

OCOEE CITY COMMISSION

Ocoee Commission Chambers
1 N. Bluford Avenue
Ocoee, Florida

June 16, 2026

MINUTES

6:15 PM

REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING

• CALL TO ORDER 6:18 PM

Mayor Johnson called the regular session to order at **6:18 PM** in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. The invocation was led by **Ages Hart**, *Ocoee Resident*, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. **Deputy City Clerk Parks** called the roll and declared a quorum present.

Present: Mayor Johnson, Commissioner Kennedy, Commissioner Wilsen, and Commissioner Oliver

Absent: Commissioner Firstner

Also Present: City Manager Shadrix, City Attorney Geller, and Deputy City Clerk Parks

• PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS 6:20 PM

2026 Juneteenth Independence Day Proclamation – read and proclaimed by **Mayor Johnson**.

• STAFF REPORTS AND AGENDA REVIEW 6:23 PM

City Manager Shadrix asked that item #4 of the Consent Agenda be pulled and continued to a future meeting date, to allow staff to address legal comments and concerns.

Motion: Move to pull and continue Item #4 of the Consent Agenda to be heard at a future meeting date; Moved by Commissioner Kennedy, seconded by Commissioner Oliver; Motion carried 4-0 with Commissioner Firstner absent.

City Manager Shadrix stated that he would like to add the Fourth Amendment to the Development Agreement for the Regency at Ocoee to the agenda as a walk-on item and requested approval of the agreement.

Motion: Move to approve the Fourth Amendment to the Development Agreement for the Regency at Ocoee; Moved by Commissioner Oliver, seconded by Commissioner Wilsen; Motion carried 4-0 with Commissioner Firstner absent.

• PUBLIC COMMENTS 6:26 PM

The following persons addressed the City Commission:

- **Dr. Jim Moyer**, *Orange County Soil and Water Commission District 1*, gave a brief presentation on the Floridan Aquifer and its importance to Orange County. He encouraged residents to practice water conservation habits.
- **Victoria Laney**, *Ocoee Resident*, expressed her concerns regarding the closure of the Christian Service Center.

- **Shanti Persaud**, *Owner, WOKB*, acknowledged the sound issues arising from recent community events hosted at the radio station, and explained the steps being taken to prevent these issues during future events. She introduced her sound engineer, who further discussed their plans to mitigate the issues.
- **Sasha Watson Sankey**, *Ocoee Resident*, spoke in support of WOKB and their events.
- **Susan Vogt and Sandy Bailey**, *Ocoee Residents*, expressed their concerns about the noise associated with events hosted by WOKB.
- **Laurine Rausch**, *Ocoee Resident*, expressed her concerns about the noise associated with events hosted by WOKB, and whether their property's zoning allows for such events.
- **Marilyn Franks**, *Ocoee Resident*, expressed her concerns about the noise associated with events hosted by WOKB.
- **Chris Marciniak**, *Ocoee Resident*, expressed her concerns about the noise associated with events hosted by WOKB.
- **Joy Thompson**, *Ocoee Resident*, expressed her concerns about the noise associated with events hosted by WOKB.
- **Gaillot Joseph**, *Ocoee Resident*, expressed his concerns about the noise associated with events hosted by WOKB.
- **Anand Ramkisson**, *Sound Engineer for WOKB*, addressed comments regarding the decibels during past concerts and stated that they have not been ticketed for loud music or traffic congestion.

Mayor Johnson specified that this property is not located within City limits. **City Manager Shadrix** reiterated that this property is not located within City limits and briefly explained the City's efforts to research the issue. **Police Chief Ogburn** gave a brief overview of his communications with Orange County Sheriff's Office and advised residents how to proceed if the issue occurs in the future.

Commissioner Wilsen explained that the homes surrounding the radio station are within her district. She advised that residents have reached out to her with their concerns regarding the level of noise and expressed her views on the issue.

Commissioner Oliver acknowledged that the radio station issued an apology and informed the Commission and audience of the corrective actions they are taking regarding the noise level during events. He further stated that these concerns should be heard by the Orange County Board of County Commissioners, without putting the City of Ocoee in the mix as a pass-off.

City Attorney Geller noted that this is A-1, Orange County property, seemingly without a bonafide agricultural use. The property does not have the appropriate zoning, even at the county level, to serve as a ticketed, commercial-level concert venue. He further reiterated that a City of Ocoee Commission Meeting is the wrong place for this conversation; it should be addressed by Orange County.

Mayor Johnson again stated that this property is not within the City's jurisdiction; therefore, the City cannot issue a permit.

- **Joy Thompson**, *Ocoee resident*, inquired whether WOKB would be allowed to host their advertised Father's Day event.

Mayor Johnson responded that they cannot host an event without a permit and inquired whether the radio station had received a permit for the event from Orange County.

- **Shanti Persaud**, *Owner, WOKB*, advised that they do not have a permit so their event cannot exceed 150 people.

Commissioner Kennedy noted that it was then considered a private event, like having people over at your house.

Mayor Johnson directed City Manager Shadrix and City Attorney Geller to dispatch a letter to Orange County regarding the matter.

• **CONSENT AGENDA 7:17 PM**

Consent Agenda Motion

Motion: Move to adopt Consent Agenda Items #1-3 and #5-10; Moved by Commissioner Wilsen, seconded by Commissioner Kennedy; Motion carried 4-0 with Commissioner Firstner absent.

1. Approval of Minutes from the Regular City Commission Meeting held June 2, 2026. **(City Clerk Sibbitt)**
2. Approval of New Appointment to the Citizen Advisory Council for Ocoee Fire Department (CACOFD). **(Deputy City Clerk Parks)**
3. Approval of a New Appointment to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB). **(Deputy City Clerk Parks)**
4. Approval of Access Easement Agreement with Silvestri Investments of Florida, Inc for the Market Store at Prairie Lake. **(Community Development Administrator McFarlane)**
5. Approval of First Amendment to Parking Lease Agreement — 137 W. McKey Street & 120 W. Oakland Ave. **(Community Development Administrator McFarlane)**
6. Approval of the Agreement between the City of Ocoee and Fullers Crossing 429, LLC, for Fullers Cross Commercial PUD. **(Development Services Director Lepp)**
7. Approval to Apply for and Accept the BJA FY25 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG). **(Police Chief Ogburn)**
8. Approval for Crossing Guard Services with All City Management Services. **(Police Chief Ogburn)**
9. Approval to Authorize a One-Year Contract Extension with CHA Consulting for RFQ #20-006 Utility Modeling and Minor Utility Studies. **(Procurement Manager Tolbert)**
10. Approval to Piggyback Sourcewell's Contract with Vertosoft LLC. for the OpenGov E-Procurement Software as a Service (SaaS) Platform **(Procurement Manager Tolbert)**

• **FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE**

11. First Reading of an Ordinance Regulating Micromobility Vehicles. **(Police Chief Ogburn)**

City Attorney Geller read the title of the ordinance, and it was announced this will be presented as a second reading and public hearing at the City Commission meeting scheduled for July 7, 2026, City Commission Meeting, at 6:15 PM or soon thereafter.

12. First Reading of An Ordinance To Create Chapter 105 Master Capital Project and Service Assessment. **(Utilities Director Bolling)**

City Attorney Geller read the title of the ordinance, and it was announced this will be presented as a second reading and public hearing at the City Commission meeting scheduled for July 7, 2026, City Commission Meeting, at 6:15 PM or soon thereafter.

• **SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE – PUBLIC HEARING** - None

• **PUBLIC HEARING** - None

• **REGULAR AGENDA 7:21 PM**

13. Discussion and Direction on Ocoee Solid Waste Franchise. **(Public Works Director Krüg)**

Public Works Director Krüg presented information regarding the Ocoee Solid Waste Franchise and requested Commission direction on whether to authorize staff to negotiate a new agreement with the current vendor or proceed with soliciting bids for a new franchise agreement. He also sought direction regarding the continuation of recycling services.

Mayor Johnson stated that he is opposed to negotiating another three-year contract with the current vendor.

Commissioner Kennedy inquired about the proposed rate increase, residential and commercial cost calculations, and operational expenses. **Public Works Director Krüg** responded to his questions and provided additional clarification regarding the associated costs.

Commissioner Wilsen expressed support for soliciting bids for a new franchise agreement.

Commissioner Oliver emphasized the importance of pursuing the option that would result in the greatest cost savings for residents.

Mayor Johnson noted that the original decision to contract with an outside vendor was made to avoid increasing rates for residents. Following discussion, the Commission reached a **consensus to authorize staff to solicit bids for a new solid waste franchise, both with and without recycling services.**

14. Adoption of the Amended and Restated Initial Assessment Resolution for the FY 26-27 Fire Protection Assessments. **(Assistant City Manager Rumer)**

City Manager Shadrix emphasized that a similar discussion was had during last year's budget season, before the current property tax legislation. He explained that this presentation will explain how fire services are funded, review increasing service demands and operational costs, discuss the current funding gap, explain how additional revenue would support fire rescue operations, and present the proposed assessment update.

Assistant City Manager Rumer gave a detailed presentation on the proposed fire assessment fee, highlighting the projected fire department expenses, community growth and development, rising costs of providing fire services, personnel cost growth, equipment cost inflation, fire apparatus cost inflation, and the apparatus replacement schedule.

City Attorney Geller read the title of the resolution.

Discussion ensued regarding transparency of costs, revenue, and impact on the residents.

Motion: Move to adopt Approach #3 – 100% Cost Recovery; Moved by Commissioner Kennedy; Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion: Move to adopt the Amended and Restated Initial Assessment Resolution for the FY 26-27 Fire Protection Assessments, Establishing a Maximum Fire Service Assessment Funding Level Equal to 70% of the Five-Year Average Assessable Fire Budget, and Set the Public Hearing Date for August 18, 2026, for Adoption of the Final Assessment Resolution; Moved by Commissioner Wilsen, seconded by Commissioner Oliver; Motion carried 4-0 with Commissioner Firstner absent.

• **MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS 8:46 PM**

Mayor Johnson announced the upcoming City events for the months of June and July.

• **COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS 8:48 PM**

Commissioner Oliver – Commented on the following: 8:48 PM – 8:49 PM

- 1) Encouraged seniors to be mindful of the high weather temperatures and to take care of themselves.
- 2) Read an inspirational quote.

Commissioner Wilsen – Commented on the following: 8:49 PM – 8:51 PM

- 1) Stated that she is looking forward to the July 4th celebration and encouraged residents to attend.

Commissioner Kennedy – No further comment.

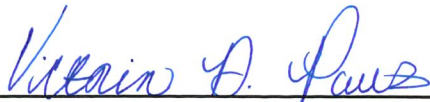
Mayor Johnson – Commented on the following: 8:51 PM – 8:52 PM

- 1) Shared that while on vacation in London, he observed their garbage pickup being daily.

• **ADJOURNMENT 8:52 PM**

APPROVED:

Attest:


Victoria D. Parks, Deputy City Clerk

City of Ocoee


Rusty Johnson, Mayor