

Ocala

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City Council Synopsis

Tuesday, October 21, 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

2a. New Employees

- Mark McCutcheon, Electric
- Parthkumar Jayani, Engineering
- Michael Kincaid, Engineering
- Bobby Davis, Water Resources
- Clarence Simmons, Water Resources

3. Public Notice

Public Notice for the October 21, 2025 City Council Regular Meeting was posted on September 12, 2025

4. Proclamations and Awards

- **4a.** Presentation of the Mayor's Citizen Recognition Award to Davieoyn Hopson
- **4b.** Presentation of the Reilly Arts Center Day Proclamation to Reilly Arts Center Executive Director Natalie McComb
- 4c. Service Award Kirk Friberg Ocala Police Department 25 Years of Service
- **4d.** Service Award Sergeant Michael Diesso Ocala Police Department 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.

RESULT: APPROVED THE CONSENT AGENDA

MOVER: Ire J. Bethea Sr SECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

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

6a. Additional expenditures under the contract with ElectRx and Health Solutions, LLC to fund continued prescription benefit services for City employees through the end of the current contract term in the amount of \$75,000

Presentation By: Todd Swanson

6b. Continued utilization of the cooperative purchasing agreement with Precision Sidewalk Safety Corp. for the provision of concrete sidewalk trip hazard repairs with an expenditure not to exceed \$75,000

Presentation By: Darren Park

6c. Greenway Reserve Conceptual Subdivision Plan

Presentation By: Aubrey Hale

6d. Winding Oaks Commercial Phase 1 Developer's Agreement

Presentation By: Aubrey Hale

6e. Allocation from the City of Ocala's Affordable Housing Fund to support the proposed Magnolia Terrace multi-family development totaling \$84,000

Presentation By: James Haynes

6f. Appointment of TamBoura Jenkins to the Planning and Zoning commission for the remainder of an unexpired four-year term ending March 1, 2026

Presentation By: Angel Jacobs

6g. Appointment of Bruce Gonseth to the Municipal Code Enforcement Board for the remainder of an unexpired three-year term ending March 1, 2028

Presentation By: Angel Jacobs

6h. Re-appointment of Justin Hardy to the Firefighters' Retirement System Board of Trustees to a new two-year term ending October 4, 2027

Presentation By: Angel Jacobs

6i. City Council meeting minutes from October 7, 2025

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 transmit to the Florida Department of Commerce a text amendment to the Future Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan by deleting Policy 18.13 and Policy 18.24 relating to development conditions that apply to 75.93 acres of two parcels of land that total approximately 251.09 (Parcels 2380-000-001 and 23812-001-00) located in the 3000 and 4000 to 4300 blocks of SW 43rd Court (Case FLUP25-0001)

Presentation By: Jeff Shrum

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Jay A. Musleh

SECONDER: Barry Mansfield

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

9b. Public hearing for the transmittal to the Florida Department of Commerce a request 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)

Presentation By: Jeff Shrum

RESULT: APPROVED

MOVER: Barry Mansfield

SECONDER: James P. Hilty Sr

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

9c. Resolution 2026-3 amending Resolution 2021-20 the Winding Oaks Planned Development (PD) Plan (master signage plan) and PD Standards Book for property located at 4090 SW 66th Street, approximately 960.59 acres, excluding the Jaguar property (parcel# 35512-001-03)

Presentation By: Endira Madraveren

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr SECONDER: Barry Mansfield

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

9d. Resolution 2026-4 for the Downtown Event Zone to allow alcoholic beverage sales as part of the 2025 Ocala Art Festival Saturday and Sunday, October 25 and 26, 2025 (Quasi-Judicial)

Presentation By: Endira Madraveren

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Jay A. Musleh

SECONDER: James P. Hilty Sr

10. General Business

10a. Second amendment to the Agreement for Management of the Fort King Tennis Center to incorporate a management services fee in an amount not to exceed \$98,800

Presentation By: Julie Johnson

RESULT: TABLED

MOVER: Ire J. Bethea Sr SECONDER: Barry Mansfield

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

10b. Purchase 36 time clocks from UKG Inc. with an estimated expenditure of \$153,632

Presentation By: Kelly Vann
RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr
SECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

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

10c. Ratification of the City Manager's signature on the 2023 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for Marion County's Continuum of Care Homeless Management Information System 2023-2024 program year grant in the amount of \$223,815

Presentation By: James Haynes **RESULT:** APPROVED **MOVER:** James P. Hilty Sr

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

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

10d. Budget Resolution 2026-105 to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget to accept and appropriate funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for Marion County's Continuum of Care Homeless Management Information System 2023-2024 program year grant in the amount of \$223,815

Presentation By: James Haynes **RESULT:** ADOPTED

MOVER: James P. Hilty Sr SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

10e. One-year renewal of the contract for supply and delivery of bulk premium high-performance engine oil with Palmdale Oil Company, Inc. with an aggregate expenditure of \$175,000

Presentation By: John KingRESULT: APPROVEDMOVER: Barry MansfieldSECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

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

10f. Utilization of the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing agreements with TPH Acquisition, LLP, d/b/a The Parts House for the purchase of replacement auto parts with an aggregate expenditure of \$1,277,000

Presentation By: John KingRESULT: APPROVEDMOVER: Ire J. Bethea SrSECONDER: James P. Hilty Sr

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10g. Utilization of multiple cooperative purchase agreements for the purchase of 106 vehicles and equipment for various City departments in the amount of \$11,366,554

Presentation By: John KingRESULT: APPROVEDMOVER: Barry MansfieldSECONDER: James P. Hilty Sr

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

10h. Five-year maintenance agreement with Environmental Products Group for a TruVac FLXX Hydro Excavator truck in the amount of \$75,000

Presentation By: Liza WarmuthRESULT: APPROVEDMOVER: James P. Hilty SrSECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

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

10i. Utilization of Sourcewell cooperative purchasing agreement with East Coast Emergency, Inc. for the purchase of emergency audio/visual warning devices with an aggregate expenditure of \$300,000

Presentation By: Liza WarmuthRESULT: APPROVEDMOVER: Ire J. Bethea SrSECONDER: Barry Mansfield

10j. Sale of the Ocala Electric Utility 230kV Seminole Silver Springs North-to-Shaw 230kV transmission line to Duke Energy Florida, LLC for \$9,893,712

Presentation By: Doug PeeblesRESULT: APPROVEDMOVER: James P. Hilty SrSECONDER: Barry Mansfield

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

RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: Ire J. Bethea Sr
SECONDER: Barry Mansfield

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

10k. Purchase of electric meters from Wesco Distribution, Inc. with a not to exceed expenditure of \$2,000,000

Presentation By: Doug Peebles

10l. One-year extension to the purchase and sale contract for 115 acres of non-aviation property at Ocala International Airport with InSite Real Estate Investment Properties, LLC

Presentation By: Matthew Grow

RESULT: PULLED

10m. Budget Resolution 2026-106 to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget to appropriate \$225,850 in grant funding from the Federal Aviation Administration and transfer a match of \$11,886 from the Airport reserve for projects account to design an extension to the runway 36 safety area for a total cost of \$237,736

Presentation By: Matthew GrowRESULT: ADOPTEDMOVER: Barry MansfieldSECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

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

10n. Budget Resolution 2026-107 to amend the Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget to appropriate \$2,664,891 in grant funding from the Federal Aviation Administration, transfer \$140,257 for the match and \$269,000 for project contingency from the Airport reserve for projects account, to construct the General Aviation Apron Rehabilitation for a total project amount of \$3,074,148

Presentation By: Matthew GrowRESULT: ADOPTEDMOVER: Jay A. MuslehSECONDER: James P. Hilty Sr

100. Task work order with Infrastructure Consulting and Engineering, PLLC, for construction engineering inspection services to be performed during the terminal apron rehabilitation project in the amount of \$112,476

Presentation By: Matthew Grow

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Barry Mansfield SECONDER: James P. Hilty Sr

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

10p. Agreement with C.W. Roberts Contracting Inc. for the provision of construction services for the Terminal Apron Rehabilitation project in the amount of \$2,690,211 with 10 percent contingency for a total project budget not to exceed \$2,959,232

Presentation By: Sean LanierRESULT: APPROVEDMOVER: Ire J. Bethea SrSECONDER: Barry Mansfield

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

10q. Third Elevator Change Order and additional expenditure under the contract with SSC Construction Management, LLC for design-build services for the Downtown Parking Garage No. 2 in the amount of \$216,000

Presentation By: Sean LanierRESULT: APPROVEDMOVER: Jay A. MuslehSECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

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10r. Expenditures for a contract with Lumen/Level 3 Communications LLC for 40 Gigabits of dedicated internet access in the amount of \$400,000

Presentation By: Mel PooleRESULT: APPROVEDMOVER: Ire J. Bethea SrSECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

10s. Five-year agreements with PFM Asset Management, LLC, Sawgrass Asset Management, LLC, and Seix Investment Advisors, LLC, for the provision of investment manager services for the City's treasury funds with an estimated annual expenditure of \$180,000 per contract year

Presentation By: Peter Brill
RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: Jay A. Musleh
SECONDER: James P. Hilty Sr

- 11. Internal Auditor's Report
- 12. City Manager's Report
 - United Way Day, Tuesday, November 11, 2025
 - Cancellation of the School Board and County meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 29, 2025
 - Recognition of City employee, James Haynes, Director of Community Development Services
- 13. Ocala Police Department Report
 - Overview of Crime and Traffic Stops
 - Department Highlights
- 14. Ocala Fire Rescue Department Report
 - Unit Responses
 - Service calls update
- 15. City Attorney's Report
- 16. Public Comments
 - Buddy Oswald, 4304 SE 5th Street, Ocala, FL, commented on the importance of freedom and democracy
 - Sandra Yager, Resident, expressed concern regarding the Salvation Army
 - Jason Tolbert, Resident, commented on the homeless population problem in the City
 - Carolyn Torrey, 1202 SE 14th Avenue, Ocala, FL, commented on the ARC Corn Hole fundraiser

17. Informational Items and Calendaring Items

- Tuesday, October 28, 2025 3:00pm TPO Meeting Marion County BOCC Auditorium
- Tuesday, November 4, 2025 3:30pm CRA meeting Council Chambers
- Tuesday, November 4, 2025 4:00pm City Council meeting Council Chambers
- Tuesday, November 11, 2025 Veteran's Day City Offices closed
- Wednesday, November 12, 2025 12:00pm City Council Workshop Re: Solid Waste Rate Council Chambers
- Tuesday, November 18, 2025 4:00pm City Council meeting Council Chambers
- Thursday, November 27 and Friday, November 28, 2025 Thanksgiving Holiday City Offices closed
- Tuesday, December 2, 2025 4:00pm City Council meeting Council Chambers
- 17a. Fully Executed Contracts Under \$50,000
- 17b. Fully Executed Contracts Under \$50,000
- 17c. Dearmin Substation Transformer Cost Escalation Informational Update

18. Comments by Mayor

- State of the City presentation
- Road improvements/safety plan
- Interfaith Saving Mercy and Dignity House

19. Comments by City Council Members

- Council Member Hilty shared his experience attending the IHMC conference
- Council Member Bethea commented on the homeless population issue
- Council Member Musleh recognized Chief of Staff Chris Watt for hosting a successful presentation at the Kiwanis Club
- Council President Dreyer commended an employee named Donne Yancey with the Utility Department

20. Adjournment

Adjourned at 6:31 pm