The Planning & Zoning Board voted unanimously to recommend approval with the further
229 recommendation that outdoor events and functions be removed as a permitted use associated
230 with Boutique Hotels and that outdoor events instead be subject to the City's special event
231 permitting process. At the Planning & Zoning Board meeting there were a number of citizens
232 who live and own property adjacent or near the Duncan House who objected to this ordinance.
233 In summary, their objections were based on past experience when the Duncan House was
234 operating, especially with the outside events and the noise generated.
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236 Staff recommends approval of the ordinance as it is presented. The ordinance applies city-wide.
237 The objections received were confined to one location only, premised on the assumption that
238 the Duncan House would be converted to a Boutique Hotel and that the business would not
239 comply with the regulations provided by the ordinance.
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241 Staff offers three options to Council:

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- 243 1. Move to approve Ordinance #2016-10 as presented
- 244 2. Move to approve an amended Ordinance #2016-10 as proposed by the Planning &
245 Zoning Board which would include the removal of outdoor events and functions, and
246 have Special Events be permitted under the current process.
- 247 3. Move to deny Ordinance #2016-10

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249 Vice Mayor Pfister asked how many special events can be requested per year. Mr. Skutt said
250 there are no limits. Vice Mayor Pfister asked the criteria for approving the special event and who
251 approves. Mr. Skutt said that staff does the approval and the criteria involves having 300 or
252 more people. Staff may set other conditions during this process and City Council may have to
253 approve road closings or in kind services. Ms. Pfister asked the charge. Mr. Skutt responded
254 that he believed there is a \$250 application fee for events outside of the Downtown
255 Entertainment District.

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257 Audience to Speak

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259 Pike Hamlin – 111 South Disston Avenue

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261 Mr. Hamlin said he thought this issue had been resolved at the Planning & Zoning meeting with
262 regard to the difficulty of controlling the noise issue with the noise ordinance only. He said he
263 has no issue with it being a Boutique Hotel but the way the ordinance is worded it will be
264 Boutique Hotel/Event Venue. He said the outdoor receptions and large weddings will be a
265 nuisance to the neighborhood. He said the Pavilion is only 150 feet away and is having outdoor
266 weddings and receptions now on the pier so there will now be outdoor weddings at the Duncan
267 House in addition to the pier. He said he believed that Mixed Use was supposed to be low
268 density commercial activity. He said at the Planning and Zoning meeting there was no one
269 present as a proponent of the ordinance.

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271 Mr. Hamlin added he could not attend the last City Council meeting as his mother had passed
272 away that day. He said he was bothered that the staff was recommending to overrule the group
273 of citizens and the unanimous recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Board.

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275 Gail Heneghan – 512 Lake Dora Drive

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277 Ms. Heneghan said Mr. Hamlin had done a good job explaining the issue. She said she was
278 sorry that Ms. Graham and Mr. Zinkiewicz were not present at the Planning & Zoning Board
279 meeting. She said staff had not listened to all of the complaints from approximately 2008 to
280 2013 regarding the disturbing noise issue at the Duncan House which was not addressed by the
281 City until it ceased in 2013 with a letter from the City Attorney. She said staff has now created
282 an ordinance to make it legal. She asked Council to consider the residents and look on both
283 sides of the issue.

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285 Kay Hauserman – 504 Lake Dora Drive

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287 Ms. Hauserman said she lives next to the Duncan House and she feels it is not just the Duncan
288 House being discussed as the ordinance proposed affects other areas. She said she believed

289 Mixed Use is not appropriate for this particular type of hotel because of outdoor events they
290 want to have. She said the city has a number of Mixed Use areas that still have residents. The
291 businesses that have gone up in those areas are attorney offices, or accountants, probate
292 officers, etc. where at the end of the day when they leave, those buildings are vacant and the
293 residents can enjoy the neighborhood and not be disturbed by noise.

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295 Mark Zinkiewicz

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297 Mr. Zinkiewicz said he and Ms. Graham are still activity pursuing working with the Duncan
298 House and moving forward and at the very least trying to save it from its current condition as a
299 historic landmark in Tavares. He said he understands the position of adjacent neighbors,
300 however, he cannot be held hostage to what was done in the past and he did not feel that was
301 fair. He said he believed they have clearly stated their vision for the Duncan House. He said
302 they run a similar high end Boutique Hotel in Maine and have the same business model in mind
303 for the Duncan House. He said if they acquire the property they will abide by the City's
304 ordinances. He said they will need outside events to make the plan work.

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306 Heather Graham

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308 She said what has prompted this issue is the Duncan House however she said they have
309 observed several properties that may work well for a Boutique Hotel. She said one of the issues
310 is how events are defined and she discussed other examples having to do with noise and
311 outside parties/events. She said the Duncan House will be a tremendous financial undertaking
312 and will require more than six rooms and will require events to make it viable.

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314 Council Comment

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316 Councilmember Smith asked if the residents were consulted when the ordinance was written.
317 Mr. Skutt said they were not consulted but they were notified of the Public Hearings.
318 Councilmember Smith said he thought the City had told the residents they would be allowed to
319 come in and have input on the ordinance. Mr. Drury said the input was received on the rezoning
320 of the land, and today is the input on the Boutique Hotel. Councilmember Smith reiterated that
321 he thought they would be invited to help with the creation of an ordinance.

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323 Mr. Skutt said he did not interpret it that way. He said he thought the Planning & Zoning Public
324 Hearing served that function as they had given the residents the opportunity to give input.

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326 Councilmember Smith said if this ordinance passes and if there is a problem with the noise
327 issue, would there be an "out." Mr. Skutt said complaints about the noise levels would have to
328 be directed to the Police. Councilmember Smith asked if the ordinance could be amended by
329 Council if there are problems with persons not abiding by the rules. Mr. Skutt confirmed.

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331 Mayor Wolfe asked what time the noise ordinance stops for single family residences. Chief
332 Lubins said about 10:00 p.m. He said if there is noise that is deemed a nuisance it would be
333 inappropriate for any time frame and the Police can take action. He said it depends on the type
334 and nature of the noise, if it is repetitive and it can be enforced in Mixed Use.

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336 Vice Mayor Pfister said she is not happy with the Mixed Use Zoning and she believed it has

337 opened up a lot of problems. She said when she realized the Duncan House could become a
338 Drug Rehab Center it was a concern, as it was unfair for people who bought their houses in
339 what they believed, was residential. She said she had to respect the recommendation of the
340 Planning & Zoning Board to require a special permit for any outdoor events.

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342 **MOTION**
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344 **Lori Pfister moved for Option 2, to approve the Planning & Zoning Board’s**
345 **recommendation [to include the removal of outdoor events and functions as a permitted**
346 **use and to address those events through the regular special event process].**
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348 **The motion failed for lack of a second.**
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350 Councilmember Grenier said Council needed to consider everyone’s perspective and that
351 Council needed to make this buildable viable. He said there are some great people on both
352 sides of the issue who will follow the rules and will be courteous neighbors.

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354 **MOTION**
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356 **Bob Grenier moved to approve Option 1, Ordinance #201610 as presented, seconded by**
357 **Kirby Smith. The motion carried 3-2 as follows:**
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359 Robert Wolfe	No
360 Lori Pfister	No
361 Bob Grenier	Yes
362 Lisa Johnson	Yes
363 Kirby Smith	Yes

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365 **X. GENERAL GOVERNMENT**
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367 **Tab 9) Conversion of Overhead Cable to Underground Cable on Ruby Street**
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369 Mr. Drury showed slides of Ruby Street showing overhead lines. He said the Tavares
370 Redevelopment Master Plan that was developed by the citizens with the City Council, called for
371 the burial of overhead utility lines along primary streets (Page 111, Task #31 of the MP). The
372 Ruby Street Stormwater and Beautification Plan is designed to improve and protect water
373 quality in the downtown and into the lakes. The relocating of the existing overhead electrical
374 lines and removing the poles will provide stormwater ready infrastructure while contributing to
375 the beautification plan. The suggestion is to consider whether this is the time to bury the lines
376 while the Ruby Street construction project is underway. The total estimated cost is around
377 \$500,000. The debt service if borrowed for 10 years would be around \$62,000 a year and the
378 impact on the millage would be .091 mils. He noted there are options:

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380 1. Budget for the debt service portion of \$62,000 in the next fiscal year beginning October
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382 2. Assess all of the property owners along Ruby Street over the 10 year period with an
383 annual assessment of around \$4,396
384 3. Increase the millage rate to pay for the \$500,000

385 4. Not bury the lines

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387 Audience to Speak
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389 Alex Cooke of Key West Resort stated they have three buildings on Ruby Street. He said this is
390 an opportunity to aggressively complete the stormwater project in a reasonable amount of time.
391 He discussed a similar situation with a resort on SR 192 that he managed, where many years
392 were spent redeveloping the highway in front of the resort which was difficult. He said
393 businesses can only survive so long in a hostile environment. He said he would like to see the
394 power lines buried sooner rather than later.

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396 Councilmember Smith asked Mr. Cooke if he supported option 2 (assessment of each building
397 \$4,396 per year for 10 years). Mr. Cooke said he was not in favor of that.

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399 Janet Noack, Tavares Chamber of Commerce
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401 Ms. Noack said the Board voted to be in support of this movement for the overhead lines to be
402 put underground. She said she felt it would be a prudent thing to do at this time. She said she
403 had been hearing very positive comments from visitors and this project will help the businesses.
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405 Freddie Belton, Business Owner
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407 Mr. Belton said he came to Tavares to teach in 1971 and he began to look at the future of
408 Tavares at that time. He discussed the properties he had purchased over the years which he
409 had done based on his belief in the city's future. He said when Mr. Drury started with the city he
410 began attending the meetings that he set up. Subsequently he opened up the Ruby Street Grille
411 which became the second largest restaurant. He said as they progressed with renovations he
412 decided to put electrical service underground. He encouraged Council to approve the
413 underground lines now as it will be much more expensive in the future.
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415 Mayor Wolfe spoke in support. Councilmember Smith said he was concerned that monies were
416 not saved during the past 10 years for this project.
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418 Councilmember Smith asked how much money had been added to the project. Ms. Houghton
419 said the estimated project is about 4.2 million for Phase 1 which includes the pond and Ruby
420 Street and the drainage improvements from Main Street. Councilmember Smith asked why
421 conduits could not be run first. Discussion followed.
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423 Mr. Drury said he and Mr. Hayes are working with the grant agencies for more contributions for
424 the project. He said staff will not do a closing the loan if it is approved until the budget is
425 approved. Councilmember Smith noted he approved handling it in the budgeting process.
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427 Mr. Drury said if Council authorizes the staff to move forward, he feels optimistic that during the
428 budget season, staff will be coming back with a lower number.
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430 Vice Mayor Pfister said she is in favor of this project. She said she has been on Council for 10
431 years and feels that the City has worked very smart on its projects. Vice Mayor Pfister asked for
432 more information on the options and what option was the smartest. Mr. Drury said Option 1

433 authorizes staff to move forward with the project and during the upcoming budget there will be
434 an estimated \$62,000 figure for the debt service associated with burying the lines. He said if
435 approved today, staff will include the figure in the budget and move forward with plans to bury
436 the line, but will wait to instigate it until the budget is approved. He said the effect on the millage
437 rate would be .091 mils.

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439 Attorney Williams noted this is a planning tool only for budgeting purposes. Council is not voting
440 to increase the millage at this meeting.

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442 Jim Elrodt, West Main Street

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444 Mr. Eldrodt noted there were meetings regarding landscaping on Main Street before Mr. Drury
445 joined the City. Phase 1 was done but Phase 2 was not done, and then the focus was on Ruby
446 Street. He said he was in favor of burying the power lines but he hoped the city would not forget
447 the west part of Main Street.

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449 Mr. Drury noted monies have been spent on the west side in paving dirt roads and adding
450 sidewalks. He agreed that more improvements need to be made. He reviewed the various
451 projects that have been completed.

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453 **MOTION**

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455 **Bob Grenier moved to approve Option 1, to authorize staff to move forward with the**
456 **undergrounding of the overhead lines with funding option 1; issue debt in the amount of**
457 **\$500,000 plus cost of issuance with estimated annual debt service of \$62,726 and**
458 **increase the FY 2017 Ad Valorem millage rate to offset the cost for debt service**
459 **payments, with the addition that staff will stay aggressive on pursuing grants. The**
460 **motion was seconded by Lori Pfister. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.**

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462 **Tab 10) Date of November Meeting**

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464 Ms. Barnett advised that the Election Supervisor's office has notified the city that the
465 Canvassing Board meeting for the 2016 General Election will be taking place at a later date this
466 year in expectation of a large voter turnout. The official certificate of results will not be received
467 until Friday November 18th. As the regular meeting is scheduled now for November 16th, staff is
468 recommending to select an alternate date such as November 21, November 22, or November
469 23rd. November 23rd will be the 4th Wednesday of the month.

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471 Councilmember Smith suggested having the one November meeting on November 2nd and
472 having the next meeting on December 7th. Attorney Williams said the charter says that the new
473 officers take place at the next meeting after the general election. Ms. Houghton said this may
474 affect some of the finance processes with regard to year end.

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476 **MOTION**

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478 **Kirby Smith moved to have one meeting in November (November 2nd) with the next**
479 **regular meeting with the new Council to be the first meeting in December (December 7),**
480 **seconded by Lori Pfister. The motion carried unanimously 5-0.**

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Tab 11) Acceptance of CDBG grant

Ms. Rogers said this is an Interlocal agreement with Lake County for the accepting of the allocation for this funding cycle. She said Mr. Aldrich applied for the grant and the city was awarded \$75,000 for building restrooms at the Tavares Nature Park which has been part of the management plan for that park for many years. The city will need to budget \$50,000 in the upcoming fiscal year to supplement the grant in order to build vandalism proof restrooms with stainless steel fixtures. She said the project has not been bid out so it may come in at a lower price.

MOTION

Lori Pfister moved to approve and enter into the Interlocal agreement between Tavares and Lake County relating to the 2015-2016 allocation of CDBG funds of \$75,000 to be used for the Tavares Nature Park restroom project, seconded by Kirby Smith. The motion was approved unanimously 5-0.

XI. OLD BUSINESS

XII. NEW BUSINESS

Vice Mayor Pfister said she had been contacted by Fox Run residents regarding access to the new Publix by golf cart. Attorney Williams said it would have to be some way other than State Road 19.

Mr. Drury said staff will look at that request.

XIII. AUDIENCE TO BE HEARD

Betty Burleigh, 214 N. Hampshire Avenue, asked how many city attorneys that Council thought we have had since 1925. Ms. Burleigh said there have only been three. She said the first attorney was Royal Hamlin who served until 1956 when Carl Duncan became the attorney. Carl Duncan served until 1984 and the present attorney, Bob Williams, has served since April of 1984 and has been here for 32 years.

XIV. REPORTS

Tab 14) City Administrator

- Noted the monthly Library Meeting is now at 2:30 p.m.

Economic Development Director

Mr. Tweedie reminded those present of the upcoming event weekend which is a combination of the annual Planes, Trains and BBQ with the Spring Seaplane Fly In, along with the traditional car show, two air shows, the BBQ competition (28 teams signed up) and 16 vendors. There will be an aviation themed movie in Council Chambers at 5 p.m. and a FAA Pilot Safety Seminar.

529 Mr. Tweedie introduced Cherie Moan, the new Events Coordinator and Joseph Maynard, the
530 new Aviation Supervisor.

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532 **Community Services Director**

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534 Ms. Rogers discussed the excitement of the new lights at Woodlea fields
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536 **City Attorney**

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538 Attorney Williams noted the closing on the Quonset Hut property will be this week. He said that
539 when he started in 1984, Council had an elected mayor who was Gene Glenn and some of the
540 people he served with became dignitaries in Lake County, i.e. Sandy Minkoff, Richard Swartz,
541 Jimmy Conner, Robert Moore, Lillian Burd, and Tommy Tamsett.

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543 **Tab 15) Council Reports**

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545 **Vice Mayor Pfister**

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547 Thanked Mayor Wolfe for the work he had done on the bricks for the limelight project.
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549 Mr. Drury noted Chris Thompson had also volunteered his time over the weekend to help the
550 Mayor and finish the project. The ribbon cutting is May 13th.

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552 **Councilmember Grenier**

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554 Councilmember Grenier said the ribbon cutting will be fun. He said with Publix coming in on SR
555 19, the Horizon Team for the south side of Tavares is planning for another Master Plan.

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557 Councilmember Grenier said while he was in Chicago he had appreciated reading the positive
558 emails. He said Mr. Drury has been a great asset to the City and he appreciated Mr. Drury's
559 communications to Council on everything going on in the City.

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561 **Councilmember Johnson**

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563 Councilmember Johnson said this Friday in the downtown there will be a fundraiser for the Best
564 Buddies which is a social inclusion group for people with intellectual and disabilities through one
565 on one friendships through Tavares Middle School. She said it will be similar to a Pub and Grub
566 Crawl. There will be a tent set up at O'Keefe's to buy a wrist band.

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568 **Councilmember Smith**

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570 Councilmember Smith thanked the Chamber of Commerce for their golf event.

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572 He said today is National Cheddar Fry day and on this day in 1861 General Robert E. Lee
573 retired from the U.S. Army to join the Northern Army of Virginia.

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575 Councilmember Grenier added today is National Pineapple Upside Down Cake day.
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577 **Mayor Wolfe**

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579 Mayor Wolfe thanked the audience for its participation in this meeting.

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581 **ADJOURNMENT**

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583 There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

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585 Respectfully submitted,

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589 Nancy A. Barnett, MMC

590 City Clerk