



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
326 WEST MARION AVENUE, PUNTA GORDA, FLORIDA 33950
*******AMENDED*******
OCTOBER 14, 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 - October 28, 2026 at 9am, Regular City Council Meeting at City Hall Chambers located at 326 W. Marion Ave., Punta Gorda, FL 33950

AGENDA APPROVAL

1. PROCLAMATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

1.a [Mayor's Ambassador Award](#)

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 [QUASI-JUDICIAL: V-01-2026: A request by Jake Pretzell of Catalyst Design Group, as the Authorized Agent on behalf of Advent Health Port Charlotte Inc., Property Owner, for a variance pursuant to Chapter 26, Section 16.10, Punta Gorda Code, from multiple](#)

sections of Chapter 26 pertaining to parking requirements, to allow adequate parking facilities for a proposed hospital campus on an approximate 17.46-acre parcel located at 26072 Glasgow Avenue, Punta Gorda, Florida 33950. The applicant is requesting a variance from Punta Gorda Code, Chapter 26, Sections 10.2(a), 10.3(a), 10.7(b), and 10.7(c).

- 3.b QUASI-JUDICIAL: V-04-2026: A request by The Islands Kitchen and Cocktail House, Applicant, on behalf of PGFL Associates LLC, Property Owner, for a variance pursuant to Chapter 26, for a variance pursuant to Chapter 26, Section 16.10, Punta Gorda Code, from the waterfront setback requirements of Sections 3.8(g)(5) and 8.19, Punta Gorda Code, to allow a 10-foot waterfront setback instead of the required 25-foot waterfront setback, at 1200 West Retta Esplanade.

4. ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS(No Public Hearing Required)

- 4.a Resolution of the accepting a staffing for adequate fire and emergency response (SAFER) Grant Award from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the hiring of nine (9) additional firefighters; authorizing the City Manager to execute the Grant Agreement and all related documents; providing for the city's required cost share.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

- 5.a Road Closure Request - Event Permit - 26-0019664 13TH Annual Punta Gorda Pub Crawl, February 27, 2027
- 5.b Road Closure Request - Event Permit - 26-0019661- 48th Annual Christmas Parade, December 12, 2026
- 5.c Road Closure Request - Event Permit 26-00196666 - Fishermen's Lighting of the Village - November 14, 2026
- 5.d Final BluSky invoicing for emergency mitigation services rendered for Hurricane Helene.
- 5.e Final BluSky invoicing for emergency mitigation services rendered for Hurricane Milton.
- 5.f Council approval of the DFM Operating Agreement
- 5.g August 26, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes
- 5.h September 8, 2026, Pre-Agenda Meeting Minutes
- 5.i September 9, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes
- 5.j September 9, 2026, Budget Hearing Minutes
- 5.k September 21, 2026, Pre-Agenda Meeting Minutes
- 5.l September 23, 2026, Budget Hearing Minutes
- 5.m Demolition Permits Update

6. REGULAR AGENDA

- 6.a YMCA Cooper Street
- 6.b City Clerk Annual Evaluation

- 6.c City Manager Annual Evaluation
- 6.d Award of Amendment to Carollo Engineers, Inc., of Sarasota, FL, to provide professional services to replace the Powder Activated Carbon (PAC) system at the Shell Creek Water Treatment Plant.
- 6.e Project Updates

7. BOARDS / COMMITTEE

- 7.a Announcement of Vacancies: Building Board (1 consumer advocate alternate)
- 7.b Announcement of Vacancies: Code Enforcement Board (1 alternate)
- 7.c Announcement of Vacancies: Historic Preservation Advisory Board (1 regular and 1 alternate)
- 7.d Nominations: Police Officers' Pension Board (1 City resident member)
- 7.e Nominations: Historic Preservation Advisory Board (1 regular)

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.