



# CITY OF WINTER GARDEN

## City Commission and Community Redevelopment Agency REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

February 24, 2022

**REGULAR MEETING** of the Winter Garden City Commission was called to order by Mayor Rees at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall, 300 West Plant Street, Winter Garden, Florida. An Opening Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance were given.

**Present:**

Mayor John Rees  
Commissioner District 1 – Lisa L. Bennett  
Commissioner District 2 - Ron Mueller  
Commissioner District 3 - Mark A. Maciel  
Commissioner District 4 - Colin Sharman

**Also Present:**

City Attorney Kurt Ardaman  
City Clerk Angee Grimmage  
Assistant City Manager Frank Gilbert

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Motion by Commissioner Bennett to approve regular meeting minutes of February 10, 2022 as submitted. Seconded by Commissioner Maciel and carried unanimously 5-0.**

2. **PRESENTATION**

A. **Proclamation 22-02:** Proclaiming Shepherd's Hope was read and presented by Mayor Rees and the City Commission to Pam Gould, President and CEO of Shepherd's Hope, who shared information about their new facility on Ninth Street, announced an upcoming event and thanked the City Commission for the proclamation.

3. **SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES**

A. **Ordinance 22-01:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER GARDEN, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING VOTING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES; ADOPTING THE REPORT OF THE DISTRICTING COMMISSION, INCLUDING THE MAP AND DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ELECTION DISTRICTS FILED WITH THE CITY BY THE DISTRICTING COMMISSION ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO SECTION 25 OF THE CITY CHARTER; ENACTING THE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES PROPOSED BY SUCH REPORT; AND PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

City Attorney Ardaman read Ordinance 22-01 by title only.

**Motion by Commissioner Mueller to POSTPONE Ordinance 22-01 to date to be determined. Seconded by Commissioner Sharman.**

**Commissioner Bennett** requested clarification on Commissioner Mueller's statement of "to be determined" in his motion. **Commissioner Mueller** responded that the Charter

has a couple of provisions when redistricting, that he believes allows for 120 days [90 days] before the next City election in order to ratify this ordinance, which he indicated is December of this year; and further explained that if the City does not act on it, the ordinance would automatically become effective. He informed that he has not had time to go through all of the changes and wanted to meet with the City's GIS staff and discuss it.

**Commissioner Bennett** noted that the reason she motioned to approve this ordinance the last time was because the City Commission appointed a board, who unanimously voted on the map as being a good submittal. She stated that there were three months to ask questions while the Districting Commission met and a month since the last vote to ask questions. She inquired if anyone had contacted staff.

**Commissioner Sharman** responded by noting he had a meeting scheduled with the City Manager and staff for this week, but had an issue with their availability; explaining that he questioned whether what he envisioned would even be possible, but did not have an opportunity. He stated that Commissioner Mueller's issues would be separate from his own.

**Commissioner Maciel** noted that any discussion the City Commissioners would have with staff could potentially come back and affect other districts. He expressed that this should be something discussed and addressed now in order to avoid another delay.

**Mayor Rees** voiced his concerns by noting that as a City Commission each one appointed a person to serve on the Districting Commission. They were given instructions, had several meetings and everyone had an opportunity to attend the meetings. He expressed that when the City Commission appoints them, it is so that they can produce boundaries for the districts without any influence from the City Commission. He described meeting with his appointee, Derek Blakeslee, and having discussions and explanations on the Districting Commission reasons for certain decisions. He expressed that all five of the City Commissioners could come up with a different version of the map. Mayor Rees expressed that whether it is tonight or two months from now, his opinion on this issue would not change.

**Commissioner Mueller** stated that he hopes everyone would keep an open mind and noted complimenting the committee as he thought they did a great job, but expressed that he has questions. He relayed his experience of serving on the Charter Review Committee, their submittal to the City Commission, and changes that occurred after submittal. He noted also trying to keep at arms-length, even though it was a public meeting, he did not want to influence the board during their meeting times and now is an opportunity to do so. He explained his desire to meet with staff, but to no avail. He noted that City Manager Williams suggested first letting the Districting Commission do their presentation. Commissioner Mueller expressed waiting in line for his opportunity.

**Commissioner Sharman** noted that his map is not self-serving. He disclosed speaking to Districting Commission Chairman Derek Blakeslee, attending a Districting Commission meeting and expressing that he did not need them to take into consideration where he lives, as a seated City Commissioner. He thinks that his version of the map should be what is best for the City. He noted having map variations 10 years ago and would like to see if the map that was presented back then would work today and wanted time to do so.

**Commissioner Bennett** sought clarification on Geographic Information System (GIS) and **Commissioner Sharman** explained the GIS process and receiving Census data. He recognized Districting Commission Chairman Derek Blakeslee, noting that he could provide a better explanation, but expressed that he did not want his review in a public forum, surmising that if the math does not work, there would be no point. He reiterated that he wanted to do this privately.

**Commissioner Bennett** expressed that she liked that this proposed map does not split neighborhoods and that the Districting Commission was very careful with that matter. She expressed that if the City Commission so desires to allow them time to question this issue, there needs to be a time limit on it.

**Commissioner Maciel** noted that he personally would like to get on with it and inquired what has come up recently that this was not brought up a month ago.

**Commissioner Mueller** addressed the urgency of the issue, noting it is not due until December. **Commissioner Maciel** noted that we have had a committee, which has spoken. **Commissioner Mueller** responded that they have done their job and are dismissed from that effort, we do not re-engage them, they have passed us the data and now it is up to us as a board.

**Commissioner Mueller** addressed the ten percent variance noted in State Statute and compared the City regulations as being slightly more stringent. He questioned whether the City should continue on that path or conform to State Statute and go to a ten percent variance. He expressed wanting to know the answer to this question and what is best for us as a City. He noted having outstanding questions and wanting to have an opportunity to go back, look at those neighborhoods, and see how they are divided. He spoke of neighborhoods, effect on the overall numbers and moving a few things around that would work a little better.

**Commissioner Maciel** again inquired and there was discussion on why this had not been done a month ago or with the committee. It was stressed that any changes now would negate the committee's work. **Mayor Rees** expressed not wanting to change what the committee has already submitted.

**Commissioner Sharman** noted that he would not be upset if the City Commission moves forward with this map, his pure intention was that the City could have a greater minority district, but resolved that this is not his fight. He described walking the neighborhoods 15 years ago, wanting to see if the math would work, needing time to do so, but if not, he would be happy with the map tonight. He expressed that the map being proposed tonight is more self-serving to himself than the map he would propose.

**Commissioner Maciel** noted that now, Commissioner Sharman has his attention and this is the reasoning he wanted discussion on this issue. **Commissioner Sharman** responded by describing his proposed idea of the boundaries, his desire to sit with the GIS Coordinator and see if it would work. **Commissioner Mueller** noted being in a similar situation and described the areas for which he has questions.

**Mayor Rees** noted that every time one district is touched, another is affected and this was the charge of the committee.

**Districting Commission Chairman Derek Blakeslee** explained the Districting Commission process, first looking at the five percent population requirement as noted in the City Charter, which he informed, overrides that of the State and any changes would require the City amend its Charter. He expressed that the Districting Commission tried to stay non-political. He expounded on scenarios of potentially moving a City Commissioner out of their district.

There was discussion on population changes forcing a redistricting possibly before the next Census.

**Mr. Blakeslee** explained that the Districting Commission made every effort to do no harm, explained the challenges with movement of the boundaries and how those movements affect other districts. The Districting Committee gathered around the maps and had the City's GIS Coordinator Alan Booker electronically move items. He explained the movement of Census blocks and challenges associated with cutting blocks, which affect neighborhood demographics. He noted that they came up with good districts, protected District 3 the best they could, did a good job on this proposed map and considered all given parameters.

**Commissioner Sharman** noted that there was reference to Census blocks and inquired whether this could be done without Census blocks, referencing potential need to redistrict sooner than the 10 years for the next Census. He inquired of the timeline for the next Census and asked the City Attorney about the related law. **City Attorney Ardaman** responded that these related to the actual district, deviation in the districts by percentage, and that being controlled by district boundaries. **Commissioner Sharman**

noted a need to re-map based on the old Census data for the blocks and re-appropriating to get the population.

**Commissioner Mueller** noted that he does not know if he was quite in agreement with the use of Census blocks as the way the Census breaks things up, it does not always consider individuals, neighborhoods and sides of streets. He stated that the Census is broader in their approach, taking a federal look and not a local perspective. **Commissioner Sharman** inquired whether the City needed to rely on Census blocks for demographics or was their other data available. **Mr. Blakeslee** responded that Census Blocks is relatively the only data that provides demographics. He noted that since the City is non-partisan, there was not the need to get into the party affiliations and the demographics broke down into nine categories, of which, the Districting Commission focused on three.

There was discussion on maps and the many possible variations that each City Commissioner could potentially bring. **Mayor Rees** expressed his opinion on the matter stating that the City Commission is better being hands off on this issue as this opens the door for criticism.

**Commissioner Sharman** stated that the Districting Commission provided the best map meeting all the criteria. He indicated that if the currently seated Commissioners were ignored in the analysis, he feels that there could be a better map.

**Commissioner Mueller** expressed that if any City Commissioner felt they needed more time, he would grant it, especially when there is no urgency in the issue being passed. **Commissioner Bennett** inquired if this could be done by the next meeting. **Commissioner Sharman** noted he could definitely complete this by next meeting and **Commissioner Mueller** confirmed the same.

**City Clerk Grimmage** noted a reason for delay in scheduling this second hearing was due to an issue with finding a surveyor to provide the boundary descriptions needed for the ordinance to move forward. She described how City Manager Jon C. Williams and City Engineering Consultant Art Miller made miracles happen in finding a surveyor who would drop everything, during such a high demand for contractors, and provide the City with these boundary descriptions. She noted that this would be a factor for consideration, if there were any changes to the boundary lines, securing another contractor could be an issue. She noted also time constraints related to securing election precincts before the election.

**Commissioner Sharman** expressed that he did not want to put staff through this and inquired of the changes requested by Commissioner Mueller. **Mayor Rees** reminded that once you start moving items tonight, there would not be an answer tonight, there would be no knowledge of the demographics and any changes would change at least

two districts and possibly even three. **Commissioner Sharman** requested that Commissioner Mueller be allowed to share his proposed changes, emphasizing that he would like to know how they would benefit the City and not just himself [Commissioner Mueller]. **Commissioner Sharman** expressed that his changes benefit the City and not just himself.

**Commissioner Mueller** responded by noting boundary movements of communities such as Hyde Park, a community of which he is currently working on specific issues. He also noted the Riegl company and recent efforts related to the helipad. He noted these as communities he has been working with on certain issues and would have to turn all of that over. He noted having a general diagram that would keep all of that together and keep the numbers, but needed to get with staff first, but the opportunity to do so has not been there. **Commissioner Sharman** responded that in his opinion the need is for maintaining those communities that Commissioner Mueller has relationships with and because they would be supportive of him. Commissioner Sharman shared how he would be happy to be rid of Marsh Road, but explained that even if redistricted out, he would still receive the related phone calls. He feels that Commissioner Mueller's reasoning is a little self-serving, but noted that Commissioner Mueller would still work hard with his other constituents, build and be a part of that change.

**Commissioner Sharman** noted that he is not willing to risk waiting, especially if his map does not pan out. He is ready to pull back and not meet with staff.

There was discussion on the timeframe, ability to do everything by next meeting, re-advertisement of the ordinance, cost of the boundaries survey and the timeframe if there are no changes.

**Mr. Blakeslee** expressed that he feels that the citizens of Winter Garden are concerned with having a City Commission they feel is reachable and that they know. He emphasized that the Districting Commission did not get any public input and does not think anyone called any City Commissioners to complain of being moved out of any one particular City Commissioner's district.

There was discussion on calls, constituents continuing to call the person that they know. **Mr. Blakeslee** noted that whichever neighborhood moves or does not move, they will always have a good City Commissioner serving them in those neighborhoods.

Mayor Rees opened the public hearing and gave special instruction to those who might be attending electronically.

Former City Commissioner of District 2 - Bob Buchanan, 148 Roper Drive, Winter Garden, Florida, noted attending City Commission meetings since Districting Commission Chairman Derek Blakeslee started the process and explained the reasoning

for the districting. Mr. Buchanan expressed that this process has been going on for over two months, with open discussions at all meetings, which were open to the public and open to the City Commissioners. He voiced concerns about the City Commission having opportunities to address any changes, noted the unanimous decision by the City Commission at the first hearing of the ordinance to approve it. He questioned why have a committee and then go back and change it, unless addressing some technical or legal issue. He noted that any one of the City Commissioners could come up with a change, but there was plenty of time for it. He feels that the decision to delay is political and is a shameful thing to do to the citizens and to the committee.

Steve Dolgin, 186 Stanton Estate Circle, Winter Garden, Florida, stated that he was one of the Districting Commissioners and thinks that the Districting Commission did a fine job, however he would not be insulted by any changes. He addressed earlier statements related to redistricting, use of Census blocks and how redistricting relates to population.

Mayor Rees, after hearing and seeing no additional requests for public comment, closed the public hearing.

**Motion amended by Commissioner Mueller to POSTPONE Ordinance 22-01 to the next scheduled meeting on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Sharman and carried 4-1; Mayor Rees opposed.**

- B. **Ordinance 22-02:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER GARDEN AMENDING CHAPTER 54, PENSIONS AND RETIREMENT, ARTICLE II, PENSION PLAN FOR GENERAL EMPLOYEES, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WINTER GARDEN; AMENDING SECTION 54-49, DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF PROVISIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

City Attorney Ardaman read Ordinance 22-02 by title only. Assistant City Manager of Administrative Services Frank Gilbert stated that this is the second reading of proposed Ordinance 22-02 for the General Employees' Pension Plan. He noted that it proposes changing the trustee's term of service from two years to four years. This ordinance also proposed changes to the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP), increasing the allowable period of 36 months participation to 60 months.

Mr. Gilbert noted that the actuary reports no impact or change in the valuation of the plan and noted that similar changes are found also in the following ordinance. Staff recommends approval.

Mayor Rees opened the public hearing; hearing and seeing none, he closed the public hearing.

**Motion by Commissioner Maciel to ADOPT Ordinance 22-02. Seconded by Commissioner Sharman and carried unanimously 5-0.**

- C. **Ordinance 22-03:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WINTER GARDEN, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 54, PENSIONS AND RETIREMENT, ARTICLE III, PENSION PLAN FOR FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WINTER GARDEN; AMENDING SECTION 54-188, BOARD OF TRUSTEES; AMENDING SECTION 54-190, CONTRIBUTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 54-191, BENEFIT AMOUNTS AND ELIGIBILITY; AMENDING SECTION 54-192, PRE-RETIREMENT DEATH; AMENDING SECTION 54-195, OPTIONAL FORMS OF BENEFITS; AMENDING SECTION 54-201, MINIMUM DISTRIBUTION OF BENEFITS; AMENDING SECTION 54-212 PRIOR POLICE AND FIRE SERVICE; AMENDING SECTION 54-214, DEFERRED RETIREMENT OPTION PLAN; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY OF PROVISIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

City Attorney Ardaman read Ordinance 22-03 by title only. Assistant City Manager of Administrative Services Frank Gilbert stated that Ordinance 22-03 provides for changes to the Firefighters and Police Officers Pension Plan and includes some of the aforementioned changes to the General Employees' Pension plan regarding trustee's terms of services moving from two years to four years. Also, a change to the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP), allowing Fire and Police employees to remain in the DROP for a total of 60 months. Mr. Gilbert also noted several Internal Revenue Code changes under Sections 54-191, 54-192, 54-195 and 54-201. He noted that 54-190 removes language of a specific dollar amount allocated to the statutory share plan as these funds are now established by collective bargaining. He informed that Section 54-212 allows members to purchase prior Police, Fire and related service time, which is statutory, and they must be allowed to purchase at no cost to the City.

Mr. Gilbert noted that this ordinance would not affect the valuation of the pension plan. Staff recommends approval.

Mayor Rees opened the public hearing; hearing and seeing none, he closed the public hearing.

**Motion by Commissioner Sharman to ADOPT Ordinance 22-03. Seconded by Commissioner Bennett and carried unanimously 5-0.**

4. **REGULAR BUSINESS**

- A. **Resolution 22-03:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER GARDEN, FLORIDA, ADOPTING ORANGE COUNTY LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY RESOLUTION

City Attorney Ardaman read Resolution 22-03 by title only. Fire Chief Gainza stated that staff requests adoption of Orange County's Local Mitigation Strategy plan as noted in Resolution 22-03. He noted that this plan recently expired and as of January, Orange County has recently renewed. He shared that by adopting this Local Mitigation Strategy Plan, the City of Winter Garden becomes available to discuss and apply for and receive local mitigation strategy project grant funding. He shared some components covered in this effort. Staff recommends approval.

There was discussion on the amount of data provided for this item.

**Motion by Commissioner Mueller to approve Resolution 22-03. Seconded by Commissioner Sharman and carried unanimously 5-0.**

- B. **Resolution 22-06:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WINTER GARDEN IN SUPPORT OF THE PLACEMENT OF A ONE PERCENT (1%) TRANSPORTATION SURTAX REFERENDUM ON THE NOVEMBER 8, 2022 COUNTYWIDE BALLOT FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE VOTERS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

City Attorney Ardaman read Resolution 22-06 by title only. Assistant City Manager Gilbert noted current and future transportation issues faced by Orange County. After extensive studies, research and community meetings, the Orange County Mayor has proposed a one-cent transportation surtax. He expressed that the City of Winter Garden supports the placement of this one-cent surtax referendum on the November 2022 ballot to allow the electorate of Orange County to decide on this important issue. Staff recommends approval.

**Motion by Commissioner Sharman to approve Resolution 22-06. Seconded by Commissioner Mueller and carried unanimously 5-0.**

- C. **Recommendation to approve Assignment of Easement from Orange County to the City of Winter Garden for Hyde Park Drainage Ditch**

City Engineer Jim Monahan stated that this is a request for the execution of the Assignment of Easement for the Hyde Park Ditch Easement from Orange County to the City of Winter Garden. He noted that the existing stormwater drainage ditch runs along the east side of Hyde Park, south of Jackson Street and north of State Road 50. It is currently owned and maintained by Orange County. The assignment of this easement to the City of Winter Garden from Orange County would give the City control of the maintenance frequency. This ditch plays a part in conveying stormwater from other parts of the City of Winter Garden and more frequent cleaning and maintenance would improve the drainage in the general area. Staff recommends approval.

Commissioner Mueller requested approval of this item, noting this has been an area with a lot of overgrowth, drainage issues and flooding.

**Motion by Commissioner Mueller to approve Assignment of Easement from Orange County to the City of Winter Garden for Hyde Park Drainage Ditch. Seconded by Commissioner Sharman and carried unanimously 5-0.**

D. Recommendation to approve SITE PLAN for 751 Garden Commerce Parkway (NEI Construction New HQ), subject to conditions

Community Development Director Stephen Pash stated that this item is the site plan for 751 Garden Commerce Parkway. The applicant is proposing development of the site with a two-story office, warehouse, parking lot and landscaping. This is consistent with the zoning and Planned Industrial Development (PID) in the area. He indicated that this would be the headquarters for the NEI Construction Company and some tenant spaces would be leased. Staff recommends approval, subject to Development Review Committee (DRC) conditions.

Mayor Rees inquired about the percentage of the building to be occupied by the applicant versus that which would be leased. Mr. Pash explained that he believes it to be one-third as they have three tenants, but hope to eventually, with growth, occupy the entire facility. Commissioner Mueller inquired of traffic impact and Mr. Pash replied that it would be fine.

**Motion by Commissioner Sharman to approve SITE PLAN for 751 Garden Commerce Parkway (NEI Construction New HQ), subject to conditions. Seconded by Commissioner Bennett and carried unanimously 5-0.**

Dispensed as the City Commission and convened as the **Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)** at 7:21 p.m.

**Present:** CRA Chairman John Rees and CRA Members Lisa L. Bennett, Ron Mueller, Mark A. Maciel, Colin Sharman, and CRAAB Member Larry Cappleman

E. **Resolution 21-08:** A RESOLUTION OF THE WINTER GARDEN COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY; RECOMMENDING EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF WINTER GARDEN TO EXTEND THE PLAN FOR A PERIOD OF TEN (10) YEARS; APPROVING COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AMENDMENT; MAKING FINDINGS, RECOMMENDATIONS, AND REQUESTS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Economic Development Director Tanja Gerhartz stated that the first item is the resolution extending the life of the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) for ten years. She noted that the other two related documents are also associated with the CRA, the second item being the amendment to the CRA plan, which adds the East Winter Garden plan. The third item is an amendment to the interlocal agreement currently held with Orange County. She explained that the City Commission adopted these items in September of 2021, but staff recently learned that proper notification

was not given to the taxing authorities in Orange County. Staff has gone back to provide notification to those taxing authorities, which are Orange County, Orange County School Board, the Library District and the Water Management District. She indicated that these notifications have been sent and the corresponding documents would need re-approval by the CRA and the City Commission.

Ms. Gerhartz noted that once approved, these documents would immediately be provided to Orange County for final approval on their agenda of March 8, 2022.

City Attorney Ardaman read Resolution 21-08 by title only.

CRA Board Member Cappleman noted his anticipation for the March 8, 2022 meeting date and the approval by Orange County's Board of County Commissioners.

It was noted that there was no public comment on this issue.

**Motion by CRA Board Member Cappleman to approve Resolution 21-08. Seconded by CRA Board Member Maciel and carried unanimously 6-0.**

Economic Development Director Gerhartz recognized that in addition to CRA Member Cappleman's attendance, present in the audience was also CRA Advisory Board (CRAAB) Members Derek Blakeslee and Jamie Holley. It was noted that the CRAAB voted unanimously on this issue.

- F. Recommendation to (RE-APPROVE) First Amendment to Interlocal Redevelopment Agreement between Orange County, City of Winter Garden, and Winter Garden Community Redevelopment Agency

CRA Chairman Rees opened the public hearing; hearing and seeing none, he closed the public hearing.

**Motion by CRA Board Member Maciel to (RE-APPROVE) First Amendment to Interlocal Redevelopment Agreement between Orange County, City of Winter Garden, and Winter Garden Community Redevelopment Agency. Seconded by CRA Board Member Sharman and carried unanimously 6-0.**

- G. Recommendation to (RE-APPROVE) First Amendment to the Winter Garden Community Redevelopment Plan

CRA Chairman Rees opened the public hearing; hearing and seeing none, he closed the public hearing.

**Motion by CRA Board Member Bennett to (RE-APPROVE) First Amendment to the Winter Garden Community Redevelopment Plan. Seconded by CRA Board Member Sharman and carried unanimously 6-0.**

CRA Chairman Rees thanked everyone for their work and noted appreciation for their efforts.

Adjourned as the Community Redevelopment Agency and reconvened as the **City Commission** at 7:26 p.m.

- H. **Resolution 21-08:** A RESOLUTION OF THE WINTER GARDEN COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY; RECOMMENDING EXTENSION AND MODIFICATION OF THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF WINTER GARDEN TO EXTEND THE PLAN FOR A PERIOD OF TEN (10) YEARS; APPROVING COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN AMENDMENT; MAKING FINDINGS, RECOMMENDATIONS, AND REQUESTS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

City Attorney Ardaman read Resolution 21-08 by title only.

Mayor Rees opened the public hearing; hearing and seeing none, he closed the public hearing.

**Motion by Commissioner Sharman to approve Resolution 21-08. Seconded by Commissioner Maciel and carried unanimously 5-0.**

- I. Recommendation to (RE-APPROVE) First Amendment to Interlocal Redevelopment Agreement between Orange County, City of Winter Garden, and Winter Garden Community Redevelopment Agency

Mayor Rees opened the public hearing; hearing and seeing none, he closed the public hearing.

**Motion by Commissioner Sharman to (RE-APPROVE) First Amendment to Interlocal Redevelopment Agreement between Orange County, City of Winter Garden, and Winter Garden Community Redevelopment Agency. Seconded by Commissioner Maciel and carried unanimously 5-0.**

- J. Recommendation to (RE-APPROVE) First Amendment to the Winter Garden Community Redevelopment Plan

Mayor Rees opened the public hearing; hearing and seeing none, he closed the public hearing.

**Motion by Commissioner Maciel to (RE-APPROVE) First Amendment to the Winter Garden Community Redevelopment Plan. Seconded by Commissioner Sharman and carried unanimously 5-0.**

- K. Recommendation to approve SPECIAL EVENT - West Orange High Sen'ya Later School Parade Downtown - May 11, 2022 - 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with street closure  
Community Development Director Stephen Pash stated that this is a request for the West Orange High School to hold a senior parade. He noted the date, time, location for gathering and parade route. He indicated that a meeting was held with those in charge of the event and a new list of conditions was devised and distributed for the City Commission to review. He informed that the applicants agreed to all of the conditions. Staff recommends approval, subject to conditions.

There was discussion on reasons cars were not allowed to be driven in the parade. It was revealed that this was at the school's request and not a decision of the City.

**Motion by Commissioner Bennett to approve SPECIAL EVENT - West Orange High Sen'ya Later School Parade Downtown - May 11, 2022 - 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with street closure. Seconded by Commissioner Sharman and carried unanimously 5-0.**

- L. Recommendation to approve SPECIAL EVENT – Winter Garden Little League Opening Day at Little League Complex – February 26, 2022 – 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Community Development Director Pash stated that this is a request from the Little League to hold their opening day event. He named some of the event activities, time and location of the events. Staff recommends approval.

**Motion by Commissioner Bennett to approve SPECIAL EVENT – Winter Garden Little League Opening Day at Little League Complex – February 26, 2022 – 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Maciel and carried unanimously 5-0.**

5. **MATTERS FROM PUBLIC** – There were no items.

6. **MATTERS FROM CITY ATTORNEY** – There were no items.

7. **MATTERS FROM CITY MANAGER** – Jon C. Williams

On behalf of City Manager Jon C. Williams, Assistant City Manager Frank Gilbert announced that all GoToWebinar options would cease after this meeting. There was discussion and banter on Information Technology Director Chad Morrill no longer providing his assistance for this effort.

8. **MATTERS FROM MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS**

**Commissioner Sharman** praised the City Commission on times of disagreement being done with civility.

**Commissioner Mueller** thanked the City Commission for flexibility on a previously discussed item.

