



# CITY OF OKEECHOBEE

55 SE THIRD AVENUE  
OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974

**JULY 18, 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

<b>Mission Statement:</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>Vision Statement:</b>	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**

- A. Longevity Service Award honoring Police Officer/Detective Savanna Yates on her 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.
- B. Lifesaving Award honoring Police Officers Dalton Pitts and Rafael Castaneda.

### **V. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Motion to dispense with reading and approve the Minutes for June 6 and 20, 2023.
- B. Approval of June, 2023 Warrant Register.

### **VI. PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE ADOPTION**

- A. Motion to read by title only and adopt proposed Ordinance No. 1272, for 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 1)**.
- B. Motion to read by title only and adopt 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 2)**.
- C. Motion to read by title only and adopt proposed Ordinance No. 1277, regarding Comprehensive Plan Small Scale Future Land Use Map Amendment Application No. 23-001-SSA, submitted by Roland Mossel, to reclassify 0.33+/- acres located in the 100 block of NW 11<sup>th</sup> Street, from Commercial to Multi-Family Residential, Legal Description: Lots 25 and 26 of Block 19, OKEECHOBEE, Plat Book 5, Page 5, Okeechobee County public records. The Planning Board and Planning Staff recommend approval **(Exhibit 3)**.

- D. Motion to read by title only and adopt proposed Ordinance No. 1278, amending Chapter 58 of the Code of Ordinances and requiring connection to the public water and/or sewer systems **(Exhibit 4)**.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Motion to approve the 2023-2024 School Year School Resource Officer Agreement for Okeechobee Christian Academy **(Exhibit 5)**.
- B. Motion to approve the maximum Millage Rate for advertisement for 2023 Tax Notices, Millage Rate of 6.8987 for budget year 2023-2024 **(Exhibit 6)**.
- C. Motion to approve the budget calendar for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 setting Workshops for August 1, 2023 and August 15, 2023 following the regular City Council meeting commencing at 5:00 pm. First Budget Hearing for September 5, 2023 at 6:00 pm during the regular City Council meeting and reschedule the regular City Council meeting to be held September 19, 2023, to the same date as the Final Budget Hearing on September 25, 2023 at 6:00 PM **(Exhibit 7)**.
- D. Motion to award a contract for RFQ No. PW 03-32-05-23 Landscape Maintenance and Installation Services to Nunez Lawncare and Landscaping **(Exhibit 8)**.
- E. Motion to award a contract for Bid No. PW 04-10-5-23 City of Okeechobee SE 4<sup>th</sup> Street Drainage Improvements to Johnson-Davis, Incorporated **(Exhibit 9)**.
- F. Discussion regarding the addition of a restroom facility to Flagler Park.
- G. Discussion of the Army Corp of Engineers actions dealing with the Water Resources Development Act of 2000 water savings clause and the consideration of entering into an Amicus Brief with challengers to the Corp's failure to follow mandates on this issue.

**VIII. CITY ATTORNEY UPDATE**

**IX. CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE**

**X. 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 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.