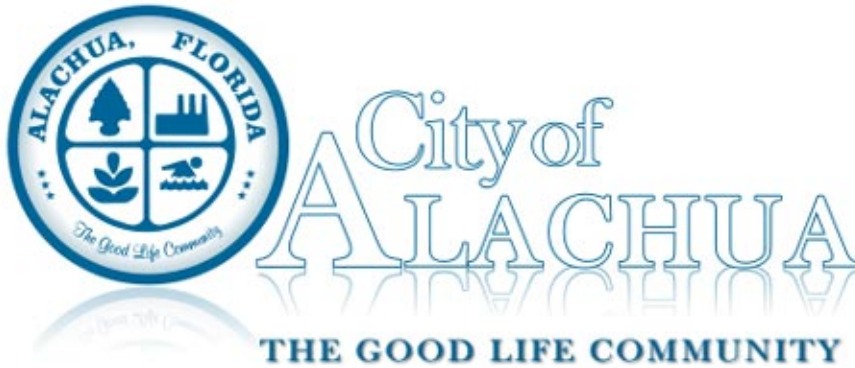




Regular City Commission Meeting Agenda October 23, 2023

Mayor Gib Coerper

Vice Mayor Dayna Miller

Commissioner Jennifer Blalock

Commissioner Shirley Green Brown

Commissioner Edward Potts

City Manager Mike DaRoza

City Attorney Marian Rush

The City Commission will conduct a
Regular City Commission Meeting
At 6:00 PM
to address the item(s) below.

Meeting Date: October 23, 2023

Meeting Location: James A Lewis Commission Chambers
15100 NW 142 Ter.

CITY COMMISSION 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

**APPROVE READING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS BY
TITLE ONLY**

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(Please Limit to 3 Minutes. Any citizen who is unable to speak at this time will have an opportunity to speak at the end of the meeting)

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V. AGENDA ITEMS

- A.** 2024 City Commission Calendar

VI. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS ON SUBJECTS NOT ON THE AGENDA

(Please Limit to 3 Minutes. Any citizen who did not speak during the Citizen Comments period at the beginning of the meeting may do so at this time.)

VII. COMMENTS FROM CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY

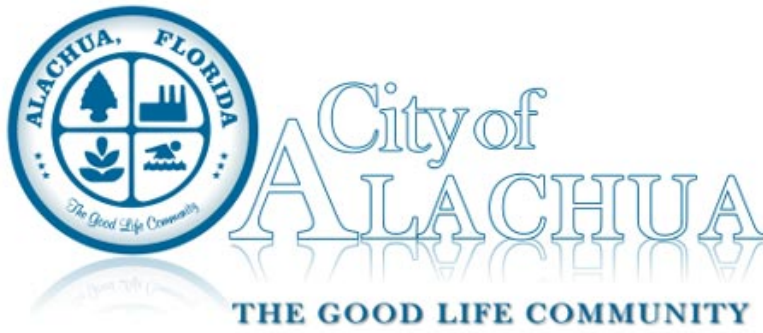
VIII.COMMISSION COMMENTS/DISCUSSION

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CONSENT AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

September 25, 2023, City Commission Meeting Minutes



Commission Agenda Item

MEETING DATE: 10/23/2023

SUBJECT: Special Olympics Florida: Gainesville Race for Inclusion

PREPARED BY: LeAnne Williams, Deputy City Clerk

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive the presentation.

Summary

The Special Olympics is Florida's largest sports organization for people with intellectual disabilities. Community Engagement Manager Hannah Runacres and Sports Training and Competition Manager for Area 3 Evan Combs are here to provide a general overview of Special Olympics Florida & discuss the programs offered in Alachua County, provide information about the Gainesville Race for Inclusion, which is coming up on December 2, 2023, and discuss the upcoming volunteer opportunities and various ways to get involved with Special Olympics Florida.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- ▢ Special Olympics Florida Presentation
- ▢ 2024 Area 3 General Flyer



***Special
Olympics
Florida***

REVEALING
THE CHAMPION
IN ALL OF US



WELCOME TO THE INCLUSION REVOLUTION

Dear Champions,

For 50 years, Special Olympics Florida has fought to ensure that people with intellectual disabilities are treated with dignity and respect. We have championed the principle of inclusion, and our athletes have shown the world they will achieve remarkable things if they are only given an opportunity.

That was never more apparent than in 2022, a milestone year for our organization and the incredible athletes we serve. In 2022, we celebrated our 50th anniversary and hosted the Special Olympics USA Games. Special Olympics Florida athletes turned in a dominant performance at those Games, capturing more than 325 medals, 139 of them gold.

Those achievements, and many others, were made possible by the unwavering support of our dedicated volunteers, sponsors and partners. Thanks to their commitment - and compassion - we helped improve the lives of some 60,000 athletes from Key West to Pensacola.

On behalf of our athletes and their families, thank you for being part of our mission. Together, there is nothing we cannot do.

In the spirit of gratitude,

Sherry Wheelock
President and CEO
Special Olympics Florida



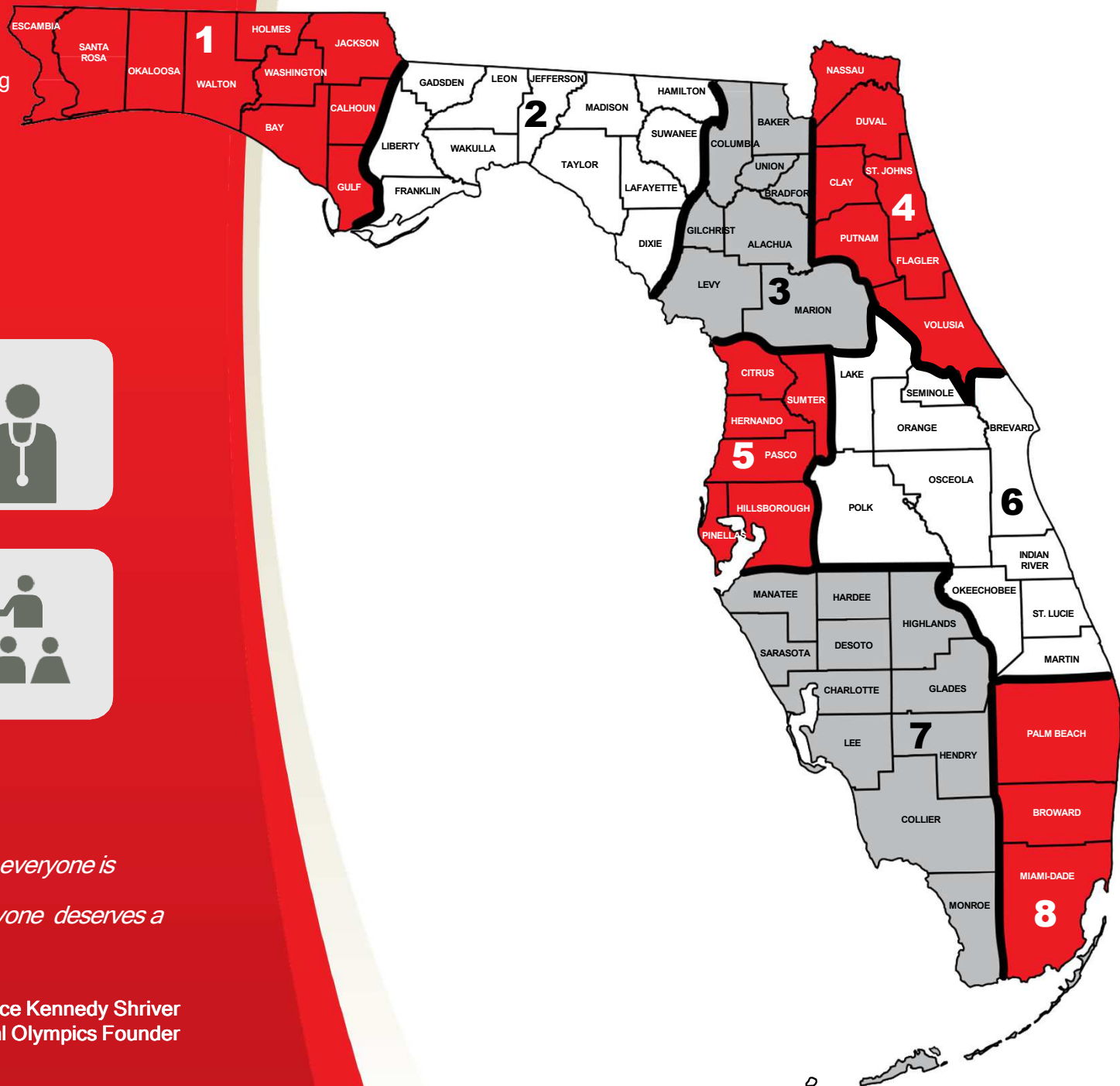
OUR REACH

Please join us as we work to build a community where everyone has the lifelong opportunity to develop physically, emotionally, and socially through sports, wellness, and leadership training.



"We are united behind the belief that everyone is valued, everyone is welcome, and everyone deserves a chance to be celebrated."

Eunice Kennedy Shriver
Special Olympics Founder



PROVIDING QUALITY SPORTS TRAINING AND COMPETITION

Since 1972, Special Olympics Florida has empowered people with intellectual disabilities to demonstrate their unlimited potential by providing top-notch athletic training and competitions. Our programs promote inclusion and acceptance and provide a platform for athletes to showcase their talent, courage and tenacity.

Our athletes participate in an array of Olympic-style sports, including:

Alpine Skiing	Flag Football	Softball	Speed
Athletics	Golf	Skating	
Basketball	Gymnastics	Stand Up Paddle	
Bocce	MATP *	Surfing	
Bowling	Open Water Swim	Swimming	
Cheerleading	Pickleball	Tennis	
Cycling	Powerlifting	Triathlon	
Equestrian	Roller Skating	Volleyball	
Figure Skating	Soccer		

* The Motor Activity Training Program is designed for those athletes with severe disabilities whose physical and/or behavioral limitations preclude participation in traditional sports competitions. In 2022, there were 3,323 athletes enrolled in this unique program across the state.

SPORTS PARTICIPATION

79,004

ATHLETES

58,461

VOLUNTEERS

36,742

COMPETITIONS

236



BUILDING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

Improving the lives of people with intellectual disabilities means ensuring they can access the health care they need and deserve. As a group, our athletes face greater health risks than the general population, yet they often struggle to find appropriate health services. To fight that inequity, Special Olympics Florida provides both online and in-person health screenings and services to athletes and individuals on the APD waiting list across the state.

In 2022, those programs provided:

HEALTH SCREENINGS *

20,341

HEARING AIDS

101

PRESCRIPTION GLASSES

954

PRESCRIPTION SPORTS GOGGLES

374

SWIM GOGGLES

51

SUNGLASSES

433

PAIR OF SHOES

111

INSOLES

11

DOCTOR REFERRALS

626

FLUORIDE TREATMENTS

682

FINANCIAL IMPACT

\$2,000,000



Special Olympics
Healthy Athletes®



* Represents all screenings that took place in Florida, including 2022 Special Olympics USA Games participants.

PROMOTING YOUTH AND EDUCATION



Special Olympics
Unified Champion
Schools®

Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools operate on the principles of inclusion and acceptance. They use inclusive sports - which joins athletes of all intellectual abilities - youth leadership, and whole-school engagement to create communities where everyone is respected, appreciated, and treated with dignity.

- Unified programs are active in **442** schools and on **13** college campuses.
- 97% of high school seniors say program activities are changing their school for the better.
- 84% of students generally regard participation in the program as a positive turning point in their lives.
- 86% of school staff feel the program has made a big impact in reducing bullying and teasing in their school.
- 96% of students feel comfortable carrying on a conversation with a student with intellectual disabilities.



FOCUSING ON EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT



Our Young Athletes program uses sports-play activities to help children from 2 to 7 years old develop physically, cognitively and socially. Participating preschoolers with intellectual disabilities hit important milestones three times faster than those not enrolled in the program. For children with autism, the gains are nearly four times as great.

There are **20,395** athletes and Unified partners participating in **42** counties and **319** schools.

Healthy Kids at Play encourages elementary-aged athletes to develop lifelong healthy habits. Children are introduced to healthy lifestyle choices, such as nutritious eating, staying hydrated and getting exercise. The goal is to help them grow into health-conscious adults.

“With programs like these, our eyes are open to endless possibilities.”

-- Mother of a child with autism describing the benefits of Young Athletes





DEVELOPING LEADERSHIP SKILLS

Special Olympics Florida athletes can be inspiring leaders, and our Athlete Leadership programs help them develop those skills. Athletes serve as team captains, coaches, officials, board members, and spokespersons. They play critical roles while developing the skills and the confidence they need to build happy and productive lives.

Our course-based Athlete Leadership Academy offers five majors: Communications, Governance, Sports, Finance and Employment. Athletes graduate ready to serve in meaningful leadership roles, influence change and ultimately create more inclusive communities around the world. Our Unified Leadership approach has two primary goals: help people without intellectual disabilities recognize the talents and leadership potential of people with intellectual disabilities and urge them to create environments where people with ID are invited to fill key roles.

Let me **win.**
But if I
cannot
win,
let me be
brave
in
the attempt.

Special Olympics Athlete's Oath

BE A FAN. GET INVOLVED!

Volunteering with Special Olympics Florida can be the most fulfilling and fun thing you'll ever do! Here's how you can be part of our mission:

Coach

No one makes a bigger impact on the life of an athlete. We will train you and get you certified in program policies, sports rules, and coaching techniques.



Volunteer

Change an athlete's life - and your own. Join us and witness the transformative power of sports. No experience necessary.

Mentor

Help athletes gain the skills and confidence they need to improve their lives and their communities.

Donor/Sponsor

Your generous contributions - both individual and corporate - mean that no athlete or family ever pays a fee to participate in our programs.

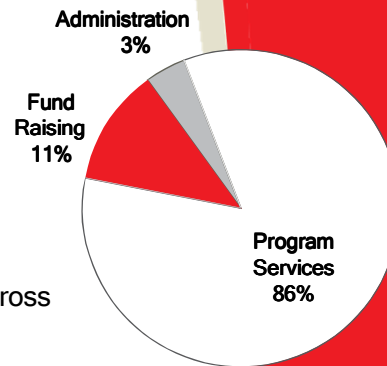
86%

OF ALL DONATIONS
SUPPORTED
PROGRAM SERVICES
IN 2022



2022 HIGHLIGHTS

- **50th Anniversary:** Throughout 2022, we celebrated the founding of Special Olympics Florida, honoring those who came before us and those who make our work possible today. Anchored by a dedicated 50th anniversary website, the year-long celebration highlighted our mission to build a world of inclusion and acceptance.
- **Special Olympics USA Games:** More than 4,000 athletes from across the country and the Caribbean came to Orlando in June for the Special Olympics USA Games, hosted by Special Olympics Florida. Athletes spent a week showing the world that people with intellectual disabilities will achieve amazing things if they are just given the chance. Team Florida turned in a dominant performance, capturing more than 325 medals, 139 of them gold.
- **Breaking Boundaries:** Special Olympics Florida athletes and Unified partners continued to make headlines and shatter expectations. For example:
 - Athlete Chris Nikic was inducted into the Florida Sports Hall of Fame.
 - The Special Olympics Florida College Club at the University of Florida was named National Champion of the Special Olympics Virtual College Rivalry Championship, presented by ESPN.
 - Athlete Kamari Graham, of Homestead Senior High School, was chosen Special Olympics Athlete of the Year by USA Today.
- **Inspiring Competitions:** We held more than 230 competitions, including State Summer Games, which drew nearly 2,000 athletes. In addition, the expansion of regional games throughout the state provided an elevated competition experience for more athletes at the local level. We staged six other State Games drawing more than 2,800 athletes and hosted 600 athletes at the USA Games Training Camp in March. In total, we served approximately 60,000 athletes across the state - including those in our Developmental Sports Programs.



2022 FINANCIALS

(\$ in thousands)

Program Services:	
Games	\$5,929
Training	2,461
Health, Unified Champion Schools, and Development Sports	3,084
Other Programs	3,556
Total Program Services	\$15,030
Management & General	590
Fund Raising	1,952
Total Expenses	\$17,572

2022 GOAL

Serve 60,000 healthy athletes using 34,000 volunteers through fundraising that generates \$16M+ supporting cash revenue.



2022 HIGHLIGHTS

- **Athlete Leadership:** As part of our commitment to Athlete Leadership, we produced five videos that profile Athlete Leaders in different roles they play, featuring athletes Megan Bell, Maryann Gonzalez, Tajha Ilerant, Stephen Lepore and Eddy Maldonado; and a training video that helps Athlete Leaders speak with the media, featuring athletes Jacquie Clare and Ricky Dager and television journalists Kelly Blanco and Jim Payne.
- **Area and State Athlete Leadership Councils:** The councils have been reignited and provide a channel for collective athlete feedback for enhancing the athlete experience and use athlete input to support the region's goals to strengthen the program.
- **Connecting Across the World:** To support Special Olympics athletes displaced by the war in Ukraine, Special Olympics Florida helped launch Special Stars, a sports club serving Ukrainian refugees with intellectual disabilities now living in Slovakia. We provided financial and programmatic support and, later, took a small group of athletes to Slovakia to connect with their overseas' counterparts. The effort was largely initiated by our athletes.
- **Expanding Camp Shriver:** In partnership with the Community School of Naples and the Naples Children & Education Foundation, we launched the first-ever Camp Shriver in Collier County. This inclusive camp brings together young people with and without disabilities. It was created by Eunice Kennedy Shriver in the 1960s and marked the beginning of the Special Olympics movement. We also offer Camp Shriver in Orange County and at two locations in Miami-Dade County.
- **Race for Inclusion:** Year two events were even bigger and better than year one. The annual campaign grew from six to nine venues, drew more participants and raised more money to support our mission. This year's campaign featured events from Key West to Pensacola and furthered our efforts to build communities of inclusion and acceptance. Thanks to the generosity of our supporters and sponsors - and the work of our athlete ambassadors - the campaign raised more than \$500,000.





*“Special Olympics
has given my life purpose
and given me pride and
confidence in myself
and my abilities to
accomplish my goals.”*

Special Olympics Florida Athlete



**Special
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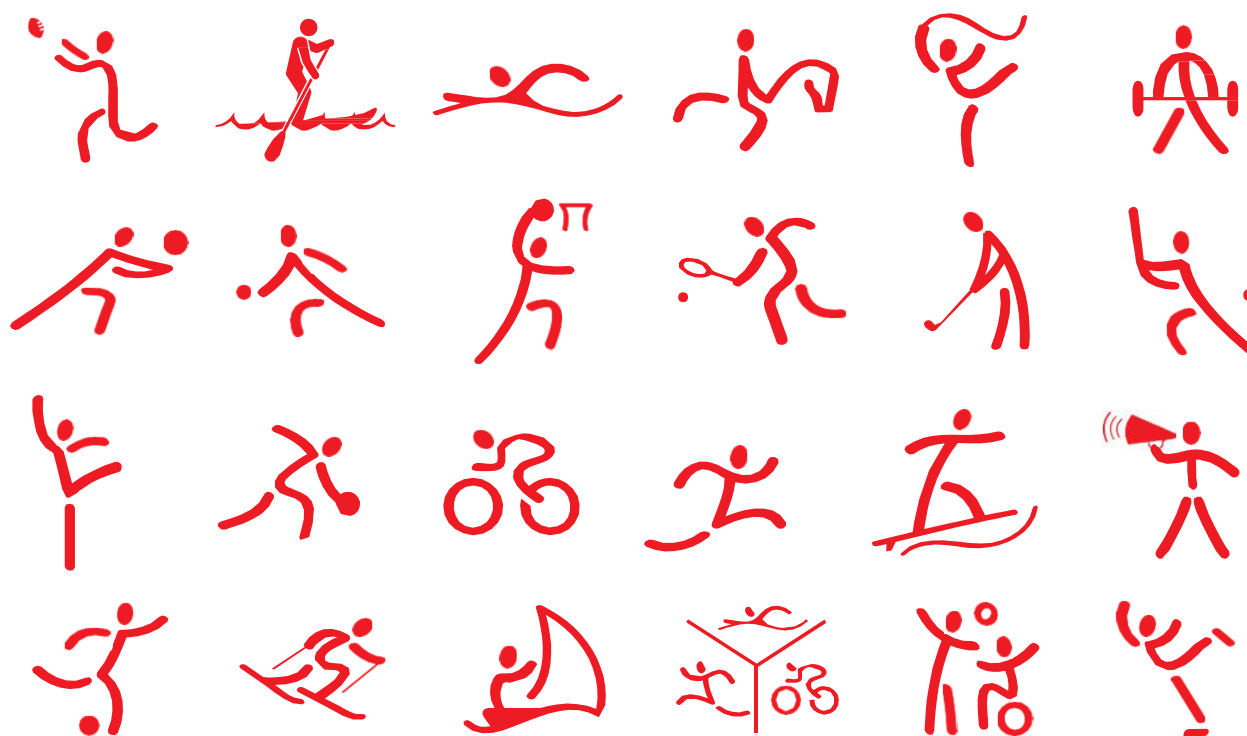
THE CHALLENGE

It is time to create a world of inclusion and acceptance.

Special Olympics Florida's Race for Inclusion is a nine-month campaign to inspire people across the state to build communities where everyone is respected and valued. It is a campaign to fight the stigma, isolation, injustices, and health challenges faced by people with intellectual disabilities.



Revealing the Champion in All of Us!



**Special
Olympics**
Florida



1915 Don Wickham Drive
Clermont, FL 34711
800-322-HERO or 352-243-9536
www.specialolympicsflorida.org

Special Olympics was created by the Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. Foundation for the benefit of persons with intellectual disabilities.

Alachua County



Special Olympics Florida

*Revealing the champion
in all of us!*

WHO WE ARE

Special Olympics is a global movement of people creating a world of inclusion and community, where every single person is accepted and welcomed, regardless of ability or disability. We are helping to make the world a better, healthier and more joyful place - one athlete, one volunteer, one family member at a time.

OUR MISSION

To provide year-round sports training and competition in a variety of Olympic- type sports for people with intellectual disabilities who wish to participate, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy, and participate in the sharing of gifts, skills, and friendship with their families, other Special Olympic athletes, and the community.

SPORTS SEASONS

JANUARY - MAY

ATHLETICS
BOCCE
SOCCER
TENNIS
BASKETBALL
CHEERLEADING
CYCLING

AUGUST - NOVEMBER

GOLF
FLAG FOOTBALL
POWERLIFTING
SOFTBALL
GYMNASTICS
PICKLEBALL

MAY - SEPTEMBER

BOWLING
STAND UP PADDLE
SWIMMING
SURFING
VOLLEYBALL

NOVEMBER - FEBRUARY

EQUESTRIAN

ALACHUA COUNTY REACH

Total Athletes: 1,249

Coaches: 56

Class A Volunteers : 261

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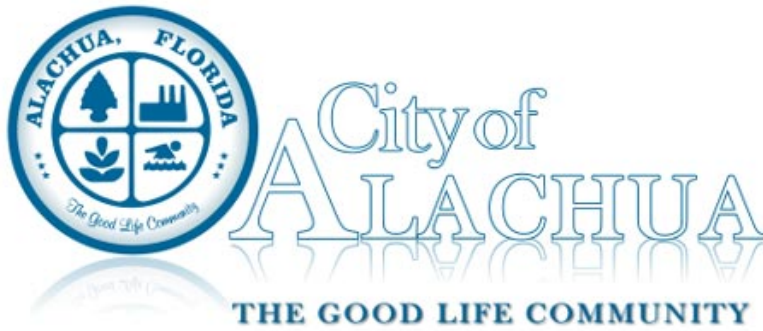
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Commission Agenda Item

MEETING DATE: 10/23/2023

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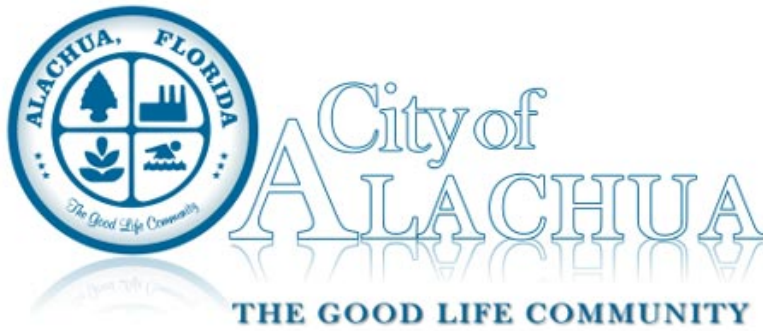
PREPARED BY: Adam Hall, AICP, Principal Planner

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Staff recommends that the City Commission defer this item until the regular City Commission meeting scheduled for 6 PM on November 13, 2023, at Alachua City Hall located at 15100 NW 142nd Terrace, Alachua, FL 32615.

Summary

Because of an issue with advertising for this item, complete public notice was not completed. Staff recommends deferring this item until the November 13, 2023 City Commission meeting.



Commission Agenda Item

MEETING DATE: 10/23/2023

SUBJECT: 2024 City Commission Calendar

PREPARED BY: LeAnne Williams, Deputy City Clerk

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the Proposed 2024 City Commission Meeting Calendar.

Summary

The 2024 City Commission Meeting Calendar is proposed to resolve any conflicts with holidays and for the purpose of maintaining necessary timing for the proper notice and advertising of meetings and ordinances.

There are two holidays in conflict with the regular second and fourth Monday meetings. The first is Memorial Day, which falls on the fourth Monday in May. It is recommended to move the May dates to the first and third Mondays. Being that April has a fifth Monday, there will not be a conflict with the two-week separation needed between ordinance readings. The second is Veterans Day, which falls on the second Monday in November. It is recommended to move the October and November dates to the first and third Mondays. Being that September has a fifth Monday, there will not be a conflict with the two-week separation needed between ordinance readings.

It is recommended to continue the historical practice of having only one meeting in July and December. The proposed calendar includes the foregoing of the first meeting in July (July 8) and the second meeting in December (December 23).

The resulting 2024 City Commission Calendar as recommended would be:

January 8 & 22
February 12 & 26
March 11 & 25

April 8 & 22
May 6 & 20
June 10 & 24
July 22
August 12 & 26

September 9 & 23
October 7 & 21
November 4 & 18
December 9

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- ▣ 2024 City Commission Calendar

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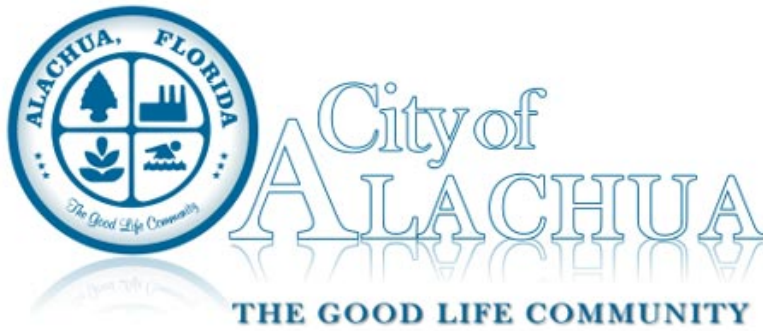
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Green = Commission meeting Dates

Red = Holidays



Commission Agenda Item

MEETING DATE: 10/23/2023

SUBJECT: September 25, 2023, City Commission Meeting Minutes

PREPARED BY: Diane L. Amendola, Assistant Deputy City Clerk

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the minutes.

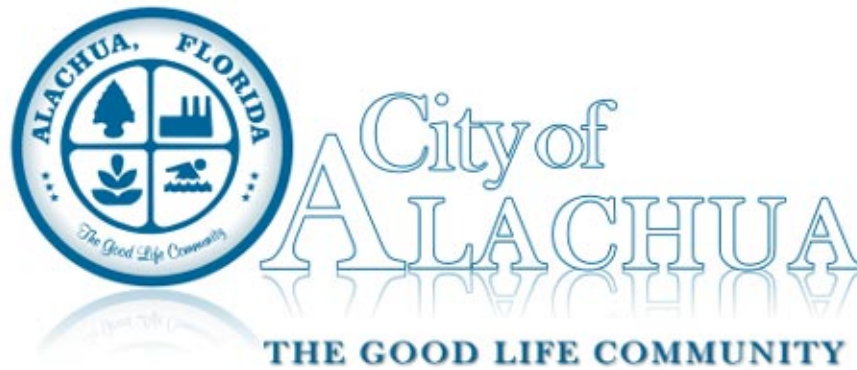
Summary

September 25, 2023, City Commission Meeting Minutes.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

☐ Minutes



Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes September 25, 2023

Mayor Gib Coerper

Vice Mayor Dayna Miller

Commissioner Jennifer Blalock

Commissioner Shirley Green Brown

Commissioner Edward Potts

City Manager Mike DaRoza

City Attorney Marian Rush

The City Commission will conduct a
Regular City Commission Meeting
At 6:00 PM
to address the item(s) below.

Meeting Date: September 25, 2023

Meeting Location: James A Lewis Commission Chambers

Citizens Present: Daniel Pingree, Dennis Faust, Barry Brown, Jolene Brown, Blake Bresks, Susan Vickory, Nate Ford, Yvonne Keraval. Staff Present: Diane Amendola, Robert Bonetti, Heather Carter, Lisa Freeman, Al Jones, Tara Malone, Jesse Sandusky, Donna Smith, Rodolfo Valladares, LeAnne Williams, Tyler Williams, Cap Wilson, David Wisener.

CITY COMMISSION 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

Led by Mayor Gib Coerper.

INVOCATION

Led by Pastor Daniel Pingree, Alachua Church of Christ.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Led by Mayor Coerper.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Edward Potts moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Jennifer Blalock.

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

There were no comments.

APPROVE READING OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS BY TITLE ONLY

Vice Mayor Dayna Miller moved to approve the reading of proposed ordinances and resolutions by title only; seconded by Commissioner Blalock.

Passed by unanimous consent.

I. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

A. Santa Fe High School Student Performing Arts Appreciation

Deputy City Clerk LeAnne Williams introduced the presentation.

Mayor Coerper and Mr. Jacob Massena presented the students with certificates.

II. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS ON SUBJECTS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

Yvonne Keraval expressed concerns about adding fluoride to the City water supply.

Mitch Glaeser congratulated Commissioner Shirley Green Brown for serving five years with her husband, Rev. John Brown, at St. Paul AME. He announced San Felasco Tech City is home to 58 companies. He expressed excitement about the positive press that the City of Alachua and Tech City businesses had received. He noted coverage in the Alachua County Today, Alachua Chronical, Main Street Daily News and most recently The Gainesville Sun. He reported the Alachua Chamber of Commerce annual gala key note speaker would be Comedian David Williams and would be held at Legacy Park on January 24, 2024.

(Please Limit to 3 Minutes.Any citizen who is unable to speak at this time will have an opportunity to speak at the end of the meeting

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS/CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Youth Advisory Council (YAC) Appointments

Deputy City Clerk Williams presented the appointment.

Jolene Brown spoke about her aspirations to be part of this board.

Robert Hu spoke about his aspirations to be part of this board.

Selina Liu spoke about her aspirations to be part of this board.

Deputy City Clerk Williams conducted the ballot process, announced the vote, and made recommendations.

Vice Mayor Miller Moved to appoint Robert Hu and Selina Liu to the Youth Advisory Council with term commencing September 4, 2023 and expiring September 4, 2025; seconded by Commissioner Blalock.

Passed by unanimous consent.

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND ORDINANCES

(Presentations, other than the applicant, please limit to **3 Minutes**)

- A. Resolution 23-21 Relating to the Levy of General City Purpose Ad Valorem Taxes for the 2023 Tax Year; Resolution 23-22 Relating to the City's Budget for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year; and Resolution 23-23 Relating to the 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Program

Finance & Administrative Services Director Robert Bonetti introduced the item and provided the staff report.

Mayor Coerper called to order the Final Public Hearing on the City of Alachua Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Final Millage and Final Budget.

City Attorney Marian Rush provided an overview of the Truth in Millage Legislation (TRIM).

City Manager Mike DaRoza explained the general City final and rolled back millage rates.

Finance & Administrative Services Director Bonetti presented an overview of the final budget and adjustments for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

Dennis Faust expressed frustration about property tax increases.

Jason Moore expressed concerns on the tax increase and requested an itemized breakdown on where the taxes were going.

Mayor Coerper asked Finance & Administrative Services Director Bonetti what local agencies levied taxes.

Finance and Administrative Services Director Bonetti stated general taxes for Alachua County, Suwannee River Water Management District, Alachua County Library District, and Alachua County School Board District were taxing agencies.

City Attorney Rush stated the budget breakdown would be available online and would be itemized.

City Attorney Rush read Resolution 23-21 by title only.

City Manager DaRoza announced the City of Alachua Commission had determined that a proposed millage rate of 5.9500 mills was necessary to fund the final general budget for the City. He said the proposed final millage rate represents an increase of 19.24% from the rolled-back rate of 4.9899 mills.

Mayor Coerper asked the commissioners for questions or comments.

There were no questions or comments.

Commissioner Brown moved to adopt Resolution 23-21; seconded by Commissioner Potts.

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

There were no comments.

Passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

City Attorney Rush read Resolution 23-22 by title only.

Mayor Coerper asked the commissioners for questions or comments.

There were no questions or comments.

Vice Mayor Miller moved to adopt Resolution 23-22; seconded by Commissioner Blalock.

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

There were no comments.

Passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

City Attorney Rush read Resolution 23-23 by title only.

Mayor Coerper asked the commissioners for questions or comments.

There were no questions or comments.

Commissioner Blalock moved to adopt Resolution 23-23; seconded by Commissioner Potts.

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

There were no comments.

Passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

V. AGENDA ITEMS

A. FY 2024 Compensation Plan

Human Resources Director Tara Malone provided the item and made recommendations.

Mayor Coerper asked the commissioners for questions or comments.

Vice Mayor Miller asked where she could locate the strike through attachment.

Human Resources Director Malone provided her copy for review.

Commissioner Brown moved to approve Proposed FY-2024 Compensation Plan; seconded by Commissioner Blalock.

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

There were no comments.

Passed 5-0 by roll call.

B. Ratification of First Amendment to 22/23 APD Collective Bargaining Agreement

Compliance and Risk Management Director Cap Wilson introduced the item and made recommendations.

Commissioner Potts moved to ratify the First Amendment to the FY 2022/2023 – FY 2024/2024 City of Alachua Police Department-FOP Collective Bargaining Agreement, Previously ratified by the APD Collective Bargaining Unit to Authorize and Direct Execution of three Copies by the Mayor; seconded by Vice Mayor Miller.

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

There were no comments.

Passed 5-0 by roll call.

C. City Strategic Plan - FY 2024

Economic Development Manager David Wisener introduced the item and made recommendations.

Commissioner Blalock moved to adopt the City Strategic Plan FY-2024; seconded by Commissioner Brown.

Mayor Coerper opened the floor for comments.

There were no comments.

Passed 5-0 by roll call.

VI. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS ON SUBJECTS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments.

(Please Limit to 3 Minutes.Any citizen who did not speak during the Citizen Comments period at the beginning of the meeting may do so at this

time.)

VII. COMMENTS FROM CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY

City Manager DaRoza thanked the Santa Fe High School symphonic ensemble for the performance. He thanked Finance and Administrative Services Director Bonetti and his staff for preparing the budget. He congratulated the new Youth Advisory Council members on their appointment. He announced former Public Services Director Rodolfo Valladares was named the new Assistant City Manager.

City Attorney Rush congratulated Mr. Valladares on being named Assistant City Manager. She stated she enjoyed the Santa Fe High School symphonic ensemble.

VIII. COMMISSION COMMENTS/DISCUSSION

Commissioner Potts congratulated Mr. Valladares on his new position as Assistant City Manager. He attended the Alachua Chamber Luncheon, UF Lastinger Center for Learning New Worlds Reading open house at Alachua Elementary and the UF Eye Opener Breakfast. He announced the Alzheimer's walk would be October 21, 2023 at Trinity United Methodist Church, and Octoberfest would be held at the Audi car dealership in Gainesville on the same day from 11:00am- 4:00 pm.

Commissioner Brown thanked Minister Pingree for his prayer, the Santa Fe Band for their performance and the citizens who spoke and expressed their concerns. She congratulated Mr. Valladares on his new position. She attended the Alachua Chamber Meeting, UF Lastinger Center for Learning New Worlds Reading open house at Alachua Elementary and the Relay for Life kick off meeting.

Commissioner Blalock stated it was a fantastic decision to make Mr. Valladares the Assistant City Manager. She met with City of Newberry's Mayor Jordan Marlow on the Opioid Task Force on finalizing where funds would be utilized.

Vice Mayor Miller congratulated Mr. Valladares and thanked the Youth Advisory Council applicants. She thanked all the City Staff for their dedication and hard work. She stated she appreciated the citizens comments.

Mayor Coerper stated the UF New worlds reading program was an asset to Alachua Elementary and the community. He attended the Dance Alive event at Legacy Park Multipurpose Center. He congratulated Mr. Valladares on his new position.

ADJOURN

Commissioner Potts moved to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Blalock.

Passed by unanimous consent.

Mayor Coerper adjourned the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

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- A. RFB 2023-05 Mowing & Landscaping Services for Legacy Park (Phases I and II) Award

- B. Mutual Aid Agreement for Operational Assistance Between the City of Gainesville Police Department and the City of Alachua Police Department
- C. August 28, 2023, City Commission Meeting Minutes
- D. RFB 2023-04 Mowing & Landscaping Services for Designated Downtown City Properties and Martin Luther King Blvd (US 441) Medians

ATTEST:

CITY COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA

Mike DaRoza, City Manager/Clerk

Gib Coerper, Mayor