



CITY OF OKEECHOBEE

55 SE THIRD AVENUE
OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974

MAY 17, 2022

6:00 PM

OFFICIAL AGENDA

Mayor

Dowling R. Watford, Jr.

Council Members

Noel Chandler

Monica Clark

Bob Jarriel

Bobby Keefe

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. Present a Five-Year Longevity Service Award to Ericka Smith, Police Department.
- B. Proclaim the week of May 15 – 21, 2022 as “National Public Works Week.”
- C. Proclaim May 2022 as “Building Safety Month.”

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of May 3, 2022 Minutes (**Exhibit 1**).
- B. Approval of April 2022 Warrant Register (**Exhibit 2**).

VI. PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE ADOPTION

- A. Motion to read by title only and adopt proposed Ordinance No. 1253 regarding a referendum on the November 8, 2022 General Election Ballot adopting a new City Charter (**Exhibit 3**).

VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Quarterly update regarding Fire Services.
- B. Motion to approve the 2021-2022 proposed midyear budget amendments (**Exhibit 4**).

VIII. CITY ATTORNEY UPDATE

IX. CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE

X. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

XI. ADJOURN MEETING

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE AND BE ADVISED that if any person desires to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at this proceeding, such interested person will need a record of the proceeding, and for such purpose may need to ensure a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. City Clerk recordings are for the sole purpose of backup for official records of the Clerk. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), any person with a disability as defined by the ADA, that needs special accommodation to participate in this proceeding, contact the City Clerk's Office no later than two business days prior to proceeding, 863-763-3372.

BE ADVISED that should you intend to show any document, picture, video, or item to the Council in support or opposition to any item on the agenda; a copy of the document, picture, video, or item must be provided to the City Clerk for the City's records.