

# CITY OF PAHOKEE



## MINUTES

**City Commission Regular Meeting**  
Tuesday, December 10, 2024, at 6:00 PM

Pahokee Commission Chambers  
360 East Main Street  
Pahokee, Florida 33476

### **CITY COMMISSION:**

Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor  
Clara Murvin, Vice Mayor  
Derrick Boldin, Commissioner  
Sanquetta Cowan-Williams, Commissioner  
Everett D. McPherson, Sr., Commissioner

### **CHARTER OFFICERS:**

Michael E. Jackson, Interim City Manager  
Nylene Clarke, City Clerk  
Burnadette Norris-Weeks, P.A., City Attorney

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## AGENDA

### A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Babb at 6:01 PM.

### B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Murvin led the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

### C. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.

Vice Mayor Clara Murvin

Commissioner Derrick Boldin

Commissioner Sanquetta Cowan-Williams

Commissioner Everett D. McPherson, Sr.

Michael E. Jackson, Interim City Manager

Burnadette Norris-Weeks, 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 approve the agenda as presented. Duly seconded by Commissioner Boldin and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

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

1. Proclamation - Mrs. Catherine Wilson Bighams' 100th Birthday
2. Sojourners with Healing Hearts

### F. CONSENT AGENDA

1. November 26, 2024 City Commission Workshop Minutes
2. November 26, 2024 City Commission Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Commissioner Boldin to approve the Consent Agenda. Duly seconded by Vice Mayor Murvin and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

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

1. Update - City Projects

### H. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND/OR ORDINANCES

1. ORDINANCE 2024-05 (SECOND READING) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR EVALUATION AND APPRAISAL BASED AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF PAHOKEE'S COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT MASTER PLAN AS REQUIRED BY AND IN CONFORMITY WITH SECTION 163.3191(1), FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR THE CORRECTION OF SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT AND REPEALER; PROVIDING FOR LIBERAL CONSTRUCTION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The ordinance was read into the record by the City Attorney and was explained by the Interim City Manager. Stephanie Heidt, Deputy Executive Director for the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, presented an item overview. Discussion ensued.

Public hearing opened and closed at 6:41 PM.

Motion made by Commissioner Boldin to accept Ordinance 2024-05 (Second Reading). Duly seconded by Vice Mayor Murvin and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

**I. RESOLUTION(S)**

1. RESOLUTION 2024-55 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE CITY OF PAHOKEE'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS 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.

Motion made by Commissioner McPherson to accept Resolution 2024-55. Duly seconded by Commissioner Boldin and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

2. RESOLUTION 2024-56 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$152,433.00 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024–2025, AS SET FORTH IN COMPOSITE EXHIBIT “A” ATTACHED HERETO; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Commissioner Boldin to accept Resolution 2024-56 with the amount in the title corrected to \$152,572.00. Duly seconded by Vice Mayor Murvin and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

3. RESOLUTION 2024-57 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 30 TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PAHOKEE AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT), CONTRACT G-1753, FM# 442030-01-54-1, FOR THE BARFIELD HIGHWAY RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT AS SET FORTH IN EXHIBIT “A”; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to accept Resolution 2024-57. Duly seconded by Commissioner Boldin and passed 4-1.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner McPherson

Voting Nay: Commissioner Cowan-Williams

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

1. Christmas Holiday Decoration Contest - Mayor Babb
2. State of the City Address - Mayor Babb
3. Use of the City Vehicle - Commissioner Cowan-Williams
4. Policies on the use of City Facilities - Commissioner McPherson

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**K. REPORT OF THE MAYOR**

**L. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER**

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to have a Special Meeting on December 17, 2024 at 6:00 PM. Duly seconded by Commissioner Boldin and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

**M. REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY**

**N. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS OF COMMISSIONERS, IF ANY**

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to do a proclamation for Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church's Centennial. Duly seconded by Commissioner Boldin and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

Motion made by Commissioner Boldin for a second chance policy for ex-offenders. Duly seconded by Vice Mayor Murvin and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

Motion made by Commissioner McPherson for direction for the restaurant and marina. Duly seconded by Vice Mayor Murvin and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

Motion made by Commissioner McPherson for Legislative Priorities. Duly seconded by Commissioner Boldin and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

**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 Commissioner McPherson to adjourn the meeting. Duly seconded by Commissioner Boldin and passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Cowan-Williams, Commissioner McPherson

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Babb adjourned the meeting at 8:39 PM.

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Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.

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ATTEST: Nylene Clarke, CMC, City Clerk