



CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE

WORKSHOP

Tuesday, November 10, 2020 6:00 p.m.

360 East Main Street, Pahokee, Florida

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This Workshop of the City Commission of the City of Pahokee is being held to discuss the November 10, 2020 Agenda.

A. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. ROLL CALL

C. TOPIC

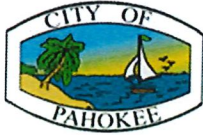
D. DISCUSSION, COMMENTS, CONCERNS

E. ADJOURN

NOTICE

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SUBJECT TO CHANGE



AGENDA

CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE

REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING

TUESDAY, November 10, 2020 6:30 P.M.

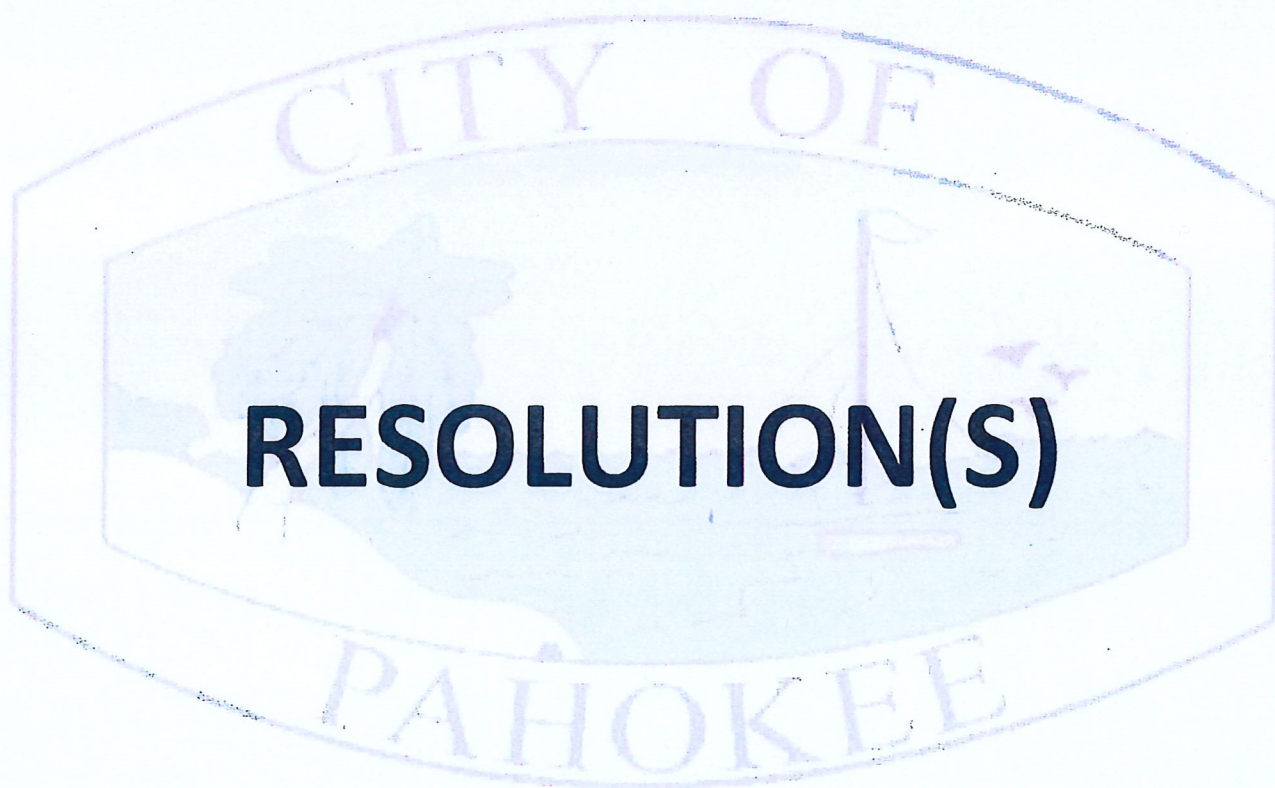
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- A. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- B. ROLL CALL
- C. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS
- D. CITIZEN COMMENTS/PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS – ALL ITEMS ON AGENDA (3 MINUTES)
- E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
- F. CONSENT AGENDA
- G. ORDINANCE(S)
- H. RESOLUTION(S)
 - 1. **Res 2020 – 31 AMENDMENT OF 2019-2020 BUDGET**
 - 2. **Res. 2020 – 32 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, DECLARING EMERGENCY REGULATIONS RELATED TO CERTAIN PUBLIC MEETINGS DURING THE COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ARRANGE FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS BY USE OF COMMUNICATION MEDIA TECHNOLOGY AND ADVISORY BOARD ATTENDANCE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**
- I. PUBLIC HEARINGS
- J. PROCLAMATION(S)
 - 1. **Declaring November 15-22, 2020 as “National Hunger & Homelessness Awareness Week”**
 - 2. **“World AIDS Day”**
 - 3. **Renaming City of Pahokee Gymnasium in Honor of Eddie Lee Rhodes**
- K. PRESENTATION(S)
- L. REPORT OF THE MAYOR
- M. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER
- N. REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY
- O. OLD BUSINESS
- P. NEW BUSINESS
- Q. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS OF COMMISSIONERS, IF ANY
- R. FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER (COMMUNITY EVENTS, FEEL GOOD ANNOUNCEMENTS)
- S. ADJOURN

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SUBJECT TO CHANGE



RESOLUTION(S)

RESOLUTION 2020 - 31

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 2 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,497,882.00 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020, SET FORTH IN COMPOSITE EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED HERETO; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 budget was adopted by the City Commission of the City of Pahokee, Florida (the "City") on November 12, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Budget Amendment No. 2 set forth in Exhibit "A", will decrease the current budget for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 from \$9,635,174.00 to \$6,137,292.00 a difference of \$3,497,882.00; and

WHEREAS, the General Fund will decrease in both revenues and expenditures by \$23,171.00 to account for unexpected revenues and expenditures for day to day operations; and

WHEREAS, the Capital Project Fund will decrease in both revenues and expenditures by \$3,432,463.00 to account for grants received and grants not used during Fiscal Year 2019-2020; and

WHEREAS, the Special Revenue Fund will decrease in both revenues and expenditures by \$67,683.00, to account for a decrease in Discretionary Surtax revenues; and

WHEREAS, the Henderson Endowment Fund will decrease in both revenues and expenditures by \$1,253.00 to account for a decrease in interest income during Fiscal Year 2019-2020; and

WHEREAS, the Marina Campground Fund will increase in both revenues and expenditures by \$20,229.00 to account for unexpected revenues and expenditures related to day to day operations; and

WHEREAS, the Cemetery Fund will increase in both revenues and expenditures by \$6,459.00 to account for unexpected revenues and expenditures for day to day operations; and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to amend the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget to reflect the total budget decrease of \$3,497,882.00.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Pahokee, Florida, finds that approving Budget Amendment No. 2, attached hereto as Exhibit "A", is in the best interest of the City and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Adoption of Representations. The foregoing whereas clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

Section 2. Budget Amendment No. 2. The City Commission of the City of Pahokee, Florida hereby approves Budget Amendment No. 2 for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020, attached hereto as Exhibit "A", providing for a total budget decrease of \$3,497,882.00.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 10th day of November 2020

Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Interim City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

Burnadette Norris-Weeks, Esq.
City Attorney

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

VOTE:

Commissioner Bohlen	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner Everett	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner Hill	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Vice-Mayor Murvin	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Mayor Babb	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)

Composite Exhibit "A"

Budget Amendments Summary FY2019-2020

Budget Summary Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2020

City of Pahokee

Final Budget Amendments Summary FY2019-2020

FUND	Comm. Mtg. Date	Budget Amendment No.	Description	Approved	Total Net Increase or (Decrease) Amount
General Fund					
	11/10/2020	2020-02	Taxes	(34,296.00)	
	11/10/2020	2020-02	Permits, Fees and Special Assessments	81,903.00	
	11/10/2020	2020-02	Intergovernmental	(145,205.00)	
	11/10/2020	2020-02	Charges for services	30,027.00	
	11/10/2020	2020-02	Fines and Forfeits	103,717.00	
	11/10/2020	2020-02	Miscellaneous Revenues	40,802.00	
	11/10/2020	2020-02	Budgetary Fund Balance	(100,119.00)	
	11/10/2020	2020-02	Non Departmental	(9,000.00)	
	11/10/2020	2020-02	Transportation	9,000.00	
			Net Decrease General Fund	<u>(23,171.00)</u>	(23,171.00)
Capital Projects Fund					
	11/10/2020	2020-02	FDOT Roads grant	(3,353,469.00)	
	11/10/2020	2020-02	Brownsfield Grant	(144,740.00)	
			Swa Grant	65,746.00	
			Net Decrease Capital Projects	<u>(3,432,463.00)</u>	(3,432,463.00)
Henderson Fund					
	11/10/2020	2020-02	Interest Income	(1,253.00)	
			Net Decrease Henderson Fund		<u>(1,253.00)</u>
Special Revenue Fund					
			New Fund- added per auditors request		
	11/10/2020	2020-02	Disc Surtax	(67,683.00)	
			Net Decrease Special Revenue Fund	<u>(67,683.00)</u>	(67,683.00)
Marina Campground Fund					
	11/10/2020	2020-02	Increase on unexpected Revenues/expenditures	20,229.00	
			Net Increase Marina Campground	<u>20,229.00</u>	20,229.00
Cemetery Fund					
	11/10/2020	2020-02	Increase on unexpected revenues/expenditures	v 6,459.00	
			Net Increase Cemetery	<u>6,459.00</u>	6,459.00
			Total Budget Decrease		<u>(3,497,882.00)</u>

**CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA
BUDGET SUMMARY**

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

**THE AMENDED BUDGET EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA ARE
31.2% LESS THAN APPROVED BUDGET TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES**

	General Fund	Special Revenue Fund	Henderson Endowment Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Project Fund	Marina Campground Fund	Cemetery Fund	Total Budget
Roll back rate	6.2283							
<u>Estimated Revenues:</u>								
Taxes:								
Ad Valorem Taxes	584,953	-	-	-	-	-	-	584,953
Sales and Use Taxes	946,475	357,124	-	-	-	-	-	1,303,599
Franchise Fees	381,102	-	-	-	-	-	-	381,102
Utility Service Taxes	310,233	-	-	-	-	-	-	310,233
Licenses and Permits	128,633	-	-	-	-	-	-	128,633
Intergovernmental Revenue	630,869	-	-	-	1,200,000	-	-	1,830,869
Charges for Services	727,571	-	-	-	-	-	212,826	940,397
Fines and Forfeits	83,977	-	-	-	-	-	-	83,977
Interest Earnings & Rents	109,533	-	3,747	-	-	153,542	-	266,822
Enterprise Management Fees	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous Revenue	67,354	-	-	-	-	-	-	67,354
Interfund Transfers In	-	-	-	135,234	-	100,373	3,746	239,353
Appropriated Fund Balance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Estimated Revenues, Transfers, and Appropriations	3,970,700	357,124	3,747	135,234	1,200,000	253,915	216,572	6,137,292
<u>Expenditures/Expenses:</u>								
General Government	1,293,917	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,293,917
Public Safety	565,502	-	-	-	-	-	-	565,502
Physical Environment	413,780	221,890	-	-	1,200,000	253,915	216,572	2,306,157
Road and Street Expenses	834,058	-	-	-	-	-	-	834,058
Human Services	84,182	-	-	-	-	-	-	84,182
Culture and Recreation	665,475	-	-	-	-	-	-	665,475
Debt Service	-	-	-	135,234	-	-	-	135,234
Interfund Transfers Out	113,786	135,234	3,747	-	-	-	-	252,767
Total Appropriated Expenditures/Expenses, Reserves and Transfers	3,970,700	357,124	3,747	135,234	1,200,000	253,915	216,572	6,137,292

THE TENTATIVE, ADOPTED, AND/OR FINAL BUDGETS ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED TAXING AUTHORITY AS A PUBLIC RECORD.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020 - 32

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, DECLARING EMERGENCY REGULATIONS RELATED TO CERTAIN PUBLIC MEETINGS DURING THE COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ARRANGE FOR PUBLIC MEETINGS BY USE OF COMMUNICATION MEDIA TECHNOLOGY AND ADVISORY BOARD ATTENDANCE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a contagious disease that has the apparent ability to spread rapidly among humans and may result in serious illness or death, constitutes a clear and present threat to the lives, health, welfare, and safety of the people of Pahokee; and

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, the Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order number 20-52 which declared a State of Emergency for the State of Florida due to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Governor DeSantis' Executive Order 20-52 contained a recommendation to limit public gatherings; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order number 20-52 was extended by Executive Orders 20-114; 20-166, 20-192; 20-213 and Executive Order 20-276, which was entered on November 3, 2020 and is effective for a period of sixty days; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the City of Pahokee took similar action declaring a local State of Emergency pursuant to Section 7.1 of the City's Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-69 which suspended any Florida Statute that requires a quorum to be present in person or that requires a local government body to meet at a specific public place, and further permits local government bodies to utilize communications media technology such as telephonic and video conferencing, as provided in Section 120.54(5)(b)(2), Florida Statutes. Emergency Order 20-69 was extended on several occasions reflecting the continued state of emergency and threat to the public when gathering to attend public meetings, but it has now expired; and

WHEREAS, Section 4(D) of Governor DeSantis' Executive Order 20-52 expressly authorizes local governments to take whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the community in accordance with Section 252.38, Florida Statutes , which necessarily would include holding virtual public meetings; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, in part, confers upon the City emergency powers in order to protect the public peace, health, and safety; and to preserve the lives and property of the people of the state; and to "make, amend and rescind such orders and rules as are necessary for emergency management purposes and to supplement the carrying out of the provisions of ss. 252.31-252.90, but which are not inconsistent with any others or rules adopted by the division." Section 252.46(1), Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 252.38(3) and 252.46, Florida Statutes in the event of a state of emergency the City is empowered to make and issue rules for reasons of health and safety; and

WHEREAS, no statute, Charter provision, or ordinance provides that the City Commission must physically be present at the same place to hold a City Commission meeting or an advisory board meeting. Rather, Section 4.1(b) of the City Charter states that the City “shall determine its own rules of procedure”; and

WHEREAS, the City also possesses broad home rule powers that authorize it to protect the public health, safety and welfare, declare emergencies and protect its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City possesses the necessary communication media technology to allow for public participation during city commission meetings remotely; and

WHEREAS, the City possesses the necessary communication media technology to conduct advisory board meetings remotely, while fully complying with the provisions of the Sunshine law and allowing for public participation; and

WHEREAS, as recognized by Attorney General Opinion (AGO) 2020-03, there are no statutes that expressly define “present” or the “presence” of a quorum as requiring physical attendance; and

WHEREAS, there have been more than 17,000 deaths reported in the State of Florida due to COVID-19, with more than 844,000 confirmed cases as reported by the Florida Division of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, Palm Beach, Broward and Miami-Dade Counties, have been most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and the infection rate is rapidly climbing in South Florida. The City Commission is acutely aware that provisions must be made to ensure that the business of the City can occur without unnecessarily exposing public officials,

City personnel or members of the public to a risk of infection while also ensuring public access and open government; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to approve the attached Declaration of Emergency Regulations, See, attached Exhibit "A".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a part of this Resolution.

SECTION 2. Pursuant to the City's Charter and Code of Ordinances, the home rule authority of the City Commission, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, Section 4D of Governor DeSantis' Executive Order 20-52, and based upon the Legislative Findings set forth in the above-stated recitals, the City Manager is hereby authorized, during a declared public health emergency, to arrange for all Advisory Boards and Committees to utilize communications media technology. Such meetings shall be planned and conducted in consultation with the City Attorney's Office to ensure, to the extent practicable, substantial compliance with Section 286.001, Florida Statutes, "Florida's Sunshine Law."

SECTION 3. The City Manager is hereby authorized to extend the powers of the Declaration of Emergency Regulations, set forth in Exhibit "A", consistent with Section 252.38, Florida Statutes and until such time as this Resolution is repealed.

SECTION 4. Pursuant to its home rule powers, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, Section 4 D of Governor DeSantis' Executive Order 20-52, and based upon the Legislative Findings

set forth in the above-stated recitals, the City Commission of the City of Pahokee hereby confirms and declares that a public health emergency exists requiring immediate action by the City Commission. By virtue of the threat to public health and safety and by virtue of the threat to the City's financial health and home rule powers, it is necessary for the City to implement regulations set forth in Exhibit "A".

SECTION 5. This Resolution shall take effect upon the adoption by the City Commission.

PASSED this 10 day of November 2020.

Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Interim City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:**

Burnadette Norris-Weeks, P.A.
City Attorney

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

VOTE:

Commissioner Bohlen	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner Everett	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner Hill	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Vice-Mayor Murvin	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Mayor Babb	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)

**EMERGENCY ORDER No. 20-1
LOCAL EMERGENCY MEASURES
EXHIBIT "A" to RESOLUTION 2020-32**

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Florida Governor Ron DeSantis promulgated Executive Order 20-52 and declared a State of Emergency in Florida in response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Section 4(D) of Governor DeSantis' Executive Order 20-52 expressly authorizes local governments to take whatever prudent action is necessary to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the community in accordance with Section 252.38, Florida Statutes, which necessarily would include holding virtual public meetings; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 is a natural emergency whose increasing effects are being felt within the City of Pahokee and that on account thereof, there is reason to believe that the virus will continue to spread; and

WHEREAS, On March 13, 2020, the Palm Beach County Commission declared a local State of Emergency due to the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the City of Pahokee, declared a Local State of Emergency for the City of Pahokee due to the threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control ("CDC") is predicting that it is "likely" that "widespread transmission" of COVID-19 will continue to occur within the United States as the number of cases continues to rise nationwide; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of Pahokee ("City") now desires to confirm a Declaration of Emergency and invoke the City's Charter, Code of Ordinances, home rule authority, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, Section 4D of Governor DeSantis' Executive Order 20-52 and well as the above-stated recitals, to permit the City Manager to arrange for public participation to take place through the utilization of communication media technology, such as telephonic and video conferencing, as provided by Section 120.54 (5)(b)(2), Florida Statutes and to allow for advisory boards of the City to meet through communication media technology.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of Pahokee, County of Palm Beach, State of Florida, acting under the authority granted to municipalities by Florida Statutes Sections 252.38, Executive Order Number 20-52 promulgated by Governor Ron DeSantis on March 9, 2020, as amended, and

by City of Pahokee Code of Ordinances 7-1, by relevant sections of the Palm Beach County Code of Ordinances, orders and resolution as imposed upon the City of Pakokee, by prior City of Pahokee relevant Resolutions, Local Emergency Measures statutorily granted hereby **ORDERS** and promulgates the following Local Emergency Measures for the City of Pahokee, *effective immediately*:

DO HEREBY ORDER AND DECLARE

Section 1. Public Meetings

- A. There remains a significant risk of infection of COVID-19 in generally holding public “in-person” meetings.
- B. It is in the best interests of the City that the public be permitted to attend all City of Pahokee public meetings through the utilization of communications media technology, as provided in Section 120.54(5)(b)(2), Florida Statutes. This authorization to participate in meetings using communication media technology shall extend to City personnel, independent contractors, and residents of the City during the currently declared State of Emergency related to COVID-19.
- C. All public meetings of City advisory boards, quasi-judicial boards, where applicable, committees working groups may be conducted and held without the presence of an in-person quorum so long as any meetings strictly adhere to any and all other requirements under the Florida Constitution and Florida’s Government in the Sunshine Laws, including Chapter 286, Florida Statutes and utilize communications media technology, as provided in Section 120.54(5)(b)(2), Florida Statutes. Such communications media technology must allow for advisory board members to hear and talk to one another and for the public and to have an opportunity to participate and review materials or exhibits that would be presented during the meeting.

Section 2. Applicability, Enforcement and Reauthorization by City Manager

- A. This Declaration repeals any portions of previously issued declarations of emergency that are in conflict.
- B. The regulations set forth in this Declaration applies only to City of Pahokee government and is limited to the matters set forth herein.
- C. This authorization is limited in nature and is pursuant to the home rule authority of the City Commission, Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, Section 4 D of Governor DeSantis’ Executive Order 20-52, and based upon a declared public health emergency and the Legislative Findings set forth herein to

permit the City Manager to: 1) arrange for the public to participate; 2) arrange for the City Advisory Boards and Committees to meet electronically; 3) extend technology options to City personnel and independent contractors during the currently declared State of Emergency related to COVID-19; 4) promulgate rules of procedure that will ensure compliance with the Sunshine Law; and 5) provide technology and administrative support as necessary to fulfill these objectives.

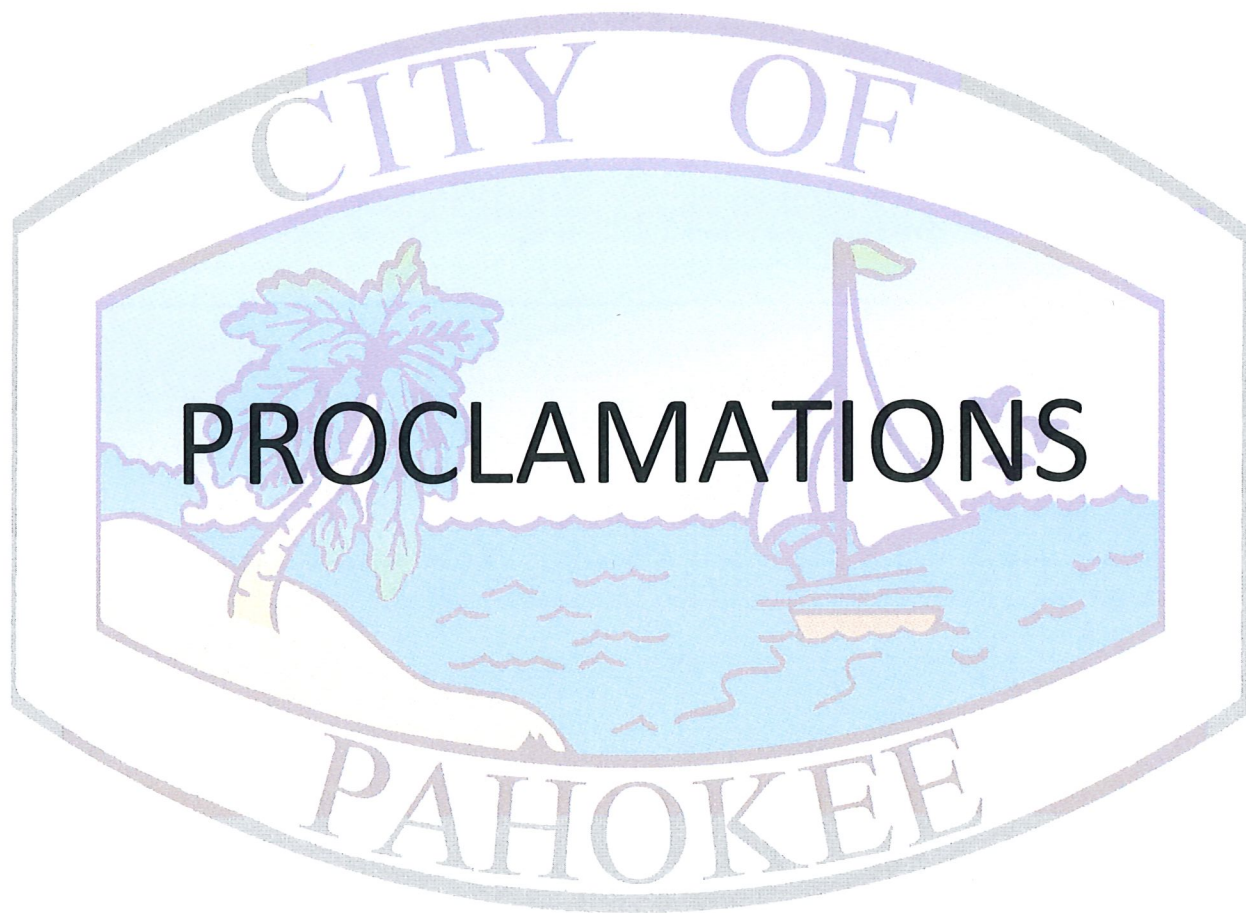
- D. Meetings may only be conducted without the physical presence of a quorum of the City Boards and Committees during a state of emergency if:
 - 1) the meeting is properly noticed; (2) minutes are taken; (3) the public is permitted to attend via technology such as teleconferencing.
- E. Until such time that this resolution is repealed, the City Manager is hereby authorized to extend the powers of this Declaration of Emergency Regulations, consistent with Section 252.38, Florida Statutes.
- F. All requirements and directives contained in this Local Emergency Measure, as well as all active Palm Beach County Emergency Orders and all Executive Orders issued by Florida Governor Ron DeSantis, shall be strictly adhered to at all times and enforceable pursuant to the City of Pahokee Charter and Code of Ordinances Section 7-1 and Section 252.50, Florida Statutes.

Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor

Date

ATTEST:

Interim City Clerk



PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamation

*Proclamation of the Board of County Commissioners
of Palm Beach County, Florida
Declaring November 15-22, 2020 as
National Hunger & Homelessness Awareness Week*

Whereas, the State of Florida ranks third in the nation for the highest homeless population and one in seven of the state's population struggles with hunger; and

Whereas, the Palm Beach County 2020 Homeless Point-In-Time Count identified 1,510 individuals and families experiencing homelessness, and the Palm Beach County Hunger Relief Plan indicates that more than 300,000 residents struggle with hunger; and

Whereas, the purpose of Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Month is to educate the public about the many reasons people are hungry and homeless including the shortage of affordable housing in Palm Beach County for very low-income residents, and to encourage support for homeless assistance service providers, as well as community service opportunities for students and school service organizations; and

Whereas, the Palm Beach County Homeless Advisory Board has developed Leading the Way Home, a robust ten-year plan, designed as the next phase of ending homelessness in Palm Beach County; and

Whereas, the intent of Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is consistent with the activities of the Homeless Advisory Board, Homeless Coalition, Homeless and Housing Alliance, Palm Beach County Food Bank, The Lord's Place, Gulfstream Goodwill Industries, Adopt-A-Family, and other service providers in Palm Beach County.

Now, therefore, I, Keith W Babb, Jr. Mayor of the City of Pahokee, Florida, do hereby proclaim that the week of November 15-22 2020 in Palm Beach County is hereby declared:

National Hunger & Homelessness Awareness Week

In Witness Whereof, I have herunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Pahokee, Florida to be affixed this, 10th of November, 2020.

Keith W. Babb, Jr.

Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.

Clara M. Murvin

Vice Mayor Clara M. Murvin

Regina Bohlen

Commissioner Regina Bohlen

Benny L. Everett, III

Commissioner Benny L. Everett, III

Felisia C. Hill

Commissioner Felisia C. Hill

Proclamation

A proclamation of the City of Pahokee

WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has changed our world immeasurably over the past six months, and that a six-month disruption to medical supplies could result in an additional 500 000 AIDS-related deaths in sub-Saharan Africa alone by the end of 2021, and

WHEREAS, world-wide an estimated 38 million people are living with HIV, and an estimated 1.7 million new infections occurred in 2019, or about 4,500 new infections every day; and

WHEREAS, world-wide 19% of people infected don't know their status and only 67% of persons with HIV (PWH) are currently accessing life-saving antiretroviral therapy (ART); and

WHEREAS, the global spread of HIV infection and AIDS necessitates a worldwide effort to increase communication, education and action to stop the spread of HIV; and

WHEREAS, the Joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) observes December 1 of each year as "World AIDS Day", and leads and inspires the world to achieve its shared vision of zero new HIV infections, zero discrimination and zero AIDS-related deaths; and

WHEREAS, the 95-95-95 ambitious global plan to help end the AIDS epidemic has set its targets for 2030, that 95% of all PWH will know their HIV status, 95% of all people with diagnosed HIV will receive sustained ART, and 95% of all people receiving ART will have viral suppression; and

WHEREAS, in Palm Beach County more than 8,200 persons are living with HIV and about 1 new infection occurs every day, and the Palm Beach County HIV Community Prevention Partnership and the Palm Beach County HIV CARE Council, through its partners are working together to renew HIV/AIDS awareness and to expand and strengthen the local effort to stop the spread of HIV in Palm Beach County on World AIDS Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Keith W Babb, Jr. Mayor of the City of Pahokee, Florida, do hereby proclaim "World AIDS Day" on December 1, 2020; and urge all residents of the city of [CITY] to take part in activities and observances designed to increase awareness and understanding of HIV/AIDS as a global challenge and urge residents to join the global effort to prevent further spread of HIV/AIDS.

In Witness Whereof, I have herunto set my hand and caused the official seal of the City of Pahokee, Florida to be affixed this, 10th of November, 2020.

Keith W. Babb, Jr.

Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.

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Proclamation

Renaming City of Pahokee Gymnasium in Honor of Eddie Lee Rhodes

Whereas, the City of Pahokee recognizes residents, citizens, and others for their endearing commitment and work to the Pahokee Community and the Glades.

Whereas, the City of Pahokee Gymnasium has been closed for more than twelve years and that programs, recreation sports, and other activities have been suspended during this time of closing.

Whereas, during the operations as a High School, the Pahokee Blue Devils utilized all facilities for basketball, volleyball, football, track and other sports.

Whereas, beginning in 1967 Eddie Lee Rhodes was a Pahokee High School teacher, administrator, and coach, and served as a mentor for many athletes and students during his tenure.

Whereas, during his thirty-nine years of service Mr. Rhodes achieved numerous milestones and accomplishments in his profession as an educator and in athletics for Pahokee High School.

Whereas, Eddie Lee Rhodes labored for over twenty years in coaching basketball, girls track & field, and football and during this time he won two(2) state championships in girls track & field, three (3) state championships in boys' basketball and 1 state runner-up championship in boys' basketball in the Glades.

Whereas, Eddie Lee Rhodes was voted five (5) times Coach of The Year in the State of Florida, inducted into the Palm Beach County Sports Hall of Fame in 1992, and Edward Waters College Athletic Hall of Fame in Football and Track on October 3rd, 2009.

Whereas, Eddie Lee Rhodes was awarded the U.S. President's Lifetime Achievement Award from President Barack Obama for unwavering commitment to community service and helping others, and bestowed the Florida Outstanding School Volunteers Award in school year 2016-2017.

Whereas, Eddie Lee Rhodes has been appointed to numerous boards and committees in Palm Beach County and the State of Florida, such as Leadership Glades Advisory Board, Vice President of Glades Tri-City Education Committee, Civil Service Board for the City of Belle Glade, LORE Board of Directors, Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Board of Directors, Chair of Glades Central Community High School Advisory Council, as remains a full and active member of the distinguished Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

Whereas, the Gymnasium and other recreational facilities located at 360 East Main Street was once utilized as the Pahokee High School now currently serves as the Department of Parks and Recreation for the City of Pahokee with a football field, after-school/summer facilities and classrooms, and gymnasium.

Whereas, after renovations have been completed it will be the desire of the City of Pahokee and City Commission in reopening of the Gymnasium to rename the facility.

Whereas, in his honor and to commemorate the years of service and accomplishments in education, volunteerism, and the State of Florida Athletics, the gymnasium is hereby renamed the "Eddie Lee Rhodes Gymnasium"

Done this 10th day of November, 2020

Keith W. Babb, Jr.

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