

CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE

WORKSHOP

Tuesday, October 25, 2016 6:00 p.m. 360 E. Main Street, Pahokee, Florida

This Workshop of the City Commission of the City of Pahokee is being held to discuss the October 25, 2016 Agenda.

- A. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- B. ROLL CALL
- C. TOPIC
- D. DISCUSSION, COMMENTS, CONCERNS
- E. ADJOURN

AGENDA



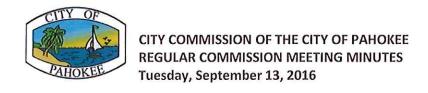
CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE

REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2016 6:30 P.M.

- A. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- B. ROLL CALL:
- C. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS:
- D. CITIZEN COMMENTS (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY):
- E. PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS (FILL OUT PUBLIC COMMENT CARD):
- F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
 - 1. September 13, 2016 Regular Scheduled Commission Meeting
- G. CONSENT AGENDA:
- H. ORDINANCE:
 - 1. ORDINANCE 2016 13 (first reading) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, ABANDONING A RIGHT-OF-WAY AND PUBLIC UTILITY EAESMENT THAT IS NOT NEEDED OR USEFUL FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES; PROVIDING FOR ABANDONMENT AND EFFECTIVE DATE.
 - 2. ORDINANCE 2016 14 (first reading) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING SAFEGUARDS FOR THE OPERATION OF RECYCLING FACILITIES, PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE, SEVERABILITY, AND EFFECTIVE DATE.
- I. RESOLUTIONS:
- J. PUBLIC HEARINGS:
 - 1. ORDINANCE 2016 11 (second reading) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF PAHOKEE YOUTH COUNCIL, PROVIDING FOR MEMBERSHIP, ADVISORY BOARD LIAISON, DUTIES OF ADVISORY BOARD, INCLUSION IN CODE, SEVERABILITY, AND EFFECTIVE DATE.
 - 2. ORDINANCE 2016 12 (second reading) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, CREATING CHAPTER 17, SEC. 17-79. MULTI-FAMILY RENTAL UNITS; COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS; INDUSTRIAL; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE, A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, AND AUTHORITY TO CODIFY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
- K. PROCLAMATIONS (approval):
- L. PRESENTATIONS:
- M. REPORT OF THE MAYOR:
- N. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER:
- O. REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY:
 - 1. Special Magistrate Replacement (Keith Warren Davis Resume)
- P. OLD BUSINESS:
- Q. NEW BUSINESS:
 - 1. Lieutenant Picciolo (PBSO Report)
- R. CITIZEN COMMENTS / GENERAL CONCERNS:
- S. CORRESPONDENCE / COMMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE CITY COMMISSIONERS:
- T. ADJOURN:

MINUTES

NOTICE



Pursuant to due notice the regularly scheduled Commission meeting was held in the Commission Chambers at 360 E. Main St., Pahokee, Palm Beach County, Florida on Tuesday, September 13, 2016.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Babb at 6:49p.m.

Official attendance was recorded as follows:

Roll Call:	Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.	Present
	Vice Mayor Felisia Hill	Present
	Commissioner Nathaniel Holmes	Present
	Commissioner Clara Murvin	Present
	Commissioner Diane Walker	Absent
	City Manager Chandler Williamson	Present
	City Attorney Gary Brandenburg	Present
	Sergeant At Arms Lt. Picciolo	Present
	City Clerk Tijauna Warner	Present
	Deputy City Manager Tammy Jackson-Moore	Present

Additions, Deletions, and Approval of Agenda Items:

Tijauna Warner (City Clerk) requested an amendment to add Doveland Amaryllis Garden to L4, Russell Anderson to L5, and Commissioner Murvin requested moving presentations up on the agenda.

Approval of Amendments to the Agenda.

Motion by Commissioner Holmes. Seconded by Commissioner Murvin.

Motion carried on unanimously.

Public Service Announcements:

Mr. Williamson (City Manager) announced the 1928 Storm Remembrance Program on Friday, September 16, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. location is Port Mayaca Cemetery.

Presentations:

1. Eye Want Mo

Vice Mayor Hill presented a certificate to Eye Want Mo for Business of the Month.

2. Pahokee Liquors

Commissioner Holmes presented a certificate to Pahokee Liquors for Business of the Month.

3. Doveland Amaryllis Garden

Commissioner Murvin presented a certificate to Doveland Amaryllis Garden for their community Back to School Bash.

1. Monica Brown (REAP Grant)

Mayor Babb presented a certificate to Monica Brown for receiving the REAP Grant for Citizen Villas.

2. Russell Anderson

Mr. Anderson present health insurance plans and prices to the City (handout).

Mr. Brandenburg advised a contract will need to come back to the City Commission for approval because the health insurance amount is more than \$10,000.

Mr. Williamson replied that won't be a problem, we will bring it before the Commission.

Approval of Minutes:

1. July 26, 2016 Regular Scheduled Commission Minutes

Approval of July 26, 2016 Regular Scheduled Commission Minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Holmes. Seconded by Vice Mayor Hill.

Motion carried on unanimously.

Ordinances: None

Resolutions:

1. RESOLUTION 2016 – 36 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITYOF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TRANSPORTATION PROJECT FUND AGREEMENT WITH STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

<u>Approval of Resolution 2016 - 36.</u>
<u>Motion by Commissioner Murvin. Seconded by Commissioner Holmes.</u>
<u>Motion carried on unanimously.</u>

Proclamations:

1. Lawrenceville Proclamation

<u>Approval of Lawrenceville Proclamation.</u>
<u>Motion by Commissioner Holmes. Seconded by Commissioner Murvin.</u>
<u>Motion carried on unanimously.</u>

Public Hearings: None

Report of the Mayor:

Mayor Babb advised the City to have a Prayer March & Community Rally. The City should serve refreshments and helping organize this event. When I came into office, I wanted to help this community come together. We want to pray over our community, have a march to the community park for a rally, have pastors & ministers give words of encouragement, a gospel concert, and youth entertainment. Commissioner Murvin has offered to help with that. I am asking everyone to come out and show support. I am trying to get all the Commissioners to work together. We are just asking for support and we will narrow the date down. I hope I will have Commissioners support and approval for this event.

Mr. Williamson replied he will work to get this together.

Report of the City Manager:

Mr. Williamson advised we are working to conform our legislative priorities for the 2016-2017 year. We are focusing on water projects and drainage for the City of Pahokee. We expect another successful year in Tallahassee.

Mayor Babb announced we are in dialogue with the Chamber and hoping the Chamber & City will be working together in recognizing local businesses. We don't want to leave the Chamber out. Also, the Mayor & City Manager will be initiating a home improvement program for residents that are improving their home, we will find out by pulling their permits for home improvement. Second, we would like a yard beautification program. We would like more competition in the City of Pahokee.

Mr. Williamson advised one award will be called the Mayors Gold Hummer & Nail Award (\$100 certificate) and the other award would be the Mayors Beautification Award (\$50 certificate), they will have a sign placed in their yards for the entire month.

Commissioner Holmes suggested calling it the Mayor & Commissioners Awards.

Mr. Williamson replied we can do that as well.

Report of the City Attorney:

Mr. Brandenburg advised we ran into a delay with the Anquon Boldin Foundation with the lawyers reviewing everything for approval and it has been done. The final version of the contract has been executed and I gave it to Ms. Moore this evening. Also, we need a legal description of the gymnasium. Ms. Moore has been kind enough to ask our engineers to provide that to be attached as an exhibit, so we can get a start date. Next, I recommend that the Commission consider adopting a motion to excuse Commissioner Walker's absences based on her medical condition.

Approval of Excusing Commissioner Walker's absences due to medical conditions.

Motion by Commissioner Holmes. Seconded by Commissioner Murvin.

Motion carried on unanimously.

New Business:

1. Lieutenant Piccolo (PBSO Report) (none)

Citizens Comments: Ms. Tijauna Warner (City Clerk) announced all public comment cards.

Ms. Brenda McWilliams (resident) inquired about what can be done for the tenants at Royal Palm Lake, our living conditions are horrible, bedbugs all over the complex, grass extremely high, and trees covering the lighting. I have called the office in Pittsburgh.

Mr. Williamson advised the Health Department was contacted and we are supposed to follow-up on this case. We have Lisa here and we will find out what the status is.

Mayor Babb inquired where we are with code enforcement for the grass and trees.

Mr. Randy Burden (Code Enforcement Officer) advised we haven't addressed the trees, but we've been on them about cutting the grass. I went by there today and the grass has been cut. We will contact them in reference to cutting the trees.

Commissioner Holmes announced this is an assistant living facility we are talking about.

Ms. Peggy Smith (resident) advised I am addressing the same issue with the property where I live (Royal Palm Lake), we have bedbugs and the building needs to be kept up.

Commissioner Holmes inquired if bedbugs are all over the place.

Ms. Peggy Smith replied yes.

Mr. Carl Morrison (resident) advised I have a concern with the lack of quality on the road construction on 715 Road. You get what you paid for, they paved the road with manholes three to five inches above the road. That's unacceptable, we had a little rain and now we have water sitting on both sides of the road. We need this addressed and I would like to know who pay them.

Mayor Babb replied we don't write a check to them.

Mr. Williamson responded we have addressed the manholes issues and they are not finished with construction, they will be coming back to complete the project. That is the States project and we can contact them with the concerns.

Mr. Morrison replied you saying you can and my question is have you.

Mr. Williamson responded yes.

City Commission Comments:

Commissioner Murvin advised I am concerned that we need to get more citizens involvement in the meeting. They are not attending meeting and receiving incorrect information. If we all can just each one reach one and say lets go out to the meeting tonight than that we be great. Thank you.

Vice Mayor Hill advised I just got a text saying please tell them that we need someone to spray the mosquitoes.

Ms. Jackson-Moore advised they sprayed on the fourth of July.

Commissioner Holmes advised my area is torn. I'm getting a lot of comments and people coming by my house questioning when East Main Place going to be finished because we have a lot of school buses riding in our area. We have all the parent drop-off in my community as well. A lot of people are frustrated with that and we notice that the workers have not been working.

Mr. Williamson replied they had some engineering issues that delay them, but they have corrected that issue and should continue working this week.

Mayor Babb advised the City Manager made some suggestions to the schools in reference to making it easier for buses to drop-off the students and it's up to the Principals if they're going to implement it. I am asking the City Manager to reach out and see what they're plans are.

Commissioner Holmes advised the school board police actually stop traffic on our street.

Mr. Williamson replied I will go back to them again.

Commissioner Holmes thanked everyone for coming out. I love when I see the chamber full, it makes me act good.

Mayor Babb thanked everyone for coming out.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Babb adjourns the meeting at 7:51p.m.

	Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor
TTEST: Tijauna Warner, City Clerk	

CONSENT AGENDA

ordinance no. 2016-13

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, ABANDONING A RIGHT-OF-WAY AND PUBLIC UTILITY EAESMENT THAT IS NOT NEEDED OR USEFUL FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES; PROVIDING FOR ABANDONMENT AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Pahokee has determined that a public right-of-way and utility easement is no longer needed for a public purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Commission of the City of Pahokee, that:

Section 1. The City of Pahokee hereby abandons any right, title, or claim the City or the public may have in the right of way and easement described in OR Book 898, Page 1069, as:

The South 25 feet of Tract 3, of the subdivision of Sections 23 and 24, Township 42 South, Range 36 East, according to the plat thereof on file in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Palm Beach County, Florida, in Plat Book 16, at pages 5 and 6, less and except however the part thereof described in a deed to Donald L. Zaccagnino and Louise H. Zaccagnino, his wife, dated November 12, 1958, recorded in Official Record Book 270, page 677 of the public records of said county.

.<u>Section 2.</u> Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage by the City Commission in second reading.

PASSED on first reading this day of	, 2016.
PASSED AND ADOPTED in second reading	g this, 2016.
	Keith W. Babb, Jr., MAYOR
Attest:	

	First Reading	Second and Final Reading
MAYOR BABB		_
VICE MAYOR HILL		
COMMISSIONER HOLMES		
COMMISSIONER MURVIN		
COMMISSIONER WALKER	-	
APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SU	FFICIENCY	
Gary M. Brandenburg, CITY AT	TORNEY	

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-14

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING SAFEGUARDS FOR THE OPERATION OF RECYCLING FACILITIES, PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE, SEVERABILITY, AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Pahokee has determined that establishing safeguards for the operation of recycling facilities is in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Pahokee.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City Commission of the City of Pahokee, that:

<u>Section 1.</u> Applicability. This ordinance shall apply to all categories of recycling facilities located within the City of Pahokee.

.Section 2. Time for Compliance.

- A. All existing recycling facilities must comply with the provisions of this Ordinance within four (4) months of the effective date.
- B. All proposals for new recycling facilities will comply with the provisions of this Ordinance before the commencement of the operation of the facility. No Building Permit, Occupational License, or Business Tax Receipt shall be issued by the City until the recycling facility complies with the provisions of this Ordinance.

Section 3. Security Bond or Guarantee.

The operators of all recycling facilities in the City of Pahokee will post a surety bond in favor of the City, or such other method of surety acceptable to the City Manager and City Attorney that shall guarantee the performance of the requirements of this Ordinance. The surety bond or other guarantee must be kept current at all times with the City, until the facility has closed and all recycling materials, garbage, trash, or other debris has been removed from the property, and the site has been

	over the facility or the type of recycling done on-site.			
Section 4.	Inclusion in the Code of Ordinances. It is the intention of the City Commission, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and are made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pahokee, that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered to accomplish such intentions; and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "Section" or other appropriate word.			
Section 5.	Severability . If any section, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder shall not be affected by such invalidity.			
Section 6.	Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage by the City Commission in second reading.			
PASSED on fi	irst reading this day of, 2016.			
PASSED ANI	O ADOPTED in second reading this day of, 2016. Keith W. Babb, Jr., MAYOR			
Attest:	a Warner, CITY CLERK			
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APPROVED A	AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY			

inspected by the City Code Enforcement department, Health Department, and any other State-funded or local government agency with jurisdiction

Gary M. Brandenburg, CITY ATTORNEY

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-11

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF PAHOKEE YOUTH COUNCIL, PROVIDING FOR MEMBERSHIP, ADVISORY BOARD LIAISON, DUTIES OF ADVISORY BOARD, INCLUSION IN CODE, SEVERABILITY, AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Pahokee desires to achieve the maximum participation by youth in City government and civic activities; and

WHEREAS, City Commission desires to obtain youth input through the creation of this Youth Council.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Commission of the City of Pahokee that:

- <u>Section 1</u>. The foregoing recitals are ratified as true and correct.
- Section 2-166 of the City of Pahokee Code of Laws and Ordinances is hereby created to read:
 - 2-166.1 <u>City of Pahokee Youth Council</u>
 The City of Pahokee hereby creates the City of Pahokee Youth Council.

2-166.2 Membership

The Youth Council shall consist of five members who are residents of the City of Pahokee and who are appointed for two-year terms by the City Commission.

2-166.3 Advisory Board Liaison

One member of the City Commission, appointed by the Commission, shall serve as City of Pahokee Commission Liaison. This liaison shall report to the City Commission any recommendations of the Advisory Board. The Commission liaison shall not be a voting member of the Advisory Board. All input from the Advisory Board shall be reported by the liaison to the City Commission.

2-166.4 Duties of Advisory Board

The City of Pahokee Youth Council shall advise the City on all matters, projects, and plans relating to youth participation in City government and civic activities in the City of Pahokee.

Section 3.	Inclusion in the Code of Ordinances. It is the intention of the City Commission, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and are made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pahokee, that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered to accomplish such intentions; and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "Section" or other appropriate word.			
Section 4.	Severability. If any section, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder shall not be affected by such invalidity.			
Section 5.	Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage by the City Commission in second reading.			
PASSED on first reading this day of, 2016.				
PASSED ANI	PASSED AND ADOPTED on second reading this day of, 2016.			
Attest: Tijauna Warne	er, CITY CLERK	Keith	W. Babb, Jr., MAYOR	
MAYOR BABB VICE MAYOR HILL COMMISSIONER HO COMMISSIONER M COMMISSIONER W	OLMES	st Reading	Second and Final Reading	
APPROVED AS TO I				
Gary M. Brandenburg	, CITY ATTORNE	EY		

ORDINANCE NO. 2016 - 12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, CREATING CHAPTER 17, SEC. 17-79. MULTI-FAMILY RENTAL UNITS; COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS; INDUSTRIAL; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE, A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, AND AUTHORITY TO CODIFY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of Pahokee finds that revisions to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pahokee are necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing "WHEREAS" clause is ratified and confirmed as being true and correct as is made a specific part of this Ordinance.

Section 2. Sec. 17-79 is hereby created to read as follows:

Sec. 17-79. Multi-Family Rental Units and Commercial Buildings

- 1. Multi-Family Rental Units (MFRU) shall mean any property that has more than three rental units. A Commercial Building (CB) is any structure used for a commercial or industrial use under the Zoning Code.
- 2. All Multi-Family Rental Units (MFRU) and Commercial Buildings (CB) exteriors shall be kept free of mold and mildew and chipped paint.
- 3. All Multi-Family Rental Units (MFRU) and Commercial Buildings (CB) shall be pressure-washed, primed, and completely painted every five (5) years. Within one year of the date of this ordinance, all MFRU shall be pressure-washed, primed and completely painted unless the owner requests an inspection from the Code Enforcement Department and they determine the buildings are not in need of painting until a later date, which will be set by Code Enforcement,

based upon the condition of the existing paint. In no event shall the time for painting be postponed beyond five (5) years from the date of adoption of this ordinance (______) and every five (5) years thereafter.

- 4. (a) All Multi-Family Residential Units (MFRU) or Commercial Buildings (CB) shall have the required number of parking spaces under the Land Development Code. All grandfathered MFRU shall have, at a minimum, 1.5 spaces per unit. All CB shall have at least the minimum required for the approved use. All spaces shall meet the requirements for paved parking, striping and drainage, have the required base foundation, and be asphalt or concrete. All MFRU's and CB's shall be required to obtain the proper permits and complete parking in compliance with this Code within six (6) months of the adoption of this Code. (
 - (b) <u>Variance</u> MFRU's <u>or CB's</u> may apply for a variance from the requirements of this section, provided that they meet the variance requirements of the ULDC and can show specific off-site parking which the MFRU <u>or CB</u> is legally entitled to use.
- 5. All MFRU's <u>and CB's</u> shall have on file with the City information regarding contact information for the owner and for the landscape and maintenance crew responsible for the upkeep of the grounds.
- 6. MFRU and CB Landscaping All MFRU's and CB's shall replace all landscaping that is missing from the original approvals within six (6) months of the date of adoption of this Ordinance. All MFRU's or CB's that do not have an approved landscape plan on file with the City shall, within one year, apply for, obtain, and implement a landscape plan that meets the City Code.
- Section 3. Severability. If any section, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance is declared unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder shall not be affected by such invalidity.
- Section 4. Conflict. All sections or parts of sections of the revised Code of Ordinances in conflict herewith are intended to be repealed to the extent of such conflict.
- Section 5. Inclusion in the Code of Ordinances. It is the intention of the City Commission, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and are made a part of the Code of

Ordinances of the City of Pahokee, that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or re-lettered to accomplish such intentions; and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "Section" or other appropriate word.

	Section 6. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage by the City Commission in second reading.				
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Attest:	Tijauna Warn	er, CITY CLE	RK		
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EDUCATION

College of William and Mary, Marshall-Wythe School of Law

Williamsburg, Virginia

J.D. May 1992: Top 16% of Class.

<u>Journal</u>:

Articles Editor, William and Mary Journal of Environmental Law.

Activities:

Institute of Bill of Rights Law. Environmental Law Society. Phi Delta Phi Legal

Fraternity. 1990 Summer School of Law - London / Exeter, England.

University of South Florida

Tampa, Florida

B.A. Psychology, August 1989: Top 15% of Class.

Honors:

Graduated CUM LAUDE. Dean's List three years.

Sigma Chi Fraternity, Most Outstanding Florida Undergraduate, 1989.

Activities:

Student Government. Sigma Chi Fraternity. Inter-Fraternity Council.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Corbett, White, Davis and Ashton, P.A.

July 2002 - Present

Managing Partner/Shareholder.

Board Certified Specialist in City, County and Local Government Law.

- Responsible for day to day Law Firm business operations.
- General Counsel for the Towns of Manalapan, Mangonia Park and Palm Beach Shores, and the Village of Tequesta; responsible for attending Council/Commission meetings and handling all general municipal legal matters.
- Attorney for Village of Palm Springs Employee Grievance Board.
- Hearing Officer for Town of Juno Beach Zoning Relief Requests.
- Hearing Officer for Martin County Zoning Relief Requests.
- Code Enforcement Special Magistrate for City of West Palm Beach and Town of Loxahatchee Groves
- General Counsel for the Florida Green Finance Authority, a state-wide special district established for the purpose of facilitating PACE financing.
- General Counsel for the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council.
- Special Counsel for Cities of Ft. Lauderdale, Homestead, Miramar and Riviera Beach.

Powers, McNalis, & Moody

February 2001 – July 2002

Handled the defense of persons and corporations in third party insurance liability cases in courts throughout the State of Florida. Responsible for major research and writing projects, preparing and drafting discovery documents, pleadings, client correspondence, and motions for summary judgment. Further responsible for attending depositions of parties and non-party witnesses, motion calendar hearings, and evidentiary hearings on motions for summary judgment. Also handled first party insurance company representation, including examinations under oath of insureds in water, fire, and auto loss cases, and drafted and argued Petitions for Declaratory Relief on multiple issues of coverage and the duty to defend.

Office of the State Attorney, 15th Judicial Circuit

May 1995 - February 2001

Division Chief of the Circuit Court Juvenile Division. Responsibilities included overseeing all prosecutions in a juvenile trial division as well as filing felony and misdemeanor charges and prosecuting juvenile detention hearings. Also served in Circuit Court Felony Division. Responsibilities included prosecuting non-capital felony crimes. Also served in Appellate Division. Responsibilities included researching and drafting written responses to motions for post conviction relief and arguing motions in circuit court on issues including ineffective assistance of counsel and sentence legality. Also briefed and argued county court appeals in the circuit court. Also served in County Court Division. Responsibilities included prosecuting misdemeanor crimes such as domestic violence and DUI. Argued against numerous motions to suppress evidence. Also responsible for prosecuting arraignments and first appearances.

Office of the Public Defender, 19th Judicial Circuit

December 1992 - April 1995

Represented indigent criminal defendants in both county and circuit courts. Tried in excess of forty jury trials including misdemeanor and felony charges. Argued numerous motions including evidence suppression, bond reduction, charge dismissal, and sentence modification. Circuit court work also included representing defendants in juvenile court and Baker Act hearings. Drafted several briefs for appellate review on issues including evidence admissibility, evidence sufficiency, and restitution.

COURTS

Admitted to Practice in all Florida State Courts.

Admitted to Practice in the United States District Court, Southern and Northern Districts of Florida.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Member in Good Standing of the Florida Bar since 1992; Member of the American Bar Association; Member of the Palm Beach County Bar Association.

PUBLICATION

The Role of the Virginia Marine Resources Commission in Regulating and Zoning the Water Bodies of the Commonwealth, 16 William and Mary Journal of Environmental Law 81 (1992).

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT/PRO BONO

Village of North Palm Beach Zoning Board of Adjustment

November 2007-September 2015

Review and take final action on zoning code variance applications.

Bright Futures International Elementary School and Academy for International Studies Middle School

January 2001-April 2006

President of the Board of Directors for two Palm Beach County charter schools. Responsible for business of school operations including major fund-raising, employment of staff, approval of budget, hiring of consultants, and review and approval of legal documents.

Florida League of Cities, Inc.

August 2014 - Present

Speaker/Presenter at annual conference;

Member, Legislative Policy Committee for Urban Administration

Florida Municipal Attorneys Association.

July 2014, July 2016

Speaker/Presenter at annual conference.

Palm Beach Gardens Community Band.

September 2014-Present

Trombone player in 80 plus member concert band, performing concerts throughout the year.