



Ocala

City Council

Synopsis

110 SE Watula Avenue
Ocala, FL 34471

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Tuesday, January 7, 2025

4:00 PM

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Ben Marciano
Pro Tem Ire J. Bethea Sr
Council Member James P. Hilty Sr
Council Member Barry Mansfield
Council Member Jay A. Musleh
Council President Kristen M. Dreyer

a. New Employees

- Carey Hamilton, Facilities Management
- Savanna Rodriguez, Facilities Management
- Zachary Glover, Public Works
- Carlos Torres, Public Works

3. Public Notice

Public Notice for the January 7, 2025 City Council Regular Meeting was posted on December 3, 2024

4. Proclamations and Awards

- 4a.** Presentation of the National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month Proclamation to Ocala Police Department Detective Crystal Blanton and Advocate Donna Guinn, and to Marion County Sheriff's Office Detectives Osthed Henrik and Nicholas Sutliff
- 4b.** Presentation of the National Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists' Week Proclamation to Ocala CRNA and resident Donna Varadin
- 4c.** Presentation of the Marion County's Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration Day Proclamation to Dwanette Dilworth and Paola Leaman

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.

RESULT: APPROVED THE CONSENT AGENDA

MOVER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

SECONDER: Barry Mansfield

AYE: Bethea Sr, Hilty Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

- 6a.** Approve additional expenditures under the agreement for city-wide printer and copier services in the estimated amount of \$90,000

Presentation By: Christopher Ramos

- 6b.** Approve a five-year contract with five one-year renewals to provide network services to the School Board of Marion County with revenue in the amount of \$6,960,000

Presentation By: Mel Poole

- 6c.** Approve the administrative costs for SunTran's Fiscal Year 2023-24 budget as required by Section 341.071 of the Florida Statutes

Presentation By: Tom Duncan

- 6d.** Approve November 2024 outside counsel invoices for general city business legal services in the amount of \$648

Presentation By: William E. Sexton

- 6e.** Approval of and authorization to execute First Amendment to Developer's Agreement between the City of Ocala, Florida and Sunbelt Land Fund I-Ocala South, LLC

Presentation By: William E. Sexton

- 6f.** Approve appointment of Rick Gullett to the Utility Advisory Board for the remainder of an unexpired four-year term ending March 1, 2026

Presentation By: Angel Jacobs

- 6g.** Approve appointment of Joshua DeMonte to the Ocala Historic Preservation Advisory Board for the remainder of an unexpired three-year term ending March 1, 2026

Presentation By: Angel Jacobs

- 6h.** Approve City Council meeting minutes from December 17, 2024

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

(Second and Final Reading - January 21, 2025)

- 8a.** Introduce Ordinance 2025-15 to rezone 1.14 acres from R-2, Two-Family Residential, to R-3, Multi-Family Residential, for property located in the 700 block of SW Third Street (Parcel 2848-002-001) (Case: ZON24-0003) (Quasi-Judicial)

Introduced By: Jay A. Musleh

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

- 9a.** Adopt Resolution 2025-9 to amend the Florida Professional Park (formerly known as Shady Road) Planned Unit Development, to amend a note prohibiting parking in the front yard along SW 34th Street Road (also known as SW 24th Avenue) relating to a 2.78-acre property located northwest of intersection at SW 32nd Place and SW 24th Avenue (Case No. PH24-0001) (Quasi-Judicial)

Presentation By: Endira Madraveren

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

AYE: Bethea Sr, Hilty Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

10. General Business

- 10a.** Approve Task Work Order #39 with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., for the provision of engineering services related to the update of the City's Wastewater Master Plan in the amount of \$117,000

Presentation By: Sean Lanier

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

SECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

AYE: Bethea Sr, Hilty Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

- 10b.** Approve award of a five-year contract to A.C.M.S., Inc. d/b/a Heart of Florida Environmental for the disposal of City wastewater treatment plant biosolids in their landfill with an aggregate expenditure of \$2,867,850

Presentation By: Sean Lanier

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

AYE: Bethea Sr, Hilty Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

- 10c.** Approve one-year renewal of Construction Services Agreement with Miller Pipeline, LLC, for Water Resources Improvement Program Projects in the amount of \$2,000,000

Presentation By: Sean Lanier

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

SECONDER: Barry Mansfield

AYE: Bethea Sr, Hilty Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

- 10d.** Approve a six-month contract with Marcum Enterprises, LLC, for sidewalk maintenance and repair projects with a maximum expenditure of \$236,012

Presentation By: Darren Park

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Barry Mansfield

SECONDER: James P. Hilty Sr

AYE: Bethea Sr, Hilty Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

- 10e.** Approve the purchase of 14 R-Mag circuit breakers for various substations from WESCO Distribution in the amount of \$608,153

Presentation By: Doug Peebles

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

AYE: Bethea Sr, Hilty Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

- 10f.** Approve a professional services agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., for the provision of design services for SunTran transit facility site and building improvements in the amount of \$368,247

Presentation By: Tye Chighizola

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Barry Mansfield

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

AYE: Bethea Sr, Hilty Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

- 10g.** Approve the award of a piggyback agreement to Ring Power Corporation for the purchase of a National 20-ton boom crane truck in the amount of \$302,069

Presentation By: Liza Warmuth

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Barry Mansfield

AYE: Bethea Sr, Hilty Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

- 10h.** Approve the purchase of emergency audio/visual warning devices utilizing a Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with East Coast Emergency, Inc., with an aggregate expenditure of \$300,000

Presentation By: Liza Warmuth

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Barry Mansfield

AYE: Bethea Sr, Hilty Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

- 10i.** Approve a two-year contract award to American Cable Electric, LLC, for the provision of underground conduit installation services in the aggregate amount of \$1,600,000

Presentation By: Mel Poole

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

AYE: Bethea Sr, Hilty Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

- 10j.** Adopt Budget Resolution 2025-124 amending the Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget to appropriate the City of Ocala's Community Development Block Grant allocation totaling \$501,396

Presentation By: James Haynes

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Barry Mansfield

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

AYE: Bethea Sr, Hilty Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

11. Internal Auditor's Report

12. City Manager's Report

- **Sanitation Work Session rescheduled for February 13, 2025**
- **Council Member board appointments will remain unchanged**
- **Drone show update**

13. Ocala Police Department Report

- **Police Department Year in Review**
- **Overview of Crime and Traffic Stops**
- **Berkeley Pointe update**

14. Ocala Fire Rescue Department Report

- **Ocala Fire Rescue update**
- **Unit Responses**
- **Call type Spotlights**
- **Department Highlights**

15. City Attorney's Report

- **Attorney-client shade meeting scheduled for January 21, 2025, at 3:15 pm**

16. Public Comments

- **Manny Camps commented on actions by Ocala Police Officers**
- **Rock Gibboney commented on human trafficking prevention**

17. Informational Items and Calendaring Items

- Monday, January 20, 2025 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day - City offices closed
- Tuesday, January 21, 2025 - City Council meeting - 4:00 pm - Council Chambers
- Tuesday, February 11, 2025 - City Council Workshop: Sanitation - 12:00 pm, Council Chambers

17a. Power Cost Adjustment Report - November 2024

17b. Executed Contracts Under \$50,000

18. Comments by Mayor

- **Healthy Ocala Step Challenge**

19. Comments by City Council Members**20. Adjournment**

Adjourned at 4:52 pm