



City of Deltona

2345 Providence Blvd.
Deltona, FL 32725

Minutes

City Commission Workshop

Wednesday, July 15, 2026

5:30 PM

Deltona Commission Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Avila.

2. ROLL CALL – CITY CLERK:

Present: 6 - Mayor Avila
Vice Mayor Avila-Vazquez
Commissioner Colwell
Commissioner Heriot
Commissioner Howington
Commissioner Nabicht

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Santiago

3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:

4. BUSINESS:

A. FY 2026-2027 Budget Discussions (Revenue Estimates, Operational Budgets and Special Assessments)

The Finance Director stated that tonight's PowerPoint Presentation could be found on the City website by using the QR Code provided.

The Mayor stated staff provided a binder and after each tab the Commission will have discussion.

Commissioner Colwell arrived at the meeting at 5:32 p.m.

TAB 1:

The Finance Director gave a budget presentation to include FY26-27 Budget Overview, Adoption of the Annual Budget, Budget Parameters, Position Reductions, Completed Rate/Fee Studies, House Bill 1329, Citywide Budget Summary, Current Taxable Value Groups, Deltona Historical Millage Rates, Historical Millage Rate - By Taxing Authority, and Citywide Debt, Fund Balance.

TAB 2:

The Finance Director continued the presentation to include General Fund Summary (Tab 2),

City Commission Summary, and Limited Examination Purvis Gray.

The Finance Director requested a consensus of the Commission to one, provide capital asset policy review & recommendations compliant with GASB (Governmental Accounting Standards Board) Statement 104 at an estimated fee not to exceed \$10,000 and two, fund balance policy review and recommendations at an estimated fee not to exceed \$7,500.

The Finance Director continued the presentation to include the City Manager Division Summary, Support Services Summary, Public Safety Summary, Public Works Summary, Parks & Recreation Summary, General Government Summary, Special Revenue Funds Summary, Enterprise Funds Summary, Water/Wastewater Summary, Solid Waste Summary, Stormwater Summary, 10-Year Historical and Future Stormwater Fund Balance and Assessment Fee, and Internal Service Funds Summary.

The Commission and staff discussed properties that do and do not pay taxes, FRS senior management changes, increase to capital outlay, parks operations, Lakeshore boat ramp, and TRIM (Truth in Millage) notification.

The Mayor asked for a consensus on the request from the Finance Director to one, provide capital asset policy review & recommendations compliant with GASB Statement 104 at an estimated fee not to exceed \$10,000 and two, fund balance policy review and recommendations at an estimated fee not to exceed \$7,500 and the Commission concurred with the exception of Commissioner Colwell and Vice Mayor.

Commissioner Nabicht requested to move and designate from the City Commission budget the \$135,552 that is not obligated to transportation reserves. As things come up through the TPO (Transportation Planning Organization) or other projects throughout the year regarding transportation, he would like to have some matching funds set aside and he thinks that is a perfect allocation for that.

The Commission concurred to move from the City Commission budget the \$135,552 that is not obligated to transportation reserves with the exception of Commissioners Howington and Vice Mayor.

The Commission and staff discussed fire assessment fee, EMS (Emergency Medical Services), emergency operations center, billable transport, agenda management software, recreation programs, elimination of P/T positions, and reductions due to reallocations.

TAB 3:

The Finance Director continued the presentation to include Annual Assessments, Maximum Streetlighting Annual Assessment, Maximum Lake McGarity Annual Assessment, Fire Assessment (New), Public Safety Operating Expenses as compared to Ad Valorem Revenues, Fire Assessment Impact Comparison, Maximum Fire Fee Annual Assessment, Impact of the Adoption of a Fire Assessment Fee, Maximum Solid Waste Annual

Assessment, and Maximum Stormwater Annual Assessment.

The Commission, City Attorney and staff discussed solid waste contract, fire assessment, non ad valorem increases, disabled Veterans and protecting them, hardship program, cuts and funding if fire assessment fails, fund balance, House Bill 1329 and Amendment 3, 10% reduction exercise, not cutting personnel, concentrating on urgent items, one time expenditures, and commercial vs. residential parcels (tax base).

TAB 4:

The Finance Director continued the presentation to include Requested Capital Outlay (Fleet & Equipment), Capital Outlay - Fleet, and Capital Outlay - Equipment.

The Commission and staff discussed pre-paid ambulances, approval of maximum millage, and pre-authorization for letter of intent for Capital Outlay-Fleet.

TAB 5:

The Finance Director continued the presentation to include Requested Capital Improvement Program (CIP), General Capital Improvements - Fund 301, Parks Capital Improvements - Fund 302, Transportation Capital Improvements - Fund 303, Water/Wastewater (W/WW) Capital Improvements - Fund 402, and Stormwater Capital Improvements - Fund 422.

The Commission and staff discussed the Rhode Island Avenue extension MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) and cost, the stormwater fund fee increases, Fisher Plant - Chlorine Relocation, Rhode Island Avenue design cost, and Campbell Park fitness equipment/cover.

The Mayor requested from the Finance Director how many miles of road resurfacing could be completed for \$2 million and provide an explanation of that methodology.

The Commission and staff discussed the entrance and exit of the Rhode Island Avenue extension.

Motion by Commissioner Howington, to extend the meeting for 30 minutes. The motion died for lack of a second.

The Finance Director continued the Budget Presentation to include Budget Recap (Tab 6), FY26-27 Budget Recap, and Next Steps.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS: (3 minutes maximum length per speaker)

The Mayor opened public comments and residents addressed the City Commission.

6. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:

The City Manager stated he received and read a letter from the Florida Government Finance Officer Association (FGFOA) stating the Deltona Finance Director serves as Chair of the Certified Government Finance Officers Program committee for the FGFOA. He has

served as class president and seminar leader at both the state and national levels. Through his service in these roles he brings honor and statewide recognition to the City of Deltona. The FGFOA consists of 3,300 members statewide. The professional Finance Officers knowledge, integrity and dedication ensures that funds are trusted and funds are properly budgeted, dispersed and accounted for. The City of Deltona should take great pride in the Finance Director through his service, he demonstrates the City's commitment to good governance and exceptional public service.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Joyce Rafferty, CMC, MMC, CITY CLERK