



Ocala

City Council

Synopsis

110 SE Watula Avenue
Ocala, FL 34471

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Tuesday, August 5, 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 Jay A. Musleh
Council President Kristen M. Dreyer

Excused: Council Member Barry Mansfield

2a. New Employees

- Ryon Lee, Electric
- Scott Minos, Electric
- Johnny Salcedo, Electric
- Melissa Lamb, Finance
- Kevin Brantley Public Works
- Coke Crawford, Public Works

3. Public Notice

- **Public Notice for the August 5, 2025 City Council Regular Meeting was posted on June 26, 2025**

4. Proclamations and Awards

- 4a.** Presentation of the National Purple Heart Day Proclamation to Stephen Petty, U.S. Army, Captain; John Webb, U.S. Army, Captain; F.L. Brown, U.S. Army, Sergeant; Henry Bolding, U.S.M.C., Lance Corporal; Reginald Nealy, U.S.M.C., Corporal and Vito Giammanco, U.S. Army, Specialist
- 4b.** Presentation of a lifesaving award to Orange Theory members Rafael Rosa, Mike Crimi, Tom Culpepper, and Katie Freeman, by Ocala Fire Chief Clint Welborn

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: James P. Hilty Sr

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 6a.** Approve the award of a two-year contract to Ayopa, Inc., for the provision of grounds maintenance services at the City Complex with a maximum expenditure of \$57,999

Presentation By: Darren Park

- 6b.** Approve the purchase of industrial products and services for tile and hard floor restoration from Saniglaze International, LLC, utilizing the General Services Administration Multiple Award Schedule with an aggregate expenditure of \$85,000

Presentation By: John King

- 6c.** Adopt Budget Resolution 2025-167 amending the Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget to accept and appropriate a North Florida Institute of Police Technology and Management grant from the State of Florida in the amount of \$47,099

Presentation By: Michael Balken

- 6d.** Approve a one-year renewal of the contract for continuing professional general aviation engineering services with McFarland Johnson, Inc

Presentation By: Michael Baker

- 6e.** Approve a one-year renewal of the contract for continuing professional general aviation engineering services with Infrastructure Consulting & Engineering, PLLC

Presentation By: Michael Baker

- 6f.** Approve Fiscal Year 2024-2025 renewal of GrayKey forensic software in the amount of \$69,520

Presentation By: Joshua Sasso

- 6g.** Approve minutes from July 15, 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

(Second and Final Reading - August 19, 2025)

- 8a.** Introduce Ordinance 2025-34, amending Sec. 90-20, Code of Ordinances, City of Ocala, Florida, providing for limitations on enclosures under elevated buildings located in flood hazard areas

Introduced By: James P. Hilty Sr

9. Public Hearings / Second and Final Readings / Adoption of Ordinances**10. General Business**

- 10a.** Approve award of the contract for construction services for Phase 3 of the SW 44th/46th Avenue Four-Lane Expansion Project to Commercial Industrial Corp. in the amount of \$3,433,678, plus a 10 percent contingency, for a total expenditure not to exceed \$3,777,046

Presentation By: Sean Lanier

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

SECONDER: James P. Hilty Sr

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10b.** Adopt Budget Resolution 2025-168 amending the Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget to transfer funds from the Infrastructure Sales Surtax reserve for contingencies account for Phase 3 of the SW 44th/46th Avenues Four-Lane Expansion project in the amount of \$3,777,046

Presentation By: Sean Lanier

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Jay A. Musleh

SECONDER: James P. Hilty Sr

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10c.** Approve Task Work Order No. 10 with Black & Veatch Corporation for Professional Engineering Services to prepare the City's revised Federal Emergency Management Agency Floodplain Zone AE model, letter of map revisions package, and corresponding request for additional information responses in the amount of \$186,243

Presentation By: Sean Lanier

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10d.** Approve Grant Agreement 25PLN17 with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for the completion of an Adaptation Plan consistent with the Florida Adaptation Planning Guidebook in the amount of \$300,000

Presentation By: Sean Lanier

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

SECONDER: James P. Hilty Sr

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10e.** Adopt Budget Resolution 2025-169 appropriating funds from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection to complete an Adaptation Plan consistent with the Florida Adaptation Planning Guidebook in the amount of \$300,000

Presentation By: Sean Lanier

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10f.** Approve Task Work Order No. 51 with Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. for the provision of professional engineering services related to the creation and implementation of a Stormwater Master Plan for the City of Ocala in the amount of \$462,170

Presentation By: Sean Lanier

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Jay A. Musleh

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10g.** Approve one-year renewal of the contract with Odyssey Manufacturing Company for liquid sodium hypochlorite supply and delivery services at Water Treatment Plant No. 1, Water Reclamation Facility No. 2, and Water Reclamation Facility No. 3 with an estimated aggregate expenditure of \$625,000

Presentation By: Sean Lanier

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10h.** Approve the purchase of Hendrix cable system from Marmon Utility, LLC, with an estimated expenditure of \$168,534

Presentation By: Doug Peebles

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10i.** Approve a sixteen-month multi-award contract for emergency standby tree trimming and line clearing to The Davey Tree Expert Co. and Burford's Tree, Inc. with an aggregate expenditure not to exceed \$220,000

Presentation By: Doug Peebles

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10j.** Approve one-year renewal of the Agreement for Fuel Supply and Transfer Services with Petroleum Traders Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000

Presentation By: John King

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Jay A. Musleh

SECONDER: James P. Hilty Sr

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10k.** Adopt Budget Resolution 2025-170 to amend the Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget to transfer funds from the General Fund Reserve for Contingencies account to cover a projected deficit in the Fleet Management account in the amount of \$395,000

Presentation By: John King

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10l.** Approve a one-year renewal of the contract with Wear Gloves, Inc. for annual litter control and drain and inlet surface cleaning services in the amount of \$433,472

Presentation By: Darren Park

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10m.** Approve the re-award of contract for stormwater grounds maintenance services for the City's southeast section to Southern Charm Mowing & Landscaping, LLC in the amount of \$367,780

Presentation By: Darren Park

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10n.** Approve a one-year renewal of the agreement for elevator and lift preventative maintenance and repair services in the amount of \$225,000

Presentation By: Gary Crews

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

SECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10o.** Adopt Budget Resolution 2025-171 amending the Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget to recognize a General Fund transfer into the Bank Loan Series 2022 debt fund in the amount of \$4,226,252

Presentation By: Tammi Haslam

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10p.** Adopt Budget Resolution 2025-172 amending the Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget to accept and appropriate funding from the Federal Transit Administration in support of the Ocala Marion County public transit system, SunTran, in the amount of \$3,938,144

Presentation By: Tom Duncan

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Jay A. Musleh

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

- 10q.** Approve the Fiscal Year 2025-26 property, casualty, liability, and workers' compensation insurance premiums and authorize the Human Resources/Risk Management Director to execute the corresponding insurance policy applications with a projected expenditure of \$2,642,504

Presentation By: Todd Swanson

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

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

EXCUSED: Mansfield

11. Internal Auditor's Report

- 11a. Internal Audit Report Issued – Unannounced Cash Counts Audit

12. City Manager's Report

- Budget workshop update
- Notification letter and permit application for private fiber vendors

13. Ocala Police Department Report

- Overview of Crime and Traffic Stops
- Department Highlights

14. Ocala Fire Rescue Department Report

- Unit Responses
- Service calls update
- Department Highlights

15. City Attorney's Report

16. Public Comments

- **John Barber, 101 SE Silver Springs Boulevard, #206, commented on the CSX rail line**
- **Charles Calhoun, 9735 SW 92nd Court, spoke on the veteran community**

17. Informational Items and Calendaring Items

- 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
- Wednesday, September 3, 2025 - 3:45pm - CRA Board meeting - Council Chambers
- Wednesday, September 3, 2025 - 4:00pm - City Council meeting - Council Chambers
- Thursday, September 11, 2025 - 5:00pm - 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. Executed Contracts Under \$50,000

17b. Power Cost Adjustment Report - June 2025

17c. Monthly budget to actual report and Capital Improvement Project status report as of June 30, 2025

18. Comments by Mayor

- **Sheriff's Office special operations**
- **Splash pad update**
- **Public Works Department recognition**

19. Comments by City Council Members

- **Council Member Hilty commented on the FMEA conference and recognized the Ocala Electric Department**
- **Council Member Musleh thanked the community for their support**
- **Council President Dreyer requested the City install a ramp in the Council Chambers before the next meeting**

20. Adjournment

Adjourned at 5:11 pm