



# CITY OF OKEECHOBEE

55 SE THIRD AVENUE  
OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974

**AUGUST 16, 2022**

**5:00 PM**

**REGULAR MEETING AND  
BUDGET WORKSHOP  
OFFICIAL AGENDA**

**Mayor**

Dowling R. Watford, Jr.

**Council Members**

Noel Chandler

Monica Clark

Bob Jarriel

Bobby Keefe

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

**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. Approval of Warrant Register – July 2022 (**Exhibit 1**).

**V. PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE ADOPTION**

- A. Motion to read by title only and adopt proposed Ordinance No. 1259, for Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map Amendment Application No. 22-003-SSA submitted by Brandon Tucker, on behalf of the property owner Jose Quijada, to reclassify 0.52+/- acres, Lots 17-19 of Block 26, NW Addition to Okeechobee from I to MFR, the vacant property is located at 1104 and 1108 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Planning Board is recommending approval (**Exhibit 2**).
- B. Motion to read by title only and adopt proposed Ordinance No. 1260, for Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map Amendment Application No. 22-005-SSA submitted by the property owner, James Caprio/608 Okeechobee LLC, to reclassify 0.32+/- acres, Lots 9-10 of Block 78, Okeechobee from SFR to C, property is located at 205 NE 6<sup>th</sup> Street. Planning Board is recommending approval (**Exhibit 3**).

**VI. QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS**

*The following items are quasi-judicial in nature. In accordance with section 286.0115, Florida statutes, 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 Board to ask questions of staff or witnesses on their behalf.*

*Any person presenting documents to the Board 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*

**VI. QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS CONTINUED**

*appeal is to be based (see Section 286.0105, Fla. Stat.). 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. 1256 for Rezoning Petition No. 22-004-R submitted by the property owner, Anita Nunez/Anita's Rental Properties, to rezone 2.41+/- unplatted acres from RSF-1 to CHV, vacant property is located in the 1000 block on the East side of South Parrott Avenue. The proposed use is to develop a new commercial business **(Exhibit 4). Final reading and adoption. Quasi-judicial**
- B. Motion to read by title only, set September 6, 2022, as the final public hearing and approve the first reading of proposed Ordinance No. 1261, for Rezoning Petition No. 22-005-R, submitted by the property owner, James Caprio/608 Okeechobee LLC, to rezone 0.64+/- acres, Lots 7-8 from CPO, and Lots 9-10 from RSF-1 to CLT of Block 78, Okeechobee. The property is located at 201-205 NE 6<sup>th</sup> Street. The proposed use is to expand the existing business located directly North of this property **(Exhibit 5). First reading. Quasi-judicial**

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Update on the schedule of completion and the conceptual plans for Butterfly Square.
- B. Quarterly update regarding Fire Services.
- C. Motion to approve the 2022-2023 School Resource Officer Agreement for Okeechobee County School Board **(Exhibit 6)**.
- D. Motion to approve the purchase of two Harris Radio Dispatch Consoles in the amount of \$91,808.00 **(Exhibit 7)**.
- E. Motion to approve the First Amendment to the Contract for Building Official and Inspection Services with JC Newell Construction Inspection Services, Inc. **(Exhibit 8)**.

**VIII. CITY ATTORNEY UPDATE**

**IX. CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE**

**X. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**XI. RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND OPEN BUDGET WORKSHOP**

- A. Discuss the proposed 2022-2023 fiscal year budget **(Exhibit 9)**.

**XII. ADJOURN WORKSHOP AND RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION**

- A. Unfinished items or issues discussed during the budget workshop to be addressed.

**XIII. 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.