

**BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
July 28, 2026**

The Business Meeting of the Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, July 28, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., in City Hall, City Council Chambers, 9199 - 113th Street North, Seminole, Florida.

Mayor Waters called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Leslie Waters provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT

Mayor Leslie Waters, Vice Mayor Chris Burke, Councilor Thom Barnhorn, Councilor Ray Beliveau, Councilor Al Shields, Councilor Trish Springer, Councilor Kadi Hendricks Tubbs, City Manager Ann Toney-Deal, Attorney Tom Trask substituting for City Attorney Jay Daigneault, and City Clerk Ann Marie Mancuso. Not Present: City Attorney Jay Daigneault.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Purple Heart Proclamation.

Councilor Beliveau read a Purple Heart Month Proclamation which designated August as "Purple Heart Month" in the City of Seminole.

B. Audit Presentation by Peter Schatzel, CPA, Partner at Wells, Houser & Schatzel, P.A.

Peter Schatzel of Wells, Houser & Schatzel presented the 2024-2025 City of Seminole Audit Highlights. Mr. Schatzel stated that the accounting records were accurate and in very good order, and he received full cooperation and support from all of the City's staff. The City maintained a very sound financial condition. He also stated that the City of Seminole is a well administered City with no debt and is current on all obligations.

C. Recognition of Division Chief Robert Williams for obtaining his Executive Fire Officer Certification from the National Fire Academy.

Assistant Fire Chief Bill Morelli recognized Division Chief Robert Williams for obtaining his Executive Fire Officer Certification from the National Fire Academy.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Business Meeting Minutes: July 14, 2026.
- B. Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes: July 17, 2026.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Springer to approve item numbers 2.A. and 2. B. of the Consent Agenda.

Councilor Beliveau asked to remove item 2. B. of the Consent Agenda for further discussion. Councilor Beliveau stated that there was a position in the City Manager's budget for a Public Policy Intern. The discussion at the budget workshop was to eliminate this position. There was discussion on where to assign the money for this position, however, the discussion was not reflected in the minutes.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the minutes are action minutes and staff was not given direction by Council to assign this money. City Manager Toney-Deal suggested that the minutes be approved as presented, and Councilor Beliveau bring the subject up under Old Business.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Tentative FY27 Ad Valorem Tax Rate for TRIM Notice.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the millage rate was presented at the budget workshop and staff is recommending the rate to remain at 2.4793.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Beliveau establish a proposed millage rate of 2.4793 for Fiscal Year 2027 and schedule Public hearings for millage rate and budget adoption on Wednesday, September 9, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. and Wednesday, September 23, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. with the respective Council business meeting to follow.

Roll Call

Mayor Waters	AYE
Vice Mayor Burke	AYE
Councilor Barnhorn	AYE
Councilor Beliveau	AYE
Councilor Shields	AYE
Councilor Springer	AYE
Councilor Hendricks Tubbs	AYE

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. Resolution No. 04-2026: A Resolution of the City of Seminole, Florida Updating the Building Permit Fee Schedule.

City Clerk Mancuso read Resolution No. 04-2026 by title only.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the language in the Resolution was changed from what was originally sent to Council, to reflect the correct charges. The Resolution complies with House Bill 803, which has been codified into Florida Statutes.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Barnhorn to adopt Resolution No. 04-2026.

Roll Call

Mayor Waters	AYE
Vice Mayor Burke	AYE
Councilor Barnhorn	AYE
Councilor Beliveau	AYE
Councilor Shields	AYE
Councilor Springer	AYE
Councilor Hendricks Tubbs	AYE

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. Fiscal Year 2025 Audit and Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR)

City Manager Toney-Deal stated this item was the adoption of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report that Council received in advance of the meeting and what Mr. Schatzel presented in his Audit report.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Hendricks Tubbs to approve the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2025.

Roll Call

Mayor Waters	AYE
Vice Mayor Burke	AYE
Councilor Barnhorn	AYE
Councilor Beliveau	AYE
Councilor Shields	AYE
Councilor Springer	AYE
Councilor Hendricks Tubbs	AYE

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

D. Supervisor of Elections Contract.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that provided more than two (2) people qualify to run for the two Council seats, there will be a City election. The City Clerk coordinates the election with the Supervisor of Elections Office, and staff is recommending its approval, along with payment for said election.

Motion made by Councilor Springer, seconded by Councilor Beliveau to authorize the City Manager to execute the contract with the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections to conduct the November 3, 2026, City of Seminole Municipal Election, and authorize payment of the invoice for said election in an amount of \$1,566.10.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

A. Resolution No. 05-2026: Appointing Assistant City Attorneys.

City Clerk Mancuso read Resolution No. 05-2026 by title only.

Attorney Tom Trask stated that previous Assistant City Attorney Jeremy Simon is no longer with the Trask Daigneault Law Firm, therefore, Resolution No. 05-2026 seeks to appoint Board Certified Attorneys Thomas J. Trask and Nancy S. Meyer as Assistant City Attorneys for the City of Seminole.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Springer to approve Resolution No. 05-2026.

Roll Call

Mayor Waters	AYE
Vice Mayor Burke	AYE
Councilor Barnhorn	AYE
Councilor Beliveau	AYE
Councilor Shields	AYE
Councilor Springer	AYE
Councilor Hendricks Tubbs	AYE

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. CITY MANAGER REPORT

A. City Participation in Pinellas County Urban County Cooperation Agreement.

City Manager Toney-Deal explained that the agreement is a Community Development

Block Grant Program between Pinellas County and the City that allows them to pool their respective populations and qualify for federal housing and community development funds as a single unit. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the last agreement was signed in 2014.

It was the consensus of the Council to continue this agreement and authorize the City Manager to sign said agreement.

B. Update on Intersection of Seminole and Park Boulevard.

City Manager Toney-Deal shared “before and after renderings” of Park and Seminole Boulevard which is currently under construction by Pinellas County. She stated that the right lane turning north onto Seminole Boulevard from Park Boulevard will now become a hard right turn; the lane will remain, however, the transitional turn will be eliminated for the addition of the mast arm for the signal light. The tentative date for completion is November 20, 2026.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Councilor Beliveau inquired as to when the next meeting will be held for the Waterfront Park project of the Veterans recognition site. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that Public Works Director Rodney Due is coordinating with the engineer and contractor and will update us.

City Manager Toney-Deal also announced that after the next Council meeting, there will be a workshop on the City’s Classification and Compensation Plan. Ms. Toney-Deal also stated that if the engineer and contractor have the drawings and proposal complete, we can possibly have a meeting to update on the Veterans project that evening as well.

Councilor Beliveau inquired about revising the Strategic Plan. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that Recreation Director Becky Gunter has a draft update which, when finalized, will be given to Council. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that an update rather than a revision will be given, as the budget and the strategic plan have been planned in unison.

Councilor Beliveau made a motion to move the funds for the Public Policy Intern to the Public Works Department for a Senior Management Position. City Manager Toney-Deal did not recommend any new staff positions be added until after the November Election, to see the outcome of Amendment 3 on the Ballot. City Manager Toney-Deal also reminded Council that they can move that money any time during the year. Councilor Beliveau was in agreement. No action was taken on the motion was needed.

Councilor Hendricks Tubbs inquired as to whether the State of the City PowerPoint presentation could be posted on the website. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the City will be launching a new website at the end of the week, so she would like to put a pause on posting any new material until the new website is launched to review currently scheduled postings.

Vice Mayor Burke asked for an update on the Gazebo at Waterfront Park. Public Works Director Rodney Due stated that next Tuesday, the contractor is scheduled to mobilize, and they will begin to deliver materials on August 7, 2026.

Vice Mayor Burke inquired as to the number of calls of service that the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office receives for issues at Valor Preserve. City Manager Toney-Deal will put an inquiry with Community Policing Officer Travis Stanton and get back to Council.

7. NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Waters inquired about whether the City has any flock cameras. Vice Mayor Burke stated that even if the City does, the City has no control, as Pinellas County installs the cameras.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:21 p.m.

Date Approved: August 11, 2026

Ann Marie Mancuso

Minutes prepared by City Clerk
Ann Marie Mancuso, MMC

Leslie Waters
Leslie Waters, Mayor

