



City of Deltona

2345 Providence Blvd.
Deltona, FL 32725

Minutes

Ordinance Review Committee

Tuesday, April 21, 2026

5:00 PM

2nd Floor Conference Room

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Meeting was called to order at 5:03 pm.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: 6 - Tim Blodgett
Randi Knighten
Dorothy Bier
Matthew Borgens
Kathy Bryan
Ronald Coffman

Excused: 1 - Summer Soukup

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES & AGENDA:

A. Minutes of March 17, 2026

Motion by Vice Chair Knighten, seconded by Member Bryan, to approve the Minutes of March 17, 2026, as presented.

5. PUBLIC FORUM: Public comments shall be limited to items on the agenda and shall not exceed three minutes. Please be courteous and respectful of the views of others. Personal attacks on Committee/Board members, City staff or members of the public are not allowed and will be ruled out of order by the Chair.

Chair Blodgett opened and closed public forum as there was none.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

None.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Chapter 42 - Fire Prevention and Protection

Fire Marshal Shivers requested a month extension to allow for updates, due to the recently appointed Fire Chief. She explained this will provide time to review and incorporate any new changes before finalizing the Chapter.

B. Chapter 38 - Environment - Proposed Changes

Chair Blodgett stated that, effective July 1, 2027, a State Statute will require code enforcement body cameras and questioned whether the Ordinance will be updated to align with the Statute using appropriate legal terminology. He also referenced the broader goal of standardizing enforcement processes statewide.

Discussion regarding the use of noise meters, including how frequently they are used and their reliability in detecting and documenting noise violations.

City Attorney Good explained that state mandates are enforced through the sheriff's office, while city-level enforcement is handled by local code enforcement. He noted that while general standards exist, enforcement practices may vary by jurisdiction. He further explained that decibel meters provide a measurable method for documenting noise levels and referenced citation limits, noting that fines cannot exceed \$500.

Discussion occurred on the possibility of removing the decibel meter requirement, citing concerns that it may be outdated.

Code Compliance Supervisor Gibson stated that the City's legal and code compliance are currently coordinating with Volusia County on these matters.

The Committee requested Legal and Code Compliance staff to collaborate and return with an alternative noise enforcement standard that does not rely on decibel meters, but instead uses a clear, consistent, and defensible observation-based framework.

Motion by Member Borgens, seconded by Member Coffman, to approve, with the recommendation that Legal and Code Compliance develop a standard for enforcement that is objective and does not rely on non-standardized interpretation. The motion carried unanimously.

8. STAFF COMMENTS:

Community Development Director Smith informed the Board on June 8, 2026, that a City Commission workshop has been scheduled. The workshop will cover Chapter 66. Directly after Chapter 66 discussion the workshop will cover the Comprehensive Plan update.

9. BOARD/COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS:

Members discussed the next meeting date of May 19, 2026, and whether they would have the opportunity to voice their concerns at the upcoming City Commission workshop on June 8, 2026.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 6:02 pm.

Tim Blodgett, Chairperson

Nelly Kerr, Board Secretary