

# 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,

El Niño is here and NOAA scientists fear it could become one of the strongest, with record heat, floods, droughts, and fires.

Orange County remains committed to helping residents stay prepared and safe. Be sure to mark your calendars for the Hurricane Expo on June 20, where you can access valuable preparedness information and resources. Residents can also find tools [online](#) to help build an emergency kit and create a family emergency plan.



I invite you to join us on July 9 for a Hunter's Creek Townhall! We'll discuss important traffic updates, hear directly from the Orange County Sheriff's Office, explore community resources and public safety initiatives, and talk through issues that matter to our community.



# HUNTER'S CREEK TOWNHALL




Stay informed and engaged! Join your neighbors for important updates on traffic improvements, OCSO news, resources from consumer protection and neighborhood services, and much more!



 **THURSDAY**  
07/09/2026

 **TIME**  
6:00 PM - 7:45 PM

 **LOCATION**  
HUNTER'S CREEK  
COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
14101 TOWN LOOP BLVD,  
ORLANDO, FL 32837

Traffic Engineering & Public Works

Micromobility Ordinance Updates

Redistricting



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Keep reading for important community updates along with a preview of Tuesday's Board of County Commissioners meeting.

We encourage your participation! Your engagement and input help shape the decisions that guide Orange County's future.

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](mailto:district1@ocfl.net).

**On Your Radar**








## Horizon West Regional Park Phase 1B Groundbreaking

Join Orange County Mayor Jerry L. Demings and District 1 Commissioner Nicole Wilson for the official Horizon West Regional Park Phase 1B Groundbreaking on **Thursday, June 18 at 11 AM.**

This free event is open to the public and celebrates the next exciting chapter for one of Horizon West's most anticipated community spaces.

Phase 1B will include:

-  A large splash pad
-  A 2-acre open lawn
-  A boardwalk and floating dock overlooking Lake Hartley
-  A new parking area

 4715 Hamlin Groves Trail, Winter Garden

We can't wait to see this next phase come to life and create even more opportunities for our community to gather, play, and enjoy the outdoors.


Learn more [here](#).


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## Juneteenth Celebration "It's a Family Affair"

Join us for an afternoon of food, fun, and fellowship at the annual Juneteenth Celebration hosted by the Orange County MLK Initiative. Celebrate seven years of community impact and explore the Orange County Regional History Center.

 **Wednesday, June 17, 2026**


 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.


 Orange County Regional History Center  
65 E Central Blvd., Orlando, FL 32801




## Stormwater Utility Fee Community Meeting

A community meeting hosted by Orange County Public Works will provide information on a proposed Stormwater Utility Fee and ongoing stormwater management needs in District 1. Find additional information [here](#).

 **Wednesday, June 17, 2026**

 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

 West Orange Recreation Center

309 W. Crown Point Road, Winter Garden, FL 34787

Residents unable to attend in person may still provide input through an online survey: [Stormwater Utility Survey](#).

## What We've Been Up To



### Mayor Deming's Final State of the County

It was an honor to attend this year's State of the County Address, effectively marking the last one led by Mayor Demings. The strides Orange County has made together under his leadership have been remarkable, spanning from public safety, affordable housing, environmental sustainability, and so much more. We were proud to have last year's Safety Expo highlighted, a fun, hands-on community day dedicated to safety education and awareness.

If you did miss this special State of the County's Address, this [link](#) will show you how Orange County has wisely invested your tax dollars.



### Tildenville Community Meeting

Thank you to all Tildenville residents and members of the various Orange County divisions who attended last Thursday's Tildenville Community Meeting.

We were pleased to share the many resources Orange County offers residents, including the **Neighborhood Beautification Grant**, **Youth Sports Engagement Grant**, and the **Fixin' Up the Neighborhood Program**.

We also went over curbside collection, hurricane season prep and more!

If you're interested in any of these resources, please click the links above.



### Sunshine Elementary Food Distribution

Thank you to my team and our lovely volunteers who showed up on a Saturday morning at Sunshine Elementary School to distribute fresh meat, produce, and groceries to residents in need.



### **Pine Hills Septic 2 Sewer Celebration**

Wednesday morning, my team attended the Pine Hills Connected Septic 2 Sewer Celebration to recognize the amazing efforts from the Pine Hills Septic Tank Retrofit Project to convert septic tanks on private properties into sewer systems within the Wekiwa Springs and the Rock Springs basin.

Septic-to-sewer projects are critical infrastructure upgrades that help safeguard public health, protect local ecosystems, increase property values, and relieve homeowners of costly, hands-on system maintenance

This achievement was made possible thanks to the partnership with FDEP and ARPA grants.



### **Maxey Advisory Council Meeting**

Today, Maxey Center partners met to discuss recent successful events, including a disco celebration for seniors and a community resource fair.

The group also reviewed upcoming initiatives, such as collecting hygiene kit donations for students returning to school and participating in partner-led back-to-school backpack giveaways.

Additionally, discussions focused on securing sponsorships and community support to help make these events a success and expand their impact throughout the community.



### **United Arts Annual Celebration**

During their annual celebration, United Arts shared that they reached more than 3 million people and invested \$5 million in grants to local artists, arts and cultural organizations, and arts education.



### **Pulse Remembrance Ceremony**

Thank you to City of Orlando for hosting such a beautiful and moving Pulse Remembrance Ceremony. It truly led us to reflect

With a \$500,000 match from Orange County and a \$750,000 commitment from the United Arts Board, the campaign represents a \$13.25 million investment directly into Central Florida's nonprofit arts and culture ecosystem.

United Arts President and CEO **Jennifer Evins** emphasized the importance of strengthening the conditions that allow artists, creative workers, and cultural organizations to thrive.

not just on the 49 lives lost, but on their lasting impact on our community.

Thank you to every individual voice and organization that contributed to this powerful ceremony. May we honor their memory through action by doing our best to create and advocate for a welcoming and respectful environment for all.

## BCC Preview

Residents can provide public comment regarding any item or topic of importance starting at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday.

[Click here to pre-register.](#)

## Proclamations

**Proclamation recognizing June 19, 2026 as Juneteenth.**



- Juneteenth commemorates the emancipation of enslaved African Americans in the United States, marking the day June 19, 1865, when the last enslaved people in Texas learned they were free.
- On this day, we honor the lives that were tragically lost and recognize the resilience, strength, and contributions of generations of African Americans who helped shape our nation.

## Consent Agenda

**Consent C-1: Approval of Amendment to Contract Providing Funding for Homeless Prevention and Diversion with Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida, Inc., in the amount of \$159,000, for a revised not-to-exceed amount of \$3,760,914.80. ([Click here for more info](#))**



- The funds from this subaward will allow the subrecipient to expand the area of services, creating additional capacity to serve the homeless and housing insecure, and increasing health and awareness.
- The "Coalition" plays a significant role in the community as a provider of support program services, amongst a variety of other services focused on prevention, diversion, rapid rehousing, and eviction prevention.
- Services also include case management and connection to medical and housing resources.

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**Consent B-7: Approval for the Orange County Sheriff's Office to spend \$16,500 from the FY 2026 Law Enforcement Trust Fund-State Forfeitures to The Finley Project (\$1,500) and Orange County Police Athletic League (PAL) (\$15,000). ([Click here for more info](#))**

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**Item C-3: Approval to award Invitation for Bids Y26-713-CR, Waterleigh Neighborhood Park, to the low responsive and responsible bidder, Mulligan Constructors Inc., in the total contract award amount of \$1,138,777. ([Click here for more info](#))**

- The project consists of site improvements for a five-acre neighborhood park located at the southeast corner of Lost Creek Dr. and Atwater Bay Dr. in Winter Garden within Orange County. The scope includes a paved walking trail throughout the park, connections to existing sidewalk, basketball courts, playground, and covered pavilion and picnic areas. Additional work includes a stormwater management system, potable water to hose bibs, and water fountains.

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**Item E-1: Approval of the Tourist Development Tax Sports Incentive Committee's recommendations for sports incentive funding pursuant to the terms and conditions of funding agreements between Visit Orlando and the following applicants and authorization for Visit Orlando to enter into such agreements as follows: (1) \$15,000 to Greater Orlando Sports Commission for marketing and promotion of the 2027 Orlando Baseball Classic in February 2027**

and (2) \$17,500 to Greater Orlando Sports Commission to be used to offset venue rental expenses for the 2027 USA Artistic Swimming Youth Championships & 12U Invitational to be held in April 2027. [\(Click here for more info\)](#)

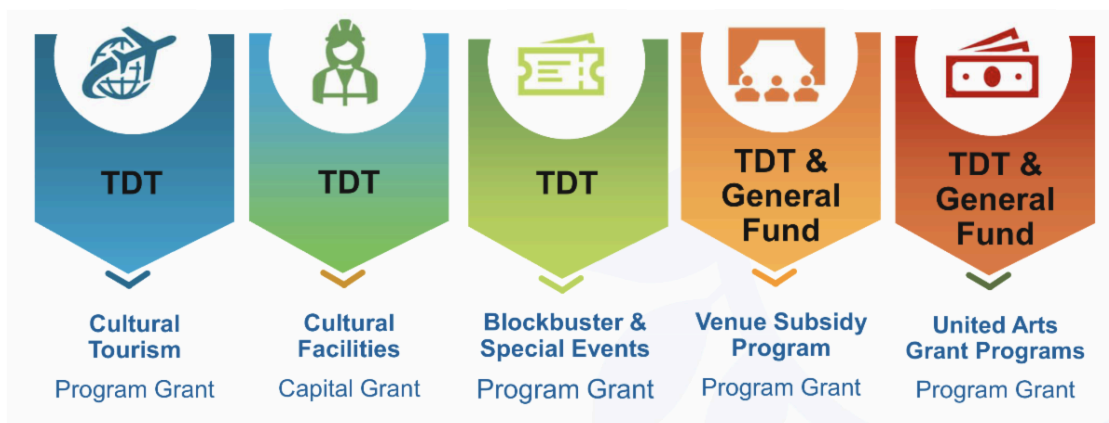


- Tourist Development Tax (or TDT) revenue is generated by a tax on hotel stays and other short-term rentals that are less than six months in duration. Also sometimes referred to as the “bed tax,” TDT was enacted by ordinance in 1978 following a successful voter referendum. Currently, the TDT levy for Orange County is 6 percent of every lodging bill. The tax amount varies by county throughout the state. Orange County collects, by far, the largest share of TDT of any county in the state of Florida.

## Discussion Agenda

**Item B-2: Presentation of the State of the Arts, approval of FY26 Cultural Facilities funding recommendations, and approval of the Blockbuster & Special Events recommendation.** [\(Click here for more info\)](#)

- At the June 16, 2026 Board meeting, Arts and Cultural Affairs Administrator Vicki Landon will present the annual “State of the Arts” and the FY26 Cultural Facilities funding recommendations and a Blockbuster & Special Events funding recommendation for the Dr. Phillips Center or the Performing Arts Frontyard Holiday Festival from the Arts and Cultural Affairs Advisory Council.



**Item B-2: United Arts of Central Florida Update.** [\(Click here for more info\)](#)

- United Arts of Central Florida President and CEO Jennifer Evins will present an annual update on the organization’s planning and programs.

# 1

**Strengthen  
United Arts**

**Build capacity to be great and bold through programs, marketing, fundraising, and revenue growth.**

# 2

**Strengthen the Arts  
& Culture Sector**

**Empower artists and organizations to thrive, build audiences, and secure balanced funding.**

# 3

**Strengthen the  
Community**  
through Cross-Sector  
Partnerships

**Leverage arts and culture to build prosperity, drive social impact, enrich lifelong learning, and enhance place.**

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## Item C-1: 2026 Hurricane Season Update. ([Click here for more info](#))

- On June 16, 2026, the Office of Emergency Management will present an update on the 2026 Hurricane Season to the Board. The presentation will include an overview of the County's hurricane preparedness activities and hurricane predictions.

**HOW TO STAY SAFE  
DURING HURRICANE  
SEASON**

**JUNE 1 - NOV. 30**



Create an emergency communication plan for your family and business.

Prepare an Emergency Preparedness Kit.

Know the local hurricane evacuation route and shelter locations.

Protect your home, including proper tree trimming. Damage caused by falling tree limbs is the number one cause of structure damage in Orange County during storms.

LEARN MORE HERE



## Public Hearing

**#SADF-25-02-004 David W. Brasch and Cindi R. S. Brasch, Lake Butler, Shoreline Alteration/Dredge and Fill Permit. ([Click here for more info](#))**

- The applicant, David and Cindi Brasch, are requesting a Shoreline Alteration/Dredge and Fill Permit to construct a new vinyl seawall and riprap along the shoreline of the Sandy Shores Canal on Lake Butler, located at *12024 Sandy Shores Drive, Windermere, FL*.
- Based on prior Board direction, riprap and plantings are normally required for new and replacement seawalls. However, because the



- proposed seawall is on a canal, EPD is not requiring riprap or additional native plantings to avoid creating a navigational concern.
- There is a narrow shoreline wetland present along portions of the canal. The surface water impacts result from the placement of the seawall in-line with the existing partial seawall, and to preserve established trees that are present along the canal bank, which would have to be removed if the seawall were moved landward.
- Staff recommends acceptance of EPD's findings and approval of the SADF permit, subject to the conditions listed on the staff report.

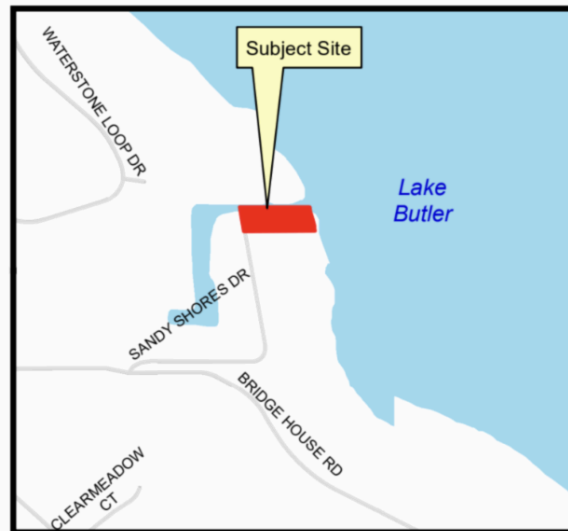
**Shoreline Alteration /  
Dredge and Fill Permit Request  
SADF-25-02-004  
District #1**

**Applicants:** David W. Brasch  
Cindi R. S. Brasch

**Address:** 12024 Sandy Shores Drive

**Parcel ID:** 24-23-27-7808-00-061

**Project Site**   
**Property Location** 



## Work Session

### Item A-1: 2026 Transportation Impact Fee Study Update. ([Click here for more info](#))

- Orange County is conducting its required five-year review of the **Transportation Impact Fee (TIF) Ordinance**, which helps ensure that new development pays its fair share of the transportation infrastructure needed to support growth.
- **Transportation impact fees are one-time charges assessed on new development and are used to fund roadway and transportation improvements.**
- The 2026 Transportation Impact Fee Study Update includes updated development projections, roadway construction costs, and travel data to comply with Florida law and reflect current growth trends.
- **The study represents a comprehensive update to the County's 2020 analysis and incorporates rising construction costs, revised travel demand assumptions, and methodology refinements.**
- The Board of County Commissioners will review policy options and legislative actions before providing direction to staff.
- Upon consensus, staff will update the technical study, draft ordinance amendments, conduct stakeholder outreach, and schedule public workshops and hearings.

## County Updates

## Missed the last BCC?

- i. You can review the actions taken at the **June 2 BCC** meeting by accessing the meeting minutes [here](#).
- ii. To rewatch the discussions held by the Board on specific topics, you can find the meeting recording [here](#).

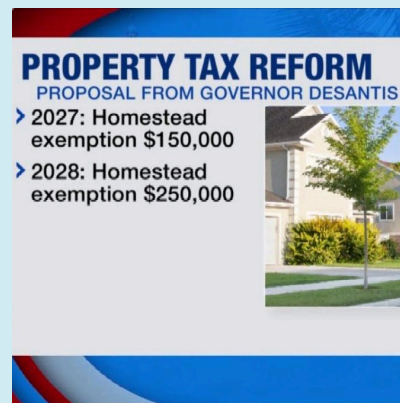


### Micromobility Update

Our county continues to advance efforts to improve E-Bike and E-Scooter safety following a Board work session held on May 19 with input from emergency responders, the School Board, healthcare providers, and other stakeholders. A key concern identified was public confusion caused by inconsistent regulations across jurisdictions, prompting support for a regional policy framework and interagency workgroup to improve data collection, crash reporting, and policy coordination. As a result, we are also exploring collaboration with neighboring jurisdictions, planning organizations, and law enforcement agencies to develop consistent ordinance language and safety standards throughout the region.

### Homestead Tax Exemption

In November, voters could decide to exempt the first \$150,000 of a homestead's value from taxation in the first year and the first \$250,000 the next. In 2028, the county is projected to lose \$270 million in property tax revenue that pays for services all residents enjoy if the constitutional amendment is approved by voters. Some municipalities could lose up to 30% of their revenue. Community services, including parks, boat ramps, veteran services, libraries, mosquito control, and animal services, could face drastic reductions or even elimination.



### Mobile Temporary Overnight Shelters

On June 6, the Board of County Commissioners considered proposed code amendments that would allow Mobile Temporary Overnight Shelters to operate in the county as part of an approved social service program. The bus would be permitted outright in commercial and industrial zoning districts subject to general requirements. Additionally, a permit process would follow to confirm proposed location and operation in compliance with code.

# Community Meetings



Commission District #1  
Nicole Wilson,  
Commissioner

## COMMUNITY MEETING NOTICE CONVENTIONAL REZONING

**Date:** Thursday, June 25, 2026  
**Time:** 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
**Location:** Castleview Elementary School - Cafeteria  
9131 Taborfield Ave, Orlando, FL 32836

Please join the District Commissioner and Orange County Staff at an in-person community meeting where a Rezoning request will be discussed. Your attendance is not required, and no decisions will be made at the meeting. The meeting is for informational purposes only.

### REQUEST

**Case Number:** RZ-26-06-040  
**Current Zoning:** R-CE (County Estate District)  
**Proposed Zoning:** R-1 (Single-Family Dwelling District)  
**Owner:** Lowery Revocable Living Trust  
**Applicant:** Andrew McCown  
**Parcel IDs:** 05-24-28-5844-01-190, 05-24-28-5844-01-180,  
05-24-28-5844-01-193, 05-24-28-5844-01-071,  
05-24-28-5844-01-070

**Acreage:** +/- 12.01 gross acres

**Location:** Winter Garden Vineland Road; generally located west of Wintergarden Vineland Rd, and northeast of South Lake

**Summary:** To rezone the portion of the property with an underlying Low Density Residential (LDR) Future Land Use designation from R-CE (Country Estate District), to R-1 (Single-Family Dwelling District), in order to establish consistency between the Future Land Use and zoning designations and allow development of a 21-unit single-family residential subdivision.

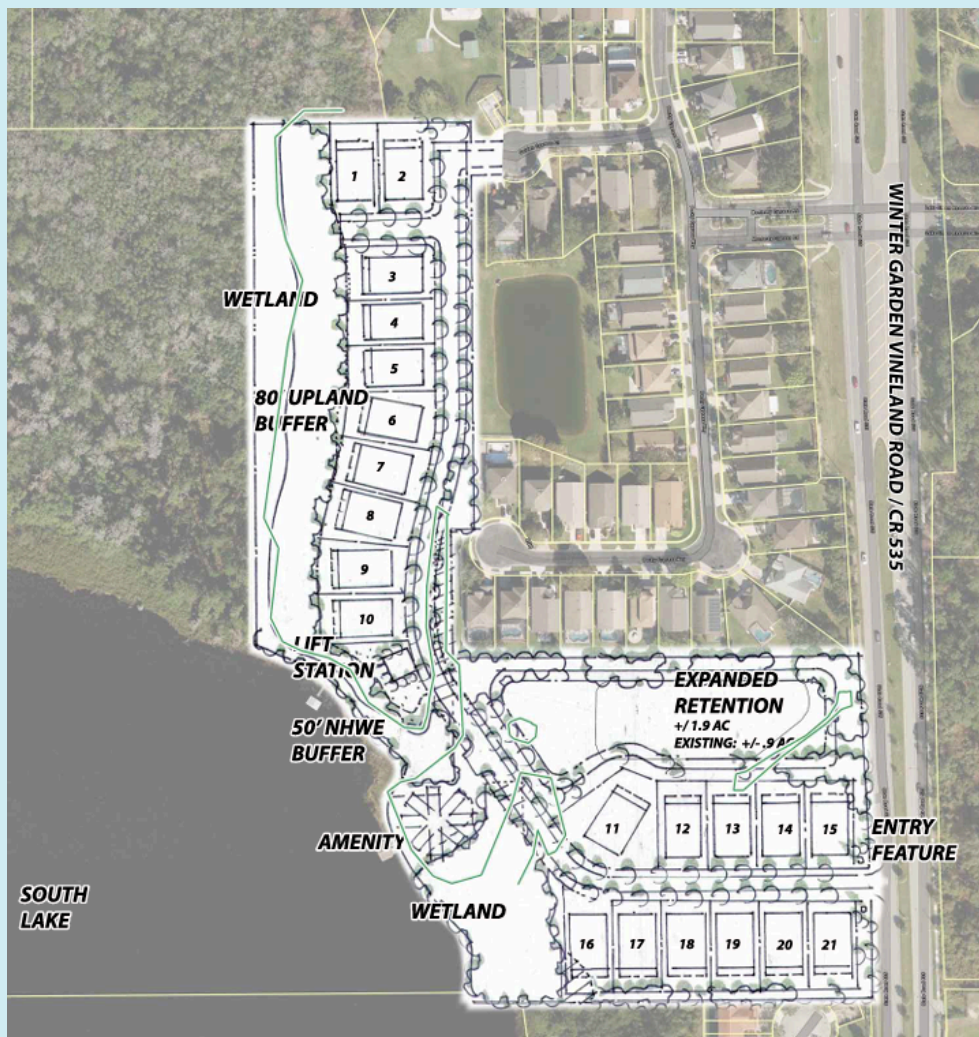
### SUBJECT PROPERTY LOCATION




**Case Contact:** Adriana Caamaño  
(407) 836-5570  
Adriana.Caamano@ocfl.net


**Online Feedback Form:**






**Community Meeting Notice**  
**#RZ-26-06-040**

 **Thursday, June 25, 2026**

 **6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

 **Castleview Elementary School, Cafeteria**  
**9131 Taborfield Ave, Orlando, FL 32836**

## ABC's of the BCC

**The Board of County Commissioners meets every other Tuesday.**  
**We look forward to hearing from you!**



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

The early agenda allows public comment on any topic at 9:00 a.m. Individuals may come to the Orange County Administration Building in person to share their thoughts on any item except for a public hearing, which begins after 2:00 p.m. and includes 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](mailto:district1@ocfl.net)!

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