



REGULAR MEETING OF THE VALDOSTA CITY COUNCIL
5:30 PM Thursday, February 24, 2022
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS

DRAFT
MINUTES

OPENING CEREMONIES

Call to Order

Mayor Scott James Matheson called the regular meeting of the Valdosta City Council to order at 5:30 p.m. Council members present were: Joseph “Sonny” Vickers, Andy Gibbs, Sandra Tooley, Vivian Miller-Cody, Tim Carroll, Eric Howard, and Ben Norton.

Invocation

The invocation was given by Councilman Andy Gibbs.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

MINUTES APPROVAL

a. Thursday, February 10, 2022

The minutes of the February 10, 2022 Regular Meeting were approved by unanimous consent (7-0) of the Council.

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
AYES:	Miller-Cody, Tooley, Vickers, Howard, Carroll, Gibbs, Norton

BIDS, CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS AND EXPENDITURES

Consideration of an amendment to the Contract with Lovell Engineering Associates for the Old Clyattville Road Widening Project.

Pat Collins, City Engineer, stated on August 8, 2020, the City entered into an Agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) pursuant to the Transportation Investment Act of 2010 (TIA) which created 12 Special Districts of the State and allowed each District to approve and authorize the imposition of a Transportation Sales and Use Tax to fund transportation projects within the Special District. The 2020 Agreement authorizes and allows the City to deliver all or part of the scope of work for the Old Clyattville Road Widening using TIA proceeds. The GDOT agreed to reimburse the City in an amount not to exceed \$6,217,514.00 in TIA proceeds for preliminary engineering design, right-of-way acquisition, utility adjustments, and construction. On November 19, 2020, the City entered into an Agreement with Lovell Engineering Associates (LEA) for the engineering design of Old Clyattville Road. This work has been on-going and the GDOT just recently approved the right-of-way plans prepared by LEA. The right-of-way phase is estimated by GDOT up to \$220,000; however, the City has been able to acquire lands for considerably less thus far. The Old Clyattville Road Widening Project begins at the current Corporate Limits of the City of Valdosta at Mud Creek and ends north of the Gil Harbin Industrial Boulevard. The Project includes design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction of a 0.62-mile five lane section replacing an existing two-lane section. The bridge crossing Mud Creek was widened some years ago in anticipation of future widening along this section of roadway so no additional bridge work will be needed. The Project includes an upgrade of the Industrial Boulevard intersection. Existing turn lanes will be lengthened, new turn lanes will be constructed, signal improvements will be