

## CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP MINUTES

February 20, 2024

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Mayor LaCascia called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor LaCascia.

**ROLL CALL** – Assistant City Manager Sheandolen Dunn

**Present:** Mayor Joe LaCascia, Commissioner Micheal T. Blethen, Commissioner Charles Nichols, City Attorney Thomas Cloud and City Manager Patricia Jackson

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**Ordinance 2024-01** – During the Regular Meeting, this item will be removed from the Agenda.

**Ordinance 2024-02** – During the Regular Meeting, this item will be removed from the Agenda.

#### **Ordinance 2024-03**

Jennifer Codo-Salisbury (CFRPC) provided a brief overview and Powerpoint presentation regarding a request by Boyd D Stephens and Laura J Stephens Revocable Trusts (applicant) to amend the official zoning map designation for property from Single Family Residential (R-1) to Planned Unit Development (PUD) on approximately 15.45 acres in Polk City, located on the east side of Berkley Road north of Lakeview Drive and south of Crape Myrtle Lane (Parcel numbers 252632-000000-022020 and 252632-000000-022030). **First Reading**

Commissioner Nichols discussed the current zoning is R-1, which allows for 15,000 square foot lots.

Jennifer Codo-Salisbury responded the lots will be smaller than the existing lots. This would be an increase of 23 homes based on size. This could be designed for the 38 homes with R-1 zoning. The Planning Commissions impression was smaller lots with smaller homes.

City Manager Jackson explained what was presented to the Planning Commission, which was the minimum lot size is 1,200 square feet.

Commissioner Blethen stated that he spoke in December with regards to reducing traffic on Berkley Road. Nothing has changed, the increased traffic issue needs to be addressed with the additional homes coming into Sandy Pointe.

City Manager Jackson stated a Traffic Study was done by Polk County; and they did not require any changes with this addition of homes.

Commissioner Blethen discussed that employment is non-existent. The traffic has increased because the residents are going out of Polk City to work and the schools are overloaded.

Mayor LaCascia discussed the School Board is not over-extended based on the studies that continue on a much larger scale.

No further discussion.

**Kipe Academy**

City Attorney Cloud provided his findings via email to City Manager Jackson. A copy of that email has been provided in the City Commission Packet. Based on Polk City's Charter and the Personnel Policy, City Attorney Cloud is advising that Polk City not move forward with negotiating or approving a Lease Agreement with Kipe Academy.

No further discussion.

**Petrotech Southeast Inc. Annual Services Agreement**

No Discussion

**ADJOURNMENT** – 7:00 pm



Patricia Jackson, City Manager



Joe LaCascia, Mayor