



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
120 LAISHLEY COURT, PUNTA GORDA, FLORIDA 33950
MARCH 11, 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, Interim City Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call
Invocation
Pledge of Allegiance
Announcements
Next Meeting - March 25, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting at 9am at Laishley Community Room

AGENDA APPROVAL

1. PROCLAMATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

- 1.a [Recognition of Robert Knabe](#)
- 1.b [Government Finance Professionals Week](#)

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: SV-01-2025 - A request by Suntoshi, Inc. property owner, the vacate a utility easement located between Lots 1 through 4 and Lots 5 and 9, Block 36, City of Punta Gorda, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 13, of the Public Records of Charlotte County, Florida.](#)

- 3.b 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 3.2(c) "EP, Environmental Preserve District - Uses Permitted with Conditions"; section 3.4(c) "GS, General Single-Family Residential District - Uses Permitted with Conditions Section 3.5(c) "GM, General Multi-Family Residential District - Uses Permitted with Conditions"; Section 3.6(c); "MH, Manufactured Home District - Uses Permitted with Conditions"; Section 3.7(c) "NR, Neighborhood Residential District - Uses Permitted with Conditions"; Section 3.8(c) "NC, Neighborhood Center District - Uses Permitted with Conditions"; and Section 3.9(c) "CC, City Center District - Uses Permitted with Conditions"; amending Article 4 to adopt a new Section 4.42; providing for implementation of administrative actions; providing a savings clause; providing for codification and scrivener's errors; providing for severability; providing for conflicts; and providing an effective date. FIRST READING.
- 3.c LEGISLATIVE: ZA-03-2026 Proposed amendment to Chapter 26, Articles 3.4 and 3.5 to allow for the possible expansion of the General Single-Family and General Multi-Family Districts, and require multi-family structures within the GM Districts to comply with Article 7 with exemptions. FIRST READING.
- 3.d QUASI-JUDICIAL: CP-01-2026 - An Ordinance of the City Council of Punta Gorda, Florida, amending the Comprehensive Plan - Future Land Use Map to reflect the change in the current designation from Low Density Residential (LDR) to High Density Residential (HDR) for 1.87 acres, of land situated in the State of Florida, County of Charlotte, lying in Section 13, Township 41, Range 22, and being further described and incorporated herein; providing for findings; providing for conflict; providing for severability; and providing an effective date. FIRST READING.
- 3.e QUASI-JUDICIAL: Z-01-2026 - An Ordinance of the City of Punta Gorda, Florida, amending the City of Punta Gorda District Map for seven (7) parcels consisting of approximately 1.87 +/- acres, identified by the Charlotte County Property Appraiser as parcels 412213258001, 412213258002, 412213258003, 412213258004, 412213258005, 412213258006, and 412213258007, and being more particularly described below, from General Single Family-3.5 (GS-3.5) to General Multi-Family-10 (GM-10); providing for findings; providing for conflict; providing for severability; and providing an effective date. FIRST READING.
- 3.f QUASI-JUDICIAL: V-08-2025 - A request by Bowman Consulting Group, LTD, Applicant and Agent, authorized by Michelle Miller as Executive Vice President of NNN GP Corp., the Registered General Partner for NNN REIT, LP, Property Owner, for a variance pursuant to Chapter 26, Section 16.10, Punta Gorda Code, from multiple sections of Chapter 26 pertaining to site and building design requirements, to allow the construction of a drive-thru coffee shop on an approximate 0.78-acre parcel located at 1225 Tamiami Trail, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950. The applicant is requesting a variance from Punta Gorda Code, Chapter 26, Section 3.10(g)(8); and Section 7.4, Subsections (a)(1), (a)(2)a., (a)(2)d., (a)(2)e., (a)(2)f., (a)(4)a., (e)(11), and (e)(12).

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

- 4.a 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.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 5.a [January 29, 2026, City Council Meeting Minutes](#)
- 5.b [February 10, 2026, City Council-Historic Preservation Advisory Board Joint Minutes](#)
- 5.c [February 11, 2026, City Council Meeting Minutes](#)

6. **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 6.a [Punta Gorda Historic Mural Society Sign Approval](#)
- 6.b [Florida League of Cities Federal Action Strike Team Fly-In](#)
- 6.c [Public Safety Radio Project](#)
- 6.d [Fire Department Apparatus Replacement](#)
- 6.e [Local Option Sales Tax](#)
- 6.f [Project Updates](#)

7. **BOARDS / COMMITTEE**

- 7.a [Announcement of Vacancies: Building Board \(1 regular\)](#)
- 7.b [Announcement of Vacancies: Burnt Store Isles Canal Advisory Committee \(1 regular and 1 alternate\)](#)
- 7.c [Announcement of Vacancies: Code Enforcement Board \(1 regular\)](#)
- 7.d [Announcement of Vacancies: Utility Advisory Board \(1 regular and 1 alternate\)](#)
- 7.e [Nominations: Punta Gorda Housing Authority \(1 commissioner seat\)](#)
- 7.f [Nominations: Punta Gorda Isles Canal Advisory Committee \(1 alternate\)](#)
- 7.g [Appointment: Police Officers' Pension Board \(1 City resident member\)](#)

8. **REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICERS**

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

9. **COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

10. **PUBLIC INPUT**

- 10.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.