

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-33

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPLORE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMERCIAL FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PILOT PROGRAM TO ENHANCE THE APPEARANCE OF COMMERCIAL CORRIDORS WITHIN THE CITY; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO RESEARCH, DEVELOP, AND PRESENT A PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR COMMISSION CONSIDERATION; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission recognizes that attractive commercial corridors contribute to economic development, business retention, property value enhancement, tourism, and community pride; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to encourage private investment in commercial properties located along Main Street and other heavily traveled roadways and business corridors throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, aging building facades, signage, landscaping, lighting, and exterior features can negatively impact the visual character and economic vitality of commercial areas; and

WHEREAS, many municipalities throughout Florida have successfully implemented facade improvement programs that leverage public investment to stimulate private redevelopment and beautification efforts; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to explore the feasibility of a Facade Improvement Pilot Program that may provide matching grants, reimbursement incentives, or other financial assistance to eligible commercial property owners and business operators for approved exterior improvements; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that a pilot program would allow the City to evaluate costs, participation levels, economic impacts, and long-term benefits before considering a permanent citywide program; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager is best positioned to evaluate available funding sources, grant opportunities, eligibility requirements, administrative procedures, and program design options for presentation to the City Commission.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Adoption of Representations. The foregoing “Whereas” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

Section 2. Approval and Authorization. The City Commission hereby authorizes the City Manager to explore the establishment of a Commercial Façade Improvement Pilot Program to Enhance the Appearance of commercial corridors within the City. The City Commission further directs the City Manager to research, develop, and present a proposed program for City Commission consideration.

Section 3. Conflict. All resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby and expressly repealed.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED and ADOPTED this 23rd day of June 2026.

Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Nylene Clarke, CMC, City Clerk

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:**

Burnadette Norris-Weeks, P.A.
City Attorney

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

VOTE:

Mayor Babb	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Vice Mayor McDonald	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner Cowan-Williams	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner McPherson	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)
Commissioner Scott	_____ (Yes)	_____ (No)