



CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, September 21, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Dowless opened the special City Council meeting at 6:30 p.m.

The following attendance is noted:

Attendees

Ray Bagshaw, Mayor
John Dowless, Council President
Neil Powell, DDS, Council Member
Pam Henley, Council Member
Michael Hendrix, Council Member

Absent

Dan Drummond, Council Member

Staff

Bea L. Meeks, City Clerk
Chris Francisco, Police Chief
Drew Smith, City Attorney
Administrative Assistant Sandy Riffle
Shannon Patterson, Police Clerk/Accreditation Manager
Sgt. John Freeburg

City Clerk Meeks reported that Council Member Drummond would not be at the meeting, as he is out of the Country. City Clerk Meeks requested a Motion to excuse Council Member Drummond's absence.

Council Member Powell made the Motion to excuse Council Member Drummond from the meeting; Seconded by Council President Dowless. Unanimously approved (4/0).

Council President Dowless requested to change the order of the agenda and add a 14/15 budget amendment. Council President Dowless said that he wanted to get the market analysis paid for in the 14/15 FY budget. He said this is the first step in the process provided by the Urban Land Institute. Council President Dowless provided Council with a summary of the proposal (previously provided in another Council meeting). Mayor Bagshaw asked Council President Dowless to explain reimbursable expenses. It was agreed that Mayor Bagshaw and Council President Dowless will get Florida Economical Advisors to provide what reimbursable expenses are. Council Member Henley thought the first step was finding out what the residents/public wanted. Council President Dowless said the market analysis will help the City in getting an idea of what they want and the analysis will provide if the vision is feasible. Council President Dowless said that the analysis will be for highest and best used based on the City's best economic potential. Council Member Henley said she is concerned because she thought the City needed public support first. Council President Dowless noted that a visioning hasn't been established to provide to the public for their support. Mayor Bagshaw noted that in the past, the City has gone through this process and then stopped. He said the final step in this process is to get a company to go out and market the City. The Mayor said he wanted Council to understand that this is an ongoing process and if you stop during the process then it breaks the link. Mayor Bagshaw said he thinks the City is looking at expending a maximum of sixty thousand dollars in the next three years. He said until the market analysis is done the City may find they don't want to go any further. City Attorney Smith said include the funds for Council President Dowless' proposal in the current 14/15 fiscal year budget, create a line item and then roll-over the unused funds into 15/16 fiscal budget.

Resident Ella Slesnick asked what would be the benefit to the residents to do the analysis. Council President Dowless explained the Urban Land Institute's involvement with the market analysis. Council President Dowless said the back door into the City looks good but the front door needs improvement. Mayor Bagshaw explained that redevelopment can increase property values. Mrs. Slesnick said it sounds like a win-win situation.

Council President Dowless made the Motion to amend the budget to approve funds not to exceed \$10,000; Seconded by Council Member Henley. Unanimously approved (4/0).

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| ORDINANCES – FIRST READING & PUBLIC HEARING |
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- **Ordinance 2015-07** - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING SECTION 62-57 (REGULATION STANDARDS OF DISABLED VEHICLES) OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD CODE OF ORDINANCES TO CLARIFY THE LOCATIONS AND CIRCUMSTANCES IN WHICH DISABLED VEHICLES MAY BE PARKED ON THE SIDE OR REAR OF A STRUCTURE; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

City Clerk Meeks provided the first reading of Ordinance 2015-07. City Attorney Smith explained that the Ordinance cleans up some discrepancy of structures and lot lines and distinguishes the definition for "yard". Mayor Bagshaw said the Ordinance was cleaning up some issues that Code Enforcement had concerns with and needed clarity.

Council Member Powell made the Motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2015-07; Seconded by Council President Dowless.

Council President Dowless opened for public hearing. There were no comments from the public.

The Motion passed with the following roll-call vote (4/0):

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| <i>Council Member Hendrix</i> | <i>Favor</i> |
| <i>Council President Dowless</i> | <i>Favor</i> |
| <i>Council Member Powell</i> | <i>Favor</i> |
| <i>Council Member Henley</i> | <i>Favor</i> |
| <i>Council Member Drummond</i> | <i>Absent</i> |

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-06: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE FINAL LEVY OF AD VALOREM TAXES UPON THE ASSESSED REAL AND BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX ROLLS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015/2016, BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2015 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

City Clerk Meeks provided the second/final reading of Ordinance 2015-06.

Council Member Powell made the following Motion to approve the second/final reading of Ordinance 2015-06;

I move to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-06 setting the City of Edgewood's millage rate for fiscal year 2015/2016 at 4.9500 mills which represents a 11.1 percent increase over the roll-back rate of 4.4568 mills; Seconded by Council Member Hendrix.

Council President Dowless opened for public hearing. There were no comments from the public.

The Motion passed with the following roll-call vote (4/0):

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| <i>Council Member Henley</i> | <i>Favor</i> |
| <i>Council Member Powell</i> | <i>Favor</i> |
| <i>Council President Dowless</i> | <i>Favor</i> |
| <i>Council Member Hendrix</i> | <i>Favor</i> |
| <i>Council Member Drummond</i> | <i>Absent</i> |

- **RESOLUTION 2015-02:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF EDGEWOOD, ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015/2016, BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2015 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

City Clerk read Resolution 2015-02 in title only.

Council Member Powell made the following Motion to approve Resolution 2015-02:

I move to adopt Resolution No. 2015-02 adopting the City of Edgewood's budget for fiscal year 2015/2016. Seconded by Council Member Hendrix.

Council President Dowless opened for public hearing. There were no comments from the public.

The Motion passed with the following roll-call vote (4/0):

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| <i>Council Member Hendrix</i> | <i>Favor</i> |
| <i>Council President Dowless</i> | <i>Favor</i> |
| <i>Council Member Powell</i> | <i>Favor</i> |
| <i>Council Member Henley</i> | <i>Favor</i> |
| <i>Council Member Drummond</i> | <i>Absent</i> |

Mayor Bagshaw confirmed that the City's reserve is at about 61/62% with the new budget.

Resident Les Slesnick asked "how do you explain to residents why taxes are raised"? Mayor Bagshaw explained what the County's millage is for public schools, which is the highest tax to residents, and the Sheriff's Department. Mayor Bagshaw said the City has really held the line in the increase of taxes.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business or comments, the meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m. following the **Motion of Council Member Henley; Seconded by Council Member Hendrix.**


John Dowless
Council President

ATTEST:


Bea L. Meeks, MMC, CPM, CBTO
City Clerk

Approved by Council on 10-20-15