

# **CITY OF OKEECHOBEE**

55 SE THIRD AVENUE OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974 JUNE 20. 2023

6:00 PM
REVISED 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. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Motion to approve Warrant Register for May, 2023.

#### V. QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARING ITEM

The following items are quasi-judicial in nature. In accordance with Section 286.0115, F.S., an opportunity for persons to speak on each item will be made available after the applicant and staff have made their presentations on each item. All testimony, including public testimony and evidence, may be made under oath or affirmation. Additionally, each person who gives testimony may be subject to cross-examination. If you do not wish to be either cross-examined or sworn, your testimony will be given its due weight. The general public may request the Council to ask questions of staff or witnesses on their behalf.

Any person presenting documents to the Council should provide the City Clerk with a minimum of 10 copies. Further details of the quasi-judicial procedure may be obtained from the Clerk. No verbatim record by a certified court reporter is made of these proceedings. Accordingly, any person who may seek to appeal any decision involving the matters noticed herein will be responsible for making a verbatim record of the testimony and evidence at these proceedings upon which any appeal is to be based (see Section 286.0105, F.S.). In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 286.26, F.S., persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the City Clerk's office at 863-763-9814 seventy-two (72) hours in advance of this proceeding.

**A.** Motion to read by title only and adopt proposed Ordinance No. 1273, regarding Rezoning Petition No. 23-001-R, submitted by Rene Griffith, Registered Agent, on behalf of the property owner, Be A Man, Buy Land, LLC, to rezone 0.36 +/- unplatted acres from Holding to Industrial. The property is a triangular-shaped vacant, unaddressed parcel, located contiguous to the West-side of the East City Limits Boundary Line, North of the railroad tracks, and South of Northeast 12th Avenue. The proposed use is outdoor storage. Planning Staff and Planning Board recommend approval **(Exhibit 1)**.

#### VI. PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE ADOPTION AND FIRST READING

- **A.** Motion to read by title only and adopt proposed Ordinance No. 1274, amending and creating Code Enforcement Fine Reduction Procedures within Chapter 18 of the Code of Ordinances (**Exhibit 2**).
- **B.** Motion to read by title only and set July 18, 2023, as the final adoption date for proposed Ordinance No. 1272, regarding Land Development Regulations Text Amendment Application No. 23-001-TA, amending and creating regulations for mobile food dispensing vehicles (food trucks) within Chapters 14 and 90 of the Code of Ordinances (Exhibit 3).

#### VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**A.** Discuss and consider the motion and second on the floor to adopt proposed Resolution No. 2023-02 amending the schedule of rates, fees, and charges for building permits and plan reviews by the Building Official (Exhibit 4).

# VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- **A.** Waste Management discussion by Deborah Perez.
- **B.** Florida Power and Light update by Ilan Kaufer.
- **C.** Motion to approve naming Mayor Watford as the Voting Delegate for the Florida League of Cities Annual Conference on August 10-12, 2023 (**Exhibit 5**).
- **D.** Motion to approve renewal of Public Risk Management Group Health Insurance.
- **E.** Motion to read by title only and set July 18, 2023, as the final adoption date for proposed Ordinance No. 1276, for Land Development Regulations Text Amendment Application No. 23-003-TA, adding storm shutter regulations within Chapter 90 of the Code of Ordinances (**Exhibit 6**).
- **F.** Consider changing the times of the August 1 and 15, 2023 meetings to begin at 5:00 P.M.
- IX. CITY ATTORNEY UPDATE
- X. CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE
- XI. COUNCIL COMMENTS
- XII. 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 an 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, persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the City Clerk's Office in person or call 863-763-9814, Hearing Impaired: Florida Relay 7-1-1 no later than four business days prior to proceeding.

**BE ADVISED** that should you intend to show any document, picture, video, or item to the Council in support of 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.