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Manatee County Administration Building
Honorable Patricia M. Glass Chambers, First Floor
1112 Manatee Avenue West, Bradenton
9:00 AM - April 21, 2026

See attached Update Memo Version 2 dated 4/14/26

SECOND REVISED Board of County Commissioners Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting Tuesday, April 21, 2026 - Regular Meeting

This meeting can be viewed live on <https://www.mymanatee.org/services-and-amenities/service-listing/service-details/watch-live-county-meetings> and on Manatee Government Access (MGA) Spectrum Channel 644, Frontier Channel 30, and Comcast Channel 20 (within Manatee County).

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A. CALL TO ORDER

B. INVOCATION (The Commission does not endorse the religious beliefs of any speaker.)

Invocation led by Pastor Burnard Scott, Bayside Community Church, East Campus

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

D. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Generic Public Comments

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E. PORT AUTHORITY

The consent and regular agenda items for any Port Authority meeting are set forth in the Port Authority meeting agenda materials as supplied by Port Manatee staff prior to and at the commencement of the meeting of the Port Authority.

Port Authority Meeting Agenda for April 21, 2026

F. AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

Awards

Proclamations (Motion required to adopt proclamations)

1. 100th Anniversary of Cox Chevrolet
2. Autism Awareness Month
3. National Hospital Week
4. National Library Week
5. National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

G. REQUESTS BY COMMISSIONERS (Items to be pulled from Consent Agenda)

Items removed from the Consent Agenda will be taken up for discussion and vote following the approval of the Consent Agenda.

H. CITIZEN COMMENTS (Consent Agenda Items Only)

Each person wishing to speak to Consent Agenda items will be limited to three (3) minutes per item; provided, however, that each person will be limited to speaking for a total of ten (10) minutes regardless of the number of items being discussed.

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Clerk of Circuit Court

6. Approval of the Clerk's Consent Agenda dated April 21, 2026

Attorney

7. Proposal for Settlement in the Amount of \$50,000.00 in Manatee County Circuit Court Case, Patrick Henry v. Manatee County, Case No. 2025-CA-00989-AX **Monahan**
8. Proposal for Settlement from Manatee County to Plaintiff in the Amount of \$35,000.00 in Manatee County Circuit Court Case, Thomas Eppich v. Manatee County and City of Holmes Beach, Case No. 2025-CA-000742. **Stratton**

Community and Veterans Services

9. Execution of Amendment 001 to the 25/26 Emergency Home Energy Assistance for the Elderly Program Agreement with Senior Connection Center, Inc., Tracie Adams, Deputy Director of CVS - Countywide

Financial Management

10. Adoption of Budget Amendment Resolution B-26-062 and Budget Amendment Resolution B-26-068 for Infrastructure Sales Tax, Claudia Campos, Interim Chief Financial Officer
11. Adoption of Resolution R-26-050, requesting the State of Florida Department of Revenue to disclose certain information relating to the Florida Tax on Sales, Claudia Campos, Interim Chief Financial Officer - Countywide
12. Adoption of Resolution R-26-041, providing for Budget Submission Date for Certain Constitutional Officers, Claudia Campos, Interim Chief Financial Officer
13. Authorization to allocate additional departmental budgeted funding to Agreement No. 22-R078489BB for Manatee County Area Transit (MCAT) Onboard Camera System, Kevin Hoyt, Transit Division Manager - Countywide
14. Authorization to Allocate additional departmental budgeted funding to Agreement No. 25-TA005947RB for Stormwater Discharge Maintenance Program, Kenneth Kohn, Senior Project Engineer - Countywide
15. Authorization to Allocate Additional Departmental Budgeted Funding to Agreement No. 23-R081406SB for Marine Turtle Nest and Shore Bird Survey Monitoring and Relocation Services, Charlie Hunsicker, Director of Natural Resources, District 3
16. Execution of Agreement No. 25-TA005878SAM Professional Engineering Design Services for 15th Street East / 301 Boulevard East from south of 63rd Avenue south to south of 51st Avenue Drive Intersection, Eddy Zappacosta, Project Manager - District 2
17. Execution of Agreement No. 26-R089354LP for Satellite Lift Station R&R 2026 Group 1, Patrick Shea, Utilities Director – Countywide
18. Execution of Agreement No. 26-R089722LP for Washington Park Cap Fill, Michael Elswick, Division Manager – District 2
19. Execution of Change Order No. 1 to Agreement No. 23-TA004893DJ for Master Lift Station 1D Electrical Rehabilitation, Patrick Shea, Utilities Director – District 3

Property Management

20. Acceptance and Recording of Permanent Utilities Easement from DRP Multistate 1, LLC, for property located at 5330 Riversong Parkway, Parrish, Florida 34219, Peter Morrow, Property Acquisition Division Manager – District 1
21. Acceptance and Recording of Permanent Utilities Easement from CNL Parrish Lakes West, LLC, for a property located at 7725 Moccasin Wallow Road, Parrish, Florida 34219, Peter Morrow, Property Acquisition Division Manager - District 1

22. Adoption of Resolution R-26-042, declaring a public hearing on June 2, 2026, to vacate two portions of right-of-way located at 7104 9th Avenue Northwest, Bradenton, Florida 34209, Peter Morrow, Property Acquisition Division Manager – District 3 **Welch**
23. Execution and Recording of Temporary Construction Easement to the Manatee County Port Authority for the Manatee Harbor, Florida Navigation Project for property located at Harlee Road, Palmetto, Florida 34221, Peter Morrow, Property Acquisition Division Manager – District 1

Public Safety

24. Adoption of Budget Amendment Resolution B-26-062 and Approval to Purchase Rip Current Simulator, Chet Brown, Chief of Beach Patrol and Aquatic Safety - Countywide
25. Execution of 2025-2026 Suncoast Remake Learning Days Letter of Agreement with The Patterson Foundation and Acceptance of Event Stipend, James Crutchfield, Deputy Director of Public Safety - Countywide **Snyderman**

Public Works

26. Execution of Cooperative Funding Agreement No. 26CF004890 with Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) for the Lake Manatee Watershed Management Plan Project Q421, Kenneth Kohn, Senior Project Engineer - District 1 **Stratton**

Sports & Leisure Services

27. Adoption of Resolution R-26-015, renaming Post Boulevard to Premier Sports Boulevard, Molly White, Director, Sports and Leisure Services - District 5 **D'Agostino**
28. Execution of Seven Agreements with The Friends Groups of Manatee County Library, Molly White, Director, Sports and Leisure Services - Countywide **Welch**

Utilities

29. Authorization to Write off Bad Debts of the Utilities Department, Patrick Shea, Utilities Director

J. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

K. CITIZEN COMMENTS (Consideration for Future Agenda Items - 30 Minute Time Limit)

Each person will be limited to three (3) minutes. If the thirty (30) minute time period has been exhausted, the Board will entertain any remaining comments near the end of the meeting with the same three (3) minute per person time limitation.

L. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

M. ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARINGS - LEGISLATIVE

Presentations Upon Request

30. Adoption of Resolution R-26-046, approval of changes to the Infrastructure Sales Tax Project and Equipment List to remove one (1) project in the Parks and Community Facilities Category, and Budget Amendment Resolution B-26-070, Claudia Campos, Interim Chief Financial Officer - Multi-Districts
31. Execution of the Approval of Tampa General Hospital Aeromed's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN) Application Renewal Letter, Sean Dwyer, EMS Chief - All Districts

N. REGULAR

Government Relations

32. Adoption of Resolution R-26-048, approving development of a Model Manatee County Government Civics Education Program, Brent Anderson, Government Relations Manager ***D'Agostino***
33. Update of progress on Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Grant and Lasting Manatee Program, Robert Burke, Business Services Manager, and Edrick Sweeting, Grant Supervisor

Natural Resources

34. Execution of Temporary Use Agreements (TUA) BOT No. 410337453 and BOT No. 410140533 to allow Manatee County to continue to use the sovereign lands and water column adjacent to the Cortez Marina located at 4334 127th St. W., Manatee County, Florida, Charlie Hunsicker, Natural Resources Director - District 3 ***Hodges***

Property Management

35. Adoption of Resolution R-26-025, and Execution of Lease Agreement with Friends of the Pelicans, Inc., for the property located at the Palmetto Animal Shelter, 305 25th Street West, Palmetto, Florida 34221, Peter Morrow, Property Acquisition Division Manager - District 2 ***Hodges***

O. REPORTS

Development Services

36. Report on Environmental Compliance Field Solutions - follow up to Agenda Item #50 on April 7, 2026, Nicole Knapp, Development Services Director, and Charlie Hunsicker, Natural Resources Director - District 1

P. COMMISSIONER AGENDA ITEMS

Items for Discussion

37. Update on the Movement of the Dogs to the Bishop and Jail facilities
38. County Administrator Contract Renewal
39. Dismissal of Trespass Charges at Bishop Kennel Facility
40. Reconsideration of No Through Truck Traffic designation on 37th Street East
41. No Compression Release Braking Signage

Q. CITIZEN COMMENTS (Continuation of Consideration for Future Agenda Items, if needed)

R. COUNTY ATTORNEY COMMENTS

S. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS

T. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

U. ADJOURN

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The Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County and the Manatee County Port Authority may elect not to convene, if no business is scheduled; however, each reserves the right to take action on any matter during its meeting, including items not set forth within this agenda. The Chair of each governing body at his/her option may take business out of order if he/she determines that such a change in the schedule will expedite the business of the governing body.

All public comment on quasi-judicial agenda items is required to be under oath and must occur at a duly noticed public hearing. The Citizens' Comments portion of the agenda is not an advertised public hearing, and no comments on quasi-judicial agenda items are authorized during the Citizens' Comments portion of the agenda.

PUBLIC NOTICE: According to Florida Statutes, Section 286.0105, any person desiring to appeal any decision made by the Board of County Commissioners (or the other entities that are meeting) with respect to any matter considered at said public hearing/meeting will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purposes may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.



April 21, 2026 - Regular Meeting

Subject

Updates to Agenda - April 14, 2026 Version 2

Category

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Bobbi Roy, Agenda Division Supervisor, ext 6878

Action Requested

Updates incorporated appropriately

Enabling/Regulating Authority

N/A

Applicable Advisory Board

N/A

Background Discussion

Below are agenda updates(dated April 14, 2026 Version 2) for the meeting of April 21, 2026.

37. Update on the Movement of the Dogs to the Bishop and Jail facilities

The following changes to the background and discussion:

With the Administrator absence at the last meeting, questions remained unanswered for the movement of the dogs. The Commission voted to have a complete update at the next BOCC meeting. This update did not appear of the preliminary draft of the April 21st meeting. The following motion passed unanimously as the last meeting.

48. Motion to direct staff to provide detailed information on how many dogs were moved, when were they moved, who directed the move, who is doing the evaluations on the dogs prior to the move, what evaluation were completed post move.

38. County Administrator Contract Renewal

The following language added to the Background and Discussion:

FINDINGS AND JUSTIFICATION:

- Election Year: 2026 is an election year in Manatee County Florida. Four seats are up for election at the BOCC. The County Administrator's contract is due to renew on August 8, 2026. The primary election is only 10 days later, August 18, 2026.
- Board Continuity: The current Board recognizes that the selection and retention of a County Administrator is one of the most significant policy decisions a governing body makes. Extending the current contract through the end of the calendar year ensures that the seated Board following the upcoming election cycle has the direct authority to negotiate and vote on a long-term agreement.
- Operational Stability: This extension prevents a lapse in leadership during the transition period, ensuring that county operations, department management, and ongoing capital projects continue without interruption.
- Fiduciary Responsibility: By maintaining the current "status quo" terms for the remainder of the year, the Board avoids committing the County to long-term financial obligations or structural changes immediately prior to a shift in Board composition.

FISCAL IMPACT: Funding for this extension will be accounted for within this Fiscal Budget.

39. Dismissal of Trespass Charges at Bishop Kennel Facility

The following language added to Background/Discussion:

A vote was previously taken by the County Commission to continue charges despite Charlie Bishop, the County Administrator, stating for the County and its vendors to drop the felony trespass charges, the Commission has the authority by vote to direct the County and its vendors to "drop" the charges. The investigation revealed that the elements of a felony were not present and first-degree misdemeanor charges were presented. The individuals were Summoned to appear on 5/6/2026 at 9 am.

Note: If a complainant drops charges for misdemeanor trespass in Florida, the charges are not automatically dismissed. Because the State, not the victim, prosecutes crimes, the State Attorney has the final authority to continue or drop the case. However, a victim's request to drop charges is highly persuasive and often leads to dismissal.

The specific charge states, "Trespass to dwelling -"entered and remained with the intent to commit an offense thereon."

Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Instructions to Board Records

N/A

Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

N/A

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

N/A