



**Vice Chair Horace Jenkins**  
Member Laurie Hall  
Member Matthew Webster  
Member Travis White  
Member Carol Richardson

**City Manager Mike DaRoza**

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will conduct a  
**Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting**  
**At 6:00 PM**

to address the item(s) below.

**Meeting Date:** March 26, 2025

**Meeting Location:** James A. Lewis City Commission Chambers  
15100 NW 142 Terrace  
Alachua, FL 32615

**Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting**

Notice given pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes. In order to appeal any decision made at this meeting, you will need a verbatim record of the proceedings. It will be your responsibility to ensure such a record is made.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**INVOCATION**

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**I. OLD BUSINESS**

**II. NEW BUSINESS**

**A) APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR**

**B) APPROVAL OF JUNE 17, 2024 MINUTES**

**C) OVERVIEW OF PREVIOUS EVENTS**

**D) OVERVIEW OF UPCOMING EVENTS**

**E) UPDATE ON THE HATHCOCK COMMUNITY CENTER**

**F) ALACHUA COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL GRANT**

**G) APPROVAL OF PRAB MEETING DATES FOR 2025**

**III. BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION**

**IV. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

**ADJOURN**



## Commission Agenda Item

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**MEETING DATE:** March 26, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Appointment of Chair

**PREPARED BY:** John Hansen, Recreation & Culture Assistant Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Vote on PRAB Chair

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### Summary

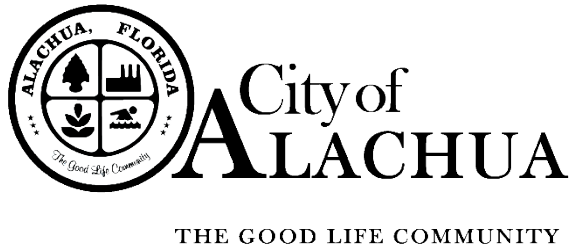
Members will vote on the Chair of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. The previous Chair's term expired, necessitating another vote despite the previous Chair's reappointment to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board for an additional term.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

### ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### ATTACHMENTS

1. Ballot for Chair



**Ballot for Chair  
3/26/25  
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board**

Please put an X under the name of the person you vote for.

**Chair**

Carol Richardson

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Horace Jenkins

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Laurie Hall

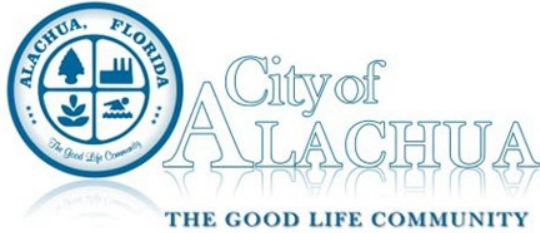
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Matthew Webster

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Travis White

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## Commission Agenda Item

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**MEETING DATE:** March 26, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Approval of June 17, 2024 Minutes

**PREPARED BY:** John Hansen, Recreation and Culture Assistant Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approve Meeting Minutes

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### Summary

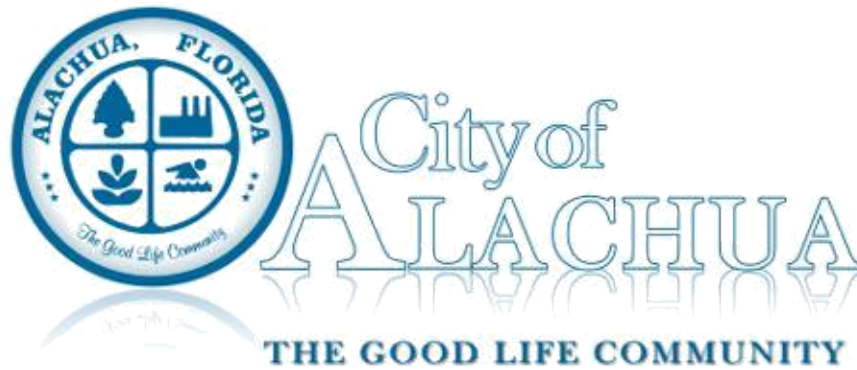
Approval of the meeting minutes for June 17, 2024.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

### ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### ATTACHMENTS

1. 24.6.17.M.PRAB



**Parks and Recreation Advisory Board  
Minutes  
June 17, 2024**

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**Chair Carol Richardson**  
**Vice Chair Horace Jenkins**  
Member Laurie Hall  
Member Matthew Webster  
Member Travis White

City Manager Mike DaRoza

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**Parks and Recreation Advisory Board  
At 6:00 PM**

**Meeting Date:** June 17, 2024

**Meeting Location:** James A Lewis Commission Chambers

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**PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Carol Richardson, Chair**

**Travis White, Member-absent**

**INVOCATION**

**Laurie Hall, Member**

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

**Carol Richardson, Chair**

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**Board Member, Matthew Webster moved to approve the agenda for the June, 17, 2024 meeting; seconded by Board Member, Laurie Hall.**

**Passed by unanimous consent.**

**I. OLD BUSINESS**

**Board Member, Matthew Webster moved to approve the Committee Minutes for the March 26, 2024 meeting; seconded by Vice Chair, Horace Jenkins.**

**Passed by unanimous consent.**

**II. NEW BUSINESS**

**III. BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION**

**If citizens would like to view the comments, we can send them the links to the meeting for free.**

**IV. CITIZENS COMMENTS**

**ADJOURN**

ATTEST:

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY  
BOARD OF THE CITY OF ALACHUA,  
FLORIDA

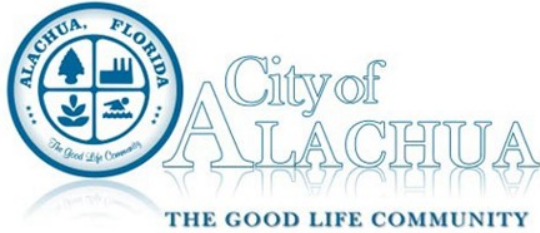
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Presiding Officer

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Staff Liaison





## Commission Agenda Item

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**MEETING DATE:** March 26, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Overview of Previous Events

**PREPARED BY:** John Hansen, Recreation and Culture Assistant Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Receive presentation.

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### Summary

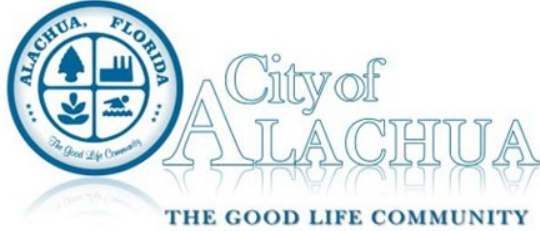
Previous events hosted in the last several months that the City of Alachua Recreation and Culture Department has been a part of include the City of Alachua Summer Arts Camp, 399 Basketball Academy, Juneteenth Celebration, Football Camp, 4th of July Celebration, Alachua Police Department Backpack Giveaway, National Night Out, Alachua Raiders Football and Cheer Tournament, Sister Hazel Concert, Pickleball Tournament, Music and Arts Program Open House, Trick or Treat on Main Street, Dance Alive Nutcracker Performance, Swamp Bots Robotics Tournament, Annual Christmas Tree Lighting, Alachua Community Coalition's Christmas Social, Annual Christmas Parade, Alachua Raiders Football End of Season Banquet, Hitchcock Challenge, 399 Winter Basketball Opening Ceremonies, Swamp Bots Robotics Tournament, MLK Jr. Day Celebration at Legacy Park Multipurpose Center, Raider Softball Classic, Special Olympics, and Prep Zone Basketball.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

### ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### ATTACHMENTS

None



## Commission Agenda Item

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**MEETING DATE:** March 26, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Overview of Upcoming Events

**PREPARED BY:** John Hansen, Recreation and Culture Assistant Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Receive presentation.

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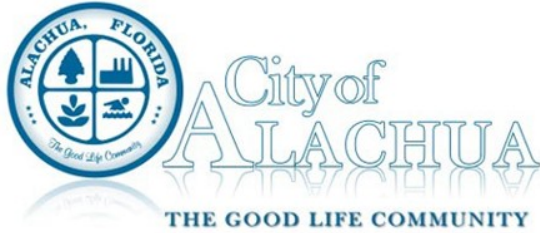
Upcoming events that the City of Alachua Recreation and Culture Department will be a part of include Dance Alive Dancing with the Stars, Santa Fe Babe Ruth Baseball Jamboree, Battle of the Braids, Alachua Community Coalition Picnic, Raider Regiment Art Festival, Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Great American Cleanup, Alachua County Pickleball Association Tournament, Juneteenth Celebration, and the Sunshine State Games Table Tennis Tournament.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

### ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### ATTACHMENTS

None



## Commission Agenda Item

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**MEETING DATE:** March 26, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Update on the Hathcock Community Center

**PREPARED BY:** John Hansen, Recreation and Culture Assistant Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Receive presentation.

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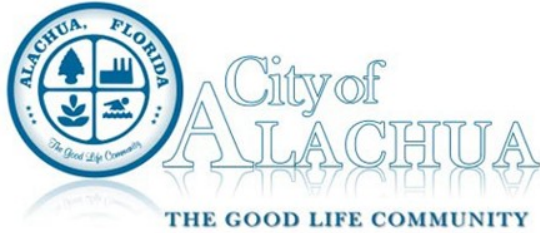
Recreation and Culture Director Damon Messina will give the board an update on the new Hathcock Community Center.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

### ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### ATTACHMENTS

None



## Commission Agenda Item

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**MEETING DATE:** March 26, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Alachua County Arts Council Grant

**PREPARED BY:** John Hansen, Recreation and Culture Assistant Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Receive presentation.

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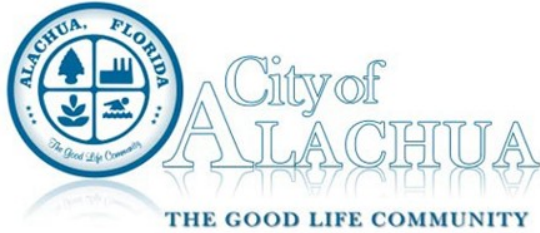
Board members will discuss the grants offered by the Alachua County Arts Council.

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

### ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### ATTACHMENTS

None



## Commission Agenda Item

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**MEETING DATE:** March 26, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Approval of PRAB Meeting Dates for 2025

**PREPARED BY:** John Hansen, Recreation and Culture Assistant Director

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Approve meeting dates.

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### Summary

Approve meeting dates and times for 2025.

June 25, 2025 at 6 PM

September 24, 2025 at 6 PM

December 17, 2025 at 6 PM

### FINANCIAL IMPACT

### ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### ATTACHMENTS

None