



# CITY OF OKEECHOBEE

**MAY 5, 2015**

**55 SE 3<sup>RD</sup> AVENUE ★ COUNCIL CHAMBERS ★ OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974**

## **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

### **OFFICIAL AGENDA**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER - MAYOR:** May 5, 2015, City Council Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

**II. OPENING CEREMONIES:** Invocation.  
Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor.

**III. MAYOR, COUNCIL MEMBERS, AND STAFF ATTENDANCE - City Clerk**

Mayor James E. Kirk  
Council Member Noel Chandler  
Council Member Mike O'Connor  
Council Member Gary Ritter  
Council Member Dowling R. Watford, Jr.  
City Administrator Brian Whitehall  
City Attorney John R. Cook  
City Clerk Lane Gamiotea  
Deputy Clerk Melisa Jahner  
Police Chief Denny Davis  
Fire Chief Herb Smith  
Public Works Director David Allen

**IV. AGENDA - Mayor**

**A.** Requests for the addition, deferral or withdrawal of items on today's agenda.

**V. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS - Mayor**

- A. Present a Fifteen-Year Longevity Service Award to Dawn Wendt.
- B. Proclaim May 7, 2015 as “Children’s Mental Health Awareness Day.”
- C. Proclaim the month of May 2015 as “Mental Health Awareness Month.”
- D. Proclaim the week of May 3 - 9, 2015 as “Municipal Clerks Week.”

**VI. MINUTES - City Clerk**

- A. Motion to dispense with the reading and approve the Summary of Council Action for the April 7, 2015 Regular Meeting.

**VII. WARRANT REGISTER - City Administrator**

- A. Motion to approve the March 2015 Warrant Register.

General Fund	\$399,681.65
General Fund (Centennial Account)	\$ 5,926.06
Public Facilities Improvement Fund	\$ 60,038.33
Capital Improvement Projects Fund - Impact Fee	\$ 62,806.55
Capital Improvement Projects Fund	\$284,115.54
Law Enforcement Special Fund	\$ 50.00

**VIII. OPEN PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE ADOPTION - Mayor Kirk**

- A.1.a) Motion to read by title only proposed Ordinance No. 1121 regarding Comprehensive Plan Small Scale Future Land Use Map Amendment, Application No. 15-001-SSA, reclassifying 5.01+/- unplatted acres, from Okeechobee County Urban Residential Mixed Use to City Commercial located between the Okeechobee Health Care Facility (1650 US Hwy 441 North) and Taylor Creek. **Local Planning Agency recommends approval** - City Planning Consultant (Exhibit 1).
- b) Vote on motion to read by title only.
- c) City Attorney to read proposed Ordinance No. 1121 by title only.

**VIII. PUBLIC HEARING FOR ORDINANCE ADOPTION CONTINUED**

**A.2.a)** Motion to adopt proposed Ordinance No. 1121.

**b)** Public comments and discussion.

**c)** Vote on motion.

**CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING.**

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**A.** Consider a request submitted by the Kiwanis Club of Okeechobee for preliminary approval of construction of a special needs playground in Flagler Park 6 - J.D. Mixon (**Exhibit 2**).

**X. NEW BUSINESS**

**A.1.a)** Motion to read by title only and set May 19, 2015 as a final public hearing date for proposed Ordinance No. 1122 regarding Rezoning Petition No. 15-001-R, re-designation 1.628 +/- unplatted acres from Commercial Professional Office to Heavy Commercial located between US Highway 441 North and the Okeechobee Health Care Facility (1646 US Highway 441 North) **Planning Board recommends approval** - City Planning Consultant (**Exhibit 3**).

**b)** Vote on motion to read by title only and set final public hearing date.

**c)** City Attorney to read proposed Ordinance No. 1122 by title only.

**2.a)** Motion to approve the first reading of proposed Ordinance No. 1122.

**b)** Public comments and discussion.

**c)** Vote on motion.

**X. NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED**

**B.1.a)** Motion to read by title only and set May 19, 2015 as a final public hearing date for proposed Ordinance No. 1123 regarding Rezoning Petition No. 15-002-R, redesignating 5.01+/- unplatted acres from Okeechobee County Zoning Neighborhood Commercial Two and Agriculture to City Heavy Commercial located between the Okeechobee Health Care Facility (1650 US Hwy 441 North) and Taylor Creek. **Planning Board recommends approval** - City Planning Consultant (**Exhibit 4**).

b) Vote on motion to read by title only and set final public hearing date.

c) City Attorney to read proposed Ordinance No. 1123 by title only.

**2.a)** Motion to approve the first reading of proposed Ordinance No. 1123.

b) Public comments and discussion.

c) Vote on motion.

**C.1.a).** Motion to read by title only and set May 19, 2015 as a final public hearing date for proposed Ordinance No. 1124 abolishing the creation and regulations for implementing and collecting Impact Fees. **Planning Board recommends approval** - City Planning Consultant (**Exhibit 5**).

b) Vote on motion to read by title only and set final public hearing date.

c) City Attorney to read proposed Ordinance No. 1124 by title only.

**2.a)** Motion to approve the first reading of proposed Ordinance No. 1124.

b) Public comments and discussion.

c) Vote on motion.

**D.1.a)** Motion to read by title only and set June 16, 2015 as a final public hearing date for proposed Ordinance No. 1125 adopting FEMA Regulations, Flood Zones and Maps. **Planning Board recommends approval** - City Planning Consultant (**Exhibit 6**).

b) Vote on motion to read by title only and set final public hearing date.

**X. NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED**

**D.1.c)** City Attorney to read proposed Ordinance No. 1125 by title only.

**2.a)** Motion to approve the first reading of proposed Ordinance No. 1125.

**b)** Public comments and discussion.

**c)** Vote on motion.

**E.** Discuss Centennial Celebration Ad Hoc Committee voting member vacancy and consider an appointment - City Clerk (**Exhibit 7**).

**F.** Okeechobee Mainstreet presentation of 'Reimagine Our Downtown' and CRA presentation - Sharie Turgeon, Executive Director (**Exhibit 8**).

**G.** Discuss traffic and speeding on SE 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue and consider installation of speed bumps - Councilman O'Connor.

**H.** Motion to approve an Agreement to Piggyback a St. Lucie County Contract for Services Bid by Another Governmental Entity for Striping and Pavement Marking provided by contractor Whiteleaf, Inc., d/b/a Traffic Solutions - City Administrator (**Exhibit 9**).

**I.** Consider a motion to accept a Letter of Retirement from Administrator Brian Whitehall - Mayor Kirk (**Exhibit 10**).

**J.** Discuss and give direction regarding application packet materials and information for the City Administrator position, set an advertising time frame, and consider appointing an Interim City Administrator - Mayor Kirk (**Exhibit 11**).

**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 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 tapes 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 items 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.