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**To:** [Richard Reade](#); [Riunite Franks](#); [Barbara Gould](#); [Jaime J. Morales](#); [Bambi Turner](#); [Merrell Angstreich](#)  
**Cc:** [Janet Perry](#); [Vivian Mendez](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Commissioners" Budget Priorities  
**Date:** Friday, June 27, 2025 9:25:59 AM

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Good morning Barbara-

I will be prepared to speak on any CD-related items as needed. Here is some preliminary feedback on the additional items below in case it's helpful (one of the item below appears to be a Public Works item):

#### Community Development

1. Signs to be placed in area/s to inform residents of proposed projects as well as current projects in town so they are aware. - this is already in the works and forthcoming to the Town Commission since direction was provided to work on an updated noticing Ordinance.
2. More education provided to residents as it relates to code and staying in compliance. – I will certainly explore this further in the discussions. We are currently using a much gentler, lengthier approach (for non-urgent matters) with code compliance that includes more education up front before issuing a warning. Our code manual is also being updated and will then be translated for additional distribution.
3. More refinement in ordinance for traffic safety. (Ongoing as I type this) – this is a Public Works item as it relates to the traffic calming policy I believe. The future implementation of the mobility plan initiatives will also assist with traffic safety on our roadways.
4. Town Code will need to be reviewed and updated. Complaints are that they are dated. Example: Gravel Driveways – this is already a work in progress since we are working through a code overhaul process. We are also addressing zoning district (and other) more pressing issues in advance of the full code overhaul process. Copying Vivian on this item.

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**Cc:** Janet Perry <jperry@lakeparkflorida.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Commissioners' Budget Priorities

Good evening-

Thank you. I'll provide some feedback later on the CD items.

Nadia

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From: Richard Reade <rreade@lakeparkflorida.gov>

Date: 6/26/25 5:21 PM (GMT-05:00)

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Cc: Janet Perry <jperry@lakeparkflorida.gov>

Subject: RE: Commissioners' Budget Priorities

Good evening,

Please see additional budget goals/priorities that have been provided.

Barabara, please include within your Agenda item.

Finance

1. Ensure that budget season this year goes smoother than last year. Budget book was hard to understand

Community Development

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- Example: Gravel Driveways

Grants/Communications

1. Research to be done in finding funding that can be obtained for the construction of a community center as well as funding for oval about that
2. More emphasis in ensuring that calendar is up 2 date.
3. Working with public works to disseminate more info on towns capital projects.

## Special Events

1. Possibility of doing a Golf Cart Parade for Christmas with residents (Waiver to be signed to protect town in order to participate)
2. Possibility of having an exclusive recreation event for kids and possible adults. (Only 1 if budget supports it) Something not too costly to put together. (Ex. 4 on 4 [micro] soccer (kids) or Flag Football (kids) Adult Kickball and/or Soccer)
3. Possibility of engaging in discussions w/Promoters of Lake Park Music and Food Festival for a fall festival in Park Avenue Downtown District in Q3. (Can work w/Allison as well as this could be a big assist w/CRA)
4. Possibly of doing a multi city parade.

## Public Works

1. Find ways to promote service portal. Need residents to know more about this.
2. Continue to get department fully staffed.
3. Find ways to better inform there residents of capital projects ongoing and completed.
4. Possibility also of looking into putting small oval about in problem areas for traffic safety (2nd street; Teak Dr; 5th Street)

## Marina

1. Nothing to say at moment for the obvious.

Thank you.

Have a great day.

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**Subject:** RE: Commissioners' Budget Priorities

Good evening-

I prefer 10am as well if possible.

Regards,

Nadia

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Subject: Re: Commissioners' Budget Priorities

I would prefer 10 am.

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**Subject:** Commissioners' Budget Priorities

Below are the items received to date from the Town Commission relating to their priorities for the upcoming fiscal year 2025/2026 budget. These items will be on the July 2<sup>nd</sup> agenda for discussion by the Commission under New Business with the intent to provide staff with clear direction for the upcoming budget year. We will need to be prepared for questions on potential costs, items that are already incorporated into the 2025/2026 budget and how current budgeted items may need to be adapted to meet the current priorities and CIP.

Rich wanted us to get together tomorrow, briefly, to discuss and prepare background information on these items. The calendar shows 10 am or 3 pm looks like the most likely times we are all available. Please let me know which will work for you.

- Vision Plan that incorporates existing plans i.e. Mobility, Park Avenue Diet, Density Review along US 1, etc. and Opportunity for Community Engagement – slated for RFQ in current fiscal year budget

- P3 Partnership Revised Timelines – currently in discussion
- Code Enforcement Training – Customer Service
- Blakeley Memorial Park – lighting, landscaping, benches
- Golf Cart Parade – Christmas or 4<sup>th</sup> of July
- Christmas Trolley Tour with Santa through the Town
- Standing Commitment to Haitian Flag Day and MLK Celebration
- Martin Luther King Jr Day Holiday – Allocate funds to support programming for MLK day including community celebration, educational activities or a service initiative that honors Dr. King's legacy and encourages unity and civic engagement
- Senior Citizen Event Promotion – Do more to advertise events specifically tailored to our senior citizens through printed materials, social media or local partnerships
- Activities for Senior Citizens with transportation
- Traffic Calming or speed humps on Teak and other needed streets
- Road repairs – we have serious potholes
- Lighting
- Reduce charges for Sanitation & Stormwater funds – already discussed existing rate plan
- Revisit job descriptions to justify salaries
- Justify budget cuts, all departments

Additionally we want to provide a listing of all current priorities/events from Sunset Celebration to Summer Camp with a brief statement on who/how many benefit in the Community.

Thank you

Sincerely,

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