



# CITY OF OKEECHOBEE

55 SE THIRD AVENUE  
OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974

**MAY 11, 2026**

**9:00 AM**

**SPECIAL MEETING  
REVISED OFFICIAL AGENDA**

**Mayor**  
Dowling R. Watford, Jr.  
**Vice Mayor**  
Monica Clark  
**Council Members**  
Noel Chandler  
Bob Jarriel  
David McAuley

<b>Mission Statement:</b>	The mission of the City of Okeechobee is to provide accommodating services that enhance the quality of life for our citizens and businesses in a fiscally sound manner.
<b>Vision Statement:</b>	The City of Okeechobee will maintain a vibrant and prosperous community built on our heritage, history, unique character, and small-town atmosphere.

## I. CALL TO ORDER

## II. ATTENDANCE

## III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Mayor Watford to provide instructions to the Council and candidates regarding the interview process.
- B. Conduct interviews with candidates for the role of City Administrator. Candidates are Mr. Douglas G. Baber, Mr. Demetre L. Riles, Mr. Mark J. Schneider, and Ms. Denise L. Whitehead (**Exhibit 1**).
- C. Discuss next steps in the process to appoint a new City Administrator.

## IV. ADJOURN MEETING

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE AND BE ADVISED** that if any person desires to appeal any decision made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at this proceeding, such an interested person will need a record of the proceeding, and for such purpose may need to ensure a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. City Clerk recordings are for the sole purpose of backup for official records of the Clerk. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the City Clerk's Office in person or call 863-763-9814, Hearing Impaired: Florida Relay 7-1-1 no later than four business days prior to proceeding.

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