CITY OF PAHOKEE

MINUTES

City Commission Regular Meeting
Tuesday, October 13, 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 6:02 PM.

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner McPherson 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 at 6:06 PM
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 Vice Mayor McDonald to accept the agenda as printed. Duly seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed unanimously.
Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

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

1. Presentation - Volleyball Check: Pahokee Middle-Senior High School
2. Proclamation - Recognizing Alvin Johnson's Retirement and Thirty-Eight Years of Service
3. Proclamation - Recognizing October 19-25, 2026 as Florida City Week

F. CONSENT AGENDA

1. September 22, 2026 City Commission Meeting Minutes

   Motion made by Vice Mayor McDonald 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

I. RESOLUTION(S)

1. RESOLUTION 2026-65 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD ENGAGEMENT AND TRANSFORMATION (NEAT) GRANT AGREEMENT WITH PALM BEACH COUNTY; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE REVISED AGREEMENT AND RELATED DOCUMENTS; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

Motion made by Commissioner McPherson to accept Resolution 2026-65. Duly seconded by Commissioner Cowan-Williams and passed unanimously.
Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

2. RESOLUTION 2026-66 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE SPECIAL EVENTS ADVISORY BOARD TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THE LATE ALPHONSO SMITH, JR.; PROVIDING FOR THE TERM OF APPOINTMENT; 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 explained by the City Manager.

   Motion made by Commissioner McPherson to accept Resolution 2026-66 with the appointment of Tarchur Tomlin. Duly seconded by Commissioner Scott and passed unanimously.
   Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

3. RESOLUTION 2026-67 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN ON-THE-JOB TRAINING (OJT) AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAREERSOURCE PALM BEACH COUNTY, INC. AND THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, AS SET FORTH HERETO IN 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 explained by the City Manager.

   Motion made by Commissioner McPherson to accept Resolution 2026-67. Duly seconded by Commissioner Scott and passed (4-1).
   Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott
   Voting Nay: Vice Mayor McDonald

4. RESOLUTION 2026-68 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND ACCEPTING AN AMENDMENT TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AGREEMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026/2027; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT REMOVING LANGUAGE THAT IS NOT APPLICABLE; 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 City Attorney and explained by the City Manager.

   Motion made by Commissioner Cowan-Williams to accept Resolution 2026-68. 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. REPORT OF THE CITY CLERK

O. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS OF COMMISSIONERS, IF ANY

Motion made by Commissioner McPherson to place on the next agenda a discussion to determine what direction the City wishes to take regarding the lobbyists. Duly seconded by Commissioner Cowan-Williams and passed unanimously.
Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

Motion made by Commissioner Cowan-Williams, for the next agenda, that the Commission decide what action to take regarding the tenant currently at the cemetery tree farm, or whoever the contract was with. Duly seconded by Commissioner McPherson and passed unanimously.
Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor McDonald, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson, Commissioner Scott

Motion made by Commissioner Scott to receive a copy of Angela Reyes' report at the next meeting. Discussion ensued, and Commissioner Scott rescinded his motion.

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

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

R. 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 7:34 PM.

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Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.

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ATTEST: Nylene Clarke, CMC, City Clerk