

Commissioner Wilson's District 1 Newsletter

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



district1@ocfl.net



407-836-7312



[NicoleWilsonD1](https://www.facebook.com/NicoleWilsonD1)



[NicoleWilson_D1](https://www.instagram.com/NicoleWilson_D1)

Hey West Orange County,

Time flies — school is almost out, which means graduation season is here! I couldn't be prouder of Orange County's High School Class of 2025. This week and next, I will be joining many of you as we watch our next generation walk across the stage and begin a new chapter in life. It's a testament not only to the hard work and perseverance of our students, but also to the families, teachers, mentors, and neighbors who supported them every step of the way. It truly takes a village, and our community continues to rise to the occasion.

As we celebrate these bright futures, we're also gearing up for a full and important BCC agenda this week. From local initiatives to long-term planning, there's a lot to cover. Be sure to read on!



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.**

Updates and Events



We want to hear from you!

Silverleaf Park Conceptual Plan Community Meeting

Wednesday, May 21, 2025, 6-7 p.m.



<https://tinyurl.com/SilverleafPark>



Amenities shown do not necessarily represent those of Silverleaf Park.



The Orange County Parks and Recreation Division and District 1 Commissioner Nicole Wilson invite you to attend the second community meeting for Silverleaf Park. This meeting will be regarding the conceptual plan for the park.

Hamlin Middle School
16025 Silver Grove Boulevard
Winter Garden, FL 34787



Orange County welcomes the power of diversity and does not discriminate against anyone on the basis of age, race, gender, national origin or disability. ANY SPECIAL NEEDS PLEASE CALL: 407.836.6257

Silverleaf community: our Parks and Recreation team has been collecting your feedback on what you'd like to see in a new neighborhood park located just south of Hamlin Middle School. Now, they are ready to present the conceptual plans!

This Wednesday evening, join us at Hamlin Middle School to learn more about the park amenities and features that were requested by the community.

[Click here for more info.](#)

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.

Thursday, May 22
6 to 9 p.m.

Orange County Administration Center, BCC Chambers
201 S. Rosalind Avenue, Orlando, FL 32801

Thursday, June 5
6 to 9 p.m.

Orange County Administration Center, BCC Chambers
201 S. Rosalind Avenue, Orlando, FL 32801

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)



I was incredibly honored to celebrate Buddha's Birthday with the incredible Guang Ming Temple and present a proclamation on behalf of Orange County recognizing the occasion!

If you haven't attended this beautiful, welcoming and fun celebration - put it on your calendar for next year! The Guang Ming Temple community will greet you with open arms

LOCAL

"It's a blessing:" Thousands in Orange County receive letters about their medical debt



By [Sabrina Maggiore, WFTV.com](https://www.wftv.com)

"Thousands of Orange County residents are getting letters telling them their medical debt has been wiped away and it's not a scam!"

It comes after Orange County Commissioners decided to use leftover COVID-19 funds on a medical debt relief program for qualifying residents. Through a partnership with the non-profit Undue Medical Debt, more than \$472.5 million in medical debt has been eliminated for over 310,000 Orange County residents.

The non-profit was given \$4.5 million from Orange County's American Rescue Plan Act funding to clear the debt and so far, about \$3 million has been spent to buy debt in bulk and then erase it."

[Click here for the full article.](#)

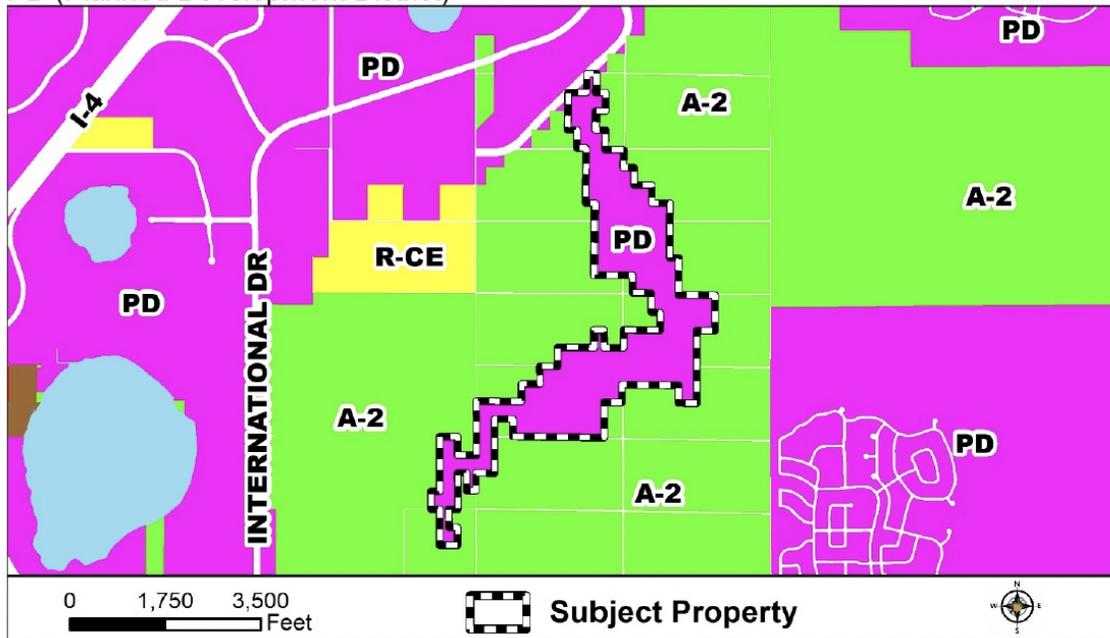
BCC Meeting Preview

Items G-11 and H-12: Tuscana Planned Development. ([Click here for more info](#))

Please note: this will be the final public hearing on Tuesday's agenda. Based on the amount of public feedback we have received regarding this project, we expect this hearing to extend into the evening hours. Your input is always appreciated!

- The subject property is generally located south of Central Florida Parkway, west of South John Young Parkway, and east of International Drive. The applicant is seeking to rezone the subject property from Farmland Rural District to Planned Development District, with a proposed development program consisting of 653,400 square feet of commercial uses, 1,291 hotel rooms, and 4,814 multi-family dwelling units.
- This proposal received a recommendation of denial from the DRC on April 2, 2025 and a recommendation of denial from the PZC on April 24, 2025.
- This property is located within the Shingle Creek Hydrologic Basin. The Shingle Creek Basin is currently being studied and considered for a future special protection area ordinance, similar to the Econlockhatchee River and Wekiva River basins.
- The proposed development is anticipated to result in 22.44 acres of direct wetland impacts and 28.035 acres of secondary wetland impacts.
- Additionally, the applicant is seeking four waivers from Code associated with the request to allow for a reduced building separation requirements for buildings internal to the PD; and increased maximum building height for multi-family to 150 feet.
- The proposed subject property is composed of approximately 170 upland developable acres, and a Conservation Area Impact Permit has been submitted to run concurrently with this request.

ZONING - PROPOSED
PD (Planned Development District)



BCC Meeting Preview

Proclamation recognizing May as Community Action Month.

Proclamation recognizing May 18 through May 24, 2025 as Public Works Week.

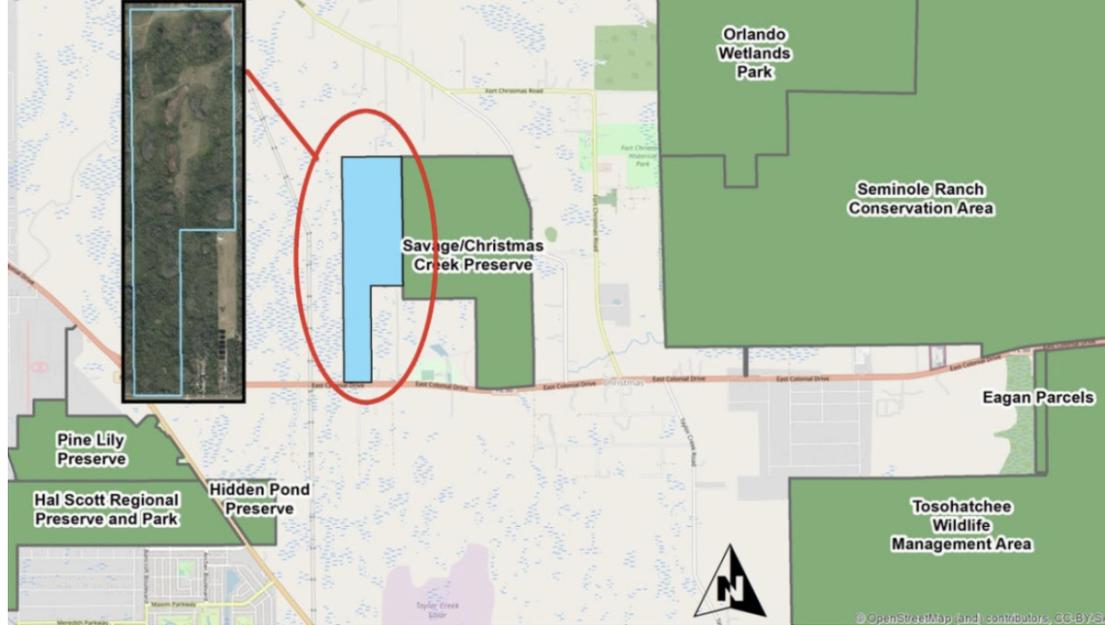
Proclamation recognizing May 18 through May 24, 2025 as WaterReuse Week.

Proclamation recognizing May as Mental Health Awareness Month.

BCC: Consent Agenda

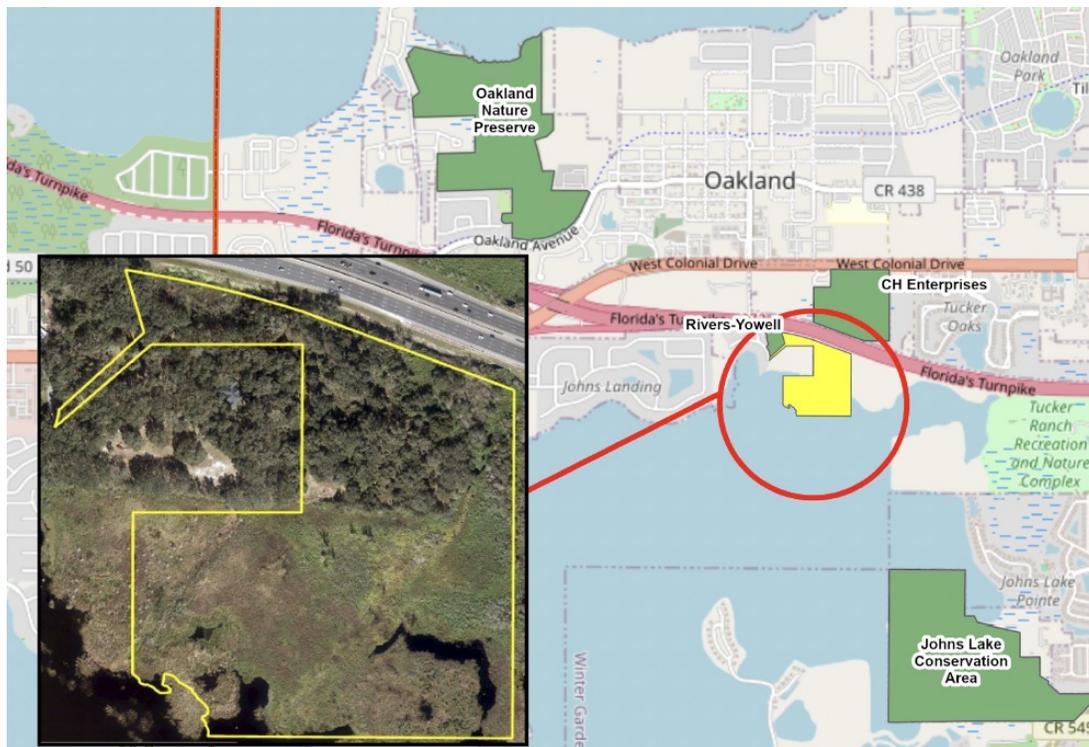
Agreement for Sale and Purchase of Green PLACE Parcel 232, located in District 5.

- This parcel, located off East Colonial Drive in Christmas, consists of a whopping 403 acres of Environmentally Sensitive Land which will now be conserved under the county's Green PLACE Program!



Agreement for Sale and Purchase of Green PLACE Parcel 234, located in District 1.

- This parcel, located between the Turnpike and Johns Lake in Winter Garden, consists of 28.7 acres of Environmentally Sensitive Land which will now be conserved under the county’s Green PLACE Program!



Subrecipients Agreements for Aspire Health Partners, Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Orlando Neighborhood Improvement Corporation, and The Salvation Army Project Administration.

- These agreements are part of our 2024-2025 Annual Action Plan for housing and community development programs. The Action Plan utilizes federal grant funds to support capital improvements for public facilities that provide homeless services and/or affordable housing to low-to-moderate income individuals and families.

BCC: Discussion Agenda

Item B-1: 2025 State Legislative Session Overview.

- Kelley Teague, director of the county's Legislative Affairs Office, will provide an overview of the 2025 State Legislative Session, including issues that were part of the County's adopted legislative agenda (see excerpt below).

OPPOSE | SUPPORT

SUPPORT: LEGISLATION THAT DIRECTLY IMPACTS WATER QUALITY AND QUANTITY, LAND PRESERVATION AND ACQUISITION

SUPPORT: SUSTAINABILITY, RENEWABLE ENERGY EFFORTS

SUPPORT: MITIGATION AND FUNDING TO ADDRESS ADVANCED SEPTIC SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

SUPPORT: LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES OF COMMUNITY PARTNERS CONSISTENT WITH COUNTY EFFORTS, LEVERAGE

SUPPORT: BROADBAND ACCESS

SUPPORT: INMATE MEDICAID ELIGIBILITY

OPPOSE: LEGISLATION THAT NEGATIVELY IMPACTS TDT FUNDING, GOVERNANCE

BCC: Work Sessions

Item A-1: Use of Fireworks - Proposal for an Ordinance

- In response to ongoing concerns pertaining to the use and discharge of fireworks in Orange County, staff is proposing an ordinance to amend Orange County Code. At the Work Session, staff will present goals for an ordinance that would update the Code to provide for more effective enforcement against the unauthorized use of fireworks.
- This Work Session will allow the County Attorney's Office to obtain the Board's direction prior to bringing a proposed ordinance to the Board for a public hearing.

Outstanding policy issues related to Vision 2050 and Orange County Public Schools.

- Following transmittal of the draft [Vision 2050](#) plan in 2023, OCPS expressed concerns regarding the potential impacts to their cost of land acquisition for new schools in the targeted growth sector. Orange County and OCPS staff have collaborated for over nine months to seek a resolution to these concerns.
- Recently, OCPS requested that language be added in order to reflect a 2004 charter amendment that required certain rezonings or comp plan amendments that increase residential density in an overcrowded school attendance zone take effect only upon approval by each significantly affected local government within the boundaries of the impacted school zone.
- Staff will be seeking Board direction to finalize policy language to be considered as part of **Vision 2050 and Orange Code adoption scheduled for June 3, 2025.**



Encouraging Affordable Housing



Preserving Rural Spaces & Natural Places



Promoting Walkability & Mixed Land Uses



Protecting Established Neighborhoods

BCC: Public Hearings

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

- The subject property is a 2.9-acre portion of parcel 11 D of the Planned Development, located at the corner of Paradiso Grande Boulevard and International Drive. Parcel 11 D comprises 116.1 acres and is currently entitled for short term rental units; hotel rooms; multifamily residential dwelling units; and tourist

commercial uses.

- Through this request the applicant is seeking to convert currently some of the entitled tourist commercial usage, short-term rental units, and hotel rooms into more multifamily residential units. The applicant is proposing to develop 257 multi-family residential dwelling units with 10,000 square feet of retail space on the subject parcel.



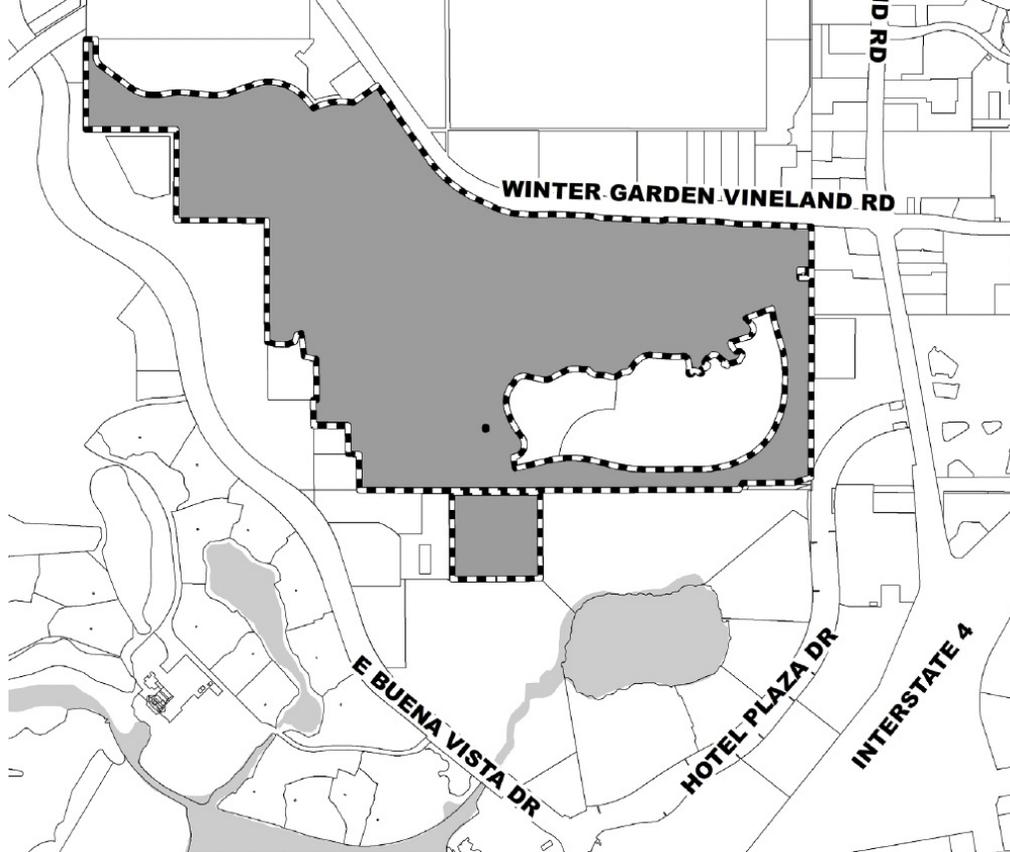
Item F-7: Text and map amendments to create the Kilgore Road Rural Residential Enclave.

- Our office brought this issue to the board last year, after residents of this D1 neighborhood expressed the desire for more rural protection.
- The resulting recommendations of this process are now being enacted. Thank you to the many residents who have taken the time to participate in this process!



Item G-10: Grand Cypress Resort PD Amendment ([Click here for more info](#))

- Request is to expand the 26.41-acre Hospitality Center Planned Development to 48.77 gross acres by rezoning 17.96 adjacent acres to Planned Development District, and adding this acreage, a 3.9-acre portion of the neighboring World Resort PD, and 0.50 acre of adjoining right-of-way to the Hospitality Center PD.
- The proposed use is a multi-family residential community with up to 659 dwelling units, with 20 percent of those units (132 units) to be leased at Attainable Rents of 120 percent of Area Median Income (AMI) or less.
- Property is generally located east of Poinciana Boulevard, south of State Road 417, and north of the Orange County-Osceola County line.



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

Orange County Commissioner Nicole Wilson, District 1 | 201 S. Rosalind Avenue 5th Floor | Orlando, FL 32801 US

[Unsubscribe](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)



Try email marketing for free today!