



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
120 LAISHLEY COURT, PUNTA GORDA, FLORIDA 33950
*******AMENDED*******
APRIL 22, 2026, 9:00 AM

MEMBERS

Debi Lux, Mayor
Greg Julian, Councilmember
Janis Denton, Councilmember
Jeannine Polk, Vice Mayor
Melissa Lockhart, Councilmember

CITY OFFICIALS

Melissa Reichert, City Manager
Sara Welch, City Clerk
Steven S. Leskovich, City Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call
Invocation
Pledge of Allegiance
Announcements
Next Meeting - May 6, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting at 9am at Laishley Community Room

AGENDA APPROVAL

1. PROCLAMATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

- 1.a [National Volunteer Week](#)
- 1.b [Masonic Center of Excellence Dedication Day](#)
- 1.c [Hibiscus Day](#)
- 1.d [Punta Gorda Isles Civic Association Diamond Anniversary](#)
- 1.e [Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Government Finance Officers Association \(GFOA\)](#)
- 1.f [Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from Government Finance Officers Association \(GFOA\)](#)

2. PUBLIC INPUT

- 2.a Those wishing to introduce themselves as nominees for a board or committee may do so at this time. Those who choose to speak must state their name for the record.

- 2.b Anyone wishing to address the Council on any matter must state their name for the record. Each person will be allowed to speak up to a maximum of three minutes.

3. **PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA**
(Quasi-Judicial and Legislative)

- 3.a **LEGISLATIVE: ZA-01-2026** - An Ordinance of the City of Punta Gorda, Florida, Amending Chapter 26, Punta Gorda Code, the City of Punta Gorda Land Development Regulations, to establish procedures for the review and approval of certified recovery residences and a process for requesting reasonable accommodations from local land use regulations as mandated by Florida law, including Section 397.487(15)(a), Florida Statutes; Amending Article 3, Section 3.5(c) "GM, General Multi-Family Residential District- Uses Permitted with Conditions"; Amending Article 3, Section 3.7(c) "NR, Neighborhood Residential District- Uses with Conditions"; Amending Article 4 to adopt a new section 4.42; Providing for implementation of administrative actions; Providing savings clause; Providing for codification and scrivener's errors; Providing for severability; Proving for conflicts; and providing an effective date. **FIRST READING.**
- 3.b **LEGISLATIVE: GA-02-2026** An Ordinance of The City of Punta Gorda, Florida, Amending Chapter 23, Article I, Section 23-9 of the Code of Ordinances of the City Of Punta Gorda, Florida, authorizing the placement and installation of the Speed Detection Systems on roadways maintained as school zones providing for codification; providing for penalties for violation; providing for severability; and providing an effective date. **FIRST READING**

4. **ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS(No Public Hearing Required)**

- 4.a A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Punta Gorda, Florida (the "City"), approving the form and authorizing the execution and delivery of a revolving line of credit agreement by and between the City and Regions Commercial Equipment Finance, LLC; subject to the parameters set forth in this resolution, authorizing and approving the issuance of a note by the City in connection with said revolving line of credit agreement relative to the interim financing of capital improvements to the City's water and sewer system; pledging designated revenues to repay the note; covenanting to budget and appropriate from legally available non-ad valorem revenues of the City; authorizing the proper officials of the City to do all other things deemed necessary or advisable in connection with the revolving line of credit agreement and said revenue note; and providing for an effective date.
- 4.b A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Punta Gorda, Florida amending the budget for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2025 by providing for re-appropriations and supplemental appropriations in the amounts identified in Exhibit A; and providing an effective date.
- 4.c A Resolution of the City of Punta Gorda, Florida, vacating a portion of a utility easement, situated in the State of Florida, County of Charlotte, lying in Section 6, Township 41 South, Rang 23 East, as described in Official Records Book 1559, Page 1232, and Official Records Book 1560, Page 1413, Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida, and being further bounded and described in Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated herein; and providing an effective date.

5. **BURNT STORE ISLES CANAL MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT**

- 5.a *Approval to purchase a tract of vacant land located at 3695, 3699 & 3731 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda.

6. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 6.a Interlocal Agreement between Charlotte County on behalf of the Coastal and Heartland National Estuary Partnership (CHNEP) and the City of Punta Gorda
- 6.b Invoice of Leskovich Law Group, P.A. for legal services rendered through March 2026 in the amount of \$9,250.00.
- 6.c Invoice of Persson, Cohen & Mooney, P.A. for legal services rendered through April 2, 2026, in the amount of \$1,142.40.
- 6.d March 23, 2026, Pre-agenda City Council Meeting Minutes
- 6.e March 25, 2026, City Council Meeting Minutes
- 6.f *Final list of Projects for the 2026 Local Options Sales Tax Referendum

7. **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 7.a Council approval for the Lease renewal of Punta Gorda Downtown Merchants, 117 Herald Court Centre, Unit #112, lease shall commence on April 18, 2026 and end at midnight on the 30th day of September 2031.
- 7.b Road Closure Request: Event Permit 26-196608 - Juneteenth - Cooper Street Recreation Center - June 20, 2026
- 7.c Road Closure Request: Event Permit - 26-196610 Independence Day Celebration - Fishermen's Village - July 3-4, 2026
- 7.d Temporary Use Permit Application Number TU-05-2026 - Request for a Temporary Staging Lot
- 7.e Project Updates
- 7.f *Approval to purchase a tract of vacant land located at 3695, 3699 & 3731 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda.

8. **BOARDS / COMMITTEE**

- 8.a Announcement of Vacancies: Board of Zoning Appeals (1 alternate)
- 8.b Announcement of Vacancies: Building Board (1 alternate)
- 8.c Announcement of Vacancies: Burnt Store Isles Canal Advisory Committee (1 regular and 1 alternate)
- 8.d Announcement of Vacancies: Code Enforcement Board (1 regular and 2 alternate)
- 8.e Announcement of Vacancies: Utility Advisory Board (1 alternate)
- 8.f Nominations: Utility Advisory Board (1 regular)
- 8.g Appointments/Council Confirmation: Punta Gorda Police Officers' Pension Board 5th Member

9. **REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS**

- 9.a City Clerk
- 9.b City Manager
- 9.c City Attorney

10. **COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

11. PUBLIC INPUT

- 11.a Anyone wishing to address the Council on any matter must state their name for the record. Each person will be allowed to speak up to a maximum of three minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

If any person decides to appeal any decision made by City Council or an Advisory Board/Committee with respect to any matter considered at the meeting or hearing, he or she may need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Florida Statute 286.26, the location of this public hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. If you are a person with disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Interpreters for the hearing impaired (TTY 941-575-5013) or non-English speaking citizens, and any other special accommodations can be requested by contacting the Human Resources Manager/Non-Discrimination Coordinator whose address is 326 W. Marion Avenue, Punta Gorda, FL 33950, whose telephone number is (941) 575-3371, and whose email address is humres@pgorda.us at least two (2) calendars days prior to the meeting.