



# CITY OF OKEECHOBEE

55 SE THIRD AVENUE  
OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974

**JANUARY 3, 2023**

**6:00 PM**

## REGULAR MEETING OFFICIAL AGENDA

### **Mayor**

Dowling R. Watford, Jr.

### **Council Members**

Noel Chandler

Monica Clark

Bob Jarriel

David McAuley

<b>Mission Statement:</b>	<b>The mission of the City of Okeechobee is to provide accommodating services that enhance the quality of life for our citizens and businesses in a fiscally sound manner.</b>
<b>Vision Statement:</b>	<b>The City of Okeechobee will maintain a vibrant and prosperous community built on our heritage, history, unique character, and small-town atmosphere.</b>

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

### **II. ATTENDANCE**

### **III. AGENDA AND PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- A. Requests for the addition, deferral, or withdrawal of agenda items.
- B. Motion to adopt agenda.
- C. Public participation for any issues not on the agenda requires an Agenda Item Form or Comment Card. Citizen comments are limited to 3 minutes per speaker unless otherwise approved by the Mayor.

### **IV. ELECTION OF MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR**

- A. Consider nomination(s) and appoint a nominee to serve a two-year term as Mayor, as provided in Section C-2.2, C. of the Charter.
- B. Consider nomination(s) and appoint a nominee to serve a two-year term as Vice Mayor as provided in Section C-2.2, D. of the Charter.

### **V. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

- A. Presentation honoring Jonathan Crawford.
- B. Presentation honoring Kutter Crawford.

### **VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. Discussion regarding proposed Ordinance No 1270, amending Chapter 14 Businesses, Section 14-173 Fireworks and Chapter 30, Environment, Section 30-43 Public Nuisances of the Code of Ordinances, as revised at the December 20, 2022, meeting (**Exhibit 1**).

### **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Consider two-year appointments for the Mayor, Vice, Mayor, Council Members or Staff to serve as a Liaison on behalf of the City to various boards/committees (**Exhibit 2**).
  - 1. Regular and Alternate Members to the Central Florida Regional Planning Council.
  - 2. Regular and Alternate Members to the Treasure Coast Regional League of Cities.
  - 3. Regular and Alternate Members to the Treasure Coast Council of Local Governments.
  - 4. Regular Member to Okeechobee County Healthy Start Coalition.
  - 5. Two Regular Members to the Okeechobee Tourist Development Council.
  - 6. Okeechobee Main Street.
  - 7. Okeechobee County Juvenile Justice Council.
  - 8. Okeechobee Historical Society.
  - 9. Battle of Okeechobee Re-enactment Committee.
  - 10. Chamber of Commerce of Okeechobee County.

- B. Motion to approve letter of support on behalf of Indian River State College (IRSC) and its local partners to seek a public land transfer from the Florida School for Boys to the IRSC District Board of Trustees (**Exhibit 3**).

**VIII. CITY ATTORNEY UPDATE**

**IX. CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE**

**X. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**XI. ADJOURN MEETING**

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