Town Council Meeting

November 23, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Howey-in-the-Hills Town Hall
101 N. Palm Ave.,
Howey-in-the-Hills, FL 34737

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AGENDA

Call the Town Council Meeting to order
Invocation
Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

ROLL CALL
Acknowledgement of Quorum Present and Proper Notice Given

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

AGENDA APPROVAL/REVIEW

PUBLIC QUESTION & COMMENT
Any person wishing to address the Mayor and Town Council and who is not on the agenda is asked to speak their name and address. Three (3) minutes is allocated per speaker. The general Public Question & Comment period will be limited to a maximum of thirty (30) minutes unless extended by the Presiding Officer.

CONSENT AGENDA
Routine items are placed on the Consent Agenda to expedite the meeting. If Town Council/Staff wish to discuss any item, the procedure is as follows: (1) Pull the item(s) from the Consent Agenda; (2) Vote on the remaining item(s); and (3) Discuss each pulled item and vote.

1. The approval of the minutes and ratification and confirmation of all Town Council actions at the November 9, 2026, Town Council Meeting.

2. The approval of the minutes and ratification and confirmation of all Town Council actions at the November 16, 2026, Town Council Workshop.

3. Consideration and Approval: **Resolution 2026-024 - Fiscal Year 2026 Final Budget Adjustment**

   A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS, LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE BUDGET AMENDMENT, AMENDING THE GENERAL FUND, WATER IMPACT FEE FUND, INFRASTRUCTURE FUND, BUILDING SERVICES FUND, WATER UTILITY FUND, WASTEWATER UTILITY FUND, AND POLICE RETIREMENT FUND FOR THE BUDGET YEAR 2025/2026.

PUBLIC HEARING

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

4. Consideration and Approval: **Library Board Member Appointment (Marcia Schneider)**

5. Consideration and Approval: **Resolution 2026-023 Special Election**

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS, FLORIDA, ORDERING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY ON TOWN COUNCIL.

- Mayor will read the Resolution title.
- Town Attorney will explain Resolution 2026-023.
- Mayor will open Public Comment and Questions for this item only.
- Mayor will close Public Comment.
- Motion to approve Resolution 2026-023.
- Council Discussion.
- Roll Call Vote.

6. Consideration and Approval: **Appointment to fill vacated Town Councilor Seat 4** (Leslie Manning)

7. Consideration and Approval: (first reading) **Ordinance 2026-011 - Data Center Prohibition**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF HOWEY-IN-THE-HILLS, FLORIDA, PERTAINING TO DATA CENTERS; PROVIDING FINDINGS; CREATING SECTION 3.06.00 OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE PROHIBITING THE CONSTRUCTION OF DATA CENTERS; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; PROHIBITING THE ACCEPTANCE, PROCESSING, REVIEW, AND APPROVAL OF APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT PERMITS, DEVELOPMENT ORDERS, AND OTHER APPROVALS RELATED TO DATA CENTERS; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

- Mayor will read the Ordinance title.
- Town Attorney and Town Planner will explain Ordinance 2026-011.
- Mayor will open Public Comment and Questions for this item only.
- Mayor will close Public Comment.
- Motion to approve the first reading and move to a second reading for Ordinance 2026-011.
- Council Discussion.
- Roll Call Vote.

8. Consideration and Approval: **Interim Town Manager Appointment** (John Brock)

9. Consideration and Approval: **Resolution 2026-025**

Delegating Signature Authority to the Interim Town Manager for State & Federal Grant Agreements

- Mayor will read the Resolution title.
- Town Attorney will explain Resolution 2026-025.
- Mayor will open Public Comment and Questions for this item only.
- Mayor will close Public Comment.
- Motion to approve Resolution 2026-025.

- Council Discussion.
- Roll Call Vote.

10. Discussion: **Downtown Wastewater(Sewer) Connections**

11. Discussion: **Design of Commercial Buildings**

12. Discussion: **State Appropriations Requests**

13. Consideration and Approval: **Police Pension Board Appointment (5th Member) Confirmation** (Rich Lane)

14. Discussion: **Town Council Liaisons for Town Boards**

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

15. Town Manager

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENT

16. Mayor Pro Tem Thomas

17. Councilor Colon

18. Councilor Smith

19. Councilor - Seat 4

20. Mayor Everline

ADJOURNMENT

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