



CITY OF OKEECHOBEE

55 SE THIRD AVENUE
OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974

APRIL 4, 2023

6:00 PM

REGULAR MEETING OFFICIAL AGENDA

Mayor

Dowling R. Watford, Jr.

Vice Mayor

Monica Clark

Council Members

Noel Chandler

Bob Jarriel

David McAuley

Mission Statement:	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.
Vision Statement:	The City of Okeechobee will maintain a vibrant and prosperous community built on our heritage, history, unique character, and small-town atmosphere.

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. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

- A. Presentation honoring Mr. Jeff Fadley for his years of service on the Okeechobee Utility Authority Board of Directors.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Dispense with the reading and approve the March 7, 2023, Minutes

VI. FINAL READING – PUBLIC HEARING

- A. Motion to read by title only and adopt proposed Ordinance No.1271, updating the Five-Year Schedule of Capital Improvements to the Comprehensive Plan. Planning Board recommending approval (**Exhibit 1**).

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Boy's School project update by Russ Brown.
- B. Okeechobee Flagler Park Master Plan presentation by Tammy Cook (**Exhibit 2**).
- C. Motion to approve letter approving the placement of a Historical Marker at Primitive Baptist Church (**Exhibit 3**).
- D. Motion to approve letter allowing the Historical Society to apply for a grant for placement of Historical Marker at Primitive Baptist Church (**Exhibit 4**).
- E. Fire Services update by Ralph Franklin.
- F. Consider Personnel changes and amendments to various Chapters of the Personnel Policies and Procedures (**Exhibit 5**).
- G. Motion to approve letter of support for Comcast's grant applications for expansion of services (**Exhibit 6**).

VIII. CITY ATTORNEY UPDATE

IX. CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE

X. COUNCIL COMMENTS

XI. ADJOURN MEETING

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