

Commissioner Wilson's District 1 Newsletter

Take a closer look at Tuesday's
Board of County Commissioners
meeting



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Hey West Orange County,

The heat of June is officially here, so happy Pride Month, happy Juneteenth, and happy summer! We have plenty of updates in store, including a preview of tomorrow's Board of County Commissioners meeting. If you're planning on attending or following along, please note that this particular meeting will begin start later than usual. The start time is set for 1:30 p.m. instead of the standard 9 a.m.

As always, follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for daily updates on all things West Orange County, and feel free to reach out to us at district1@ocfl.net. We would love to hear from you.

Certain apps may cut off the end of this email, so **If you're using Gmail, make sure you click the ellipses at the bottom of the newsletter to view the rest of it.**

What We've Been Up To



We visited a site near St. Cloud where wells are being constructed to reach a more



Celebrating the approval of [Vision 2050](#), a set of long-needed updates to Orange County's

abundant and sustainable water supply! My friend Deb, Director of Engineering with the Toho Water Authority, was kind enough to show us around. Deb and I work together on the Water Co-op of Central Florida (WCCF), which is a collaborative effort to develop a regional approach to conserving our priceless water resources while still planning for future needs.



Last week's D1 Day of Service was spent helping out with a [Central Florida Diaper Bank](#) Mobile Distribution in Winter Garden! On the second Monday of every month, you can find the CF Diaper Bank providing essential supplies to our local families at the county's West Orange Neighborhood Center for Families.



At this year's State of the County Address, Mayor Demings highlighted many of the people, ideas, and initiatives that make me proud to sit on our Board of County Commissioners. [Click here](#) to watch the full address! See more on this below.

Comprehensive Plan!

Vision 2050 is a living document that lays out a smarter, more sustainable future for Orange County. Less building outward means less strain on our existing residents, our infrastructure, and our environment. Thank you the countless staff members and residents who have provided input over the years!



I was honored to speak at a planning session for the Family Justice Center, Orange County's first survivor-centered hub that will bring critical services for victims of domestic violence under one roof. This work arose from Orange County's Domestic Violence Commission, and wouldn't be possible without [Harbor House](#) and other local partners working to turn this life-saving vision into reality.



I continue to question the legality of the "agreements" forcing local cooperation with ICE. Last week, I [joined other leaders](#) in support of Beverly Juarez, who must care for her three siblings after her parents, longtime local residents, [were detained](#). The constitutional rights of our residents are non-

negotiable, and I will continue fighting to protect them.



At last week's State of the County address, PIO Amanda Dukes put together this awesome segment to highlight our work with the Four Corners Commissioners Task Force! I collaborate with commissioners from Osceola, Lake, and Polk counties on issues common to the area where our counties converge.

Very soon, we will be launching an address search website for the Four Corners area. Residents will be able to quickly find the county services available to them! Orange County's GIS team has joined us at these Task Force meetings as we narrowed down the tools that will be most useful for people living in the Four Corners area. Keep an eye out for the link this month!

On Your Radar

PROTECT OUR WATERWAYS
and everyone in them!
NO NITROGEN FERTILIZER
June 1 through September 30

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REMINDER: Orange County's seasonal fertilizer ban is in effect!

Through September, refrain from applying any fertilizers containing nitrogen or phosphorous. These nutrients run into our waterways, causing algae blooms and water quality issues that have proven to be destructive to our environment.

Passing a strong fertilizer ordinance in 2022 was a huge victory for our wildlife!

[Click here to learn more.](#)

We all have ideas on how to improve transportation in Central Florida

Share your comments on the TIP by July 7, 2025



The MetroPlan Orlando 5-year Transportation Improvement Program is getting its annual update, and I want our community's voice to be heard!

Do you have a specific transportation project in mind?

With the [interactive TIP Online Viewer map](#), you can view all the projects in the plan and provide specific feedback directly.

[Click here](#) for a quick how-to video to get the hang of using the tool.

Or, email your comments to comment@MetroPlanOrlando.gov

In November, Orange County voters determined that two new commission districts will be established, bringing the total from six to eight.

The redistricting process is now in full swing, and your input is needed! [Click here](#) to learn more about redistricting, and see the below list of upcoming meetings. Public comment is always welcome.

Wednesday, June 18 6 to 9 p.m.	Orange County Administration Center, BCC Chambers 201 S. Rosalind Avenue, Orlando, FL 32801
Thursday, July 3 (Last Day to Submit Plans)	
Wednesday, July 9 6 to 9 p.m.	Orange County Administration Center, BCC Chambers 201 S. Rosalind Avenue, Orlando, FL 32801
Wednesday, July 30 6 to 9 p.m.	Orange County Administration Center, BCC Chambers 201 S. Rosalind Avenue, Orlando, FL 32801
Wednesday, August 6 6 to 9 p.m.	Orange County Administration Center, BCC Chambers 201 S. Rosalind Avenue, Orlando, FL 32801

BCC Preview: Consent Agenda

Agreement for Sale & Purchase of Green PLACE Parcel 257

- This 1.18-acre property of environmentally sensitive land, located off SR-520 and adjacent to the Pine Lily Preserve in East Orange County, will now be conserved under the county's Green PLACE Program!



Did you know that Green PLACE properties contain over 90 miles of scenic trails? [Click here](#) to learn where you can explore our beautiful conservation lands!

BCC: Discussion Agenda

Item B-1: 2025 Hurricane Season Update.

- The Office of Emergency Management will present an overview of the County's hurricane preparedness activities and hurricane predictions.
- **We will include this presentation and more in our next newsletter, which will be all about Hurricane Season. We want to give you the resources to stay informed and prepared before, during, and after a storm hits.**

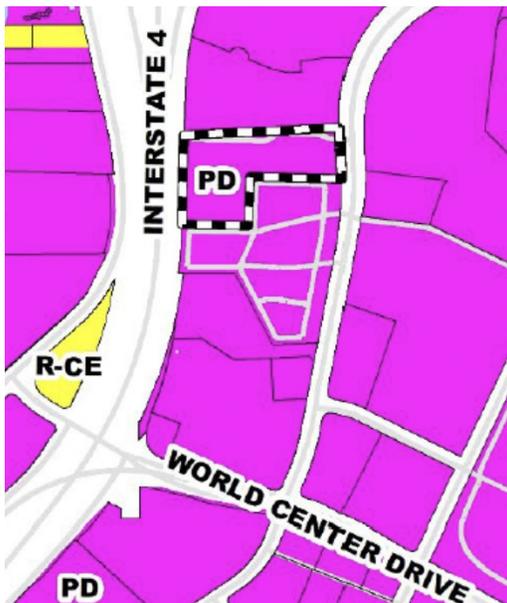


Head to Orange County's Hurricane Expo this Saturday, June 21 at Evans High School to get resources and info straight from the experts!

BCC: Public Hearings

Item B-2: Oranewood N-1 Planned Development (PD) ([Click here for more info](#))

- This PD was originally approved in 1972 and currently includes entitlements for commercial and office uses. An office development is currently constructed on the site.



- The applicant is proposing to add additional office square footage and 300 multi-family dwelling units to the subject portion of the PD.
- Property is generally located at Westwood Boulevard and International drive.
- This hearing has been continued three times in order to discuss vesting and concurrency requirements for the project.

Item D-6: International Drive Pedestrian Overpass Study ([Click here for more info](#))

- In order to address pedestrian safety concerns, staff has conducted a study to develop a pedestrian overpass to connect

the four intersection corners at I-Drive and Sand Lake Rd.

- The study's findings and recommended design will be presented to the board. If approved, the project will move into the design phase.
- Renderings of the recommended design can be seen below, and a copy of the full report can be found [here!](#)



Item C-4: Item E-7: Creating a Fireworks Ordinance in Orange County. ([Click here for more info](#))

- The proposed ordinance would incorporate state laws regarding firework safety and usage into county code, in order to make them more enforceable locally.



Key Elements a Proposed Ordinance

Provide general prohibitions against the use of fireworks as follows:

- No person or entity is permitted to use, explode, or discharge fireworks in the county, unless:
 - The person or entity first obtains an appropriate county permit for the display of fireworks or pyrotechnics as provided in Section 21-75 of the Orange County Code of Ordinances; or
 - The use is by a railroad or other transportation agency for illumination or signal purposes, or the use is associated with quarrying, blasting, or another industrial purpose in accordance with Section 791.04, Florida Statutes; or
 - The use is in conjunction with a bona fide agricultural use, as provided in Section 791.07, Florida Statutes.
 - The use is on a designated holiday as provided in Section 791.08 Florida Statutes.

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ABC's of the BCC

**The Board of County Commissioners meets every other Tuesday.
Come on down!**



Board of County Commissioners meetings occur every other Tuesday with a morning agenda and an afternoon agenda.

The early agenda allows public comment on any topic at 9:00 a.m., where a constituent may come to the Orange County Administration Building in person and give your thoughts on any item except for a public hearing, which is later.

Work Sessions or items on the Discussion Agenda are up for debate by the Board and are not voted on.

Public hearings begin after 2:00 p.m., which include zoning variances, public appeals, ordinances, and more. This is where constituents can submit public comments in person on a specific issue.

To attend the BCC, please find information [here](#).

As always, do not hesitate to reach out to our office with any questions or concerns at district1@ocfl.net

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