



CITY OF OKEECHOBEE

55 SE THIRD AVENUE
OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974

NOVEMBER 1, 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. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of the October 18, 2022, meeting minutes.

V. 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 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. 1264 regarding Rezoning Petition No. 22-006-R submitted by the City as the property owner to rezone Lots 6 and 7 of Block 5, ROYAL OAK ADDITION, located at Southwest 3rd Avenue and 23rd Street, from Public Use to Residential Single Family-One (**Exhibit 1**).

V. QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS CONTINUED

- B. Motion to read by title only and adopt proposed Ordinance No. 1265 regarding Rezoning Petition No. 22-007-R submitted by the City as the property owner to rezone Lots 9 through 12 of Block 8, SOUTH OKEECHOBEE, located at 1003 SW 3rd Avenue, from Residential Single Family-One to Public Use (**Exhibit 2**).

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Update regarding Education Foundation of Okeechobee presented by Alaina Barron (**Exhibit 3**).
- B. Motion to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Okeechobee County Economic Development Corporation and the City of Okeechobee for Installation of Landscaping Endcaps (**Exhibit 4**).
- C. Discussion of SW 5th Avenue Wastewater Project.
- D. Motion to approve the purchase of a Caterpillar Backhoe Loader from Kelly Tractor in the amount of \$135,276.00 (**Exhibit 5**).
- E. Motion to approve the purchase of a 2023 Ford F-250 Truck from Bozard Government Sales in the amount of \$40,778.00 for the Public Works Department (**Exhibit 6**).
- F. Consider approval authorizing payment to SHI International Corporation for six laptops regarding FDLE Florida Incident-Based Reporting System (FIBRS) Grant 2021-FBSFA-F2-043, and to purchase the TRACS Interface to meet State compliance (**Exhibit 7**).
- G. Motion to approve Florida Department of Environmental Protection Grant Agreement LPA0350 Taylor Creek SE 8th Avenue Stormwater Conveyance Improvements Phase II (**Exhibit 8**).

VII. CITY ATTORNEY UPDATE

VIII. CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE

IX. CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

X. 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.