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Commissioner Liz Alpert
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REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING OF JANUARY 5, 2026

WELCOME to a Regular meeting of the City Commission. This Agenda includes all matters scheduled to come before the Commission at this meeting. It is prepared to help you follow the proceedings of the meeting. Your interest is appreciated, and we invite your comments. Input from citizens is important; we need and welcome it.

If you wish to address the Commission, please fill out a "Request To Speak" Form located on the table at the back of the Commission Chambers. Fill out the form completely, indicating the Agenda Item to which you intend to speak, and place the form in the box on the table. **If you intend to speak under Citizens' Input Concerning City Topics**, the subject should also be noted on the "Request To Speak" Form. **Agenda Items for which citizens' comments are not permitted are noted**. In general, these will be items on which a public hearing has previously been held. Listed below are the time limits established for speaking:

- **Public Hearings - Quasi-judicial:** A reasonable amount of time to be determined by the City Commission will be provided to Applicants and Affected Persons desiring to speak.
- **Public Hearings - Legislative:** Citizens desiring to speak are allowed five (5) minutes. Petitioners are allowed fifteen (15) minutes with a five (5) minute rebuttal at the close of the public hearing. We will ask you to take an oath that all evidence and testimony presented during the public hearing are truthful.
- **Citizens' Input Concerning City Topics** - Citizens desiring to speak are allowed three (3) minutes. Remember, appearances before the Commission are not a substitute for attempting to resolve your issue(s) through the appropriate administrative channels. **Citizens' Input is to allow citizens the opportunity to present their view on matters concerning City topics but not on items scheduled elsewhere on the Agenda.** Questions and answers shall not be permitted. Matters presented to the Commission may be referred by the Mayor, with consensus of the Commission, to the Administration for action and possible follow-up at a future Commission meeting. We expect that citizens have first attempted to speak directly with the City's Administration.
- **Other Agenda Items permitting citizens' comment** - Citizens desiring to speak are allowed **three (3) minutes**. Agenda items for which citizens' comments are not permitted are noted in the left margin of the Agenda.

The City Auditor and Clerk will forward all Request to Speak forms to the Mayor. When the Mayor calls your name, come to the Commission table, and restate your name for the record. We ask that your comments be limited to the subject of the Agenda Item. Remember, we are always happy to listen to your comments; however, this is not intended to be an extended question and answer session.

Again, the City Commission thanks you for taking the time to participate in our meeting.

DEBBIE TRICE
Mayor



AGENDA

REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING

January 5, 2026

CITY HALL

**City Commission Chambers
9:00 AM**

**1565 First Street
Sarasota, Florida**

**** PLEASE NOTE: THE COMMISSION WILL RECESS FOR LUNCH AT APPROX.
12:00P.M. ****

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVE PROPOSED AGENDA SCHEDULE

Citizens' comments are not permitted on Proposed Agenda Schedule

I. COMMISSION PRESENTATIONS:

II. SCHEDULED PRESENTATIONS:

Scheduled Presentations are limited to 7 minutes. No action may be taken by the Commission other than referral to the administration. Citizens comments are not permitted on Scheduled Presentations

PLEDGE OF PUBLIC CONDUCT

III. CITIZENS' INPUT CONCERNING CITY TOPICS:

(Limited to 30 minutes)

Note to the Public:

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IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Citizens' comments are not permitted on Approval of the Minutes items.

IV.1 Approval Re: Minutes of the Regular Sarasota City Commission Meeting of November 17, 2025 (CITIZENS COMMENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED ON THIS ITEM)

[IV.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[25-11-17 Regular.FINAL.pdf](#)

V. BOARD ACTIONS:

V.1 Report Re: Downtown Improvement District (DID) Annual Update and FY 2024-2025 Annual Report

[V.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[Downtown Improvement District Annual Report FY 2024-2025.pdf](#)

V.2 Report Re: Employee Retirement Account Committee Report (ERAC) Annual Report

[V.2 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[ERAC Board Report for City Commission.pdf](#)

City Commission to recess and convene into a Special Session of the Community Redevelopment Agency**COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY:**

CRA.1. Approval Re: Minutes of the Special Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting of December 01, 2025 (CITIZENS COMMENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED ON THIS ITEM)

[CRA.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[25-12-01 CRA.FINAL.pdf](#)

CRA.2. Report Re: Newtown Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board Report regarding RL Taylor Public Art Mural

[CRA.2 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[26-0105 Agenda Backup Documentation.pdf](#)

Community Redevelopment Agency to adjourn and reconvene as the City Commission**VI. CONSENT AGENDA NO. 1:**

Note to the Public: All matters listed under Consent Agenda No. 1, are considered to be routine by the City Commission and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

VI.1 Approval Re: Public Art Mural to be located on the Robert L. Taylor Community Center and authorize the Newtown Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board to make application to Public Art Committee

[VI.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)

[26-0105 Agenda Backup Documentation.pdf](#)

VI.2 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and City Auditor and Clerk to execute the Seventh Amendment to the Lease Agreement between the City of Sarasota and the Sarasota Sailing Squadron, Inc.
[VI.2 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[Sailing Squadron Lease Back Up Material.pdf](#)

VI.3 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and the City Auditor and Clerk to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement between the City of Sarasota and Plymouth Harbor, Inc., for the conveyance of approximately 650 square feet of City-owned property located at 710 John Ringling Causeway in the amount of \$16,350.00
[VI.3 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[010526 Agenda Backup Documents 121725.pdf](#)

VI.4 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and City Auditor and Clerk to Execute the First Amendment to and First Extension Agreement between the City of Sarasota and Michell Humphrey & Co., RFP #13-65DB) for Software Products License and Maintenance Support, with annual total estimated costs in the amounts of \$218,071.00 for the first and second years, and \$224,607.00 for the third year
[VI.4 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[FTG AND EPLANS EXTENSION BACKUP.pdf](#)

VI.5 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and the City Auditor and Clerk to execute the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Sarasota and the Citrus, Cannery, Food Processing and Allied Workers, Drivers, Warehousemen and Helpers, affiliated with the International Brotherhood of Teamsters Local No. 173
[VI.5 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[Teamsters Union Local No. 173 Collective Bargaining Agreement.pdf](#)

VI.6 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and the City Auditor and Clerk to execute the Agreement between the City of Sarasota and Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. (RFP 25-36HR) for Traffic Signal Upgrade Consulting Services
[VI.6 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[Back Up Documents 25-36HR Final.pdf](#)

VI.7 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and the City Auditor and Clerk to execute the Agreement between the City of Sarasota and Associated Space Design, Florida, Inc., D/B/A ASD/SKY; Fawley Bryant Architects, Inc.; Jacobs Engineering Group Inc.; and Sweet Sparkman Architects, Inc. (RFP 25-28HR) for As-Needed Architectural Services
[VI.7 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[Back Up For RFP25-28HR.pdf](#)

VI.8 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and City Auditor and Clerk to execute the Agreement between the City of Sarasota and Cummins Cederberg, Inc. and Taylor Engineering, Inc. (RFP 25-09HR) for Coastal Engineering Consulting Services. The City has spent \$473,123.91 under previous Agreement (RFP 19-54TS) for Consulting Engineering Services (Coastal Engineering)
[VI.8 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)

[Back Up Document for 25-09HR.pdf](#)

VI.9 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and City Auditor and Clerk to execute the Professional Services Agreement between the City of Sarasota and Ferguson Enterprises, LLC d/b/a Ferguson Waterworks for Network As A Service project in the amount of \$2,215,712.28
[VI.9 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[CompletePacketNeptune.pdf](#)

VI.10 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and City Auditor and Clerk to execute Piggyback Agreement between the City of Sarasota and Core & Main LP to provide Utility Materials and Commodities on an as-needed basis with an estimated annual amount of \$500,000.00
[VI.10 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[CompletePacketCoreMain.pdf](#)

VI.11 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and City Auditor and Clerk to execute First Extension of Agreement for Sodium Bisulfite between the City of Sarasota and Odyssey Manufacturing Co. to provide sodium bisulfite on an as needed basis with an annual total estimated cost in the amount of \$110,000.00
[VI.11 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[CompletePacket.SodiumBisulfite.pdf](#)

VII. CONSENT AGENDA NO. 2:

Note to the Public: All matters listed under Consent Agenda No. 2, are considered to be routine by the City Commission and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

VII.1 Adoption Re: Proposed Resolution 26R-3370, authorizing the execution by the Mayor and attestation by the City Auditor and Clerk on behalf of the City of Sarasota of the State of Florida Department of Transportation Public Transportation Grant Agreement for expenses associated with providing public transportation along the State Road 789 corridor, etc. (Title Only)
[VII.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[Backup Materials 26R-3370 and PTGA.pdf](#)

VII.2 Adoption Re: Proposed Resolution No. 26R-3371, amending the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2025 by providing for supplemental appropriations in the amounts identified in Exhibit A; providing for severability if any of the parts hereof are declared invalid, etc. (Title Only). To increase an expenditure budget within multiple funds for salary increases in FY2026 due to a recently signed Teamster union contract
[VII.2 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)
[Res 26R-3371 Backup 01-05-26.pdf](#)

VII.3 Adoption Re: Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance No. 25-5572, amending the description of the Purpose, Powers, Function, Duties and Authority of the Downtown Improvement District to correspond and align with the description of same found in the Downtown Improvement District Strategic Plan; and amending

and re-stating Ordinance No. 08-4832 which originally established the Downtown Improvement District as amended by Ordinances 12-5005, 15-5123, and 24-5463; repealing Ordinances in conflict, etc. (Title Only)

[VII.3 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)

[ORDINANCE NO. 25-5572 - Back Up Material.pdf](#)

VII.4 Adoption Re: Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance No. 26-5587, amending the Sarasota City Code Chapter 2, Administration, Article V, Boards, Commissions and Committees, Division 2.6, Affordable Housing Advisory Committee, Section 2-278, Composition, Appointment, Terms of Office, Procedures; providing for changes to the composition of the Board and providing that all board members will now be appointed by the City Commission; repealing ordinances in conflict, etc. (Title Only)

[VII.4 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)

[Back-Up-Ord No 26-5587 \(1-05-2026\).pdf](#)

VIII. BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

VIII.1 Appointment Re: Affordable Housing Advisory Committee

[VIII.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)

[AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE.pdf](#)

VIII.2 Appointment Re: Historic Preservation Board

[VIII.2 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)

[Historic Preservation Board Backup.pdf](#)

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

IX.1 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor, City Auditor and Clerk, and City Attorney to execute the proposed Management and Operations Agreement and to authorize appending said Agreement to the Partnership Agreement between the City of Sarasota and the Bay Park Conservancy as Exhibit G

[IX.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)

[Back up Material - BPC Management and Operations Exhibit G.pdf](#)

IX.2 Approval Re: Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) City of Sarasota 2026 Transportation Project Priorities List

[IX.2 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)

[Back Up Documents for MPO Project Priorities.pdf](#)

IX.3 Discussion Re: City Manager Search Update

[IX.3 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)

X. LEGISLATIVE PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Note to the Public: At this time citizens will take an oath if they desire to speak at the following public hearings.

XI. QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARINGS:

Note to the Public: At this time citizens will take an oath if they desire to speak at the following public hearings.

XII. NEW BUSINESS:

XII.1 Approval Re: Request for waiver of the Application of local preference for the Downtown Master Plan Update consultant solicitation pursuant to the City of Sarasota Procurement Code Sec. 2-368(e)

[XII.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)

XII.2 Discussion Re: City working with the Housing Authority to potentially participate in the construction of public parking spaces in the proposed McCown Towers III new Senior Housing Development Application and parking garage

[XII.2 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)

[Item XII.2 Additional Backup Material.pdf](#)

[Item XII.2 2nd Additional Backup Material.pdf](#)

XII.3 Discussion Re: Re-Scheduling the Monday, March 16, 2026 Regular City Commission Meeting to Monday, March 23, 2026

[XII.3 Agenda Request Form.pdf](#)

XIII. CITIZENS INPUT CONCERNING CITY TOPICS: (Limited to 30 minutes)

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XIV. REMARKS OF COMMISSIONERS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA:

XV. OTHER MATTERS/ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS:

XVI. ADJOURN

MEETING NOTICE

Meeting Notice

[1-5-26 Additional Backup Material Notice.pdf](#)

[1-5-26 Regular Meeting Notice.pdf](#)

[1-5-26 CRA Meeting Notice.pdf](#)

CITY COMMISSION RULES OF PROCEDURE

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[RulesofProcedure April 2025.pdf](#)



Notice to the Public

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The City of Sarasota prohibits discrimination in all services, programs, or activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex or gender, marital or familial status, religion, sexual orientation, veteran status, or genetic information. Persons with disabilities who require assistance or alternative means for communication of program information such as Braille, large print, audiotape, etc., should contact: The City of Sarasota ADA Coordinator, Jake Brown, at (941) 263-6299 or by email at adacoordinator@sarasotafl.gov.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in a meeting should contact the ADA Coordinator at (941) 263-6299 at least two business days prior to the date of the meeting as to the nature of the auxiliary aids and/or service necessary.

Every effort will be made to provide such aid or service to the extent that they are reasonable, do not result in undue financial or administrative burden, and do not alter the fundamental nature of the meeting. Consideration will be given to the individual's preferred aid or service. However, alternatives may be provided if in the City's determination such alternatives provide an effective means of communication. For the benefit of individuals utilizing hearing aids with a T-coil, the City Commission Chambers and SRQ Media Studio are outfitted with a Hearing Induction Loop for enhanced hearing assistance.

Proceedings will be electronically recorded. Should an individual feel that a verbatim transcription of the proceedings may later be needed, said individual has the burden and expense of arranging for same. Copies of the electronic recording may be purchased from the Office of the City Auditor and Clerk.

Shayla Griggs
City Auditor and Clerk