



# Ocala

## City Council

### Synopsis

110 SE Watula Avenue  
Ocala, FL 34471

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**Tuesday, April 7, 2026**

**4:00 PM**

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**1. Call to Order**

**2. Roll Call**

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

**Excused:** Council Member James P. Hilty Sr

**2a. New Employees**

- Corbin Schwenkner, Electric
- Alysen Brooks, Growth Management
- Lauren Denning, Growth Management
- Charles Hannah, Growth Management
- Eloy Zayas Bazan, Growth Management
- Willie Davis, Water Resources
- Michael Frannea, Water Resources

**3. Public Notice**

**Public Notice for the April 7, 2026 City Council Regular Meeting was posted on February 19, 2026**

**4. Proclamations and Awards**

- 4a.** Presentation of the Water Conservation Month Proclamation to Matthew Stanley, City of Ocala Water Resource Conservation Supervisor; the Southwest Florida Water Management District; and William White, Intergovernmental Coordinator, St. Johns River Water Management District
- 4b.** Presentation of the Fair Housing Month Proclamation to Dr. Gwendolyn Dawson, CEO, Ocala Housing Authority
- 4c.** Presentation of the National Poetry Month Proclamation to Emily Parkman, Cultural Arts Supervisor, Mariana Prieto, Cultural Arts Coordinator, and Heather Webb, Marion County Public Library System

**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:** Kristen M. Dreyer

**SECONDER:** Jay A. Musleh

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

**EXCUSED:** Hilty Sr

- 6a.** One-year renewal of the contract with Cellebrite, Inc., for Ocala Police Department forensic software with an annual expenditure of \$56,910

**Presentation By:** Joshua Sasso

- 6b.** License plate reader replacements to comply with new security requirements making payments over five years for a total amount of \$93,261

**Presentation By:** Joshua Sasso

- 6c.** Rental agreement with The Magic House, St. Louis Children’s Museum for the “Super WHY!: Super Readers, Power Up!” educational traveling exhibit in the amount of \$55,000

**Presentation By:** John Spencer

- 6d.** Rental agreement with Omaha Children’s Museum for the “My Wild Backyard” educational traveling exhibit in the amount of \$55,000

**Presentation By:** John Spencer

- 6e.** Utilization of a cooperative purchasing agreement with Alfred Benesch & Company for fire assessment study update services for Fiscal Year 2026-27 in an amount not to exceed \$79,810

**Presentation By:** Tammi Haslam

- 6f.** One-year renewal with Bound Tree Medical, LLC, Henry Schein, Inc., and Life Assist, Inc., for the purchase of emergency medical supplies in the amount of \$75,000

**Presentation By:** Clint Welborn

- 6g.** Renaming of Baseline Substation at 950 Northeast 58th Avenue in honor of Marshall T. Penuel

**Presentation By:** Doug Peebles

- 6h.** Resolution 2026-22 to adopt the Marion County Consortium 2024-2028 Citizen Participation Plan

**Presentation By:** James Haynes

- 6i.** Administrative Services Agreement between the City of Ocala and MissionSquare Retirement for administration and record keeping services for the City's Section 401(a) and Section 457(b) Retirement Plans for an initial five-year term

**Presentation By:** Todd Swanson

- 6j.** Hangar Ground Lease amendment with R.L.R. Investments, LLC

**Presentation By:** Matthew Grow

- 6k.** Reappointment of Thomas McCullough to the Historic Preservation Advisory Board for a new three-year term ending March 1, 2029

**Presentation By:** Angel Jacobs

- 6l.** City Council meeting minutes

**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 - April 21, 2026)

- 8a.** Ordinance 2026-10 to change the Future Land Use map designation on approximately 74.11 acres, comprised of nine parcels (Parcels 21492-000-00, 21477-000-00, 21474-002-00, 21476-000-00, 21474-000-00, 21474-001-00, 21480-000-00, 21494-000-00, and 21478-000-00) located in the 2300 block, along the west side of NW 27th Avenue from Medium Intensity/Special District to Employment Center (Case LUC25-0004) (Quasi-Judicial)

**Introduced By:** Jay A. Musleh

- 8b.** Ordinance 2026-11 to amend the Code of Ordinances, City of Ocala, Florida, Chapter 18, Article II, Section 18-31 to reduce the required quorum for meetings of the Airport Advisory Board from four to three of five members

**Introduced By:** Barry Mansfield

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

## 10. General Business

- 10a.** Additional expenditures under the cooperative purchasing agreement with Milliken Services, Inc., for flooring materials, supplies and services for an increased aggregate contract expenditure not to exceed \$450,000

**Presentation By:** Gary Crews

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**MOVER:** Kristen M. Dreyer

**SECONDER:** Barry Mansfield

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

- ABSENT:** Hilty Sr
- 10b.** Additional expenditures under the Agreement for heating, ventilation and air conditioning repairs and installation services with Sherman Mechanical Contractors for an increased aggregate expenditure not to exceed \$300,000
- Presentation By:** Gary Crews
- RESULT:** APPROVED
- MOVER:** Kristen M. Dreyer
- SECONDER:** Barry Mansfield
- AYE:** Musleh, Dreyer, Mansfield, and Bethea Sr
- ABSENT:** Hilty Sr
- 10c.** One-year renewal of the contract with Marion Rock, LLC, for the Drainage Rehabilitation Improvement Program with an aggregate expenditure not to exceed \$1,250,000
- Presentation By:** Sean Lanier
- RESULT:** APPROVED
- MOVER:** Jay A. Musleh
- SECONDER:** Kristen M. Dreyer
- AYE:** Musleh, Dreyer, Mansfield, and Bethea Sr
- ABSENT:** Hilty Sr
- 10d.** Award of contract to Ulloa Management Group, LLC, for construction services for Union Station restrooms with ticketing kiosk in the amount of \$662,900, plus a 10 percent contingency, for a total project budget not to exceed \$729,190
- Presentation By:** Sean Lanier
- RESULT:** APPROVED
- MOVER:** Kristen M. Dreyer
- SECONDER:** Barry Mansfield
- AYE:** Musleh, Dreyer, Mansfield, and Bethea Sr
- ABSENT:** Hilty Sr
- 10e.** Second amendment for the renewal of the contract with Carmeuse Lime & Stone for supply and delivery of quicklime for Water Treatment Plant No. 1 in an amount not to exceed \$1,650,000
- Presentation By:** Sean Lanier
- RESULT:** APPROVED
- MOVER:** Kristen M. Dreyer
- SECONDER:** Barry Mansfield
- AYE:** Musleh, Dreyer, Mansfield, and Bethea Sr
- ABSENT:** Hilty Sr

- 10f.** Purchase of 300 manhole rings and covers from Fortiline Waterworks, LLC to support routine maintenance, repair, and replacement within the wastewater collection system for \$280,613

**Presentation By:** Sean Lanier

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**MOVER:** Jay A. Musleh

**SECONDER:** Kristen M. Dreyer

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

**ABSENT:** Hilty Sr

- 10g.** Utilization of Sourcewell's cooperative purchasing agreement with USA Services of Florida for street sweeping services in the amount of \$190,000

**Presentation By:** Darren Park

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**MOVER:** Kristen M. Dreyer

**SECONDER:** Jay A. Musleh

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

**ABSENT:** Hilty Sr

- 10h.** Fourth Amendments for the one-year renewal of contracts with Marion Tree Trimming & Stump Removal and Flyaway Access, LLC d/b/a Conrad Tree Services for citywide tree trimming and removal services in the aggregate amount of \$866,000

**Presentation By:** Darren Park

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**MOVER:** Barry Mansfield

**SECONDER:** Jay A. Musleh

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

**ABSENT:** Hilty Sr

- 10i.** Two-year agreement with Solo Cats Services, LLC, for grounds maintenance services for the City's northwest section in the amount of \$177,100

**Presentation By:** Darren Park

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**MOVER:** Kristen M. Dreyer

**SECONDER:** Barry Mansfield

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

**ABSENT:** Hilty Sr

- 10j.** One-year renewal of contract with UKG for the City's time management software, UKG Pro, with ongoing maintenance costs for an estimated expenditure amount of \$123,750
- Presentation By:** Kelly Vann
- RESULT:** APPROVED
- MOVER:** Jay A. Musleh
- SECONDER:** Barry Mansfield
- AYE:** Musleh, Dreyer, Mansfield, and Bethea Sr
- ABSENT:** Hilty Sr
- 10k.** Workers' compensation settlement in the matter of Thomas Casey versus the City of Ocala, Florida, with a proposed settlement amount of \$150,000
- Presentation By:** William Sexton
- RESULT:** APPROVED
- MOVER:** Jay A. Musleh
- SECONDER:** Barry Mansfield
- AYE:** Musleh, Dreyer, Mansfield, and Bethea Sr
- ABSENT:** Hilty Sr
- 10l.** Budget Resolution 2026-132 to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget to accept and appropriate 2025-26 State Housing Initiatives Partnership Program grant funding in the amount of \$155,373
- Presentation By:** James Haynes
- RESULT:** ADOPTED
- MOVER:** Barry Mansfield
- SECONDER:** Kristen M. Dreyer
- AYE:** Musleh, Dreyer, Mansfield, and Bethea Sr
- ABSENT:** Hilty Sr
- 10m.** Budget Resolution 2026-133 amending the Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget to accept and appropriate funding for the City of Ocala's Home Investment Partnership Program grant in the amount of \$255,186
- Presentation By:** James Haynes
- RESULT:** ADOPTED
- MOVER:** Kristen M. Dreyer
- SECONDER:** Jay A. Musleh
- AYE:** Musleh, Dreyer, Mansfield, and Bethea Sr
- ABSENT:** Hilty Sr

- 10n.** Continued utilization of the State of Florida Alternative Source Contract with SHI International Corp. for the one-year renewal of Microsoft 365 cloud subscriptions, endpoint licenses, security tools, and AI licenses with an estimated aggregate expenditure amount of \$578,413

**Presentation By:** Christopher Ramos

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**MOVER:** Kristen M. Dreyer

**SECONDER:** Jay A. Musleh

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

**ABSENT:** Hilty Sr

- 10o.** Purchase of physical security cameras for Parking Garage No. 2 from Morse Communications Inc., with an estimated expenditure of \$281,573

**Presentation By:** Christopher Ramos

**RESULT:** APPROVED

**MOVER:** Jay A. Musleh

**SECONDER:** Barry Mansfield

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

**ABSENT:** Hilty Sr

- 10p.** Budget Resolution 2026-134 to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget to transfer funds from reserves for the purchase of physical security cameras for Parking Garage No. 2 from Morse Communications Inc. in the amount of \$141,583

**Presentation By:** Christopher Ramos

**RESULT:** ADOPTED

**MOVER:** Kristen M. Dreyer

**SECONDER:** Barry Mansfield

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

**ABSENT:** Hilty Sr

- 10q.** Selection of an applicant for appointment to the Airport Advisory Board for a new four-year term ending April 7, 2030

**Presentation By:** Angel Jacobs

- 10r.** Selection of an applicant for appointment to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a new three-year term ending March 1, 2029

**Presentation By:** Angel Jacobs

**11. Internal Auditor's Report**

**12. City Manager's Report**

- **Safe Streets For All Grant & Transportation Improvement Plan workshop, May 12, 2026**
- **Discussion and approval of Letter to Florida Legislature regarding fiber Installation contractor complaints and regulatory remedies**
- **Audit meeting, May 5, 2026, at 3:30 PM**

**Florida House Bill 399 (HB 399), land-use regulation and development**

**13. Ocala Police Department Report**

- **Overview of Crime and Traffic Stops**

**14. Ocala Fire Rescue Department Report**

- **Unit Responses**
- **Service Calls Update**
- **Department Highlights**

**15. City Attorney's Report**

**16. Public Comments**

**17. Informational Items and Calendaring Items**

- Tuesday, April 21, 2026 - CRA Board meeting - 3:45pm - Council Chambers
- Tuesday, April 21, 2026 - City Council meeting - 4:00pm - Council Chambers
- Tuesday, April 28, 2026 - TPO meeting - 3:00pm - Marion County Board of County Commissioners Auditorium
- Thursday, April 30, 2026 - City Council Strategic Planning Session - 8:00am - Mary Sue Rich Community Center at Reed Place
- Tuesday, May 5, 2026 - Audit Committee - 3:30pm - Council Chambers
- Tuesday, May 5, 2026 - City Council meeting - 4:00pm - Council Chambers
- Tuesday, May 19, 2026 - CRA Board meeting - 3:45pm - Council Chambers
- Tuesday, May 19, 2026 - City Council meeting - 4:00pm - Council Chambers
- Monday, May 25, 2026 - Memorial Day Holiday - City Offices closed
- Tuesday, May 26, 2026 - TPO Meeting - Marion County Board of County Commissioners Auditorium

**17a.** Informational Item regarding the replacement of engine, transmission, and refurbishment of aerial waterway of Tower One in the amount of \$97,393

**17b.** Power Cost Adjustment Report - February 2026

**17c.** Fully Executed Contracts Under \$50,000

**17d.** Monthly budget-to-actual report and Capital Improvement Project status report as of February 28, 2026

**18. Comments by Mayor**

- **Safety and Security Enhancements at Local Walmart Locations**
- **Commendation - Ocala Skate Park Expansion Project Team**

**19. Comments by City Council Members**

- **Council Member Mansfield warned the public about scams involving City permit payments**
- **Council Member Dreyer urged the City to act on a long-standing request for a school zone at Meadow Brook**
- **President Bethea extended his appreciation to the staff for a successful skate park expansion opening**

**20. Adjournment**

**Adjourned at 5:32 PM**