



MARCH 3, 2025 CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP MINUTES

Monday, March 03, 2025 at 5:00 PM

Historic City Hall, Commission Chambers – 225 East Main Street, Suite 105

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INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER

Nadaskay called the workshop to order.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Commissioner Anne Miller
Mayor Pro Tem Russell Smith
Mayor Keith Nadaskay
Commissioner Gary Smith

ABSENT

Commissioner Sherri Albritton

STAFF PRESENT

Olivia Minshew, City Manager
John Eason, Deputy City Manager
Sandee Braxton, Assistant City Manager
Kristie Hatcher-Bolin, City Attorney
Jessica Newman, CRA Director
Kyle Long, Community Development Director
Ward Grimes, Director of Project Management and Procurement
Brandon Ball, Chief of Police
Stephanie Camacho, City Clerk

OPEN COMMISSION WORKSHOP

Nadaskay opened the Commission workshop.

1. Fire Prevention Discussion

Ken McDuffie, Hardee County Fire Marshall, reviewed the fire prevention and protection codes in Hardee County Ordinance 2025-01.

2. CFRPC Services Overview

Jennifer Codo-Salisbury, Central Florida Regional Planning Council, provided an overview of planning advisory services offered through CFRPC and various areas of support offered to clients.

3. CFRPC Board Appointment

Commissioner Miller volunteered to serve on the CFRPC Board. There were no objections from the Commission.

4. Swine & Wine Special Event Application

Braxton presented the application on behalf of the Hardee County Chamber of Commerce Board, requesting the partial closure of George Burris Street for the event.

5. Resolution 2025-05 FDOT PTGA Wauchula Municipal Airport

Eason presented the resolution authorizing the City to enter into an agreement with FDOT for reimbursement of up to \$325,000 for the design and construction of a new rotating beacon and tower at the airport.

6. Resolution 2025-06 Right of Way Vacation

Long presented the resolution, requested by the developer of the property, to vacate a certain unnamed and unutilized right-of-way near the area of East Bay Street and South 1st Avenue. After some discussion, the Commission decided to include a contingency that the right-of-way shall become effective upon the recording of the Plat for the property in which the right-of-way is located.

7. Surplus Equipment

Grimes presented the following equipment for surplus:

Unit 33A - 2003 Caterpillar GP30K Forklift - Serial number AT13E30940

Unit 82 - 1988 Multi Quip Roller/Compactor

Unit SS-10 - 2004 Polaris Ranger - ID number 4XARB42A94D440725

Unit SS-09 - 2000 Club Car Golf Cart - Serial number A9742-616513

Unit BFM001 - Cushman Groom Master Ball Field Machine

CITY ATTORNEY REPORTS

No report.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Report given.

CITY COMMISSIONER REPORTS

No report.

CLOSE COMMISSION WORKSHOP

Nadaskay closed the Commission workshop.

OPEN CRA WORKSHOP

Nadaskay opened the CRA workshop.

8. CRA RFP 24-05 Bid Award Recommendation

Newman presented the recommendation to award the contract to JCR Construction & Services.

9. Bay Street Housing Development Discussion

Newman presented cost estimates for extending utilities to the proposed development and recommended shifting funds from the Seminole Street project to fund the infrastructure and sidewalks leading up to the development and then the developer would apply for the existing in-fill housing program.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Nadaskay adjourned the workshop at 5:55 p.m.