

CITY OF PAHOKEE



MINUTES

City Commission Regular Meeting

Tuesday, August 11, 2026, at 6:00 PM

Pahokee Commission Chambers
360 East Main Street
Pahokee, Florida 33476

CITY COMMISSION:

Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.
Vice Mayor Isabelle J. McDonald
Commissioner Sanquetta Cowan-Williams
Commissioner Everett D. McPherson, Sr.
Commissioner James H. Scott

CHARTER OFFICERS:

Brenda L. Bryant, City Manager
Nylene Clarke, City Clerk
Burnadette Norris-Weeks, P.A., City Attorney

AGENDA

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Babb called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Cowan-Williams led the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.

Vice Mayor Isabelle J. McDonald

Commissioner Sanquetta Cowan-Williams

Commissioner Everett D. McPherson, Sr.

Commissioner James H. Scott

Brenda L. Bryant, City Manager

Chan Bryant Abney, Acting City Attorney

Nylene Clarke, City Clerk

D. ADDITIONS OF EMERGENCY BASIS FROM CITY MANAGER, DELETIONS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

Motion made by Commissioner Cowan-Williams to accept moving Item 4 to Item 2. Duly seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

E. PRESENTATIONS / PROCLAMATIONS / PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS / PUBLIC COMMENTS (*agenda items only*)

1. Presentation - Pahokee/Canal Point School Principles, led by School Board Member Marcia Andrews and Glades Regional Superintendent Dr. Angela Avery-Moore
2. Proclamation - Honoring and Recognizing Pahokee Middle-Senior High School Robotics Program
3. Presentation - Affordably Lavish - Christina Anthony and Abeo Manning
4. Presentation - Consultant Services Update and Contract Performance Report - Angela Reyes, AMBR-Owner of Angela Reyes, LLC

F. CONSENT AGENDA

1. July 14, 2026 City Commission Meeting Minutes
2. July 17, 2026 City Commission Budget Workshop Minutes

Motion made by Commissioner Cowan-Williams to accept the consent agenda. Duly seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

G. OLD BUSINESS (*discussion of existing activities or previously held events, if any*)

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND/OR ORDINANCES

1. ORDINANCE 2026-02 (SECOND READING) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE VII, DIVISION 1, SECTION 2-272 OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE'S CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED "PURCHASE ORDERS", TO RETITLE AS "PURCHASE

ORDERS, COMPETITIVE BIDS AND EXEMPTIONS”; SPECIFICALLY AMENDING NUMBERED PARAGRAPH (6) ENTITLED “EXEMPT PURCHASES” TO CLARIFY THAT THE DETERMINATION OF AN EMERGENCY PURCHASE IS VESTED IN THE LEGISLATIVE JUDGMENT OF THE CITY COMMISSION; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND REPEALER; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The title of the ordinance was read into the record by the Acting City Attorney and was explained by the City Manager.

The public hearing opened at 7:50 PM. Hearing no comments, the public hearing closed at 7:51 PM.

Motion made by Commissioner McPherson to accept Ordinance 2026-02 (Second Reading). Duly seconded by Commissioner Cowan-Williams and passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

2. ORDINANCE 2026-03 (FIRST READING) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE II, SECTION 2-29 ENTITLED “ORDER OF BUSINESS”; ADDING A REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK TO THE ORDER OF BUSINESS; RENUMBERING AND REORDERING AS NECESSARY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND REPEALER; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The title of the ordinance was read into the record by the Acting City Attorney and was explained by the City Manager.

Motion made by Commissioner McPherson to accept Ordinance 2026-03 (First Reading). Duly seconded by Commissioner Cowan-Williams and passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

I. RESOLUTION(S)

1. RESOLUTION 2026-43 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, RATIFYING THE EXECUTION AND SUBMISSION OF THE FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES, INC. 2026 ANNUAL CONFERENCE DESIGNATION OF VOTING DELEGATE FORM; CONFIRMING MAYOR KEITH W. BABB, JR. AS THE CITY OF PAHOKEE'S VOTING DELEGATE FOR THE 2026 ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The title of the resolution was read into the record by the Acting City Attorney and was explained by the City Manager.

Motion made by Commissioner Cowan-Williams to accept Resolution 2026-43. Duly seconded by Commissioner Scott and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

2. RESOLUTION 2026-44 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE PAHOKEE MIDDLE/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL 2026 HOMECOMING PARADE AND AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION FOR A PARADE PERMIT FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The title of the resolution was read into the record by the Acting City Attorney and was explained by the City Manager.

Motion made by Commissioner McPherson to accept Resolution 2026-44. Duly seconded by Vice Mayor McDonald and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

3. RESOLUTION 2026-45 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A CITY COMMISSION CIVILITY AND DIGNITY PLEDGE; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The title of the resolution was read into the record by the Acting City Attorney and was explained by the City Manager.

Motion made by Vice Mayor McDonald to accept Resolution 2026-45. Duly seconded by Commissioner Scott and failed (1-4).

Voting Yea: Vice Mayor McDonald

Voting Nay: Mayor Babb, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

4. RESOLUTION 2026-46 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE UPDATED CITY FACILITIES RENTAL APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT, AS SET FORTH HERETO IN COMPOSITE EXHIBIT "A"; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The title of the resolution was read into the record by the Acting City Attorney and was explained by the City Manager.

Motion made by Commissioner Cowan-Williams to table Resolution 2026-46. Duly seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

J. NEW BUSINESS *(presentation by city manager of activity or upcoming event, if any)*

1. Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO) Report
2. Palm Beach County Fire Rescue (PBCFR) Report

K. REPORT OF THE MAYOR

L. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

M. REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

N. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS OF COMMISSIONERS, IF ANY

Motion made by Vice Mayor McDonald, as a future agenda item, soliciting a company for the forensic audit. Duly seconded by Commissioner Scott and passed (4-1).

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

Voting Nay: Commissioner Cowan-Williams

Motion made by Commissioner McPherson, as a future agenda item, the use of discretionary funds to make a donation to the Pahokee High School Volleyball Team, in the amount of \$500. Duly Seconded by Commissioner Scott and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

Motion made by Commissioner McPherson, as a future agenda item, to see if the County has a tractor with a bush hog attached and if not, get quotes. Duly seconded by Commissioner Scott and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

O. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS (*items not on the agenda*)

P. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER (*community events, feel good announcements, if any*)

Q. ADJOURN

Motion made by Vice Mayor McDonald to adjourn the meeting. Duly seconded by Commissioner Cowan-Williams and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Babb adjourned the meeting at 9:11 PM.

Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.

ATTEST: Nylene Clarke, CMC, City Clerk