



CITY OF BARTOW
CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2025 AT 6:00 PM
OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS POSSIBLE
BARTOW CIVIC CENTER
2250 S. FLORAL AVE., BARTOW, FL 33830

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL
2. INVOCATION
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
4. PROCLAMATIONS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS
 - a. Issuance of a proclamation recognizing October 2025 as Arts and Culture Month. Being accepted by Polk Arts & Cultural Alliance Director Daryl Ward, PhD, Michell Githens, President of the Board of Directors, Polk Arts & Cultural Alliance, Marcia Morse Mullins, President of Bartow Art Guild and John & Terry Frost, 2025 Inductees of the Polk Arts & Culture Hall of Fame.
 - b. Issuance of a proclamation recognizing October 2025 as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Being accepted by Ashley Lloyd, Director, Breast Cancer Foundation of Central Florida.
 - c. Issuance of a proclamation recognizing October 2025 as Safe Sleep Awareness Month. Being accepted by Tyiesha Ghent, Community Engagement Specialist and Sleep Safe Task Force Members of Healthy Start Coalition of Hardee, Highlands & Polk Counties, Inc.
 - d. Issuance of a proclamation recognizing October 2025 as Let's Talk Month. Being accepted by Eleese Davis, Teen Pregnancy Prevention Alliance (TPPA) Coordinator of Healthy Start Coalition of Hardee, Highlands & Polk Counties, Inc.
 - e. Issuance of a proclamation recognizing October 5–11, 2025 as Fire Prevention Week. Being accepted by City of Bartow Deputy Chief Byron Moore and staff.
 - f. Issuance of a proclamation recognizing October 5-11, 2025 as Public Power Week. Being accepted by Bartow Electric Utilities Director Michael Poucher.

- g. Recognition of City of Bartow Certified Public Manager (CPM) graduates — Sgt. Heather Vance, Bartow Police Department and Director Tray Towles, Code Compliance & Neighborhood Services.
 - h. Presentation of Beautification Awards for October 2025 by Parks & Recreation Manager Kyle Lasek.
 - i. Presentation and Discussion - Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) IMPACT Program
5. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT
- At this time, the Commission will receive comments from the public regarding matters not appearing on this agenda.
6. CITY ANNOUNCEMENTS
7. REPORTS OF CHARTER OFFICERS
- a. City Manager Communications
 - 1. Discuss CRA business recruitment & retention proposals - CRA Director Smith
 - 2. Update on Tourist-Oriented Sports Destination — PRCA Director Hargrove
 - 3. Halloween Safety Tips for Drivers & Pedestrians— Police Cpt. Hauser
 - b. City Attorney Communications
 - c. Legislative Updates
8. AGENDA MODIFICATION/APPROVAL
9. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS
- At this time, the Commission will receive comments from the public regarding matters that appear on this agenda, not otherwise scheduled for a separate Public Hearing.
10. HEARINGS – FIRST AND SECOND READINGS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS
- a. First reading and consideration of Ordinance No. 2025-16 - AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING UPON THE PETITION OF THE OWNERS THEREOF APPROXIMATELY 1,989.9 ACRES OF PROPERTY, KNOWN AS THE BARTOW EXECUTIVE AIRPORT, AND LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDES OF US HIGHWAY 17 AND 91 MINE ROAD, SOUTH OF BOMBER ROAD IN SECTIONS 13, 14, 22 THRU 27, TOWNSHIP 29 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, POLK COUNTY FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR SCRIVENER’S ERROR; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE UPON FINAL PASSAGE.
 - b. First reading and consideration of Ordinance No. 2025-20 - AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF RACETRAC WEST BARTOW BEING A PORTION OF SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 30 SOUTH, RANGE 24 EAST AND

SECTION 6, TOWNSHIP 30 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, CITY OF BARTOW, POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR SCRIVENER'S ERROR; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE UPON FINAL PASSAGE.

11. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of September 16, 2025 City Commission Regular Meeting minutes.
- b. Approval of City Commissioner absence(s) for September 16, 2025 excusal(s); None
- c. Consideration and Approval of Continuing Contracts for Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) Services — Henkelman Construction, A.D. Morgan Corporation & Charles Perry Partners, Inc.
- d. Consideration and approval, authorizing staff to enter contract negotiations starting with all proposers for various Trade Services for the City of Bartow.
- e. Consideration and approval of Interlocal Agreement for Collection of Polk County Impact Fees between the City of Bartow, Florida and Polk County, Florida.
- f. Approval of Tower Lease Agreement with Verizon Wireless for installation of equipment on City Water Tower.

12. OTHER COMMISSION BUSINESS

- a. OLD BUSINESS
- b. NEW BUSINESS

13. RESOLUTIONS

- a. RESOLUTION NO. 25-4247-R - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BARTOW, FLORIDA, RELATING TO MUNICIPAL APPROVAL OF PLATS AND REPLATS OF LAND; MAKING FACTUAL FINDINGS; ADOPTING CITY POLICY REGARDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE RECEIPT, REVIEW, AND PROCESSING OF APPLICATIONS FOR FINAL PLAT OR REPLAT APPROVAL; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, THE ADMINISTRATIVE CORRECTION OF SCRIVENER'S ERRORS AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

14. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

- a. GARY BALL
- b. LEO E. LONGWORTH
- c. TRISH PFEIFFER
- d. LAURA SIIMPSON
- e. TANYA TUCKER

15. ADJOURNMENT

Please be advised that if you desire to appeal from any decisions made because of the above hearing or meeting, you will need a record of the proceedings and in some cases a verbatim record is required. You must make your own arrangements to produce this record. (Florida Statute 286.0105). The City Commission may continue the public hearing(s) to other dates and at times as it deems necessary. Any interested party shall be advised that the date, time, and place of any continuation of these or continued public hearings may be announced during the hearing and that no further notice regarding this matter will be published. If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the City Clerk's Office at 450 N. Wilson Avenue, P.O. Box 1069, Bartow, Florida 33831-1069 or phone (863) 534-0100 within 2 working days of your receipt of this meeting notification; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8771. Posted at City Hall, Bartow Public Library, the City's website: www.cityofbartow.net and Facebook page on October 2, 2025.