



Ocala City Council Agenda - Final

Tuesday, July 15, 2025

Meeting Information

Location

Ocala City Hall
110 SE Watula Avenue
Second Floor - Council Chambers
Ocala, Florida

<https://www.ocalafl.gov/meetings>

Time

4:00 PM

Council Members

Kristen Dreyer, Council President
Ire Bethea Sr., Pro Tem
James P. Hilty Sr.
Barry Mansfield
Jay A. Musleh

Mayor

Ben Marciano

City Manager

Peter Lee

Mission Statement

The City of Ocala provides fiscally responsible services consistent with the community's current and future expectations.

City Council's Strategic Priorities

Priority 1: Economic hub
Priority 2: Fiscally sustainable
Priority 3: Engaged workforce
Priority 4: Operational excellence
Priority 5: Quality of place

WELCOME!

Citizens are encouraged to participate in City of Ocala meetings. Speakers wishing to provide public comments to the City Council should complete a written public comment form and shall submit said form to the City Clerk prior to the meeting being called to order. Unless otherwise permitted, no person shall be permitted to provide public comments to City Council if they have not completed and submitted a public comment card prior to the meeting being called to order. Speakers will be limited to 3 (three) minutes. Additional time may be granted by the Council President. When recognized, state name and address. Citizen groups are asked to name a spokesperson.

The City of Ocala encourages civility in public discourse and requests that speakers limit their comments to specific motions and direct their comments to the Council. Cell phones should be turned off or set to vibrate.

The order of agenda items may be changed if deemed appropriate by City Council.

Citizens are encouraged to provide comments in writing to the City Clerk before meetings for inclusion into the public record. Citizens may also provide input to council members via office visits, phone calls, letters and e-mail that will become public record. In some instances, i.e., Quasi-Judicial Hearings, these particular contacts may be prohibited.

APPEALS

Any person who desires to appeal any decision at this meeting will need a record of the proceedings and for this purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made that includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is made.

ADA COMPLIANCE

If reasonable accommodations are needed for you to participate in this meeting, please call the City Manager's Office at 352-629-8401 at least 48 hours in advance so arrangements can be made.

1. Call to Order**2. Roll Call**

- a. New Employees
 - Richard Crile, Electric
 - Clay Surdam, Electric

3. Public Notice**4. Proclamations and Awards**

- 4a. [The Mayor's Citizen Recognition Award will be presented to Ashley Gerds](#)
- 4b. [Service Award - Doug Peebles - Director of Ocala Electric Utility - 25 Years of Service](#)

5. Presentations**6. Consent Agenda**

Consent Agenda items are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless members of Council or the public request specific items to be removed for separate discussion and action.

- 6a. [Approve additional expenditures for field service assembly and testing services for power transformers under the agreement with Virginia Transformer in the estimated amount of \\$98,700](#)

Presentation By: Doug Peebles

- 6b. [Approve a task work order with McFarland Johnson, Inc. to provide design services for the T-Hangar Taxilane Rehabilitation project in the amount of \\$85,506](#)

Presentation By: Matthew Grow

- 6c. [Approve additional expenditures under the agreement with Chuck's Stokes Electric of Central Florida, Inc. in the amount of \\$62,059 for a contract total of \\$502,059](#)

Presentation By: Darren Park

- 6d. [Approve expenditures for utility services provided by SECO Energy for Fiscal Year 2024-25 with an estimated expenditure of \\$76,000](#)

Presentation By: Peter Brill

- 6e. [Approve the sale and purchase contract of Surplus Parcel #2260-171-009 to Laverne and Nathaniel Abiaka in the amount of \\$13,168](#)

Presentation By: Tracy Taylor

- 6f. [Approve Jeff Shrum, Growth Management Director, and Tom Duncan, Transit Administrator, as designated “Officials” for the Federal Transit Administration Transit Award Management System](#)

Presentation By: Tom Duncan

- 6g. [Adopt Budget Resolution 2025-164 amending the Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget to appropriate a donation for the development of current and future exhibits at the Discovery Center in the amount of \\$15,000](#)

[BR-2025-164](#)

Presentation By: John Spencer

- 6h. [Adopt Budget Resolution 2025-165 amending the Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget to accept and appropriate community donations for K-9 related expenses in the amount of \\$1,100](#)

[BR-2025-165](#)

Presentation By: Michael Balken

- 6i. [Approve the purchase of various inventory items for Ocala Fiber Network from multiple vendors in an amount not to exceed \\$160,838](#)

Presentation By: Mel Poole

- 6j. [Approve appointment of and establish compensation for Dana Dammar as Assistant City Attorney](#)

Presentation By: William E. Sexton

- 6k. [Approve minutes from July 1, 2025 City Council meeting](#)

Presentation By: Angel Jacobs

7. Consent Agenda Items Held for Discussion

Should any items be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion, they will be discussed at this time.

8. Introduction and First Readings of Ordinances

9. Public Hearings / Second and Final Readings / Adoption of Ordinances

- 9a. [Public Hearing to consider an amendment to a Site Concurrency Development Agreement pursuant to Chapter 163, Florida Statutes \(New Old Town Village LLC\) for approximately 38.9 acres located in the 4300-4600 block of E Silver Springs Boulevard \(Parcels 27028-004-03, 27028-004-00, 27028-004-01, 27029-000-02, 27028-003-00, and a portion of 2735-000-002\) \(DMA23-45430\); this is the second of two public hearings; the first was held on June 9, 2025, before the Planning and Zoning Commission](#)

Presentation By: Jeff Shrum

- 9b. [Adopt Resolution 2025-29 to abrogate a portion of NE 47th Court between Block I, Lot 2 and Block F, Lot 17 of Glynnwood Unit 1 as recorded in Plat Book G, Page 91, of the public records of Marion County, Florida \(Parcels 2735-0006-017 & 2735-009-002\) \(Case ABR23-45418\) \(Quasi-Judicial\)](#)

Presentation By: Jeff Shrum

- 9c. [Adopt Ordinance 2025-29 to change the Future Land Use designation on approximately 0.78 acres for property located in the 1900 block of NE 49th Avenue \(Parcels 2735-006-017 and 2735-009-002\) from Neighborhood to Low Intensity \(Case LUC23-45427\) \(Quasi-Judicial\)](#)

Presentation By: Jeff Shrum

Introduced by: Ire J. Bethea Sr

- 9d. [Adopt Ordinance 2025-30 to rezone approximately 6.83 acres for property located at the southwestern corner of the intersection at NE 49th Avenue and E Silver Springs Boulevard \(Parcel 2735-000-002, 2735-009-001, 2735-009-002, 2735-006-017, and a portion of parcel 27028-004-03\) from PD, Planned Development, R-1, Single-Family Residential, & B-2, Community Business, to PD, Planned Development \(Case PD23-45431\) \(Quasi-Judicial\)](#)

Presentation By: Jeff Shrum

Introduced by: James P. Hilty Sr

- 9e. [Adopt Ordinance 2025-31 to rezone approximately 0.59 acres for property located at the southwestern corner of the intersection at NE 49th Avenue and E Silver Springs Boulevard \(a portion of 2735-000-002\) from PD, Planned Development, to B-2, Community Business \(Case ZON23-45419\) \(Quasi-Judicial\)](#)

Presentation By: Jeff Shrum

Introduced by: Barry Mansfield

- 9f. [Adopt Resolution 2025-30 to approve a resolution for a Planned Development Plan and Standards Book for property located at the southwestern corner of the intersection at NE 49th Avenue and E Silver Springs Boulevard \(Parcel 2735-000-002, 2735-009-001, 2735-009-002, 2735-006-017, and a portion of parcel 27028-004-03\), approximately 6.83 acres \(Case No. PD23-45431\) \(Quasi-Judicial\)](#)

Presentation By: Jeff Shrum

- 9g. [Adopt Ordinance 2025-33 to rezone approximately 18.24 acres for the property located southwest of the intersection at SW 48th Avenue and SW 49th Place \(Parcel 23832-000-00 and a portion of 23894-002-00\) from R-3, Multi-Family Residential, to B-2, Community Business \(Case ZON25-0007\) \(Quasi-Judicial\)](#)

Presentation By: Emily Johnson

Introduced by: Ire J. Bethea Sr

10. General Business

- 10a. [Adopt Resolution 2025-34 providing for the reimposition of non-ad valorem Fire Assessments, establishing proposed rates for Fiscal Year 2025-26, directing preparation of the Fire Assessment Roll, setting a date for a public hearing, and directing publication and mailing notices of proposed Fire Assessments](#)

RES-2025-34

Presentation By: Tammi Haslam

- 10b. [Adopt the Fiscal Year 2025-26 tentative millage rates: Basic City - 6.6177; District A - 1.7185; District B - 1.6332; District C - 1.4699](#)

Presentation By: Tammi Haslam

- 10c. [Adopt Budget Resolution 2025-166 amending the Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget to provide a supplemental appropriation to reconcile cash balance forward accounts and for the continuation of projects not completed in Fiscal Year 2023-24 in the amount of \\$3,786,945](#)

BR-2025-166

Presentation By: Tammi Haslam

- 10d. [Approve a task work order with Infrastructure Consulting & Engineering, PLLC, for design services for the A12 Hangar Infrastructure project in the amount of \\$147,741](#)

Presentation By: Matthew Grow

- 10e. [Approve a task work order with McFarland Johnson, Inc. to provide design services for fuel farm expansion, aircraft wash pad and vehicle parking pads in the amount not to exceed \\$102,117](#)

Presentation By: Matthew Grow

- 10f. [Approve a contract between the City of Ocala and Cummins, Inc D/B/A Cummins Sales and Service for engine and transmission replacement services on an as-needed basis not to exceed \\$1,340,270](#)

Presentation By: Tom Duncan

- 10g. [Approve a one-year renewal with HM Insurance Group to provide stop-loss insurance for the City's self-insured health plan, with an expenditure of \\$1,977,347](#)

Presentation By: Todd Swanson

- 10h. [Approval of agreement with Marion County School Board for the School Resource Officer Program with receivables over three years of \\$5,946,781](#)

Presentation By: Mike Balken

11. Internal Auditor's Report

12. City Manager's Report

13. Ocala Police Department Report

14. Ocala Fire Rescue Department Report

15. City Attorney's Report

16. Public Comments

17. Informational Items and Calendaring Items

- Tuesday, August 5, 2025 - 4:00pm - City Council meeting - Council Chambers
- Tuesday, August 12, 2025 - 12:00pm - City Council Workshop Re: FY 2025-26 Budget - Council Chambers
- Tuesday, August 19, 2025 - 3:45pm - CRA Board meeting - Council Chambers
- Tuesday, August 19, 2025 - 4:00pm - City Council meeting - Council Chambers
- Tuesday, August 26, 2025 - 3:00pm - TPO Meeting - Marion County BOCC Auditorium
- Monday, September 1, 2025 - Labor Day Holiday - City offices closed
- Tuesday, September 2, 2025 - 4:00pm - City Council meeting - Council Chambers
- Thursday, September 11, 2025 - 5:01pm - City Council Special Meeting re: Fire Assessment - Council Chambers
- Tuesday, September 16, 2025 - 3:45pm - CRA Board meeting - Council Chambers
- Tuesday, September 16, 2025 - 4:00pm - City Council meeting - Council Chambers
- Tuesday, September 23, 2025 - 3:00pm - TPO Meeting - Marion County BOCC Auditorium

- 17a. [Fully Executed Contracts Under \\$50,000](#)

- 17b. [Monthly budget to actual report and Capital Improvement Project status report as of May 31, 2025](#)

18. Comments by Mayor

19. Comments by City Council Members

20. Adjournment