



CITY OF OKEECHOBEE

55 SE THIRD AVENUE
OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974

OCTOBER 3, 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. Proclaim the month of October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
- B. Proclaim the week of October 2 – 8, 2023 to be Florida Climate Week.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Motion to approve an agreement in the amount of \$95,424.00 to Craig A. Smith and Associates for the construction oversight and certification of the dry retention areas and remaining lake segment of the Okeechobee Commerce Center (OCC) as recently permitted by the South Florida Water Management District under the new OCC permit no 47-108440-P (**Exhibit 1**).
- B. Motion to award a contract with B & B Site Development based on the recommendation of Craig A. Smith and Associates, to construct additional dry retention areas and lake segment at the Okeechobee Commerce Center in the amount of \$465,170.97 (**Exhibit 2**).
- C. Motion to approve the Legal Services Agreement with Nason, Yeager, Gerson, Harris & Fumero, P.A. in the amount of \$9,900 per month or \$118,800.00 annually, as outlined in the Scope of Work (**Exhibit 3**).

VI. CITY ATTORNEY UPDATE

VII. CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE

VIII. COUNCIL COMMENTS

IX. 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.