



HISTORIC TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA

REGULAR COUNCIL WORKSHOP AGENDA

Tuesday, January 07, 2025, at 6:30 PM

Town Hall - 307 E Kennedy Blvd

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- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION (Three minutes strictly enforced)
- III. COUNCIL DISCUSSION
 - [1.](#) Discussion of the 1887 Juneteenth Celebrations (Councilwoman Randolph)
- IV. COMMENTS
 - 2. Staff Comments
- V. ADJOURNMENT

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JANUARY 7, 2025, 6:30 PM

Cover Sheet

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ITEM TITLE: Discussion of the 1887 Juneteenth Celebrations
(Councilwoman Randolph)

TOWN COUNCIL ACTION:

PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, AND PRESENTATIONS		Department: Legislation (Councilwoman Randolph) Exhibits: <ul style="list-style-type: none">N/A
INTRODUCTIONS		
CONSENT AGENDA		
COUNCIL DISCUSSION	YES	
ADMINISTRATIVE		

REQUEST: For Town Council to discuss and consider celebrating Juneteenth Freedom Day Thursday through Saturday, June 19-21, 2025, within the Historic Town of Eatonville, the oldest Black Incorporated municipality in the United States.

SUMMARY: Since 2022, the Historic Town of Eatonville wishes to celebrate and observe Juneteenth which is the oldest known celebration marking the end of slavery in the United States also known as "Freedom Day." On January 1, 1863, The Emancipation Proclamation was issued by President Abraham Lincoln granted freedom to all slaves, however, not until June 19, 1865, Major General Gordon Granger arrived in Texas to inform slaves that slavery had been abolished.

It is an important occasion for The Town of Eatonville to come together to celebrate freedom and to show the town’s unique culture & establishments with the 1887 Juneteenth celebrations. This experience will be a family-friendly event with the support of the local community.

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended to the Town Council the 1887 Juneteenth Celebrations to be held Thursday through Saturday, June 19-21, 2025, within the Historic Town of Eatonville.

FISCAL & EFFICIENCY DATA: N/A

**Who:**

eSTEAMed Learning Inc & The Town of Eatonville

What:

1887 Juneteenth Celebrations

When:

June 19- Freedom Day & Praise

June 20- Juneteenth Youth Jubilee

June 21- 1887 Celebration Collaboration

Where: All events will be in the town of Eatonville FL

Why: Juneteenth, also known as Freedom Day or Emancipation

Day, commemorates the end of slavery in the United States and is an important occasion for our community to come together to celebrate freedom.

We want to show off our unique culture & establishments with our 1887 Juneteenth celebrations. This experience will be a family friendly event. With the support of the local community, this can be possible.

How: We are excited to announce that we are gearing up for the 3rd Annual 1887 Juneteenth Weekend, and we would love for you to be a part of this significant event!

With the unwavering support from our local community and generous annual sponsorships, we are confident that this year's event will be a resounding success, just like the previous years.

Mark your calendars and save the date! We look forward to celebrating together and honoring this important occasion.