

Vote: Mayor, two seats on council up for election

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istered voters will receive new cards or just those who live in the new precinct.

All Apopka voters will receive a sample ballot prior to the election. It will list the candidates for the three positions that are up for election, including the mayor's job and two City Council seats.

Mayor Joe Kilsheimer has declared his intention to run for re-election as his first term expires in 2018. Current Orange County Commissioner Bryan Nelson has said he will run against Kilsheimer.

With longtime City Commissioner Billie Dean not running for re-election for Seat 1, four candidates have said they are running: Sue Kidd, Gene Knight, Theresa Mott, and Alexander Smith.

Commissioner Diane Velazquez, who holds Seat

2, has announced her intention to run for re-election and has two who have recently announced that they are running against her. Longtime Apopka resident Leroy Bell and relative newcomer Alicia Koutsoulieris have opened campaign accounts

All early voting will be done only at Cowles' office at 119 W. Kaley St., Orlando. Voters will also be able to cast their ballot by mail.

Qualifying for the city election will start at noon on January 2, 2018, and will end at noon on January 9, 2018.

The qualifying fee for the mayor's position is \$6,000, while for the City Council seats, it is \$540.

Those who wish to register to vote in the city election may do so until February 12, 2018 at 5 p.m.

If a runoff is necessary, it will be held April 10, 2018.

Nelson: The five-day conference was a popular event

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This year's program brought improvements in technology to better the attendee and exhibitor experience at the conference. The National Training and Simulation Association (NTSA) made adjustments to its show management app, where both attendees and exhibitors could digitally interact with the conference schedule and the digital show floor. Attendees were able to plan their show by searching and sorting conference and show content in real time. In addition, the enhanced exhibitor profiles included highlights, videos and the ability to set up visits and interact with booth personnel.

The exhibit hall included exhibitors presenting products from all different angles related to advancements and research in simulation, training and technology. Examples of these exhibitors included but were not limited to aircraft manufacturers, and engineering companies and manufacturers. Many of these companies overlapped in terms of their products (i.e., aircraft manufacturers improving and developing equipment for the military). Many of the exhibitors had shared products, research and development for improving training and simulation for use in the Army, giving trainees a more real-life approach in applying their skills. Additionally, other exhibits had focused on simulation related to training in other areas, such as flying an aircraft

and driving a vehicle. Furthermore, some exhibits shared products designed to benefit companies and industries. These products included, but were not limited to 3-D mapping, the collection and organization of data, and image quality for video and photography. Lastly, some of the exhibits presented products and equipment designed to improve training for providing medical attention to wounded soldiers. It is important to note that each exhibit offered an opportunity for attendees to engage with the booth in a variety of ways, such as test-driving a simulation and training aircraft product or performing CPR on a mannequin with life-like injuries.

Given the significant turnout of attendees at the event, with visitors and exhibitors expanding from within Orange County and outside the United States, the five-day conference was a popular event following the week of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Central Florida's robust MS&T sector contributes more than \$6 billion to Florida's gross state product and directly employs more than 30,000 Floridians with an average annual salary of almost \$79,000. The Central Florida Research Park, located next to the University of Central Florida, is the epicenter of the MS&T industry and fosters collaboration, cooperation and partnership between academia, industry and government. The Central Florida Research Park is the home of the Na-

tional Center for Simulation, founded in 1993.

Thanks to the efforts of the MS&T Blue Ribbon Commission and its partners, Florida has recognized the importance of the MS&T cluster's presence in Central Florida and the industry statewide. Over the course of three years (2014-2016), state legislation appropriated \$42 million to help the military commands at the Central Florida Research Park reduce their operating costs by moving out of leased space. This will save them millions of dollars annually. In addition to the Central Florida delegation, many other lawmakers championed the efforts to secure funding for this high-value, high-wage industry including Governor Rick Scott, former Florida Senate President Andy Gardiner and Florida Representative Speaker Steve Crisafulli.

Since 2015, Mayor Jacobs and the National Center for Simulation have hosted a highly attended annual conference to highlight the importance of the MS&T industry in Florida. Now in its third year, the Florida Simulation Summit showcases continuing progress, synergy and support for the industry in Central Florida and statewide.

Orange County has also funded the Metro Orlando Defense Task Force (MODTF) over the past three years (\$25,000 per year) to support their efforts. The MODTF's actions were supported by the efforts of the Blue Ribbon Commission.

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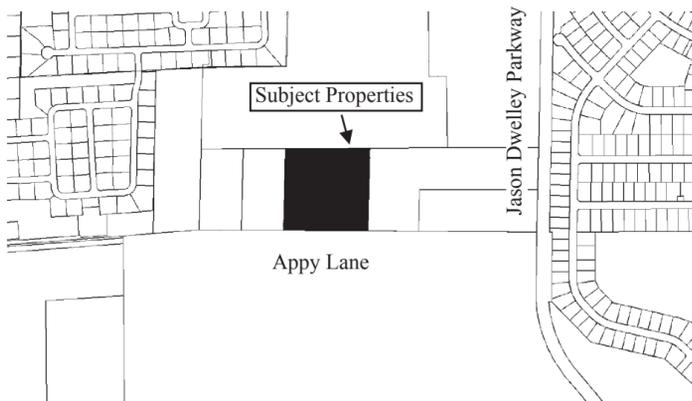
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE CHANGE OF ZONING AMENDMENT CITY OF APOPKA

NOTICE is hereby given that **Paul and Kimberly Rehn** have made an application, in accordance with Florida Statutes 163.3187(c) and the Apopka Code of Ordinances, Part III, Land Development Code, Article XII, Section 12.04.00, to the City of Apopka City Council for a **CHANGE OF ZONING FOR 10 +/- ACRES FROM R-1AAA TO AGRICULTURE ESTATE DISTRICT**. This application relates to the following described property located at 2393 Appy Lane.

ORDINANCE NO. 2609

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE ZONING FROM R-1AAA (RESIDENTIAL) TO AG-E (AGRICULTURE ESTATE) FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED WEST OF JASON DWELLEY PARKWAY, NORTH OF APPY LANE, COMPRISING 10 ACRES MORE OR LESS, AND OWNED BY PAUL AND KIMBERLY REHN; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Parcel I.D.: 18-20-28-0000-00-125 & 18-20-28-0000-00-112
Contains: 10 +/- Acres



NOTICE is given that a public hearing for the change of zoning ordinance will be held by the **City of Apopka City Council** at its regularly scheduled meeting in the City Council Chambers of the Apopka City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida on **Wednesday, December 20, 2017, beginning at 7:00 p.m.** or as soon thereafter as possible.

Affected parties and the public may appear at the above listed hearings to speak. The proposed Future Land Use can be inspected at the Apopka Community Development Department located at Apopka City Hall on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. City Hall address shown below. Please be advised that, under State law, if you decide to appeal a decision made with respect to this matter, you will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk's Office at 120 East Main Street, Apopka FL 32703, Telephone: 407-703-1704, no less than 48 hours prior to the proceeding.

Apopka City Council
Community Development Department

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS CITY OF APOPKA

AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, PART II, CHAPTER 6 – "ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES"

NOTICE is hereby given that the City of Apopka City Council will consider an amendment to the Apopka Code of Ordinances, Part II, Chapter 6 – "Alcoholic Beverages" to amend restrictions on the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages within the City in accordance with the requirements of this ordinance; and to conform the requirements regarding the hours that alcoholic beverages may be sold with the requirements of Orange County, Florida.

The City of Apopka proposes to adopt the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 2612

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA; AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 6, "ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, PROVIDING FOR CITY ADMINISTRATOR APPROVAL OF CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR EVENTS ON CITY OWNED PROPERTY WHERE A LEASE OR RENTAL AGREEMENT HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BY CITY COUNCIL FOR SUCH PROPERTY; AMENDING DISTANCE RESTRICTIONS ON THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN PROXIMITY TO SCHOOLS; ELIMINATING DISTANCE REQUIREMENTS ON THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN PROXIMITY TO GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS AND CHURCHES; ELIMINATING DISTANCE RESTRICTIONS BETWEEN ESTABLISHMENTS FOR THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES; PROVIDING FOR LOCATION OF SALES ON CITY-OWNED PROPERTY; AMENDING RESTRICTIONS REGARDING THE HOURS THAT ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CAN BE SOLD; AND PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Public Hearings on the ordinance will be held in the Apopka City Hall Council Chambers, 120 East Main Street, Apopka, Florida 32703 on the following dates and times, or shortly thereafter, to consider said Amendment:

CITY COUNCIL - FIRST READING WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 6, 2017 1:30 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL - SECOND READING WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 20, 2017 7:00 P.M.

The proposed Code of Ordinances Amendment may be inspected by the public at the Apopka City Hall, in the Community Development Department at 120 East Main Street, Apopka, Florida. Telephone number: 407-703-1712.

All interested parties may appear and be heard with respect to these hearings. Please be advised that, under State Law, if you decide to appeal a decision made with respect to this matter, you will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk's Office at 120 East Main Street, Apopka FL 32703, Telephone: 407-703-1704, no less than 48 hours prior to the proceeding.

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James Hitt, FRA-RA
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The city of Apopka was chartered in 1882. It is located at 28°30 north latitude and is 150 feet above sea level. Its population is about 48,000 and its total area is more than 30 sq. mi. www.apopka.net

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City Administrator407-703-1750
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Finance Dept.407-703-1725
Fire (non-emerg.)407-703-1756
Parks and Rec. Dept.....407-703-1741
Police Chief.....407-703-1789
Police (non-emerg.).....407-703-1771
Job Line.....407-703-1721
Solid Waste Collect.....407-703-1731
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Utility Billing407-703-1727
Medical, fire emergency.....911

Orange County Telephone Numbers

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Building Dept.....407-836-5760
County Chairman407-836-7370
County Commission...407-836-7350
County Attorney407-836-7320
Clerk of the Court407-836-2065
Elections Supervisor...407-836-2070
Fire/Rescue407-836-9111
Garbage Collecting407-836-6601
Health Dept.407-836-2600
Hunting/Fishing Lic...407-836-4143
Parks and Rec. Dept...407-836-6280
Property Appraiser407-836-5000
Sheriff Administrative...407-254-7000
Non-Emerg. Complaint...407-836-4357
Utilities407-836-5515
All other departments...407-836-3111
Medical, fire emergency.....911

Other Area Numbers of Note

U.S. Senators
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Marco Rubio (Rep.)407-254-2573
U.S. Representative
Val Demings (Dist. 10)321-388-9810
State Representatives
Jennifer Sullivan (Dist. 31)352-742-6275
Kamia Brown (Dist. 45)...407-905-3807
State Senators
Randolph Bracy (Dist. 11)407-656-6716
Orange County Commissioner
Bryan Nelson (Dist. 2)407-836-7350
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Pupil assignment407-317-3233
Bus routes.....407-317-3800
Superintendent407-317-3202
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The Way I See It

Patti Bankson

Rude. Crude. Socially Unacceptable....

Ooops! Correction. Because, if that was ever true, it's certainly not true today. No, today it's about Rude. Crude. And Socially Unacceptable. People used to know how to speak and behave in what was (then) called, "Polite Society". All kinds of Rude and Crude may have happened, but, for the most part, the whole world didn't know about it. Some things probably should have been made public, shouldn't have been kept secret. Innocents were hurt by it. But, using your obscene "vocabulary" to publicly spew all your inner ugliness, unhappiness and discontent doesn't create a better atmosphere, doesn't prevent people being hurt. Too many think that minding and critiquing others' business is their business. If others are hurt? Too bad, because all that matters to the Me First generations, is, well... them.

Example: Chelsea Handler... rumored to be a comedienne, although I've never thought pure

meanness – being contemptibly selfish - was funny. Handler's also a self-proclaimed feminist. But, she indicted herself on both counts with her own words about Sarah Huckabee Sanders. On her December 1, Netflix show, she told Lanny Davis, Clinton lawyer/con-sigliere: "That harlot that they're dressing up and trolloping out every day? I mean, one day she has no makeup on at all. The next, she's got six-foot-long eyelashes, cleavage and summer whore lipstick all over her face... Can you believe what they've turned her into? A proper trollop." A trollop, btw, is defined as "an untidy, dirty woman; a prostitute". If anyone fits that description, it's Chelsea... a woman with an incredibly dirty mind/mouth, who prostitutes whatever decency she may have ever had at the altar of comedy. And, the idea that Handler claims to be part of the "sisterhood" called Feminism, is... well, we know that whole sisterhood thing doesn't exist for all women. Only those who believe in leftist positions. In fairness, there may be some who call themselves feminists who aren't extreme or exclusionary, but, here's the question: how can they continue to support the likes of Chelsea, Ashley Judd, Madonna, et al, and let them represent them in the public square?

Those on the left love to insult decent women: Former Governor of Alaska, and Republican Vice Presidential candidate, Sarah Palin committed the crime of being married, mother of children, one of whom she did NOT abort, when others thought she should have. Sarah Huckabee Sanders... the first working mother to hold her position as WH press secretary. Her crime? She's a conservative woman whose father is a Baptist preacher. She dresses decently, though not as stylishly as the left would like; Speaks without cussing, has a good marriage and three children. Then, there's our First Lady, Melania Trump... her crime is that she's too attractive, is too stylish, has too much class... and, not only speaks without swearing, but can do it in five languages.

Those three women make me proud to be a Christian, a Conservative, a decent woman... One of a dwindling number of people in general and women in particular who know how to speak, and behave, in what I believe still exists in America, "Polite Society". Not a society that ignores evil, but one that brings all we believe in, to the fight against it. A society where Rude and Crude remain Unacceptable.

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Moore: Crowd size backs up traffic

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awarded to Wekiva students is always stellar and proudly announced at year-end graduations.

Special thanks to the agriscience and ROTC students who worked diligently preparing the grounds and campus for our guests. I even had the opportunity to meet a football player who helped us pick up trash around the playing field in preparation for the big game. Only one challenge of the larger-than-usual-crowd

was not met. The system for receiving money for parking was too slow. The triple the normal crowd size caused traffic to back up for a half-mile along Hiwassee. Next year...an easy fix!

Still on the subject of athletics – I would like to congratulate Steven Billings-Larson of Apopka High School. Steven was selected to represent OCPS on the FHSAA Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. He is a well-rounded individual. Outside of sports, Steven

is involved with many academic and leadership organizations like the National Honor Society and the National Beta Club. He is also the president of the Winter Park Kappa Leadership Development League.

As a new member of the FHSAA group, Steven hopes to minimize the sacrifice that student-athletes make when balancing academics and community service. Congratulations, Steven, for representing Orange County.

Corbeil: Nobels have been a blessing

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methods for launching them. "In 2014, Israel launched Duchifat-1, an experimental spacecraft developed and built at the Herzliya Science Center by secondary-school students. It is still in orbit."

Disease Resistance and Pigments by the Weizmann Institute of Science/Wis-Wander Weizmann ac.il.

Color in the plant kingdom doesn't merely please the eye. Colored pigments attract pollinating insects, protect plants against disease, and confer health benefits that are used in the food and drug industries. A new study at the Weizmann Institute opens the way to numerous uses of betalains, the highly nutritious red-violet and yellow pigment known for their antioxidant proper-

ties and common use as food dyes.

Healthy antioxidant activity was 60 percent higher in betalain-producing tomatoes than in average ones. The findings may be used to fortify a wide variety of crops with betalains to increase their nutritional value.

The researchers also discovered that betalains protect plants against gray mold, Botrytis cinera, which annually causes the loss of agricultural crops worth billions of dollars. The study showed that resistance to gray mold rose by a whopping 90 percent in plants engineered to make betalains."

It's amazing to think that a nation with a population about equal to the state of Massachusetts (7.5 million), and land area of 7,800

square miles, less than Massachusetts, by 2,755 square miles, could have won almost 60 Nobel Prizes since its 1948 rebirth as a nation, all while spending half of their time and funds defending themselves from destruction and invasions by the Arab world.

These Nobels, primarily in medicine, science and technology, have been a blessing to billions of the earth's population, and surely saved or improved uncountable numbers of lives, and will continue to do so.

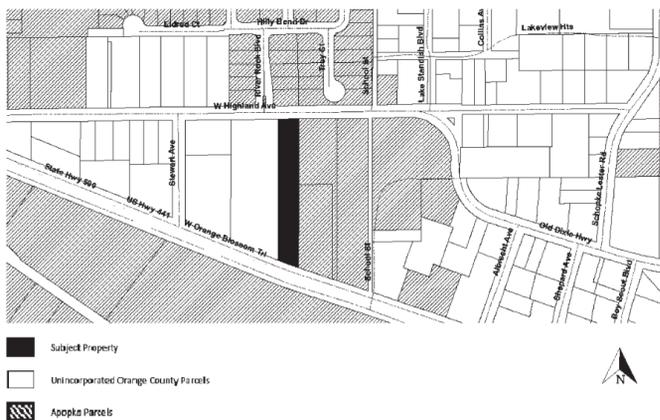
"I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day or night: you that make mention of the LORD, keep not silence... And give him no rest, till he makes Jerusalem a praise in the earth." Isaiah 62:6 and 7.

CITY OF APOPKA PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

The following ordinances will be read and considered for adoption at the City Council meeting in the Apopka City Hall Council Chambers on **Wednesday, December 20, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as possible.

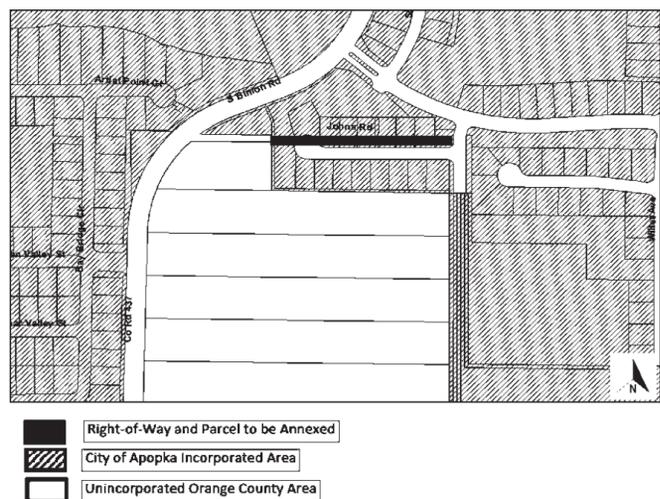
ORDINANCE NO. 2613

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, TO EXTEND ITS TERRITORIAL AND MUNICIPAL LIMITS TO ANNEX PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 171.044 THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED LANDS SITUATED AND BEING IN ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, OWNED BY IGLESIA EL GETSEMANI INC. LOCATED AT 2575 WEST ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



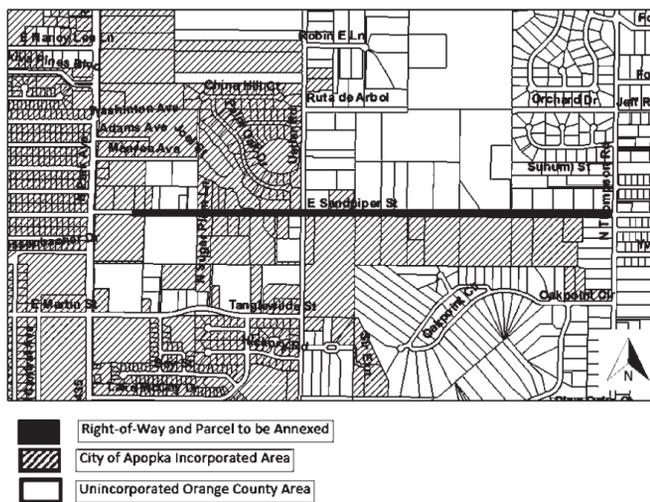
ORDINANCE NO. 2615

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, TO EXTEND ITS TERRITORIAL AND MUNICIPAL LIMITS TO ANNEX PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 171.044 THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY KNOW AS JOHNS ROAD SITUATED AND BEING IN ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, LOCATED GENERALLY WEST OF SOUTH BINION ROAD AND EAST OF JOHNS ROAD, AND COMPRISED OF APPROXIMATELY 1.05 ACRES; OWNED BY ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



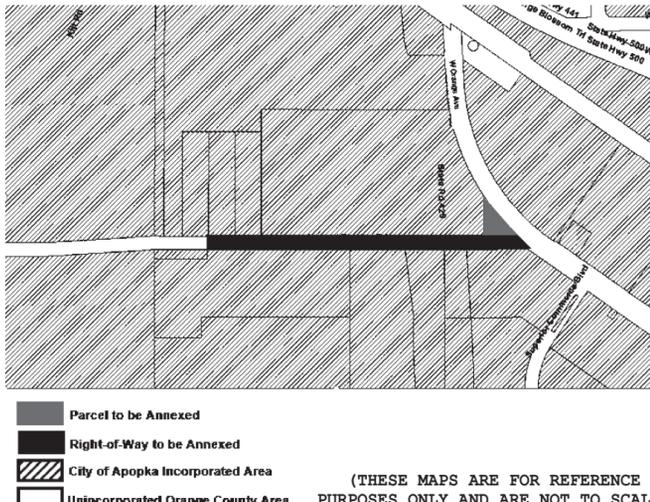
ORDINANCE NO. 2614

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, TO EXTEND ITS TERRITORIAL AND MUNICIPAL LIMITS TO ANNEX PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 171.044 THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY KNOW AS EAST SANDPIPER STREET SITUATED AND BEING IN ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, LOCATED GENERALLY WEST OF NORTH PARK AVENUE AND EAST OF THOMPSON ROAD, AND COMPRISED OF APPROXIMATELY 8.4 ACRES; OWNED BY ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



ORDINANCE NO. 2616

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, TO EXTEND ITS TERRITORIAL AND MUNICIPAL LIMITS TO ANNEX PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 171.044 THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY KNOW AS GENERAL ELECTRIC ROAD AND PARCEL I.D. NUMBER 06-21-28-7172-02-401 SITUATED AND BEING IN ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, LOCATED GENERALLY WEST OF HERMIT SMITH ROAD AND EAST OF WEST ORANGE AVENUE, AND COMPRISED OF APPROXIMATELY 2.3 ACRES; OWNED BY ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND THE CITY OF APOPKA; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



Affected parties may appear at this meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinances. The proposed ordinances are available in the City Clerk's office or the Community Development Department for inspection between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

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Aldi grocery store will re-open on Dec. 14

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The Aldi grocery store on Semoran Boulevard in Apopka that has been closed for several months as it was being expanded will re-open its doors Thursday, December 14, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. The store is located at 1636 E. Semoran Blvd.

To celebrate the re-opening of the Apopka store, Aldi will host the ribbon-cutting ceremony at 8:25 a.m. The public is invited to attend. Following the ceremony, customers can tour the store and enter an on-site sweepstakes for a chance to win a year's

supply of Aldi produce.

Thanks to input from customers, the Apopka store presents a new look. Company officials said customers will notice a focus on fresh items, including more robust produce, dairy and bakery sections and more room for customers' favorite products. Aldi stores will also feature a modern design, open ceilings, natural lighting and environmentally friendly building materials such as recycled materials, energy-saving refrigeration and LED lighting.

"Whether you're a current Aldi customer or you haven't stopped by your

local Aldi lately, we invite you to come experience the new Aldi look and see how we've expanded our fresh offerings while staying true to our everyday low prices," Matt Thon, Haines City division vice president for Aldi, said in a press release. "Customers will recognize our easy-to-shop environment featuring a new modern design and more room for their favorite products."

Aldi is known for its lower prices on many house-brand items, but the store also carries some name-brand groceries and products.

In addition, Aldi shop-

pers must bring their own shopping bags and to use a shopping cart, customers must insert a quarter to release a cart from the corral and they receive the quarter back upon the cart's return.

The remodeled Apopka location will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Sunday. All Aldi stores nationwide accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express.

The Apopka store is part of a \$1.6 billion investment plan. More than 1,300 Aldi stores will be remodeled and expanded across the U.S. by 2020.

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Parade: 4 marching bands will participate

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the Apopka Christmas Parade.

"I think we're on track to get close to, at, or maybe beyond our normal 100 entries. It will still be a two-hour parade," said Pat MacGuffin, Sertoma Club president.

Four high school marching bands are scheduled to participate in the parade: Apopka, Wekiwa, Jones and Ocoee.

Evans High School was originally slated to play but will not do so because of scheduling conflicts, Bob Rosen, Sertoma Club member, said on Monday, December 4.

The kickoff sponsor is Brookdale Wekiwa Springs Assisted Living Facility, meaning the facility's float is the first to ride in the parade. Florida Hospital Apopka is the parade's presenting sponsor.

An Apopka Memorial Middle School band will not march in the parade, but will perform from 8:30-9:30 a.m. in the park prior to the parade.

Foliage Sertoma Club members selected Steve Deviese, who has spent many years as chairman of the parade, to serve as grand marshal of the parade. He is a CPA in the city.

"We're kind of acknowledging him for all his great work over the years," MacGuffin said.

The same three judges from last year

are back to award the best float entrants and marching bands.

Pamela Joy Smith is a retired criminal prosecutor who has devoted 36 years of her career at the Office of the State Attorney for the Ninth Judicial Circuit. She is active in the Apopka community where she serves on the Executive Board of Directors for the Miss Apopka Scholarship Pageant and sings in the choir at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church. Smith is the mother of two grown sons who are both following in her footsteps.

Dorian Goodman worked for Eastern Airlines as a flight attendant for 23 years. During this time, she coordinated publicity to open Disney World for Eastern Airlines. She has been married for 36 years to Judge Alvin Goodman of Miami, and helped raise two sets of twins and has a daughter. Goodman hosted the Miami Boxing Convention and served on numerous committees with her husband.

John Davie moved to Central Florida 30 years ago from Kentucky where he was named a Kentucky Colonel. He began working in Walt Disney World when he moved to Florida, but made a career in the mortgage industry. He has served as a volunteer teacher for Junior Achievement. Currently, he is a professional guardian with the state government.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE TRANSMITTAL OF A LARGE SCALE FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT

NOTICE is hereby given that **GEORGE THUM, JR & PHILIP AND PEGGY DIONNE (C/O OCPS)** has made an application, in accordance with Florida Statutes 163.3187(c) and the Apopka Code of Ordinances, Part III, Land Development Code, Article XII, Section 12.04.00, to the City of Apopka City Council, and Apopka Planning Commission for a **CHANGE IN THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION FOR APPROXIMATELY 15.17 +/- ACRES FROM "COUNTY" RURAL (0-1 DU/10 AC) AND "CITY" AGRICULTURE (0-1 DU/10 AC) TO "CITY" INSTITUTIONAL/PUBLIC USE.** This application relates to the following described property located west of Jason Dwelley Parkway, south of Kelly Park Road.



Parcel I.D.: 18-20-28-0000-00-053 & 18-20-28-0000-00-054
Contains: 15.17 +/- Acres

ORDINANCE 2583

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE APOPKA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY OF APOPKA; CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION "COUNTY" RURAL (0-1 DU/10 AC) AND "CITY" AGRICULTURE (0-1 DU/10 AC) TO "CITY" INSTITUTIONAL/PUBLIC USE FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED WEST OF JASON DWELLEY PARKWAY AND SOUTH OF WEST KELLY PARK ROAD, COMPRISING 15.17 ACRES, MORE OR LESS AND OWNED BY GEORGE THUM, JR. AND BY PHILIP AND PEGGY DIONNE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Notice is given that a public hearing for the transmittal of the proposed amendment to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity will be held by the **City of Apopka City Council** at its regularly scheduled meeting in the City Council Chambers of the Apopka City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida on **Wednesday, December 20, 2017, beginning at 7:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as possible. Public hearing notices are also posted at www.apopka.net.

Affected parties and the public may appear at the above listed hearings to speak. The proposed Future Land Use can be inspected at the Apopka Community Development Department located at Apopka City Hall on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. City Hall address shown below. Please be advised that, under State law, if you decide to appeal a decision made with respect to this matter, you will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk's Office at 120 East Main Street, Apopka FL 32703, Telephone: 407-703-1704, no less than 48 hours prior to the proceeding.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE CHANGE OF ZONING AMENDMENT AND SMALL SCALE FUTURE LAND USE CITY OF APOPKA

NOTICE is hereby given that **Moorwolf LLC** has made an application, in accordance with Florida Statutes 163.3187(c) and the Apopka Code of Ordinances, Part III, Land Development Code, Article XII, Section 12.04.00, to the City of Apopka City Council for a **CHANGE IN THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION FROM RESIDENTIAL LOW TO OFFICE AND A CHANGE OF ZONING FOR ONE +/- ACRES FROM "COUNTY" R-1 (ZIP) TO "CITY" PROFESSIONAL OFFICE/INSTITUTIONAL DISTRICT.** This application relates to the following described property located at 145 S. Wekiwa Springs Road.

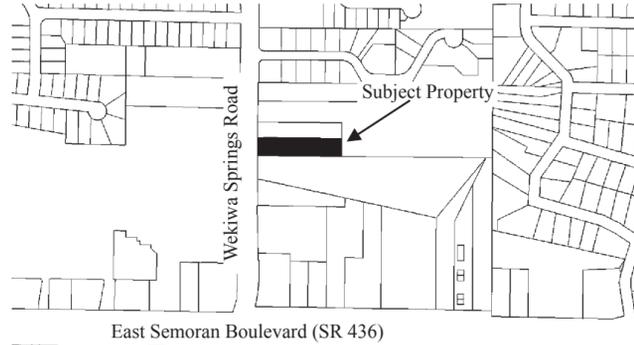
Parcel I.D.: 12-21-28-6896-00-181
Contains: 1.06 +/- Acres

ORDINANCE NO. 2606

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE APOPKA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY OF APOPKA; CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION FROM RESIDENTIAL LOW TO OFFICE FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED EAST OF WEKIWA SPRINGS ROAD, NORTH OF SEMORAN BOULEVARD, COMPRISING 1.06 ACRES MORE OR LESS, AND OWNED BY MOORWOLF LLC; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

ORDINANCE NO. 2607

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE ZONING FROM "COUNTY" R-1 (ZIP) (RESIDENTIAL) TO "CITY" PO/I (PROFESSIONAL OFFICE/INSTITUTIONAL) FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED EAST OF WEKIWA SPRINGS ROAD, NORTH OF SEMORAN BOULEVARD, COMPRISING 1.06 ACRES MORE OR LESS, AND OWNED BY MOORWOLF LLC; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



NOTICE is given that a public hearing for the change of zoning ordinance will be held by the **City of Apopka City Council** at its regularly scheduled meeting in the City Council Chambers of the Apopka City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida on **Wednesday, December 20, 2017, beginning at 7:00 p.m.** or as soon thereafter as possible.

Affected parties and the public may appear at the above listed hearings to speak. The proposed Future Land Use can be inspected at the Apopka Community Development Department located at Apopka City Hall on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. City Hall address shown below. Please be advised that, under State law, if you decide to appeal a decision made with respect to this matter, you will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk's Office at 120 East Main Street, Apopka FL 32703, Telephone: 407-703-1704, no less than 48 hours prior to the proceeding.

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Melissa Byrd will run for school board

Tell them you saw it in The Apopka Chief

Former teacher Melissa Byrd filed to run for Orange County School Board District 7, vowing to work to improve the schools in Northwest Orange County.

While Byrd filed for the election in 2020, it is anticipated a special election will be called in 2018 as Christine Moore, the current school board member for District 7, has filed to run for Orange County commissioner.

"As a parent and a former teacher, I know there are many avenues we need to explore to improve our children's educational opportunities," Byrd said. "There are only two A schools in District 7 and that is simply unacceptable to me and to the parents I've talked to."

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County, approximately one in three schools are A-rated. In District 7, fewer than one of every 10 schools is A-rated.

If elected, Byrd said she'll focus on improvement in four areas: educational opportunities, class-

room environment, teacher advocacy and community schools.

Byrd is a Central Florida native and received her degree in elementary education from the University of Central Florida.

She taught for several years at Forest City Elementary School and performed multiple leadership roles, such as the Title I reading resource teacher, working with struggling readers in all grades.

After that, Byrd taught at Pace Brantley Hall School, where she specialized in working with children with learning differences in first through fourth grade.

In 2003, after the birth of her first daughter, Byrd left the classroom to raise her children, Abigail, 14,

and Madeline, 10, but still works as a substitute teacher for Orange County Public Schools, working at elementary, middle and high schools in Northwest Orange County.

She currently serves as the PTSA vice president and chair of the School Advisory Council at Piedmont Lakes Middle School. At Clay Springs Elementary School, she volunteers at multiple PTA events and was a regular classroom volunteer.

Byrd moved from Altamonte Springs to the Apopka area in 1998 after marrying Alan Byrd, owner of Alan Byrd & Associates, a public relations and marketing firm.

For more information, visit ElectMelissaByrd.com or Facebook.

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emergency department with pediatric-friendly beds, imaging services, a full-service cafeteria, chapel, and gift shop. It also has a helicopter landing pad.

Brasfield and Gorrie was the contractor for the new hospital.

At a Wednesday, December 6, meeting of the Development Review Committee involving city of Apopka staff, a Florida Hospital representative said the organization has been working with various governmental entities to make sure that official roadside signage for the new hospital is effective at the time when the hospital opens. He also said that Florida Hospital has been working with entities such as Google Maps to make sure that the new hospital pops up on electronic maps for people beginning at 7 a.m. on Wednesday, December 13.

An open house for the community was held November 26, an event that drew an estimated 2,500 people. During the open house, visitors saw that the new hospital will offer many more services, Cook said.

"People seem to be in awe of what this facility represents for them in terms of standard healthcare," he said. "It's so different from what they're used to all these years and they see it. They were very excited."

The city of Apopka opened a temporary Fire Station No. 6 facility on the hospital property on Sunday, December 3, and expects to build a permanent station near the hospital over the next two years or so.

Plans for the current hospital campus located at Park Avenue and Oak Street have not been announced, but hospital officials have said it will be oriented toward seniors.

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE CHANGE OF ZONING CITY OF APOPKA

NOTICE is hereby given that **THOMPSON HILLS ESTATES, LLC (AKA OAK POINTE PUD)** has made an application, in accordance with Florida Statutes 163.3187(c) and the Apopka Code of Ordinances, Part III, Land Development Code, Article XII, Section 12.04.00, to the City of Apopka City Council, and Apopka Planning Commission for a **CHANGE IN ZONING FOR APPROXIMATELY 69.38 +/- ACRES FROM PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD) TO PUD (NEW MASTER SITE PLAN) for single family homes and townhome residential development.** This application relates to the following described properties located north of McCormick Rd., east of SR 429.

Parcel I.D.: 29-21-28-0000-00-011;-016;-033; and portions of: 29-21-28-0000-00-038; 32-21-28-0000-00-004;-030. Contains: 69.38 +/- Acres



NOTICE is given that a public hearing on the proposed amendments will be held by the **City of Apopka City Council** at its regularly scheduled meeting in the City Council Chambers of the Apopka City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida on **Wednesday, December 20, 2017, beginning at 7:00 p.m.,** or as soon thereafter as possible.

Affected parties and the public may appear at the above listed hearings to speak. The proposed Change of Zoning and Master Plan can be inspected at the Apopka Community Development Department located at Apopka City Hall on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. City Hall address shown below. Please be advised that, under State law, if you decide to appeal a decision made with respect to this matter, you will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk's Office at 120 East Main Street, Apopka FL 32703, Telephone: 407-703-1704, no less than 48 hours prior to the proceeding.