

# CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

321 WALNUT STREET, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2023 – 7:10 PM



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## MINUTES

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Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – **Council Member Johnson**

Roll Call

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Connie Butler, Vice Mayor Steven Kelley, Council Member Ed Gaw, Council Member Matt Johnson, Council Member Thomas Smith

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:** L.J. Arnold, III, City Attorney, Steve Kennedy, City Manager, Mike Null, Assistant City Manager, Erin West, City Clerk

Mayor to call on members of the audience wishing to address the Council on matters not on the Agenda.  
No comments

### AWARDS & RECOGNITION

1. Proclamation: Lineman Appreciation Day  
Vice Mayor Kelley invites the GCS Electric Department to the front of the room where he reads the proclamation and presents it to Electric Director Andy Yeager.
2. Presentation of a check from the Northeast Florida League of Cities to the Friends of Augusta Savage Arts & Community Center. **Mayor Butler**  
Mayor Butler presents the check to the Augusta Savage Clothes Closet at Charles E. Bennett Elementary school from the Northeast Florida League of Cities.

### PUBLIC HEARINGS

3. First Reading of Ordinance O-23-2023 regarding proposed Landscape Ordinance Revisions. **Michael Daniels**  
City Attorney Arnold reads Ordinance No. O-23-2023 by title.  
Development Services Director Michael Daniels presents on the ordinance.  
Mayor Butler opens the public hearing.  
Brian Cook 840 St. Johns Ave. GCS speaks for the ordinance.  
Following no further comments, Mayor Butler closes the public hearing.  
Council discussion followed concerning the ordinance.

**Motion to approve on first reading of Ordinance No. O-23-2023 regarding revisions to the Landscape Ordinance for form and legality.**

Motion made by Council Member Smith, Seconded by Council Member Johnson.

Voting Yea: Mayor Butler, Vice Mayor Kelley, Council Member Gaw, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Smith

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## CONSENT AGENDA

All matters under the consent agenda are considered to be routine by the city council and will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. There will be no separate discussion on these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately. Backup documentation and staff recommendations have been previously submitted to the city council on these items.

Assistant City Manager Mike Null pulled item 8.

### **Motion to approve Consent Agenda items 4 through 7.**

Motion made by Vice Mayor Kelley, Seconded by Council Member Smith.

Voting Yea: Mayor Butler, Vice Mayor Kelley, Council Member Gaw, Council Member Johnson, Council Member Smith

4. City Council approval of the Lineman Appreciation Day Proclamation. *Erin West*
5. City Council approval a Purchase Order to AIR-Max Heating & cooling, Inc to replace the AAON unit at the Police Department in the Amount of \$125,657.00. *Steve Thomas*
6. City Council approval to surplus old items in the public works yard. *Steve Thomas*
7. City Council approval of Pay Application #11 from EltonAlan, Inc. for construction of the Palmetto Trail Project in the amount of \$76,307.46 from the amended contract amount of \$1,551,660.92, leaving a balance of \$140,934.69 in the contract. *Mike Null*
8. City Council approval two task orders to Kimley-Horn in a total not-to-exceed amount of \$14,500 to prepare two FDOT Beautification Grant Applications for landscape improvements on Orange Ave and Walnut St. *Mike Null*  
Assistant City Manager Mike Null advises FDOT will fund the medians within their normal work contract and the City will not need the grant for that project.  
Mr. Null advises the Walnut Street project will not meet the grant requirements.

## COUNCIL BUSINESS

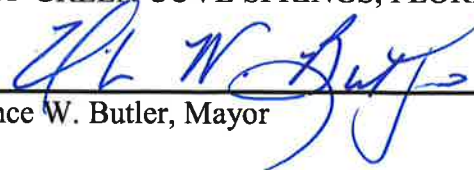
9. City Manager & City Attorney Reports / Correspondence  
The City Manager and City Attorney made comments regarding various city activities, events, operations, and projects.
10. City Council Reports / Correspondence  
The City Council made comments regarding various city activities, events, operations, and projects.

### Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

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CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA

  
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Constance W. Butler, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Erin West, City Clerk