

City of Clearwater

*Main Library - Council Chambers
100 N. Osceola Avenue
Clearwater, FL 33755*



Meeting Agenda - Final

Thursday, August 6, 2026

6:00 PM

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City Council

Welcome. We are glad to have you join us. If you wish to address the Council, please complete a Comment Card. Comment Cards are on the right-hand side of the dais by the City Clerk. When recognized, please hand your card to the Clerk, approach the podium and state your name. Persons speaking before the City Council shall be limited to 3 minutes unless otherwise noted under Public Hearings. A spokesperson for a group may speak for 3 minutes plus an additional minute for each person in the audience that waives their right to speak, up to a maximum of 10 minutes. Prior to the item being presented, please obtain the form to designate a spokesperson from the City Clerk. Up to 60 minutes of public comment will be allowed for an agenda item. No person shall speak more than once on the same subject unless granted permission by the City Council. The City of Clearwater strongly supports and fully complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Please advise us at least 48 hours prior to the meeting if you require special accommodations at 727-562-4090. Assisted Listening Devices are available. Kindly refrain from using cell phones and electronic devices during the meeting.

Citizens wishing to provide comments on an agenda item are encouraged to do so in advance through written comment. The City has established the following two options:

1) eComments via Granicus - eComments is integrated with the published meeting agenda. Individuals may review the agenda item details and indicate their position on the item. You will be prompted to set up a user profile to allow you to comment, which will become part of the official public record. The eComment period is open from the time the agenda is published. All comments received by 5:00 p.m. the day before the meeting will become part of the official record.

2) Email – Individuals may submit written comments or videos to ClearwaterCouncil@myclearwater.com. All comments received by 5:00 p.m. the day before the meeting will become part of the official record.

1. Call to Order

2. Invocation

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Special recognitions and Presentations (Proclamations, service awards, or other special recognitions. Presentations by governmental agencies or groups providing formal updates to Council will be limited to ten minutes.)

- 4.1 [ID#26-0811](#) End of Session Report - Anita Berry, Johnston and Stewart
- 4.2 [ID#26-0802](#) Presentation by Middle School Students - Clearwater Sister Cities, Inc.
(Nonprofit Partner)
- 4.3 [ID#26-0801](#) Presentation by Clearwater high school students - Sister City Exchange Trip to Nagano, Japan
- 4.4 [ID#26-0804](#) Sister Cities International Youth Leadership Summit, Washington, D.C -
Presentation by Clearwater Youth Ambassador

- 4.5 [ID#26-0805](#) Sister Cities International Young Artists & Authors Showcase - Recognition of Clearwater Student Winner
- 4.6 [ID#26-0934](#) Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County 80th Anniversary Proclamation - Karen Boggess, Interim CEO and COO of the Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County
- 4.7 [ID#26-0706](#) Florida Water Professionals Month Proclamation - Mike Flanigan, Public Utilities Director

5. Approval of Minutes

- 5.1 [ID#26-0156](#) Approve the minutes of the July 16, 2026 City Council meeting as submitted in written summation by the City Clerk.

6. Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda contains normal, routine business items that are very likely to be approved by the City Council by a single motion. These items are not discussed, and may all be approved as recommended on the staff reports. Council questions on these items were answered prior to the meeting. The Mayor will provide an opportunity for a Councilmember or a member of the public to ask that an item be pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion. Items pulled will receive separate action. All items not removed from the Consent Agenda will be approved by a single motion of the council.

- 6.1 [ID#26-0939](#) Appoint Sean Austin to the Neighborhood and Affordable Housing Advisory Board, as the citizen representative, for a term through August 6, 2030. (consent)
- 6.2 [ID#26-0795](#) Approve a Client Services Agreement with Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, LLC to provide insurance brokerage services for the city's Master Property Program and other insurance coverages as needed for an initial three-year term with one three-year renewal option pursuant to Clearwater Code of Ordinances Section 2.563(1)(c), piggyback, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 6.3 [ID#26-0938](#) Extend Owen Kohler's appointment as Interim City Attorney through October 1, 2026. (consent)
- 6.4 [ID#26-0796](#) Authorize a Guaranteed Maximum Price proposal to Keystone Excavators, Inc. of Oldsmar, FL, for renovations and improvements to Countryside Community Park, located at 2640 Sabal Springs Dr., in the amount of \$1,449,136.15, pursuant to Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 51-24, Construction Manager at Risk Services for Continuing Contracts, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same (consent)

- 6.5** [ID#26-0821](#) Authorize an addendum to the existing Professional Services Agreement with RecTrac, LLC d/b/a Vermont Systems, of Essex Junction, Vermont, for the Payment Services software, PayTrac, to run coterminously with the existing agreement pursuant to Clearwater Code of Ordinances Sections 2.563(1)(a), Single Source, and 2.563(1)(d), Impractical, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 6.6** [ID#26-0823](#) Award a construction contract to Concrete Protection and Restoration LLC, for Carpenter Complex Repairs in the amount of \$962,933.00 pursuant to Invitation to Bid 26-0046-PR and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 6.7** [ID#26-0621](#) Approve Change Order 3 to Skanska USA Building, Inc., for The Sound Canopy Gutters Installation Project in the amount of \$694,055.00, increasing the contract from \$72,362,827.92 to \$73,056,882.92; approve a project budget increase of \$2,513,593.13 to align the budget with revenues received and provide funding for additional project-related costs, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 6.8** [ID#26-0825](#) Authorize the purchase of heavy- and light-duty vehicles and equipment in a not-to-exceed amount of \$22,251,080 pursuant to Clearwater Code of Ordinances Sections 2.563(1)(c), Piggyback; 2.563(1)(d), Noncompetitive Purchases, and 2.561(5), Small Purchases; declare the vehicles and equipment being replaced as surplus and authorize disposal through public auction or trade-in, whichever is determined to be in the best interest of the City, pursuant to Code Sections 2.623(7)(c), Public Auction, and 2.623(7)(e), Trade-In; authorize lease purchase under the City's Master Lease Purchase Agreement or internal financing through an interfund loan from the Capital Improvement Fund, whichever is determined to be in the City's best interest; and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 6.9** [ID#26-0893](#) Approve Amendment No.1 (no monetary change) and Renewal No. 1 to the 2021 Pinellas County Technical Rescue Team Agreement (Agreement) with the City of Clearwater and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 6.10** [ID#26-0876](#) Authorize an increase on purchase orders to Joe Payne, Inc. and Quorum Services for Florida Building Code inspections and plan review services in an amount of \$350,000.00 for a cumulative not-to-exceed amount of \$1,200,000.00 through September 30, 2026, pursuant to ITB #02-23, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)

- 6.11 [ID#26-0915](#) Authorize a purchase order with Verizon Wireless for cellular and mobile data services in an amount of \$2,540,500.00, for the term August 24, 2026 through August 23, 2029, pursuant to Clearwater Code of Ordinances Section 2.563(1) (c), Piggyback, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)
- 6.12 [ID#26-0443](#) Approve an Encroachment Agreement between the City of Clearwater and Florida Gas Transmission Company, LLC for the installation of a natural gas distribution pipeline to cross over Florida Gas Transmission pipeline facilities and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)

Public Hearings - Not before 6:00 PM

7. Administrative Public Hearings

- *Presentation of issues by City staff*
- *Statement of case by applicant or representative (5 min.)*
- *Council questions*
- *Comments in support or opposition (3 min. per speaker or 10 min maximum as spokesperson for others that have waived their time)*
- *Council questions*
- *Final rebuttal by applicant or representative (5 min.)*
- *Council disposition*

- 7.1 [ID#26-0828](#) Approve the City of Clearwater's FY2026/2027 Annual Action Plan, which is the second Action Plan of the 2025/2026 - 2029/2030 Consolidated Plan, to implement the goals and objectives set forth in the Consolidated Plan and authorize the appropriate officials to enter into agreements with HUD and organizations approved for funding, together with authorization to execute administrative adjustments to same as needed. (APH)
- 7.2 [ID#26-0935](#) Appoint ten members to the 2026 Affordable Housing Advisory Committee to include the appointment of a locally elected official and adopt Resolution 26-12.
- 7.3 [ID#26-0900](#) Provide direction on the unsolicited proposal submitted by Sunshine Recreational and Development LLC in accordance with Florida Statute 255.065 Public Private Partnership for the purpose of development and leasehold interest of a city-owned property at 1875 Airport Drive, commonly referred to as the Landings Golf Course for a large-scale recreational and sports tourism complex.
- 7.4 [ID#26-0920](#) Amend Council Rule 6 to temporarily restore public comment regarding matters not on the agenda for an additional period of time and adopt Resolution 26-13.

8. Second Readings - Public Hearing

- 8.1 [9929-26 2nd rdg](#) Adopt Ordinance 9929-26 on second reading, approving a 30-year Franchise Agreement with Duke Energy Florida, LLC. for the purpose of providing electric and power services in the City of Clearwater, approve a Memorandum of Agreement with Duke Energy Florida, LLC, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same.

9. Citizens to be Heard on topics pertaining to city business but not on the agenda.

Comments shall be limited to 30 minutes, or ten individual speakers, whichever is greater.

No speaker shall give or receive additional time or minutes to or from another member of the audience.

Submit a completed comment card to the City Clerk prior to speaking.

10. City Manager Reports

11. City Attorney Reports

12. Other Council Action

- 12.1 [ID#26-0943](#) Conversation regarding naming City Hall and the Municipal Complex - Councilmember Mannino

13. Closing comments by Councilmembers (limited to 3 minutes)

14. Closing Comments by Mayor

15. Adjourn