



City of Deltona

2345 Providence Blvd.
Deltona, FL 32725

Minutes

Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

Tuesday, February 17, 2026

5:00 PM

2nd Floor Conference Room

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present:10 - Chair Jodi Pena-Castaldi
Vice Chair Michelle Wallace-Chin
Member Rachel Amoroso.
Member Jean Armstrong
Member Timothy Griffin
Member Sylvia Hayes
Member Ashley Hill
Member Maria Pizarro
Member Joseph Somerville
Member Brandi Weeden

Excused: 3 - Member Commissioner Avila-Vazquez
Alternate Commissioner Colwell
Member Grace Mojica

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES & AGENDA:

A. AHAC minutes of October 21, 2025

Motion by Member Amoroso, seconded by Vice-Chairman Wallace-Chin, to approve the AHAC minutes of October 21, 2025, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

4. PRESENTATIONS/AWARDS/REPORTS:

Mr. Hoppa advised all members will be receiving a packet containing AHAC related items.

Mr. Hoppa also pointed out the location of restrooms and snack machines for new members.

Both staff and committee members provided a brief overview of themselves to the

group.

Member Hayes arrived at 5:14 p.m.

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 Jodi Peña-Castaldi opened and closed Public Forum as there was none.

6. OLD BUSINESS:

None.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Elections for Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

Chair Peña-Castaldi handed the gavel over to Mr. Hoppa.

Mr. Hoppa asked for nominations for Chairperson.

Nominations for Chairperson included Member Peña-Castaldi (6-For), Member Pizarro (2-For), and Member Wallace-Chin (1-For).

Motion by Member Amoroso to nominate Member Peña-Castaldi as Chairperson, seconded by Member Somerville. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 9 - Chair Pena-Castaldi, Vice Chair Wallace-Chin, Member Amoroso., Member Griffin, Member Hayes, Member Hill, Member Pizarro, Member Somerville and Member Weeden

Mr. Hoppa passed the gavel to Chair Peña-Castaldi.

Chair Peña-Castaldi asked for nominations for Vice-Chairperson.

Nominations for Vice-Chairperson included Member Pizarro (4-For), Member Wallace-Chin (3-For), and Member Griffin (2-For).

Motion by Member Griffin to nominate Member Pizarro as Vice-Chairperson, seconded by Member Hill. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 9 - Chair Pena-Castaldi, Vice Chair Wallace-Chin, Member Amoroso., Member Griffin, Member Hayes, Member Hill, Member Pizarro, Member Somerville and Member Weeden

B. Election to hold AHAC meeting quarterly.

Discussion occurred regarding having quarterly meetings with the option to have additional meetings as necessary to discuss AHAC strategies, LHAP, and the 2026 Annual Report, for example.

Member Armstrong arrived at 6:00 p.m.

The next AHAC meeting would be on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. with the location TBD.

Motion by Member Griffin to have quarterly meetings with the understanding of additional meetings as necessary, seconded by Member Hill. The motion carried by the following vote:

For:10 - Chair Pena-Castaldi, Vice Chair Wallace-Chin, Member Amoroso., Member Armstrong, Member Griffin, Member Hayes, Member Hill, Member Pizarro, Member Somerville and Member Weeden

8. STAFF COMMENTS:

Ms. Entwistle stated there will be a third Comprehensive Plan workshop at The Center on March 23, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

Ms. Rodriguez-Garcia mentioned the housing section on the city's website has been updated.

Mr. Hoppa mentioned for Members to pick up their AHAC packets before they leave.

9. BOARD/COMMITTEE MEMBERS COMMENTS:

Vice-Chair Pizarro thanks everyone for welcoming her.

Member Hill thanked everyone.

Member Hayes said she would like members to contribute as much as they can.

Member Griffin encouraged everyone to look at personal ways to contribute to homelessness.

Member Amoroso appreciates the board and staff their endeavors.

Member Wallace-Chin thanked staff and board members and recommends reading *The*

Book on Ending Homelessness by Iain De Jong.

Member Armstrong was thrilled to see all the members on the Committee.

Member Weeden thanked the group for the opportunity and the ability to make an impact in the community.

Member Somerville thanked the group for the opportunity.

Chair Peña-Castaldi thanked staff and looks forward to contributing to the future of affordable housing in Deltona.

A. Member introductions.

Introductions were given under the Presentations, Awards, and Reports section of the meeting.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

Chair, Jodi Peña-Castaldi

ATTEST:

Committee Secretary, Don S. Hoppa