



Ocala City Council Agenda - **Revised** Tuesday, July 16, 2024

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

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

Revised 7/11/24: Item 6g pulled**1. Call to Order****2. Roll Call****2a. New Employees**

- Morgan Cole, Electric
- Leon Ridaught, Electric
- Desi Conley, Growth Management
- Andy Gray, Growth Management
- Rachel Harvick, Growth Management
- Kristina Wright, Growth Management
- Juan Molina, Public Works
- Kyle Smith, Public Works
- Amanda Scotti, Water Resources
- Matthew Stanley, Water Resources

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

4a. [Mayor Ben Marciano will present the Key to the City to Dr. Segismundo Pares](#)

4b. [The Mayor's Citizen Recognition Award will be presented to RJ Jenkins](#)

4c. [The National Night Out Proclamation will be presented to Ocala City Councilmember Ire Bethea, Ocala Police Department Coordinator Community Liaison Tara Woods, and to the National Night Out Committee Members](#)

4d. [Service Award - Jason Rhodes - Ocala Electric Utility - 25-Years of Service](#)

5. Presentations

5a. [Communications Update](#)

Presentation By: Gregory Davis

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 the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Florida Incident Based Reporting System grant extension](#)

Presentation By: Michael Balken

- 6b. [Approve Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Gainesville for participation and cooperation in the North Florida Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force](#)

Presentation By: Michael Balken

- 6c. [Adopt Budget Resolution 2024-147 to accept reimbursement funds from the North Florida Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force through a memorandum of understanding agreement with the City of Gainesville to foster cooperation in combating internet crimes against children in an approximate amount of \\$10,000](#)

BR-2024-147

Presentation By: Michael Balken

- 6d. [Approve the Florida Department of Law Enforcement State Assistance for Fentanyl Education grant extension for fentanyl eradication operational funding](#)

Presentation By: Michael Balken

- 6e. [Adopt Budget Resolution 2024-152 amending the Fiscal Year 2023-24 budget to accept and appropriate funds from the Department of Justice for task force officer overtime expenses totaling \\$4,000](#)

BR-2024-152

Presentation By: Michael Balken

- 6f. [Approve Labor Attorney invoices for May 2024, in the amount of \\$2,977.55](#)

Presentation By: Devan Kikendall

- 6g. Item pulled

- 6h. [Approve minutes from July 2, 2024 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 - None

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

- 9a. [Adopt Ordinance 2024-43 to change the code of ordinances by revising the outdoor storage requirements/uses in the M-1, Light Industrial Zoning District \(Chapter 122-Division 25\) \(Case COD24-45660\)](#)

Presentation By: Aubrey Hale

Introduced by: Jay A. Musleh

- 9b. [Adopt Ordinance 2024-44 to rezone approximately 0.93 acres for property located at 1703 and 1713 NE Eighth Road \(Parcel 26020-000-00 and 26018-000-00\) from M-1, Light Industrial, to B-2, Community Business \(Case ZON24-45638\) \(Quasi-Judicial\)](#)

Presentation By: Endira Madraveren

Introduced by: James P. Hilty Sr

- 9c. [Adopt Ordinance 2024-45 to rezone approximately 12.85 acres for property located at 1123 NW 22nd Street \(Parcel 25260-000-00\) from M-1, Light Industrial, to M-2, Medium Industrial \(Case ZON24-45671\) \(Quasi-Judicial\)](#)

Presentation By: Endira Madraveren

Introduced by: Ire J. Bethea Sr

10. General Business

- 10a. [Approve the purchase of emergency audio/visual warning devices from East Coast Emergency, Inc., with an aggregated expenditure not to exceed \\$300,000](#)

Presentation By: Liza Warmuth

- 10b. [Adopt the Fiscal Year 2024-25 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 Resolution 2024-31 providing for the reimposition of non-ad valorem Fire Assessments, establishing proposed rates for Fiscal Year 2024-25, directing preparation of the Fire Assessment Roll, setting a date for a public hearing, and directing published and mailed notices of proposed Fire Assessment](#)

RES-2024-31

Presentation By: Tammi Haslam

- 10d. [Approve the purchase of various inventory items for Ocala Electric Utility from multiple vendors in an amount not to exceed \\$975,274](#)

Presentation By: Doug Peebles

- 10e. [Approve additional expenditures under the Agreement for SunTran Transit Management Services with RATP Dev USA, Inc., in the amount of \\$1,200,000](#)

Presentation By: Tye Chighizola

- 10f. [Approve Modification No. 1 to Subgrant Agreement No. H0413 between the Florida Division of Emergency Management and the City of Ocala](#)

Presentation By: Sean Lanier

- 10g. [Adopt Budget Resolution 2024-153 appropriating funds from Florida Division of Emergency Management No. H0413 for generators, utility protection for lift stations and drainage improvements for Fisher Park Pond in the amount of \\$246,052](#)

[BR-2024-153](#)

Presentation By: Sean Lanier

- 10h. [Approve grant agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to perform the City of Ocala Comprehensive Vulnerability Assessment in the amount of \\$350,000](#)

Presentation By: Sean Lanier

- 10i. [Adopt Budget Resolution 2024-154 appropriating funds from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to perform a City of Ocala Comprehensive Vulnerability Assessment in the amount of \\$350,000](#)

[BR-2024-154](#)

Presentation By: Sean Lanier

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

- 15a. [Conference call with American Center for Law and Justice, outside counsel for the City of Ocala in the matter of Rojas v. City of Ocala, for the purpose of \(1\) obtaining an update on the litigation following issuance of the Order \(on motions for summary judgment\) issued by Judge Timothy J. Corrigan on June 26, 2024; and \(2\) providing direction in light of said order - THIS AGENDA ITEM IS SCHEDULED FOR 4:30 PM.](#)

16. Public Comments

17. Informational Items and Calendaring Items

- Tuesday, August 6, 2024 - City Council meeting - 4:00pm, Council Chambers
- Tuesday, August 13, 2024 - FY24/25 Budget Workshop - 12:00 pm, Council Chambers
- Tuesday, August 20, 2024 - Community Redevelopment Area Agency Meeting - 3:45pm, Council Chambers
- Tuesday, August 20, 2024 - City Council meeting - 4:00pm, Council Chambers
- Monday, September 2, 2024 - Labor Day holiday - City offices closed
- Tuesday, September 3, 2024 - City Council meeting - 4:00pm, Council Chambers

- 17a. [Executed Contracts Under \\$50,000](#)
- 18. **Comments by Mayor**
- 19. **Comments by City Council Members**
- 20. **Adjournment**