

Ocala

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City Council Synopsis

Wednesday, September 3, 2025

4:00 PM

Note Date

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Ben Marciano

Pro Tem Ire J. Bethea Sr

Council Member Barry Mansfield Council Member Jay A. Musleh Council President Kristen M. Dreyer Council Member James P. Hilty Sr

a. New Employees

Excused:

- Michael McAdams Medina, Information Technology
- Lyman Granger, Public Works

3. Public Notice

- Public Notice for the September 3, 2025 City Council Regular Meeting was posted on July 16, 2025

4. Proclamations and Awards

- 4a. Presentation of the Mayor's Citizen Recognition Award to Myles McConico
- **4b.** Presentation to Julius Bryant and Sean Price, Founders of Movement Inspires Many (MIM) Run Club and MIM Run Club group members

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, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

EXCUSED: Hilty Sr

6a. Legacy Lighting Transfer Agreement with the Bellechase Master Homeowners' Association

Presentation By: Doug Peebles

6b. Release of a utility easement encumbering Parcels 35512-001-00, 35512-001-01, 35512-001-03, 35512-001-08, 35512-001-09, 35512-001-10, 35512+001-01, 35512-001-04, and 35512-002-00

Presentation By: Stephanie Galarza

6c. Developer's Agreement for Winding Oaks Residential Phase 3

Presentation By: Aubrey Hale

6d. Budget Resolution 2025-175 to amend the Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget to transfer funds from the General Liability fund for the purchase of four replacement vehicles for the Ocala Police Department in the amount of \$80,743

Presentation By: Liza Warmuth

6e. Budget Resolution 2025-176 to amend the Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget to accept and appropriate a community donation for Polar Patrol expenses in the amount of \$500

Presentation By: Michael Balken

6f. Resolution 2025-37 to approve the City of Ocala's State Housing Initiatives Partnership Annual Report for program closeout year 2022-2023

Presentation By: James Haynes

- 6g. Moved to 10j.
- **6h.** Appointment of Hope Maynard to the General Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees for an unexpired three-year term ending March 1, 2027

Presentation By: Angel Jacobs

6i. Appointment of Holden Powell to the Police Officers' Retirement System Board of Trustees to a new two-year term ending August 6, 2027

Presentation By: Angel Jacobs

6j. Minutes from August 19, 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
- 9. Public Hearings / Second and Final Readings / Adoption of Ordinances

Note: Items 9g through 9j will be heard at 5:01pm or shortly thereafter.

9a. Ordinance 2025-35 to rezone from R-1, Single-Family Residential, to R-1AA, Single-Family Residential, for property located approximately 320 feet east of the intersection at NE 31st Street and NE Jacksonville Road (Parcel 24728-000-00) approximately 7.23 acres (Case ZON25-0010) (Quasi-Judicial)

Presentation By: Endira Madraveren

Introduced By: Barry Mansfield

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Barry Mansfield SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

ABSENT: Hilty Sr

9b. Ordinance 2025-36 to rezone approximately 1.59 acres for the property located at 458 NW First Street (Parcel 2855-005-000) including two contiguous parcels to the east (Parcel 2855-009-000 and 2855-006-000) from R-3 (Multi-Family Residential) and B-3C (Community Redevelopment Area Mixed Use 2 District), to B-4, (General Business), Case ZON25-0009 (Quasi-Judicial)

Presentation By: Emily Johnson Introduced By: Ire J. Bethea Sr RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVED: Ire J. Bethee Sr

MOVER: Ire J. Bethea Sr SECONDER: Barry Mansfield

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

ABSENT: Hilty Sr

9c. Ordinance 2025-38 to annex approximately 39.33 acres for property located in the 5100 block, along the south side of SW 20th Street (Parcels 23817-004-00 and 23311-000-00) (Case ANX24-45704) (Quasi-Judicial)

Presentation By: Endira Madraveren

Introduced By: James P. Hilty Sr

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Jay A. Musleh

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

9d. Ordinance 2025-39 to change the Future Land Use designation on approximately 39.33 acres comprised of two parcels (Parcel 23311-000-00 & Parcel 23817-004-00) located in the 5100 block, along the south side of SW 20th Street from High Intensity (County) to Medium Intensity/ Special District (City) (Case LUC24-45705) (Quasi-Judicial)

Presentation By: Endira Madraveren

Introduced By: Jay A. Musleh
RESULT: ADOPTED
MOVER: Jay A. Musleh
SECONDER: Barry Mansfield

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

EXCUSED: Hilty Sr

9e. Ordinance 2025-40 to rezone approximately 39.33 acres of property comprised of two parcels (Parcel 23311-000-00 & 23817-004-00) located in the 5100 block, along the south side of SW 20th Street from R-3, Multi- Family Residential (County), to PD, Planned Development (Case PD24-45706) (Quasi-Judicial)

Presentation By: Endira Madraveren

Introduced By: Barry Mansfield

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Barry Mansfield SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

EXCUSED: Hilty Sr

9f. Resolution 2025-38 to consider a PD Plan and Standards Book for property located at 2275 SW 53rd Avenue (Parcel 23311-000-00) along with the adjacent property to the south (Parcel 23817-004-00), approximately 39.33 acres (Case No. PD24-45706) (Quasi-Judicial)

Presentation By: Endira Madraveren

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Barry Mansfield SECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

EXCUSED: Hilty Sr

9g. Resolution 2025-177 to adopt the tentative Fiscal Year 2025-26 millage rates for the Downtown Development Districts at the current rates of 1.7185 (District A), 1.6332 (District B), and 1.4699 (District C)

Presentation By: Tammi Haslam

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

SECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

ABSENT: Hilty Sr

9h. Budget Resolution 2025-178 to adopt the tentative Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget for the Downtown Development fund in the amount of \$695,065

Presentation By: Tammi Haslam

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Barry Mansfield SECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

ABSENT: Hilty Sr

9i. Resolution 2025-179 to adopt the tentative Fiscal Year 2025-26 millage rate for the City of Ocala at the current rate of 6.6177

Presentation By: Tammi Haslam

RESULT: ADOPTED

MOVER: Barry Mansfield SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

ABSENT: Hilty Sr

9j. Budget Resolution 2025-180 to adopt the tentative Fiscal Year 2025-26 budget for the City of Ocala in the amount of \$1,152,885,830

Presentation By: Tammi HaslamRESULT: ADOPTEDMOVER: Jay A. Musleh

SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

ABSENT: Hilty Sr

10. General Business

10a. Change Order and additional expenditures under the contract with All Webbs Enterprises, Inc., for the construction of two Upper Floridan Aquifer Wells at Water Treatment Plant No. 2 in the amount of \$176,736

Presentation By: Sean LanierRESULT: APPROVEDMOVER: Barry MansfieldSECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

ABSENT: Hilty Sr

10b. Expenditures for utility services provided by Duke Energy, Inc. for Fiscal Year 2025-26 in an estimated amount of \$140,000

Presentation By: Sean LanierRESULT: APPROVEDMOVER: Jay A. MuslehSECONDER: Barry Mansfield

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

ABSENT: Hilty Sr

10c. Third Amendment to the Agreement for SunTran Transit Management Services with RATP Dev USA, Inc. with an anticipated aggregate expenditure amount of \$11,322,699 to include the downtown circulator trolley service

Presentation By: Tom DuncanRESULT: APPROVEDMOVER: Ire J. Bethea SrSECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

ABSENT: Hilty Sr

10d. Resolution 2025-39 to accept a Public Transit Service Development Grant Agreement between the Florida Department of Transportation and the City of Ocala for operational funding for the Downtown Circulator Trolley in the amount of \$229,144

Presentation By: Tom DuncanRESULT: ADOPTEDMOVER: Barry MansfieldSECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

10e. Budget Resolution 2025-181 to amend the Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget to accept and appropriate \$114,572 in Public Transit Service Development Grant Agreement funds from the Florida Department of Transportation and \$114,572 in local matching funds in support of the Downtown Circulator Trolley, for a total amount of \$229,144

Presentation By: Tom DuncanRESULT: ADOPTEDMOVER: Ire J. Bethea SrSECONDER: Barry Mansfield

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

ABSENT: Hilty Sr

10f. One-year contract renewal with VIP Security & Investigations, LLC to provide citywide security services with an estimated expenditure of \$399,000

Presentation By: Christopher Ramos

RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: Barry Mansfield
SECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

ABSENT: Hilty Sr

10g. Five-year renewal of the agreement with D&G Solutions Group, LLC for yard and wood waste disposal services with an estimated aggregate expenditure of \$2,664,656

Presentation By: Dwayne DrakeRESULT: APPROVEDMOVER: Jay A. MuslehSECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

ABSENT: Hilty Sr

10h. One-year renewal of the contract for as needed automotive body repairs with Michael Lessard Inc. d/b/a/ Perfection Collision Carstar with an aggregate expenditure of \$150,000

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

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

10i. Purchase of inventory items for Ocala Electric Utility from multiple vendors in the amount of \$1,259,092

Presentation By: Doug PeeblesRESULT: APPROVEDMOVER: Barry MansfieldSECONDER: Jay A. Musleh

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

ABSENT: Hilty Sr

10j. Renewal of a piggyback contract with Municipal Equipment Company, LLC, for the purchase of firefighter bunker gear with an estimated expenditure amount of \$440,000

Presentation By: Clint Welborn
RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: Jay A. Musleh
SECONDER: Ire J. Bethea Sr

AYE: Bethea Sr, Mansfield, Musleh, and Dreyer

- 11. Internal Auditor's Report
- 12. City Manager's Report
 - Strategic Score Card update
- 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

17. Informational Items and Calendaring Items

- Thursday, September 11, 2025 4:00pm City Council Appeal Hearing 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
- Tuesday, October 7, 2025 4:00pm City Council meeting Council Chambers
- Tuesday, October 21, 2025 3:45pm CRA Board meeting Council Chambers
- Tuesday, October 21, 2025 4:00pm City Council meeting Council Chambers
- 17a. Executed Contracts Under \$50,000
- 17b. Power Cost Adjustment Report July 2025
- **17c.** Monthly budget to actual report and Capital Improvement Project status report as of July 31, 2025

18. Comments by Mayor

- Healthy Ocala update
- Recovery Festival scheduled for September 13, 2025, from 10 am to 3 pm, location Tuscawilla Park
- 19. Comments by City Council Members
- 20. Adjournment
 - Adjourned at 5:16 pm