TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES

TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS 155 F. ROAD, LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FL 33470

TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA

NOVEMBER 18, 2025 – 5:30 PM



Anita Kane, Mayor (Seat 3)

Marge Herzog, Vice Mayor (Seat 5) Lisa El-Ramey, Councilmember (Seat 2) Todd McLendon, Councilmember (Seat 1) Paul T. Coleman II, Councilmember (Seat 4)

Administration

Town Manager, Francine L. Ramaglia Town Attorney, Jeffrey S. Kurtz, Esq. Town Clerk, Valerie Oakes Community Standards Director, Caryn Gardner-Young Chief Finance Officer, David DiLena of Projected Point

Civility: Being "civil" is not a restraint on the First Amendment right to speak out, but it is more than just being polite. Civility is stating your opinions and beliefs, without degrading someone else in the process. Civility requires a person to respect other people's opinions and beliefs even if he or she strongly disagrees. It is finding a common ground for dialogue with others. It is being patient, graceful, and having a strong character. That is why we say "Character Counts" in Town of Loxahatchee. Civility is practiced at all Town meetings.

Special Needs: In accordance with the provisions of the American with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons in need of a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall within three business days prior to any proceeding, contact the Town Clerk's Office, 155 F Road, Loxahatchee Groves, Florida, (561) 793-2418.

Quasi-Judicial Hearings: Some of the matters on the agenda may be "quasi-judicial" in nature. Town Council Members are required to disclose all ex-parte communications regarding these items and are subject to voir dire (a preliminary examination of a witness or a juror by a judge or council) by any affected party regarding those communications. All witnesses testifying will be "sworn" prior to their testimony. However, the public is permitted to comment, without being sworn. Unsworn comment will be given its appropriate weight by the Town Council.

Appeal of Decision: If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Town Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he or she will need a record of the proceeding, and for that purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes any testimony and evidence upon which the appeal will be based.

Consent Calendar: Those matters included under the Consent Calendar are typically self-explanatory, non controversial, and are not expected to require review or discussion. All items will be enacted by a single motion. If discussion on an item is desired, any Town Council Member, without a motion, may "pull" or remove the item to be considered separately. If any item is quasi-judicial, it may be removed from the Consent Calendar to be heard separately, by a Town Council Member, or by any member of the public desiring it to be heard, without a motion.

TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS AND MODIFICATIONS

PRESENTATION

1. Presentation on Health Insurance Renewal by the Gehring Group

CONSENT AGENDA

- 2. Consideration of Approval on *Resolution No. 2025-83* regarding the Approval of Contracts from the RFQ for General Planning, Development Engineering and Building Service.
- 3. Consideration of Approval on *Resolution No. 2025-84* regarding the approval of the amendment to Keshavarz & Associates, Inc. contract.

REGULAR AGENDA

- 4. Consideration of Approval on Ordinance No. 2025-09 on Second Reading: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, REORGANIZING AND AMENDING CHAPTER 14 "CODE ENFORCEMENT", BY ADDING ARTICLE I "IN GENERAL" AND ARTICLE II "LIEN REDUCTIONS AND RELEASES"; AMENDING SECTION 14-4 "APPLICATION FOR RELIEF FROM CODE ENFORCEMENT LIEN" TO PROVIDE GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO LIEN REDUCTIONS AND RELEASES; TO ADOPT SECTION 14-5 "SPECIAL MAGISTRATE LIEN REDUCTIONS AND RELEASES" TO ADDRESS REDUCTIONS BY SPECIAL MAGISTRATE; TO ADOPT SECTION 14-6 "OTHER LIEN RELEASES" TO ADDRESS PARTIAL RELEASES OF LIENS AND RELEASES OF UNENFORCEABLE LIENS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 5. Consideration of Approval on *Ordinance No. 2025-19* on First Reading: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, CALLING FOR A REFERENDUM OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES TO BE HELD ON MARCH 10, 2026, AS TO WHETHER THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES CHARTER SHALL BE AMENDED IN THE FOLLOWING RESPECT: AMEND PARAGRAPH (2) "APPOINTMENT; REMOVAL; COMPENSATION; FILLING OF VACANCIES" OF SECTION 4 "ADMINISTRATIVE" OF THE CHARTER TO PROVIDE FOR CHARTER OFFICERS TO BE REMOVED FROM OFFICE BY A MAJORITY RATHER THAN A SUPER MAJORITY VOTE OF

THE FULL COUNCIL AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, THE REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT, CODIFICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

6. Consideration of Approval on *Ordinance No. 2025-20* on First Reading: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES, FLORIDA, CALLING FOR A REFERENDUM OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES TO BE HELD ON MARCH 10, 2026, AS TO WHETHER THE TOWN OF LOXAHATCHEE GROVES CHARTER SHALL BE AMENDED IN THE FOLLOWING RESPECT: AMEND PARAGRAPH (4) "TOWN ATTORNEY" OF SECTION 4 "ADMINISTRATIVE" OF THE CHARTER TO PROVIDE THE ATTORNEY'S REQUIRED REVIEW OF CONTRACTS, BONDS AND OTHER INSTRUMENTS SHALL BE AS FURTHER DEFINED BY ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, THE REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT, CODIFICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Public Comments for the meetings may be received by email, or in writing to the Town Clerk's Office until 12:00 PM (Noon) day of the meeting. Comments will be forwarded to the Town Council for informational purposes, however, they will not be read into the record. This portion of the meeting is intended to be interactive and public participation is welcomed.

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DISCUSSION

7. Discussion and Direction on Items from the Town Council Workshop Meeting on October 21, 2025.

TOWN COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Todd McLendon (Seat 1)

Councilmember Lisa El-Ramey (Seat 2)

Councilmember Paul T. Coleman II (Seat 4)

Vice Mayor Marge Herzog (Seat 5)

Mayor Anita Kane (Seat 3)

ADJOURNMENT

Comment Cards:

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