



Proclamation

Board of County Commissioners
Manatee County, Florida

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, that September 18, 2026, shall be known, designated, and set aside as

POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

in Manatee County, Florida.

ADOPTED with a quorum present and voting this Tuesday, September 22, 2026.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Tal Siddique

Tal Siddique, Chairperson



September 22, 2026 - Regular Meeting

Subject

POW/MIA Recognition Day

Category

AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Board of County Commissioners

Action Requested

Adoption of Proclamation designating September 18, 2026, as "POW/MIA Recognition Day".

Enabling/Regulating Authority

None

Background Discussion

The Knights of Columbus Assembly #3192, based in Lakewood Ranch, is the Patriotic arm of the order and a local chapter of the international Catholic men's fraternal organization of 1.8M members known for its principles of charity, unity, fraternity, and Patriotism. With over 200 members in this Assembly and 440 members in the Council, it actively supports Veterans and partners with numerous Veterans organizations such as Turning Points Veteran assistance services, Tunnel to Towers, Dogs Inc.'s Veterans program, Sarasota National Cemetery Mass celebrations, and Habitat for Humanity's Veterans program in Manatee County to mention just a few. The Assembly also sponsors community initiatives and national Patriotic holidays, including the recognition of September 16th as POWs and MIA Heroes Day.

Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Instructions to Board Records

None

Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

N/A

See attached agenda update memo 9.17.26

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs – N/A



September 22, 2026 - Regular Meeting

Subject

Updates to Agenda - September 17, 2026

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 9/17/26) for the meeting of September 22, 2026:

AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamations

Item 1, POW/MIA Recognition Month Day

- This agenda item was updated to reflect that it will be presented.

Item 3, Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month

- This agenda item was updated to reflect that it will not be presented.

GENERIC PUBLIC COMMENTS

- This agenda item was updated with additional comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

Clerk of Circuit Court

Item 5, Approval of the Clerk's Consent Agenda dated September 22, 2026.

- This agenda item was updated with the revised Clerk's Consent Calendar and Minutes for September 1, 2026.

Community and Veterans Services

Item 7, Adoption of Resolution R-26-124, authorizing Submission and Acceptance of the FY 2026 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Local Formula Award for Manatee County Sheriff's Office Public Safety Needs, Dr. Renese M. Remy, Criminal Justice Policy Coordinator - Countywide

- This agenda item was updated to include the Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government.

Item 8, Adoption of Resolution R-26-125, amending the 2024–2027 Local Housing Assistance Plan to Add a Mobile/Manufactured Housing Strategy Required by Chapter 2026-173, Laws of Florida (SB 594), Deborah Ash, Housing and Community Development Coordinator

- This agenda item was updated with revised Resolution R-26-125, which deleted reference(s) to Exhibit E.

Item 10, Adoption of Resolution R-26-132 on behalf of the Housing Finance Authority of Manatee County (the "Authority"), approving the issuance within the meaning of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, of the Authority's Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds (Lotus Vyne Project), in the principal amount of not to exceed \$71,775,045 (the "Bonds"), Angela Abbott, Housing Finance Authority Attorney

- This agenda item was updated with revised Cover Sheet in strikethrough / underline format and Resolution R-26-132.

Property Management

Item 29, Adoption of Budget Amendment Resolution B-26-112; and Execution of Deed of Rural Lands Protection Easement for Mossy Island Ranch in Partnership with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Rural and Family Lands Protection Program, Kara Koenig, Environmental Lands Program Section Manager - District 1

- This agenda item was updated with revised Deed of Rural Lands Protection Easement for Mossy Island Ranch.

Item 30, Adoption of Budget Amendment Resolution B-26-113; and Execution of Deed of Rural Lands Protection Easement for Thundercloud Ranch in Partnership with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Rural and Family Lands Protection Program, Kara Koenig, Environmental Lands Program Section Manager - District 1

- This agenda item was updated with revised Deed of Rural Lands Protection Easement for Thundercloud Ranch.

Public Safety

Item 35, Adoption of Resolution R-26-123, authorizing the Public Safety Department to Participate in the Intergovernmental Transfer Program with the State of Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Sean Dwyer, Chief of Emergency Medical Services – Countywide

- This agenda item was updated with finalized Resolution R-26-123 with Exhibit A, Form of Agreement Public Emergency Medical Transportation Letter of Agreement and Cover Sheet in strikethrough/underline format.

Item 36, Adoption of Resolution R-26-128, Low Income Pool and Graduate Medical Education Program Funding - Thu Le, Health Information Services Manager – Countywide

- This agenda item was updated to revise the Cover Sheet in strikethrough / underline format; and add Resolution R-26-128, Low Income Pool Letter of Agreements for MCR Health and Centerstone, and Graduate Medical Education Letter of Agreement for Centerstone.

ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARINGS - LEGISLATIVE

Presentations Scheduled

Item 45, Adoption of Ordinance 26-36, regulating Simulated Gambling Devices and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), Tom Wooten, Code Enforcement Chief - Countywide

- This agenda item was updated to change the presenter from Tom Wooten, Code Enforcement Chief, to Stephanie Charles, Development Services Deputy Director.

Item 46, Adoption of Ordinance 26-42, Data Center Moratorium - PLN2609-0022 - Legislative - Jay Stearman, Planner I - Countywide

An Ordinance Manatee County, Florida establishing a temporary moratorium on the submission and acceptance of applications for building permits, site plans, development orders, development agreements, special permit uses, rezonings, and comprehensive plan amendments related to data centers, large-scale data centers and other large load customers within unincorporated Manatee County; providing for authority; legislative findings of fact; temporary moratorium imposed; duration of temporary moratorium; providing for severability; and an effective date.

- This agenda item was updated with the Affidavit of Publishing, Revised Ordinance 26-42 and public comments.

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Property Management

Item 49, Execution of License Agreement with Sema Construction, Inc., Concerning a Portion of the County Property located in Cortez, Florida 34215, Peter Morrow, Property Acquisition Division Manager - District 3

- This agenda item was deferred to October 6, 2026.

Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Instructions to Board Records

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