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**TOWN COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA**

**AUGUST 23, 2022 – 7:00 P.M.**  
**OAKLAND MEETING HALL**  
**221 N. ARRINGTON STREET, OAKLAND, FL 34760**  
(Details to view meeting through Zoom are at bottom of agenda)

*PLEASE NOTE: All hearings are open to the public however attendance inside the Oakland Meeting Hall may be limited to accommodate social distancing. Any interested party is invited to offer comments about this request in-person at the public hearing or in advance by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 22, 2022, in writing to the Town of Oakland, PO Box 98, Oakland FL 34760, or by e-mail to [ehui@oaklandfl.gov](mailto:ehui@oaklandfl.gov). A copy of the request can be inspected by contacting the Town Clerk. Any party appealing a land use decision made at a public hearing must ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which includes the evidence and testimony that is the basis of the appeal.(\$286.0105). Any person needing special accommodations to attend a public hearing must contact Elise Hui, Town Clerk, at 407-656-1117 x2110, at least 24 hours before the meeting.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

**2. ROLL CALL: Town Clerk**

**3. PRESENTATION(S):**

- Introduction of Police Support Services/Code Enforcement Officer Jason DiDonato
- Introduction of Officer Samaria Lake
- West Orange Healthy Selfie Day Proclamation
- Hispanic Heritage Month Proclamation
- National Preparedness Month Proclamation
- OACS Year in Review

**4. PUBLIC FORUM:**

You may be recognized to address matters not on the agenda. The Mayor may limit each addressee to three minutes.

**5. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- a. Minutes – 8-9-2022 Town Commission Regular Meeting
- b. Exceptions for Ron Carter Event
- c. Manager’s Report

6. **TOWN MANAGER REPORT:**

7. **MAYOR & COMMISSION REPORTS:**

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

PLEASE NOTE: This meeting will be held as an in-person meeting and livestreamed to Zoom. Attendees may watch the livestream of the meeting via the Zoom link below, however, attendees will be in listen-only mode and will not have the opportunity to provide public comment virtually. Any interested party is invited to offer comments about this request in-person at the public hearing or in advance by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 22, 2022, in writing to the Town of Oakland, PO Box 98, Oakland FL 34760, or by e-mail to [ehui@oaklandfl.gov](mailto:ehui@oaklandfl.gov).

When: August 23, 2022, 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Topic: August 23, 2022 Town Commission Regular Meeting

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# Mayor's Proclamation

## TOWN OF OAKLAND WEST ORANGE HEALTHY SELFIE DAY

**WHEREAS**, Healthy West Orange inspires healthy behaviors and provides resources to help residents make better lifestyle choices; and

**WHEREAS**, Healthy West Orange champions healthy programs that deliver health and wellness activities; and

**WHEREAS**, Healthy West Orange unites health-minded organizations for whom a healthy community provides meaningful benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, Healthy West Orange advocates for healthy community decisions and encourages local leaders to keep their communities' health and wellness a top priority; and

**WHEREAS**, Healthy West Orange declares the third Friday in September as the Annual West Orange Healthy Selfie Day.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, it is my great pleasure and privilege as the Mayor of the Town of Oakland to declare Friday, September 16, 2022, as

### ***“West Orange Healthy Selfie Day”***

and in celebration of the 6<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Healthy Selfie, I urge all citizens to join in supporting this initiative.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereunto have set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Oakland to be affixed this 23rd day of August 2022.

TOWN OF OAKLAND:

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Kathy Stark, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Elise Hui, Town Clerk



# Mayor's Proclamation

## TOWN OF OAKLAND HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

**WHEREAS**, throughout Hispanic Heritage Month we celebrate the history and contributions that Hispanic and Latinx Americans have made to the state of Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida has the third largest population of Hispanic people in the nation, with more than five million diverse residents within the Sunshine State; and

**WHEREAS**, we honor the rich and vibrant traditions of Hispanic and Latinx Americans whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America; and

**WHEREAS**, Hispanic Americans have played an important role in the history of Florida from the early days of the pioneer to our current legacy of leaders in international trade, technology, education, and aerospace; and

**WHEREAS**, Hispanic Floridians have been an integral part of our communities, whose contributions, passion, and skills as agriculture producers, farmworkers, and growers have long shaped Florida's agricultural success; and

**WHEREAS**, from September 15 to October 15, 2022, we pay tribute to the dedication and service of Hispanic and Latinx Floridians for their efforts to improve the State of Florida and pave the way for future generations of leaders.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Kathy Stark, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Town of Oakland, Florida and on behalf of the entire Town Commission, do hereby Proclaim September 15, 2022, through October 15, 2022, in the Town of Oakland:

### **"Hispanic Heritage Month"**

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereunto have set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Oakland to be affixed this 23rd day of August 2022.

TOWN OF OAKLAND:

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Kathy Stark, Mayor

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Elise Hui, Town Clerk



# Mayor's Proclamation

## TOWN OF OAKLAND NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

**WHEREAS**, the month of September is recognized as "National Preparedness Month" and creates an opportunity for every resident of the Town of Oakland to prepare their homes, businesses, and communities for emergencies and natural disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, the 2022 National Preparedness Month theme is "A Lasting Legacy – The life you've built is worth protecting. Prepare for disasters to create a lasting legacy for you and your family;" and

**WHEREAS**, during an emergency, every second counts, and emergency preparedness programs educate individuals and families on how to prepare before, during, and after a disaster; and

**WHEREAS**, these programs address threats of severe weather, terrorism, and other potentially life-threatening circumstances to make our communities better prepared, resilient, and safer; and

**WHEREAS**, emergency preparedness is the responsibility of every resident, and all Town of Oakland residents are urged to make preparedness a priority and work together to ensure that individuals, families, and communities are prepared for disasters and emergencies of any type; and

**WHEREAS**, all Town of Oakland residents are encouraged to participate in preparedness activities and become more prepared by making a plan, building a kit, and staying informed;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Kathy Stark, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the Town of Oakland, Florida and on behalf of the entire Town Commission, do hereby Proclaim September 2022, in the Town of Oakland: .

## "National Preparedness Month"

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I hereunto have set my hand and caused the Seal of the Town of Oakland to be affixed this 23rd day of August 2022.

TOWN OF OAKLAND:

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Kathy Stark, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Elise Hui, Town Clerk



**TOWN COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2022  
7:00 P.M.  
OAKLAND MEETING HALL**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

This meeting was held in-person livestreamed as a Zoom webinar. Mayor Stark called the regular meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation by Pastor Joseph Reeves.

**ROLL CALL**

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Commissioner McMullen  
Commissioner Polland  
Commissioner Ramos  
Vice Mayor Satterfield  
Mayor Stark

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: None

**PRESENTATION(S):**

Town of Oakland 2021 Audit Presentation

Mike Brynjulfson, CPA with Brynjulfson CPA, P.A. provided a PowerPoint presentation on the 2021 Town of Oakland Audit. Please see PowerPoint for additional details. Highlights of the presentation were as follows:

- Mike provided an unmodified “clean” audit opinion
- GASB 84 covered New Accounting Principles under Fiduciary Activities.
- Two material weakness in internal control identified (one in the prior year) and no significant deficiencies reported (one in prior year).
- No instances of noncompliance to report.
- Two compliance findings/recommendations to report under the Rules of the Auditor General that are less than material.
- No new findings/recommendations.
- No disagreements with management.
- No difficulties encountered while performing the audit.
- Disclosure of material audit adjustments.
- Unassigned and Assigned Fund Balance as a percent of Total Expenditures for the current year is 16%. The minimum is right around 16% or 2 months of expenses. The target should be 25%.
  - Commissioner Ramos asked if 25% is attainable?
    - Mike said yes, it absolutely is. We may not get there overnight; we need to build it into our budget.

- Commissioner Polland said if you are saying our target should be 25% then why are our peer groups are at 76%?
  - Mike said that is the average of where the group of 14 peers is actually out. The peer group is like sized municipalities in the state of Florida. There are some cities that have 200% and that skews this average. If the percentage is too high, then that might not be a good thing either because a citizen could say that they are being overtaxed.
  - Mike added that 16% for the Town of Oakland is a really good improvement, it is up from the 4.24% we were showing in 2020.
- Unrestricted Net Position as a percent of Revenues is 51%. This means we could run for 6 months on reserves. The peer group average is 83%.
- The Enterprise Fund operating profit margin is down from 23.10% to 16.73% because there was a decrease of water usage. Part of this is due to the Town Commission freezing water rate increases in 2021. To maintain the rate of revenue and expenses, the town needs to keep the increases as planned.

Additional Town Commission discussion was as follows:

- Vice Mayor Satterfield said that he appreciates Mike. He has reached out with several questions and Mike always gets back to him quickly.
- Commissioner McMullen stated that he would like to see the 14 peer entities that Mike was referring to and Mike said he would send those to the group.
- Mayor Stark asked if there is any way to move up the audit timing because right now it conflicts with budget preparation and that is a lot to deal with all at once.
  - Mike said that they work off the readiness of the jurisdiction so once the jurisdiction tells him all the books are ready for the audit, they can start auditing.
- Town Manager Koontz added that they did do a budget amendment however did not capture everything as there were some adjustments in the budget. They are planning for a budget amendment this year. Finance Director Mullen is working with the consultant on getting everything ready earlier in the year so we can get the audit started earlier.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Ramos, seconded by Commissioner Polland to accept the 2021 audit.

AYE: McMullen, Polland, Ramos, Satterfield, Stark  
 NAY: None

**Motion passed with a vote of 5 in favor; 0 opposed.**

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

None

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- a. Minutes – 7-26-2022 Town Commission Regular Meeting

b. Manager's Report

Mayor Stark announced the items on the Consent Agenda.

**MOTION** was made by Vice Mayor Satterfield, seconded by Commissioner Polland to approve the Consent Agenda.

AYE: McMullen, Polland, Ramos, Satterfield, Stark

NAY: None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**SECOND PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE 2022-16 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF OAKLAND, FLORIDA, CHANGING THE TOWN'S FUTURE LAND USE PLAN MAP DESIGNATION OF ITS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FROM LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL TO COMMERCIAL IN THE TOWN OF OAKLAND'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY IDEAL BUILDER 5, LLC, BEING ORANGE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER PARCEL NUMBER 21-22-27-0000-00-012; LOCATED AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS: 302 EAST OAKLAND AVENUE, WITH AN APPROXIMATE SIZE OF .62 ACRES; MAKING FINDINGS, AND PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Town Clerk Hui read the ordinance title for the record. Town Manager Koontz previously provided a presentation on the ordinance on July 26, 2022. Town Planner Brad Cornelius provided an overview of the ordinance.

A summary of the presentation was as follows:

- The applicant is Rosimary Martins, and the Owner is Ideal Builder 6, LLC.
- The property is 26,792 square feet.
- The existing use is residential, and the request is to amend the Comprehensive Plan, Future Land Use Plan Map from Low Density Residential to Commercial in order to establish an office for brokerage and property management.
- The Planning and Zoning Board voted 4 to 1 to recommend approval on July 19, 2022, to move the request forward to the Town Commission for final approval.
- On July 26, 2022, Town Commission approved the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-16 to amend the Comprehensive Plan, Future Land Use Plan Map from Low Density Residential to Commercial pursuant to consistency with Comprehensive Plan policies and existing character of the immediate area at the present time.
- There was a code enforcement issue that arose after the last hearing as the applicant was starting work on the home without proper permits in place. Brad spoke with the applicant and the issue was corrected within a day.
- Staff is recommending approval of Ordinance No. 2022-16.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Polland, seconded by Commissioner Ramos to approve Ordinance 2022-16 on second reading to amend the Comprehensive Plan, Future Land Use Plan Map from Low Density Residential to Commercial pursuant to consistency with Comprehensive Plan policies and existing character of the immediate area at the present time.

Mayor Stark opened the public hearing. Public comment was as follows:

- Pastor Joseph Reeves, 123 S. Starr Street – Stated that there are three kinds of people in the world: 1) Those who make things happen; 2) those who watch things happen, and 3) those who ask what happened. He is concerned that he does not know what is happening and how it will impact him and his family. The subject property butts up to his daycare and church and his home. Concerned about getting squeezed out with all the commercial around him. He does not want to be the third type of person and not consider the impact for the future. He wonders if it will force him to become commercial. He says that the town has done a lot for him, and he feels that he has given a lot to the town as well. He has a back yard and mature oak trees; he loves his house.
  - Vice Mayor Satterfield said that we do acknowledge and appreciate everything he has done for the town.
  - Mayor Stark stated that she loves Pastor Reeves approach that he just wants to understand and that we all want to work together. We would never want to do anything that would impact his property negatively.
  - Town Planner Cornelius stated the in the short time he has been working with the town, he thinks one of the greatest tools we have is working with our design districts and this falls underneath that. The design districts ensure that the building will fall into the character of the town. There are specific standards in how the building is going to be and look. The property is fairly small and is not going to be able to handle anything much larger.
  - Mayor Stark added that there is a similar building at the corner of Cross Street and Oakland Avenue that was a residential unit turned into a business and it has low traffic and looks nicer than it did before. It is just going to be a small building with a few parking spaces that fits into Oakland.
  - Pastor Reeves asked if they could get a privacy fence or something?
    - Town Planner Cornelius stated that yes, that is absolutely something we can work with and have as part of the requirements. We want to be sensitive to the adjacent interface with the neighbors.
- Nancy Phillips, 125 S. Starr Street – 6<sup>th</sup> generation from Oakland, her great grandfather established the Town of Oakland, so she said she is probably one of the last remaining original Oakland individuals. She agrees with everything Pastor Reeves says. She said she does not believe the subject property has any room for expansion or parking. You don't have proper parking; you can't even accommodate school moms from coming down the road and blocking her driveway. She sold a part of the family property to the town to have the charter school system developed as well as the police station. If she hadn't done that, we wouldn't have a charter school, police station, or fire station but yet she gets woken up on Tuesday's at 5:00 a.m. by Tractor Supply dumping their garbage out in her bedroom window. Feels that she and her neighbor are being squeezed out and there is no consideration for the neighbors.

- Mayor Stark said that we are trying to be respectful of the neighbors and that she does not think it is going to be as impactful as she thinks it is going to be.
- Vice Mayor Satterfield says that he understands where she is coming from and appreciate her input.
- Commissioner Ramos asked Town Planner Cornelius if he understands the neighbors' concerns?
  - Town Planner Cornelius said absolutely; he has already had that discussion with the applicant and with the owners to emphasize how important it is for them to comply with the town and its character. There is no event center on the table.
  - Commissioner Ramos asked if the Mike Morrissey has been involved in this process?
    - Town Planner Cornelius said that yes, he is very involved. In addition, commercial development would have to go in front the Appearance Review Board as well.
    - Mayor Stark added for the audience, we have an Appearance Review Board that looks at these; we have a Planning and Zoning Board that looks at these; we have a designer that looks at what is going in here so that it looks and feels like the Town of Oakland and then it comes to us so there is are a lot of steps along the way that we put into place to make sure that things are done and keep the fabric of our community the way it is.
    - Commissioner Ramos – Understands the perspective of the neighbors however can say with the whole team involved and all the filters that we have that we will have a final product that we can all be proud of and will bring up property values in the end.
    - Commissioner McMullen encouraged anyone interested to look at the meeting minutes from the last meeting as they had discussed this item in detail. Stated that we would never do anything to make the neighbors feel uncomfortable.
    - Mayor Stark – Reiterated that as Commissioner McMullen was referring to, the first reading of an ordinance is where the Town Commission really tears it apart and then when the second reading comes back, any changes that need to be made and further concerns are addressed.

Mayor Stark closed the public hearing.

AYE: McMullen, Polland, Ramos, Satterfield, Stark

NAY: None

**Motion passed with a vote of 5 in favor; 0 opposed.**

**SECOND PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE 2022-17 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF OAKLAND, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN'S OFFICIAL ZONING MAP DESIGNATION FROM R-1A, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO C- 1, COMMERCIAL FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY IDEAL BUILDER 5, LLC, BEARING**

PROPERTY TAX PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER 21-22-27-0000-00-012, AND MAKING FINDINGS, AND PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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A summary of the presentation was as follows:

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- The property is 26,792 square feet.
- The existing use is residential, and the request is to change the zoning to commercial in order to establish an office for brokerage and property management.
- The applicant requests to amend the Zoning District Map from R-1A, Single Family Residential to C-1, Commercial.
- The Planning and Zoning Board voted 4 to 1 to recommend approval on July 19, 2022, to move the request forward to the Town Commission for final approval.
- On July 26, 2022, Town Commission approved the first reading of Ordinance No. 2022-17 to the Town Commission to amend the Zoning District Map from R-1A, Single Family Residential to C-1, Commercial pursuant to consistency with Comprehensive Plan policies and existing character of the immediate area at the present time.
- Staff is recommending approval of Ordinance No. 2022-17.

**MOTION** was made by Vice Mayor Satterfield, seconded by Commissioner Ramos to approve Ordinance No. 2022-17 to the Town Commission to amend the Zoning District Map from R-1A, Single Family Residential to C-1, Commercial pursuant to consistency with Comprehensive Plan policies and existing character of the immediate area at the present time.

Mayor Stark opened the public hearing. There were no public comments. Mayor Stark closed the public hearing.

AYE: McMullen, Polland, Ramos, Satterfield, Stark

NAY: None

**Motion passed with a vote of 5 in favor; 0 opposed.**

### **RESOLUTIONS:**

#### **Resolution 2022-06 – Extension of Temporary Multi-Family Moratorium**

Town Manager Koontz stated that the Town Commission on February 22, 2022 enacted Ordinance 2021-28 imposing a temporary moratorium on the acceptance and processing of new applications for special exception uses (conditional uses), rezonings, comprehensive plan amendments, and any other development applications or plans proposing to increase multi-family entitlements within the Town of Oakland, pending

completion of the Town staff's review, revision, drafting and adoption of new standards for the development of multi-family dwelling units in the Town of Oakland.

There have been multiple meetings concerning the moratorium:

March 15, 2022 – Joint meeting of Planning and Zoning Board and Appearance Review Board

April 19, 2022 – Public workshop with Planning and Zoning Board

April 26, 2022 – Public meeting of the Town Commission

Staff is recommending approval of Resolution 2022-06 to extend the moratorium 180 days in order to present the findings from the previous meetings and to make any changes to the Land Development Code that might be necessary.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Polland, seconded by Commissioner Ramos to approve Resolution 2022-06 extending the temporary multi-family moratorium for 180 days.

AYE: McMullen, Polland, Ramos, Satterfield, Stark

NAY: None

**Motion passed with a vote of 5 in favor; 0 opposed.**

### **OTHER POLICY MATTERS:**

#### **FLC Health Insurance Presentation and Coverage Agreement**

Town Manager Koontz stated that the Town recently received notice that premiums through the current broker and Blue Cross Blue Shield would increase between 32% to 38% over the current year. To offset increases of this magnitude, changes to the plan design would have to be made to reduce benefits and/or the employees would have to contribute to their individual coverage.

Staff looked at a number of options and are recommending moving to the Florida Municipal Insurance Trust (FMIT) as the broker and to United Healthcare for coverage. FMIT offers premium rates that are between 15% and 19% over the current year with plans that have slightly better benefits than the current plans with Blue Cross Blue Shield.

Lindsey Larson, Group Account Executive – Health with the Florida League of Cities provided a presentation and rate information. Please see attached for additional information.

A summary of the presentation was as follows:

- Florida Municipal Insurance Trust (FMIT) is a Non-Assessable Pooled Risk Trust Arrangement.
  - 95 local municipalities
    - 2500 employees
    - Pool of 7000 with dependents
  - Member is fully insured – FMIT assumes risk

- No claims runout
    - Pooled buying power
  - FMIT is a Direct Writer
    - No profits
    - No broker commissions
- FMIT Group Health Program
  - UnitedHealthcare administrative services only contract
  - National network/no referral necessary
  - Pooled access to national network's provider discounts
  - Lessen impact of shock claims
  - Plan designs with the municipality in mind
- Group Health Program Services
  - Free Employee Assistance Program through UHC Care24
  - Hometown Health Advantage Program
    - Critical Care Management Unit
  - Virtual Doctor Appointments
  - Free Employee Wellness Program
- Florida Municipal Insurance Trust (FMIT)
  - Rates set for entire policy year
  - The FMIT pays no commission to the direct employee
  - Premium dollars directly support FLC efforts for your municipality
  - Unitedhealthcare Choice Plus Plan 4 – Saves \$133,490.64 this upcoming year.
    - Plan 4 offers better benefits than current Florida Blue Plan 3769.
  - Unitedhealthcare Choice Plus Plan 6 – Saves \$26,035.08 this upcoming year.
    - Plan 6 offers lower deductible and out-of-pocket max compared to Florida Blue Plan 05302.

Town Commission discussion was as follows:

- Commissioner McMullen stated that this is something the town has been looking to do for a long time. This is great plus they give back premiums to the league, so it is a win-win all the way around.
- Town Manager Koontz said that he sees a lot of positives moving to the FMIT. For full disclosure, we did get back lower rates from our current pool today however he does not feel the benefits are as good as what FMIT can offer.
- Mayor Stark feels that there is strength in numbers and that she approves moving to a larger pool.
- Town Manager Koontz said that we will be going from 3 plan options to 2 however feels the benefits are better. Needs approval from Town Commission to sign agreement to move forward with FMIT.
- Commissioner McMullen said these extra health programs pay for themselves. That is priceless.
- Town Manager Koontz said that we are already setting up meetings next week with each Department. They have also already analyzed which doctors are in the

Unitedhealthcare program. There are very few that won't be covered under the new program.

- Commission McMullen stated that the Florida League of Cities is among the top in the nation; they do a very good job.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner McMullen, seconded by Commissioner Ramos to authorize the Town Manager to sign a coverage agreement with the FLC - Florida Municipal Insurance Trust.

AYE: McMullen, Polland, Ramos, Satterfield, Stark

NAY: None

**Motion passed with a vote of 5 in favor; 0 opposed.**

### Bayview at Johns Lake – Preliminary Site Plan

Town Planner Brad Cornelius provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Preliminary Subdivision Plan for Bayview at Johns Lake. Please see attached presentation for additional details.

A summary of the presentation was as follows:

- The Preliminary Subdivision Plan is step one in the process. Step two is Civil Engineering/Construction Plans and step three is the Final Plat Approval and Recording.
- The Applicant requests approval of 20 single family lots on approximately 7 acres.
- Based on the Comprehensive Plan's Low Density Residential land use designation for the neighborhood in the Oakland Future Land Use Plan, the housing density permits up to 3.49 dwelling units per acres. The proposed PSP proposes a density of 2.8 dwelling units per acre which is consistent as well as lower than the Low-Density Residential designation. The site is Zoned R-1A, Single Family Residential with a Neighborhood General Design District designation.
- The PSP reflects use of the Town's central water and sewer systems. The proposed water lines will be looped with the adjacent Johns Landing subdivision.
- On July 19, 2022, the Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval of the Preliminary Subdivision Plan for Bayview at Johns Lake based on compliance with the Zoning Code and with the following stipulations:
  - Connect proposed potable water line to existing line on Largo Vista Drive to create a beneficial looped line; and
  - Provide certain pavement and drainage improvements to Remington Road in cooperation with the Town.
  - Preparation of landscape plan and buffer plan for Johns Landing.
- The applicant submitted revised plans on August 4, 2022.
  - Mike Morrissey, Town Design Consultant review and submitted comments on Friday, August 5, 2022, and identified issues to be addressed during the next phase of the review (construction site plan).

- On Monday, August 8, 2022, Applicant submitted PowerPoint for Town Commission with additional information. The information provided by the Applicant to the Town Commission, is for general information. The representations of landscaping, buffering, and building design should not be approved by the Town Commission.
- On behalf of the applicant, Ed Durruthy with Castle & Cooke Real Estate Services was available to answer questions. Ed provided an additional PowerPoint presentation on the Preliminary Subdivision Plan for Bayview at Johns Lake. Please see attached presentation for additional details.
- Staff recommend that the Town Commission recommend approval of the Preliminary Subdivision Plan for Bayview at Johns Lake based on compliance with the Zoning Code and with the following conditions:
  - The site plan, building design and lot layout, landscape and buffering are subject to further review through the Town's standard construction site plan and platting process, and design review process.
  - Prior to the issuance of a building permit for any lot, the lot and building plan shall be reviewed through the Town's standard design review process.
  - No variance or waivers are approved. Construction site plan and building plans must be fully compliant with all Town zoning and design requirements.
- Town Planner Cornelius stated that we are fully aware of the concerns of the John's Landing neighborhood, and he is committed to working with the developer and the neighbors to come up with solutions that not only meet the town's code but most likely go beyond town code to come up with a win-win solution for both sides.

Town Commission discussion was as follows:

- Commissioner Polland asked what the lot sizes are for the adjacent lakefront lots?
  - Town Planner Cornelius said they are 1.5 acres, ½ acre, and .6 acres.
  - Kelly DeLattre, 716 Largovista Drive is an adjacent neighbor and said their lakefront is 138 lengthwise and did not like the proposed new development frontages of 80 feet.
  - Commissioner Ramos asked what is the average of the other lakefront sizes going east on the map?
  - Ed Durruthy said he does not have that information however there was one lot on the lakefront that was vacant that was comparable in size.
  - Commissioner Polland asked what the depth of those three lots are?
    - Ed Durruthy said 225-250 feet.
  - Kelly DeLattre, 716 Largovista Drive – those homes are going to be long and narrow. Her concern is the docks for these three homes. She feels like they are going to be on top of each other.
- Commissioner Ramos said that in the letter from the John's Landing Homeowners Association, they are asking for a boundary wall between the two communities. Is there already an existing wall there?

- Ed Durruthy said that he believes there is already one there, to what degree it exists, it is hard to say.
- Mayor Stark asked if we are even talking about the brick walls at this point and if not, let's keep the conversation to what we are looking for approval on.
- Town Manager Koontz said that John's Landing has asked for walls to be constructed as a buffer between the subdivisions. On the North side there is already existing the wrought iron fence with the brick monuments and what they are suggesting is buffering that with landscape rather than building a wall on the Bayview side.
- Mayor Stark asked if we are even discussing that tonight?
  - Town Manager Koontz said that is one of the considerations that John's Landing wanted to make sure was discussed as part of this moving forward.
  - Ed Durruthy said he wanted to bring it forward as full disclosure so that we are armed with as much information as possible to discuss it and see how we can solve it.
- Mayor Stark stated that at this point the developer is willing to discuss a wall however what that wall will look like is still to be determined.
  - Ed Durruthy said that they are willing to discuss a privacy buffer of some sort.
  - Mayor Stark asked when is the correct time to discuss the buffer?
  - Town Manager Koontz said at this time, the Town Commission is approving the preliminary subdivision plan with 20 lots based off of the diameter that the developer showed them. The next step in the process would be for the developer to come back with construction plans and with those construction plans the developer will provide a landscape plan. Staff will take that landscape plan and compare it with the code to make sure the landscape plan meets the code. Right now, this is straight zoning. What we need as staff is if the intent is to have additional conditions above that code, we need to make sure we are looking for that also which would include the buffers. If on the east side the Town Commission would want to see the same wrought iron fence and buffer, then staff needs to make sure we are looking for that in those construction plans. He stated that he does not believe there is anything between the two subdivisions on the east side.
- Kelly DeLattre, 716 Largovista Drive said that there is a wrought iron fence between her house and this property.
  - Town Manager Koontz thanked her for the information and then told the Town Commission that we are then looking for what they might want additionally on that side.
- Mayor Stark asked Ed Durruthy how they are going to allow residents to provide input because it is obvious that they want to.
  - Ed Durruthy said that he wanted to provide their presentation and then listen to what might be suggested.

- Mayor Stark said that could take some time.
- Ed Durruthy said that he doesn't think it should. It is rather easy; it is either a landscape buffer or some sort of hard fence.
- Town Manager Koontz said they were able to pull up sizes for the lakefront lots going east on the property appraiser's website, and they vary from 142 to 85 to 99 to 170 in width as the terrain varies.
  - Mayor Stark said that this should all be worked out at the staff level; this should not be coming to Town Commission like this.
  - Ed Durruthy said that there were some gaps in the process that they were trying to sure up as best as they can.
  - Vice Mayor Satterfield said that the part he wouldn't be ready to vote on tonight is the lakefront. He stated he is not comfortable at this point voting on the PSP with the discrepancy between lakefront lots and if that should be three or if somehow that needs to be cut down to two.
    - Mayor Stark she also does not feel she has enough information to vote on this tonight.
    - Ed Durruthy said that the Planning and Zoning Board approved the plan and staff has recommended approval, so he is not sure he understands the problem with the lots on the lake?
    - Town Manager Koontz said that this site is based on Neighborhood General so the 80-foot lots exceed the 70-foot requirement that the code calls for. Based on this the 80-foot lots are reasonable, and the town has approved 80 and 85-foot lots over on Lake Apopka with M/I Homes. There is some consistency here with the size of the lots. You can put docks on 80-foot lots and these lots are also on sewer, so you don't need the size to accommodate for septic like in John's Landing.
      - Mayor Stark said she just doesn't feel like this is buttoned up enough for the commission to make an informed decision without too many variables. Doesn't feel that P&Z should have pushed the project to the Town Commission in this condition.
      - Vice Mayor Satterfield said that P&Z might have thought it was buttoned up enough but as it comes to the Town Commission, it clearly is not.
        - Ed Durruthy asked what the path from here to buttoned up might be.
          - Mayor Stark that is a task for Town Manager Koontz to figure out with Town Planner Cornelius.
          - Ed Durruthy said that they have been following the process to get to this point.
          - Vice Mayor Satterfield said that they are not questioning if they have been following the process or not; they are just saying it is not enough for them.

- Mayor Stark said that this is not what they are used to getting at this point. There might have been issues that did not come up at whatever time they should have come up.
- Commissioner Polland asked if there is a swale and berm system on the lake frontage lots?
  - Engineers for the applicant said yes, there is.
- Mayor Stark said that she heard from John's Landing that the items that need to be followed up on are some sort of privacy barrier between the subdivisions and that will be for the developer and staff to work out; there is concern with lakefront width; and swale and berm will be per SJRWMD requirements and will be spelled out on the construction plans. The other question Mayor Stark has is if they are talking to U.S. Fish and Wildlife about eagles.

Mayor Stark opened the public hearing. Public comments were as follows:

- Charmain Porter, 527 Largovista Drive – John's Landing HOA President – John's Landing homes backing up to the entryway all have brick wall, they would like to see the same for the Bayview subdivision. The homes abutting the Bayview subdivision are custom homes and there is concern with privacy. There is also concern if Bayview tapping into the water line off Largovista will impact their water pressure. Increases in traffic along Remington Road and near John's Landing are also a concern.
- Gramey Brown, 630 Johns Landing Way – Wanted to know if there will be back process on the 2<sup>nd</sup> stories home facing Johns Landing. He does not want 2<sup>nd</sup> story porches overlooking Johns Landing.
  - Ed Durruthy said that he is not sure, that is still to be determined.
- Kelly DeLattre, 716 Largovista Drive – Concern with emergency vehicle access to the Bayview site. Also feels like if they flip the retention pond on the site map to the other side that it might help with neighbor concerns.
- Chris Moore, 809 Cura Court – Concern with garages opening to the entrance, would like to see continuity with the other side of the entrance.
  - Ed Durruthy feels this has been good feedback and that most of this is ahead of them. They are prepared to step this through.

Mayor Stark closed the public hearing.

**MOTION** was made by Commissioner Polland, seconded by Commissioner Ramos to table the Preliminary Subdivision Plan for Bayview at Johns Lake until a future date.

AYE: McMullen, Polland, Ramos, Satterfield, Stark

NAY: None

**Motion passed with a vote of 5 in favor; 0 opposed.**

**TOWN MANAGER REPORT:**

Town Manager Koontz said that he sent out a Turnpike Bridge Construction Alert from FDOT today. We are working on getting additional information however the notice said that the West Orange Trail bridge over Florida’s Turnpike would close on August 11, 2022, for approximately one year and during reconstruction the trail traffic would be detoured to the newly opened County Road 438/Oakland Avenue bridge. Please see attached flyer for additional information.

**COMMISSION REPORTS:**

Commissioner Ramos – Nothing additional to add.

Commissioner Polland – Nothing additional to add.

Commissioner McMullen – Asked the Town Commission to keep an eye out for the Tri-County League survey that should be coming out at the end of September. The survey is asking how they might get better participation from elected officials.

Vice Mayor Satterfield – Nothing additional to add.

Mayor Stark – Nothing additional to add.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Commissioner McMullen adjourned the meeting at 9:33 p.m.

TOWN OF OAKLAND:

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KATHY STARK, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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ELISE HUI, TOWN CLERK



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DATE: August 23, 2022

TO: Town Commission

FROM: Steve Koontz, Town Manager

Re: Approval for ability to sell alcoholic beverages and for a smoking section at the HAPCO/Ron Carter event

**BACKGROUND:**

The Town Code of Ordinances states that, "It shall be unlawful to consume alcoholic beverages or to display alcoholic beverages that are opened or unsealed and capable of being consumed in any public place within the town limits, except the town meeting hall complex when booked for wedding receptions, civic club affairs, holiday parties, etc. The town commission shall have the authority to extend this exception to specific town-sanctioned events such as wine and cheese tastings, or other such events that occur at the complex or on other public property."

The Ron Carter Trio will be headlining the free HAPCO Jazz Show on Saturday, Sept. 24 in Oakland. Ron Carter is a legendary jazz bassist who has performed all over the world and recorded over 2,500 albums. He has been a guiding influence in the world of music since he began his career in the early 1960s. He was a member of Miles Davis' now classic quintet from 1963-68, along with Herbie Hancock, Tony Williams and Wayne Shorter.

Partnering with a local beverage distributor, beer and wine will be sold for guests to enjoy while listening to musical acts. Proceeds from the sale of alcohol will benefit HAPCO MUSIC FOUNDATION. Alcoholic beverages will be allowed to be sold within the event hours of 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. and will be contained to the Meeting Hall and its grounds. An outdoor smoking section (cigars) will be set up outdoors on the Meeting Hall grounds, in accordance with local, state, and federal laws.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Town Commission approve the special exception for alcohol sales to the Code of Ordinances and allow a smoking section outdoors for the Sept. 24th Ron Carter event hosted by HAPCO MUSIC FOUNDATION.



Steve Koontz Town Manager  
Manager and Staff Reports

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DATE: August 23, 2022  
TO: Town Commission  
FROM: Steve Koontz, Town Manager  
SUBJECT: Town Manager Staff Report

**Principal Dwyer:**

**Important Dates:**

September 5 – Labor Day No School

**ONP Managing Director Hunt:**

Please see attached Nature Fest Flyer for upcoming event on Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Human Resources Director O’Neale:**

Please see attached August Employee Anniversary Report.

**Administrative Services and Communications Director Pappacoda:**

Please see attached the following:

- July 2022 Communications Report.
- Letter from Herbie Hancock expressing gratitude for the Town of Oakland’s participation in International Jazz Day 2022.
- Hispanic Heritage Exhibition Reception flyer for September 15 from 5-7 p.m.
- Upcoming Events flyer.

**Town Manager Koontz:**

The August Coffee with the Town Manager was held on August 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the Oakland Meeting Hall. Unfortunately, the featured speaker was unable to attend however it was still a good group attending and had good interaction. The September Coffee with the Town Manager will be held at the Healthy West Orange Arts and Heritage Center on Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

The Third and Final Session of Music on the Porch Summer Series will be held on Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup> from 3-6 p.m. on the porch of the Healthy West Orange Arts and Heritage Center.

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup> in observance of Labor Day.

The first September Town Commission Meeting will be on Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup> and will start at 6:30 with the Tentative Budget Hearing and 7:00 Regular Meeting. There will be no Town Commission Meeting on Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>.

Please visit [www.Oaklandfl.gov](http://www.Oaklandfl.gov) (Town News) for the latest news about the Town.

# Nature Fest at Oakland Nature Preserve



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24  
10AM-3PM**

**Wildlife Encounters  
Guided Hikes  
Food  
Lake Apopka Boat Tours**



**Children's Activities  
Merchants & Vendors  
Presentations  
...and much more!**



**OAKLAND NATURE  
PRESERVE**

**All proceeds support the  
Oakland Nature Preserve  
[www.OaklandNaturePreserve.org](http://www.OaklandNaturePreserve.org)**



# Town of Oakland

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August 4, 2022

To: Town of Oakland Commissioners

From: Naureen O'Neale, Human Resources Director

Re: Employment Anniversaries for August

The Town of Oakland truly values our employee's contributions to the community and residents. We sincerely appreciate you and thank you for all the work you do.

We would like to recognize the following employee anniversaries for the month of August:

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Years</u>
Bishop	Barbara	Food Service	16
Brouty	Joann	Instructional	16
Young	Margaret	Instructional	16
Keating	Melissa	Instructional	16
Kieffer	Karen	Guidance Counselor	16
Kohmetscher	Amanda	Instructional	16
Guarino	Mallory	Instructional	12
Stalker	Kimmarie M	Substitute	11
Murphy	Michele M	Instructional	11
Wanuck	Andrea	Instructional	10
Barragan	Sandra	Food Service	10
Parker	Michael K	Director, Public Works	10
Wessling	Natalie	Instructional	6
Bell-Miller	Serena	Speech	6
Zavada	Kyle	Instructional	5
Colon	Karen	Instructional	5
Hernandez	Holly	Instructional	4
Epi	Cahren	Paraprofessional	4
Tognini	Lera	Instructional	4
Scheirer	Cheryl	Instructional	3

Kelly	Carole Lynne	Instructional	3
Fisher	Roger	Police Officer	3
Puhr	Nicole	Instructional	2
Parmer	Melanie	Instructional	2
Williams	Tiffany	VPK	2
Delima	Eraina	VPK	2
Haines-Riiska	Cassandra	Instructional	2
Campbell	Caitlyn	Instructional	2
Perkins	Wendy	Instructional	2
Gant	Tracy	Instructional	2
Bertsch	Kiersten	Instructional	2
Berry	Lea	Nurse	2
Hilton	Amanda	VPK	1
Parker	Megan	Instructional	1
Tate	Kathleen	Instructional	1
Campbell	Brenda	Teachers Aide	1
Harms	Laurie	Instructional	1
Yeaman	Mary Elizabeth	Substitute	1
Ribeiro	Nicole	Police Officer	1
Lovejoy	Jessica	Event Planner	1



## News and Events



Coffee with the Town Manager was held at the Arts & Heritage Center on July 14, with eight people in attendance. It was the perfect backdrop for the meeting, and many stayed after to look at the new exhibit, Land, Water, Air and Old Town Road.



The Town has been working with vendor Hot Dog Therapy, hosting him several times over the last month.

He has become a popular fixture for Town staff, trail goers and local residents alike.

Our partnership is mutually beneficial, bringing additional visitors to the Center.

We have received positive feedback from the community.



**Visitor Count**

The visitor count for July 2022 was **214**. Unfortunately, Music on the Porch had to be canceled due to the musicians becoming ill. The Center was open on **three** Saturdays in July.



OAKLAND

## Natural Wonder

The town of Oakland once boasted an open house and thriving businesses in its budding downtown area. At one time, the town was the social and industrial hub of West Orange County, with railroad tracks that carried goods to and from other areas. The town which housed several Indian trading posts and villages around the 1840s, was officially established in 1882 when a meeting was called to incorporate the town with a list of 31 qualified voters.

James Gamble Spoor is credited for being the first railroad. He bought a large piece of land between two lakes, Appokey and Johns. In 1882, Spoor Park, at the northwest corner of Hubbard Street, and Piney Avenue is named for this person.

Peter A. Demmes was the first track in Spoor's time. Oakland was considered a loosely designated area between the two lakes and two or three miles east and west. Today, Oakland has close to 4,000 residents, living, playing, working and going to school within 2.4 square miles.

Oakland's population increased when the railroad system was extended through the area in the late 1890s. But as the railroad built about a decade later wiped out the business district, and an 1876-1880s developed all of the citrus groves. The railroad left because of a decline in business, and the town's economy took a major downturn.

After the town shifted back into an agricultural lifestyle following the freeze and fire, residents many of them descendants of the first settlers, once again enjoyed the quiet atmosphere and small town neighborhood that was its humble beginning.

The town limits stretched from Kilbuck to Hillsboro from 1906 to 1950, when Oakland officials voted to increase more than 800 acres, because it couldn't afford to serve the area.

The town seemed to stay at a midsize standstill for decades, until Oakland's mayor, commissioners, manager and town staff began working on a steady, wide growth plan.

Oakland started the process of bringing sewer to the town in 2003, which will allow for restaurants, hotels and other development along West Colonial Drive. In 2009, construction began on 100 stations, sewer lines and other aspects of the massive project with the assistance of grant monies and state funds totaling more than \$1.7 million. The town is now in its 139th year as a free city USA. It has a new Healthy West Orange Arts and Heritage Center and is working on its Spoor Park Master Plan. A roundabout is coming to the west end of Oakland Avenue to ease traffic congestion in the booming area.

### WELCOME TO OAKLAND

As the mayor of Oakland, it is my honor to welcome you to our unique town, beautifully situated among the oaks and between Mt. Appokey and Johns Lakes.

Oakland prides itself on its serene atmosphere since 1882. Recently, we've completed and undertaken new projects that will enhance the quality of life for existing and new residents. We move forward with an eye on the past.

For cyclists, walkers and joggers, the town is ideally located along the West Orange Trail. The Healthy West Orange Arts and Heritage Center at the town of Oakland, the West Orange Trailhead and the Oakland Nature Preserve are accessible via the trail, with additional trail spots in the works.

Our doors are always open, as we value communication and transparency. I encourage those interested to attend our Town Commission meetings and to get involved in the process by volunteering or joining a board. Contact us by dropping in at Town Hall, calling (407) 526-1332, visiting oakland.com or following our Facebook page at facebook.com/OaklandFL.

— Mayor Kathy Stark

### HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

**SPRING Celebration Among the Oaks.** This egg-citing springtime celebration includes a helicopter Easter egg drop, bubble machines, popping, ice and belly dancing with a final lighting in the heart keeping everyone on their feet.

**WINTER Light Up Oakland.** Gather with Oakland residents and members of the community to start the holiday season the right way with a final lighting in the heart of the town.

### LOCAL LEADERS

**Mayor Kathy Stark**  
Stark was first elected to serve the town of Oakland in 1994. Stark chaired the Town Square Initiative. For 20 years, she has served as board member of the West Orange Chamber of Commerce to represent the town of Oakland.

**Seat 1 Commissioner Rick Pollard**  
Pollard has been an Oakland resident since 2000 and has since served the community in many ways, including as a member of the Board of Directors for the Oakland Nature Preserve and Friends of Lake Appokey. He joined the Town Commission in 2015.

**Seat 2 Commissioner/Vice Mayor Mike Satterfield**  
Satterfield was first elected to the commission in 1998. As chair of the School Advisory Committee for Oakland Avenue Charter School, he has been named a winner of a 2020 Florida Charter Schools Champions Award. He also serves as a professional Santa Claus and volunteer at schools and with the library during the holidays.

**Seat 3 Commissioner Sal Ramos**  
Ramos first served on the town's Charter Commission, and in 2015 he was elected as a town commissioner. He is a board member of Metro-Plan Orlando's Municipal Advisory Committee and honorary board member of Central Florida Council Boys Scouts of America.

**Seat 4 Commissioner Joseph McMillan**  
McMillan has served the town in Seat 4 since 2006. He is the recipient of the Florida League of Cities' 2020 Home Rule Hero Award. In 2021, he was elected president of the Board of Directors of the Tri-County League of Cities and was appointed as the Florida League of Cities' vice chair of Land Use & Economic Development. He is the founder and chairman of the nonprofit HAPCO Music Foundation.

**Town Manager Stephen Koontz**  
Koontz was named town manager in 2020. He has two decades of local government experience, having worked for Orange and Lake counties, where he served as budget director and assistant county manager. Koontz's service with the town of Oakland has been the most diverse and satisfying of his career, with oversight and management of the Oakland Avenue Charter School, the Oakland Police Department, planning and growth-related activities, town administrative functions, and the water and wastewater utility.

### NOTABLE NAMES

**Judge James Gamble Spoor**, from South Carolina, moved to Oakland in 1858 to begin a farm and set up a post office in 1860. He negotiated the arrival of the Orange Belt Railway in 1886. Spoor Park is named for him.

**Peter A. Demmes**, of Russian ancestry, was the town's first mayor. He brought the Orange Belt Railroad into Oakland.

**Charles Frederic and Grace Mather Smith** came to the quiet town of Oakland from Chicago in 1910. They built the original West Orange Country Club — an estate is now Tucker Ranch — so she could hold social events. Grace Park is located near the Healthy West Orange Arts and Heritage Center at Oakland.

**Ernest Cleveland Tubb** moved to Oakland in 1937 and was appointed deputy clerk — and a month later, the clerk — in 1939. He served as superintendent of the water department, the streets and parks department, and sanitation, a volunteer fire chief, and the tax collector. He invested more than 20 years of service to the town. The Ernest Cleveland Tubb Fountain was dedicated in the center of town in 1977.

**William V. Nissen** came to Oakland in 1946 to teach in the black school. He was elected Oakland's first black commissioner in 1971.

**James Hardy Tisdler** came to Oakland to live with his grandfather, Judge Spoor. He is credited with planting the large oaks along Oakland Avenue.

**Robert and Jean Pollard** were among the first black people to settle in Oakland. They were farmers and owned property on what is now Pollard Street.

**Helen "Dewey" McKim** grew up in Oakland in the oldest house in Oakland. She was a registered nurse and owned Oakland Corner's Florist Shop, which operated out of the family garage starting in 1928. She was the first female mayor of Oakland and served three terms in the 1940s.

**SERVE WITH A SMILE**  
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(open 9am-5pm)  
DISABILITY: (800) 533-5000  
CISH Helpline: (800) 363-7898, Screenline: (407) 292-2000, CareLink: (888) 273-0989  
Fluoridation: Dale Energy: (407) 629-3040  
Fire: Orange County Fire Services: (407) 654-3636  
Public Hearing: (407) 654-3636  
Town: (407) 686-1337  
Treas: Advanced Disposal: (407) 464-0564  
Utilities (water, sewer): Oakland Water Department: (407) 526-1332, Ext. 2300

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### Town of Oakland

# of Posts: 30  
 New likes: 31  
 Followers: 2,155  
 Reach: 2,477 (-40.5%)  
 Page visits: 680  
 Top Post with 864 reach:



Town of Oakland, Florida

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Bring your appetite! Hot Dog Therapy is serving lunch alongside the trail near the [Healthy West Orange Arts and Heritage Center at the Town of Oakland](#) on Wednesday. Grab a bite and stop by the Center to see the new art and history exhibit - Old Town Road and Land, Water, Air!



### Healthy West Orange Arts & Heritage Center at the Town of Oakland

# of Posts: 35

Likes: 617 (+11)

Reach: 6,232 (-13%)

Top Post with 1,330 reach:





August 8, 2022

Ms. Gabby McGee  
Healthy West Orange Arts & Heritage Center  
Oakland, FL, USA

Dear Gabby:

On behalf of UNESCO and the Herbie Hancock Institute of Jazz, please accept my sincere gratitude and appreciation for your participation in International Jazz Day 2022.

This year's program took place amid global uncertainty, humanitarian crises and economic upheaval, which tragically threaten to undermine the steady progress the world has made in recovering and emerging from the pandemic.

Yet the International Jazz Day family refused to allow its celebrations to be overshadowed. In 2022, artists and organizers in more than 180 countries mobilized their local communities like never before on April 30, with historic town squares, museums, restaurants, schools, concert halls and even trains, vineyards, parks and back patios brought to life with live music, learning and discussions about jazz.

Virtual events continued, as many organizers leveraged the miraculous technology developed and refined throughout the pandemic to reach further and share their music with more people around the world. Online and hybrid celebrations continued to play an important role in showcasing the vision of global unity that is at the heart of International Jazz Day. We are proud that the 2022 All-Star Global Concert webcast reached more than 30 million viewers on YouTube and Facebook alone.

Citywide, national and regional celebrations from South America to Central Africa to Europe and Asia saw people and institutions at all levels of civil society mobilize to show their solidarity with International Jazz Day and its message of hope. These and other programs engaged with a diversity of issues, from helping those impacted by conflict to supporting the food insecure to raising awareness of environmental degradation.

Despite the many difficulties so many across the globe still face, these accomplishments give me a sense of optimism. With music and open, respectful dialogue in our toolbox, I am confident that together we can weather any obstacle.

Thank you once again for your steadfast support for International Jazz Day. We look forward to your continued participation next year on April 30. In the meantime, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us at [outreach@jazzday.com](mailto:outreach@jazzday.com).

Sincerely,

Herbie Hancock  
UNESCO Goodwill Ambassador  
for Intercultural Dialogue

HEALTHY WEST ORANGE

# ARTS AND HERITAGE CENTER

126 Petris Avenue, Oakland, FL

AT THE TOWN OF OAKLAND

# MEET THE ARTISTS

## HISPANIC HERITAGE EXHIBITION RECEPTION



La Florida

Celebrating Florida's  
Hispanic Heritage

Celebrando la Herencia  
Hispana de Florida

September 15  
5-7pm

- Live contemporary flamenco music - Don Soledad Trio
- Latin American street food truck - Street Fusion
- Themed treats for purchase - West Orange Creamery

HEALTHY WEST ORANGE  
**ARTS AND HERITAGE CENTER**

AT THE TOWN OF OAKLAND

*Events*

**4TH  
FRIDAYS**  
3 - 6 p.m.

**Music on the Porch**

Join us every 4th Friday of the month to enjoy a live concert on the porch of the Healthy West Orange Arts and Heritage Center.

**SATURDAYS**

**Yoga at the Lake**

This gentle Hatha yoga is perfect for beginners and all levels at the Healthy West Orange Boardwalk Lake Pavilion. Pre-registration required.

June  
**17-26**

Aug

**Old Town Road + Land, Air, Water Exhibitions**

Explore Oakland's history as the industrial and social hub of Orange County beginning more than 130 years ago through its streets, named after pioneers, politicians, and peers. Also featuring local artists to the theme of motion through land, water, and air.

Sept  
**15**  
5 - 7 p.m.

**La Florida: Celebrating Florida's Hispanic Heritage**

Celebrate with us at the opening reception for our annual Hispanic Heritage Month art and history exhibition, open through November 2.

Sept  
**24**  
10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**Nature Fest**

Join us for our very first Nature Fest at Oakland Nature Preserve! Enjoy meeting members of the environmental community, participate in animal interactions and guided hikes, learn more at interesting presentations, and much, much more!

Sept  
**24**  
7 - 9 p.m.

**Ron Carter Trio - HAPCO Jazz Show**

This free concert on the lawn of Oakland's Historic Town Hall features the most-recorded jazz bassist in history, three-time Grammy award winner Ron Carter. Also performing: UCF's Flying Horse Big Band, and the Orlando Youth Chamber Ensemble. Food trucks will be available.



For more information, visit:

[oaklandfl.gov](http://oaklandfl.gov)



[oaklandnaturepreserve.wildapricot.org](http://oaklandnaturepreserve.wildapricot.org)