Debbie Trice
Mayor

Vice Mayor Kathy Kelley Ohlrich
Commissioner Jen Ahearn-Koch
Commissioner Liz Alpert
Commissioner Kyle Battie

REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING OF APRIL 20, 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 | **April 20, 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:

I.1 Proclamation Re: Recognizing April 2026 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month
I.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Proclamation - Sexual Assualt Awareness Month - ADA.pdf

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

II.1 Presentation Re: Sarasota Police Department 2025 End of Year Review
II.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Sarasota Police Department 2025 End of Year Review.pdf

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 March 23, 2026 (CITIZENS COMMENTS ARE NOT PERMITTED ON THIS ITEM)
IV.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf
26-03-23 Regular.FINAL.pdf

V. BOARD ACTIONS:

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: Authorizing the City to sign the Participation and Release Form Settlement Agreement Among Participating Subdivisions and Remnant Defendants regarding National Prescription Opiate Litigation (United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio, Eastern Division, Case No.: 1:17-md-2804)
VI.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Backup Material.pdf

VI.2 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and City Auditor and Clerk to execute the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Sarasota, the City of North Port and Sarasota County regarding the Distribution Formula for Allocation of Revenue from certain Local Option Fuel Taxes (1-5 Cent) levied pursuant to Section 336.025(1)(b), Florida Statutes
VI.2 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Backup Gas Tax 5 cent - 2027.pdf

VI.3 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and City Auditor and Clerk to execute the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Sarasota, the City of North Port and Sarasota County regarding the Distribution Formula for Allocation of Revenue from Local Option Fuel Taxes (1-6 Cent) levied pursuant to Section 336.025(1)(a), Florida Statutes
VI.3 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Backup Gas Tax 6 cent - 2027.pdf

VI.4 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and City Auditor and Clerk to execute Agreements between the City of Sarasota and Belfour USA Group, Inc.; Flood Pros of SWFL, Corp.; Rapid Response Team, LLC.; Regency Construction of Palm Beach County Corporation d/b/a Regency DRT (RFP #25-48HR) for Remediation & Restoration for as-needed services
VI.4 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Agenda Backup RFP 25-48HR.pdf

VI.5 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and City Auditor and Clerk to execute the Agreement between the City of Sarasota and Johnson-Laux Construction, LLC. (ITB 26-12JS) for Construction Services for the redevelopment of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Park at a cost in the amount of $1,120,715.52
VI.5 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Agenda_Backup-Dr._MLK_Jr._Memorial_Park_Renovation.pdf

VI.6 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and City Auditor and Clerk to execute Contract Agreements between the City of Sarasota and Quest Corporation of America, Inc., Atlarge Inc., and Next-Mark LLC (RFP 25-44SH) for General City Services advertising, event planning, marketing, and multimedia services on an as-needed basis; and between the City of Sarasota and Quest Corporation of America, Inc. (RFP 25-44SH) for Downtown Improvement District advertising, marketing, and multimedia services for a fixed, all-inclusive monthly fee; and between the City of Sarasota and Atlarge Inc. (RFP 25-44SH) for Newtown Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) advertising and marketing services for a fixed, all-inclusive monthly fee
VI.6 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Back Up Material.pdf

VI.7 Approval Re: Authorize the Mayor and City Auditor and Clerk to execute the Agreement between the City of Sarasota and Tampa Construction Services, INC. (Bid No. 26-06HR) for Ken Thompson Park - Hurricane Restoration Projects in the amount of $3,301,100.00
VI.7 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Back UP Documents for Agenda.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 No. 26R-3390, 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 transfer $250,000.00 from the City's Bay Tax Increment Financing fund to the Sarasota Performing Arts Center Construction fund. Also, to create a revenue and expenditure budget within the Sarasota Performing Arts Center Construction Fund for engineering, architectural, and professional consulting services related to the project

VII.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Res 26R-3390 Backup 04.20.26.pdf

VII.2 Adoption Re: Proposed Resolution 26R-3391, adopting the Sarasota County Unified Local Mitigation Strategy as the formal guide for hazard mitigation activities of the City of Sarasota in accordance with 42 U.S.C., Section 5165, 44 C.F.R., Section 201.6, Part I of Chapter 252, Florida Statutes, and Florida Administrative Code Chapter 27P-22; Setting forth findings; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to apply for funding in support of hazard mitigation activities, etc. (Title Only)
VII.2 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Agenda Item Backup.pdf

VII.3 Adoption Re: Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance No. 26-5592, amending Sarasota City Code Section 33-248, Chapter 33, Article VII, to change the speed limits on certain City streets as more fully specified herein; setting forth recommendations resulting from the traffic speed study conducted as part of the City's pending Traffic Calming Plan; repealing ordinances in conflict; providing for the severability of parts hereof if declared invalid or unenforceable, etc. (Title Only)
VII.3 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Back Up Docs for Agenda.pdf

VII.4 Adoption Re: Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance No. 26-5593, to rezone that certain parcel of real property totaling approximately 16.59 +/- acres located to the east of St. Armand's Key and to the west of Bird Key, with a street address of 700 John Ringling Boulevard, from the Medical Charitable Institutional (MCI) Zone District to the Residential Multiple Family 5 (RMF-5) Zone District; approving Site Plan Application No. 25-SP-01 to construct a new building addition containing 151 independent senior living dwelling units and three levels of structured parking upon a portion of the rezoned real property all as more particularly set forth herein; etc. (Title Only) (Application Nos. 25-SP-01, 25-RE-01, Applicant: Joel J. Freedman, AICP, as agent representing Plymouth Harbor Inc (Owner))
VII.4 Agenda Request Form.pdf
25-SP-01 (25-RE-01) Backup Material.pdf

VII.5 Adoption Re: Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance No. 26-5594, establishing term limits for the Downtown Improvement District Board of Directors as more fully specified herein; and amending and re-stating Ordinance No. 08-4832 which originally established the Downtown Improvement District as amended by Ordinances 12-5005, 15-5123, 24-5463, and 25-5572; repealing ordinances in conflict, etc. (Title Only)
VII.5 Agenda Request Form.pdf
1-26-5594.DID.TermLimits.pdf

VIII. BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

IX.1 Adoption Re: Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance No. 25-5579, to rezone that certain parcel of real property totaling approximately 1.27 +/- acres located on the south side of Alderman Street, bordered by Hudson Avenue to the west, Pine Tree Lane to the south, and Rowe Place to the east, from the Residential Multiple Family 5 (RMF-5) Zone District to the Downtown Edge (DTE) Zone District; all as more particularly set forth herein, etc. (Title Only) (Application No. 25-REN-03) (Applicant Patrick Seidensticker, Esq., as agent representing Alderman Oaks Retirement Center Inc., owner)
IX.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Agenda Item Backup

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.

X.1 Public Hearing Re: Proposed Ordinance No. 26-5585, amending the Sarasota City Code Chapter 29.6, entitled "Special Event Permits", amending Definitions, Application Process and Requirements for special events; creating Section 29.6-8 Special Events Lasting More than Ninety-Six Hours; creating Section 29.6-9 pertaining to litter at special events; creating Section 29.6-10 pertaining to City Co-Sponsored Events; creating Section 29.6-11 pertaining to security deposits; creating Section 29.6-12 pertaining to indemnification and liability insurance; creating Section 29.6-13 pertaining to nonprofit special event permit status; amending the Sarasota City Code Chapter 20, Section 6 and 7 pertaining to Sound Permitting for special events; amending the Sarasota City Code Chapter 22, Section 22 and Section 23 pertaining to special events; deleting Chapter 23, Section 23.5 pertaining to Commercial Vending during special events; amending the Sarasota City Chapter 30 Section 21 and Section 23 pertaining to right-of-way usage permits for special events; amending the Sarasota City Code Chapter 33, Section 121 pertaining to valet parking at special events; providing for the repeal of ordinances in conflict; providing for the severability of parts hereof if declared invalid or unenforceable, etc. (Title Only)
X.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf
FINAL Back_up_Materials_-_Special_Event_Ordinance_No._26-5585.pdf
Special Event Ordinance CC Mtg 4.20.26 Final Draft (1).pdf

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.

XI.1 Public Hearing Re: Proposed Ordinance No. 26-5595, to rezone that certain parcel of real property totaling approximately +/- 0.08 acres, located on the north side of Ringling Boulevard, being west of Lime Avenue and east of School Avenue, with a street address of 2283 Ringling Boulevard, from the Commercial General (CG) zone district to the Downtown Edge (DTE) zone district; all as more particularly set forth herein, etc. (Title Only) (Application No. 26-REN-01) (Applicant Joel J. Freedman, AICP, as Agent representing CGCSZ LLC, Property Owner)
XI.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Agenda Backup.pdf

XII. NEW BUSINESS:

XII.1 Presentation and Discussion Re: Financial update to inform the City Commission of financial status to date for fiscal year end 2026, and update the City Commission regarding the upcoming fiscal year 2026-2027 budget
XII.1 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Financial Update_4.20.26.pdf

XII.2 Appointment Re: External Auditor Selection Committee Chair
XII.2 Agenda Request Form.pdf

XII.3 Adoption Re: Proposed Resolution 26R-3392, adopting a Floodplain Management Plan to be known as Floodplain Management Plan 2025-2030; Setting forth findings, etc. (Title Only)
XII.3 Agenda Request Form.pdf
Agenda Item Backup.pdf
City of Sarasota FMP Presentation Final 04-17-2026.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
4-20-26 Regular Meeting Notice.pdf

CITY COMMISSION RULES OF PROCEDURE

City Commission Rules of Procedure
CC.RulesofProcedure.AdoptedApril72025.pdf

REQUEST TO SPEAK CARDS & ITEMS RECEIVED AT THE MEETING

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April 20, 2026 Regular Mtg Speaker Cards.pdf

April 20, 2026 Regular Mtg Items Received.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 three 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