OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY
MEETING AGENDA
JULY 21, 2026
8:00 A.M.

1. Call the Meeting to Order
    - Pledge of Allegiance
    - Determination of Voting Members

2. Agenda Additions or Deletions
    - 2A. Invoices from Craig A. Smith and Associates, LLC – NE 16th Avenue Water Main Improvements
    - 2B. Invoice from CHA Consulting Inc – SWTP Ozone System Upgrades

3. Public Hearing – Resolution 26-03 – Operations of the Okeechobee Utility Authority

4. Consent Agenda
    5. Invoice from Kimley-Horn and Associates Inc. – Treasure Island Septic to Sewer
    6. Invoice from Marmer Construction, Inc – SW 5th Avenue Vacuum Sewer Project Phase I
    7. Invoices from CHA Consulting Inc – Pine Ridge Park Expansion Project
    8. Invoice from PRP Construction, LLC – Mallard Landing Gravity Sewer Expansion
    9. Invoice from Holtz Consulting Engineers, Inc. – Mallard Landing Gravity Sewer Expansion
    10. Invoice from Holtz Consulting Engineers, Inc. – State Road 78 Water Main Phase III
    11. Invoice from Holtz Consulting Engineers, Inc. – State Road 78 Water Main Phase III Booster Pump Station
    12. Invoice from Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc. – NW15 Pump Station Rehabilitation
    13. Invoice from Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc. – SW 5th Ave Vacuum Sewer Phase 1
    14. Invoice from Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc. – SW 5th Avenue Facilities Plan and SRF Application
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    16. Invoice from Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc. – SWSA Septic to Sewer Connections Phase III Lots (Groups J through AA)
    17. Invoice from Nowlen, Holt & Miner, P.A.
    18. Invoice from Nason Yeager Gerson Harris & Fumero, P.A. – Legal Services
    19. Invoice from Conely and Conely, P.A. – Legal Services
    20. Invoice from Thorn Run Partners
    21. Invoice from MacVicar Consulting, Inc.
    22. Surplus Items
    23. Operations Director Monthly Report

24. Meeting Minutes from June 16, 2026

25. Public Comments

26. Customer – D. Desai

27. Finance Report

28. FY27 Preliminary Budget Review

29. WWTF Sand and Grit Removal Grant, SG087 and Contract

30. SWSA Project 2 – Septic to Sewer Connections, VPS #5 Groups Y, Q, R and S

31. Emergency Main Office AC Repair

32. SWSA Project 2 Air Terminals

33. Lift Station & Manhole Rehabilitation

34. SW 5th Avenue Septic to Sewer

35. 2027 RIF Commerce Department Grant Application

36. Okeechobee County Fire Station Real Property Donation Agreement

37. Health Care Costs

38. Executive Director Employment Contract

39. Attorney

40. Executive Director

41. Items from the Board

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

JULY 21, 2026

Call Meeting to Order

Pledge of Allegiance
Determine Voting Members

	Absent	Present
County Representatives		
Steve Hargraves – Board Member	______	______
Tabitha Trent – Board Member	______	______
Glenn Sneider - Alternate	______	______
City Representatives		
John Gilliland – Board Member	______	______
Steven Nelson – Board Member	______	______
Jamie Gamiotea - Alternate	______	______
Glades County Representatives		
Harry Moldenhauer – Board Member	______	______
Melanie Anderson – Alternate	______	______

FUTURE MEETING OF OUA BOARD
August 18, 2026 – 8:00 A.M.

FUTURE HOLIDAYS FOR OUA STAFF
September 7, 2026 – Labor Day

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

JULY 21, 2026

AGENDA ADDITION OR DELETIONS

2A. Invoices from Craig A. Smith and Associates, LLC – NE 16th Avenue Water Main Improvements

2B. Invoice from CHA Consulting Inc – SWTP Ozone System Upgrades

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2A

JULY 21, 2026

CRAIG A. SMITH AND ASSOCIATES, LLC – NE 16TH AVENUE WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS

Please find attached invoices in the amounts of $486.24 and $13,040.24 submitted by Craig A. Smith and Associates, LLC. Staff is aware of the work currently being done Craig A. Smith and Associates, LLC. and is in agreement with this request.

Invoice Date	Pay Request No.	Date Paid	Amt. Requested	Amount Paid	Remaining Balance
					$379,899.00
Jul-26	1		$486.24		$379,412.76
Jul-26	2		$13,040.24		$366,372.52

Staff recommends approval of these invoices in the amounts of $486.24 and $13,040.24 to Craig A. Smith and Associates, LLC.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2B

JULY 21, 2026

CHA CONSULTING INC – SWTP OZONE SYSTEM UPGRADES

Please find attached invoice in the amount of $5,784.00 submitted by CHA Consulting, Inc. Staff is aware of the work currently being done CHA Consulting, Inc. and is in agreement with this request.

Invoice Date	Pay Request No.	Date Paid	Amt. Requested	Amount Paid	Remaining Balance
					$96,400.00
Apr-26	1	Apr-26		$3,374.00	$93,026.00
May-26	2	May-26		$8,194.00	$84,832.00
May-26	3	May-26		$12,532.00	$72,300.00
Jun-26	4	Jun-26		$14,460.00	$57,840.00
Jul-26	5		$5,784.00		$52,056.00

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $5,784.00 to CHA Consulting, Inc

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3

JULY 21, 2026

PUBLIC HEARING

RESOLUTION 26-03

OPERATIONS OF THE OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

Please find Resolution 26-03 attached. All purposed changes have been marked accordingly.

- Open Public Hearing: concerning the operations of the Okeechobee Utility Authority
- Presentation by OUA Staff and the reading by title of Resolution 26-03
- Comments from the Public
- Comments from the OUA Board
- Close the Public Hearing
- Motion to approve Resolution 26-03

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Pull items for discussion from Consent Agenda.

2. Items pulled from Consent Agenda will be discussed at the end of Agenda.

3. Unless noted all Consent Agenda items are recommended for approval.

4. Motion to approve items on Consent Agenda as follows:

    5. Invoice from Kimley-Horn and Associates Inc. – Treasure Island Septic to Sewer
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OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC. – TREASURE ISLAND SEPTIC TO SEWER PROJECT

Please find attached invoice in the amount of $52,056.60 submitted by Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. Staff is aware of the work currently being done by Kimley Horn and Associates, Inc. and is in agreement with this request.

Invoice Date	Pay Request No.	Date Paid	Amt. Requested	Amount Paid	Remaining Balance
					$3,180,385.00
June 2023-Dec 2023	Pay Requests 1-8			$712,022.40	$2,468,362.60
Jan 2024-Nov 2024	Pay requests 9-19			$677,327.14	$1,791,035.46
Jan-25	20	Jan-25		$24,402.26	$1,766,633.20
Mar-25	21	Mar-25		$15,790.35	$1,750,842.85
Apr-25	22	Apr-25		$41,543.27	$1,709,299.58
Apr-25	23	Apr-25		$36,097.22	$1,673,202.36
Jun-25	24	Jun-25		$33,759.66	$1,639,442.70
Jul-25	25	Jul-25		$23,081.35	$1,616,361.35
Aug-25	26	Aug-25		$64,448.15	$1,551,913.20
		Change Order	$86,000.00		$1,465,913.20
Sep-25	27	Sep-25		$55,448.57	$1,410,464.63
Oct-25	28	Oct-25		$82,217.76	$1,328,246.87
Oct-25	29	Oct-25		$12,076.78	$1,316,170.09
Dec-25	30	Dec-25		$63,272.00	$1,252,898.09
Dec-25	31	Dec-25		$170,889.28	$1,082,008.81
Feb-26	32	Feb-26		$44,152.20	$1,037,856.61
Mar-26	33	Mar-26		$52,919.50	$984,937.11
Apr-26	34	Apr-26		$106,408.65	$878,528.46
May-26	35	May-26		$70,884.62	$807,643.84
Jun-26	36	Jun-26		$25,351.40	$782,292.44
Jul-26	37		$52,056.60		$730,235.84

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $52,056.60 to Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM MARMER CONSTRUCTION, INC.

Please find attached invoice in the amount of $197,148.23 submitted by Marmer Construction, Inc. Staff is aware of the work currently being done by Marmer Construction, Inc. and is in agreement with this request.

Invoice Date	Pay Request No.	Date Paid	Amt. Requested	Amount Paid	Remaining Balance
					$4,728,321.51
Jul-26	1		$197,148.23		$4,531,173.28

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $197,148.23 to Marmer Construction, Inc.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICES FROM CHA CONSULTING, INC. – PINE RIDGE PARK EXPANSION PROJECT

Please find attached invoices in the amounts of $3,059.50 AND $1,309.92 and is in agreement with this request.

Staff recommends approval of these invoices in the amount of $3,059.50 AND $1,309.92 to CHA Consulting, Inc.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM PRP CONSTRUCTION, LLC – MALLARD LANDING GRAVITY SEWER EXPANSION

Please find attached invoice in the amount of $106,470.00 submitted by PRP Construction, LLC. Staff is aware of the work currently being done by PRP Construction, LLC. and is in agreement with this request.

Invoice Date	Pay Request No.	Date Paid	Amt. Requested	Amount Paid	Remaining Balance
					$807,190.00
Feb-26	1	Feb-26		$66,798.00	$740,392.00
Mar-26	2	Mar-26		$257,922.00	$482,470.00
Apr-26	3	Apr-26		$33,975.00	$448,495.00
May-26	4	May-26		$176,278.50	$272,216.50
Jun-26	5	Jun-26		$75,019.50	$197,197.00
Jul-26	6		$106,470.00		$90,727.00

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $106,470.00 to PRP Construction, LLC.

OKEEHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM HOLTZ CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. – MALLARD LANDING GRAVITY SEWER EXPANSION

Please find attached invoice in the amount of $595.00 submitted by Holtz Consulting Engineers, Inc. Staff is aware of the work currently being done by Holtz Consulting Engineers, Inc. and is in agreement with this request.

Invoice Date	Pay Request No.	Date Paid	Amt. Requested	Amount Paid	Remaining Balance
					$59,760.00

Feb-25	1	Feb-25		$16,465.00	$43,295.00
Mar-25	2	Mar-25		$8,865.00	$34,430.00
Apr-25	3	Apr-25		$1,970.00	$32,460.00
Jun-25	4	Jun-25		$3,086.00	$29,374.00
Aug-25	5	Aug-25		$2,454.00	$26,920.00
Aug-25	6	Aug-25		$1,560.00	$25,360.00
Sep-25	7	Sep-25		$1,560.00	$23,800.00
Oct-25	8	Oct-25		$1,190.00	$22,610.00
Dec-25	9	Dec-25		$3,570.00	$19,040.00
Jan-26	10	Jan-26		$1,190.00	$17,850.00
Feb-26	11	Feb-26		$3,570.00	$14,280.00
Mar-26	12	Mar-26		$3,570.00	$10,710.00
Apr-26	13	Apr-26		$5,950.00	$4,760.00
May-26	14	May-26		$2,380.00	$2,380.00
Jun-26	15	Jun-26		$1,190.00	$1,190.00
Jul-26	16		$595.00		$595.00

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $595.00 to Holtz Consulting Engineers, Inc.

OKEEHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM HOLTZ CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. – SR 78 WATERMAIN IMPROVEMENTS PHASE 3

Please find attached invoice in the amount of $17,862.00 submitted by Holtz Consulting Engineers, Inc. Staff is aware of the work currently being done by Holtz Consulting Engineers, Inc. and is in agreement with this request.

Invoice Date	Pay Request No.	Date Paid	Amt. Requested	Amount Paid	Remaining Balance
					$399,895.00
Mar-26	1	Mar-26		$53,586.00	$346,309.00
Apr-26	2	Apr-26		$35,724.00	$310,585.00
May-26	3	May-26		$17,862.00	$292,723.00

Jun-26	4	Jun-26		$8,931.00	$283,792.00
Jul-26	5		$17,862.00		$265,930.00

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $17,862.00 to Holtz Consulting Engineers, Inc.

OKEEHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM HOLTZ CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. – SR 78 WATERMAIN IMPROVEMENTS PHASE 3 – BOOSTER PUMP STATION

Please find attached invoice in the amount of $16,963.50 submitted by Holtz Consulting Engineers, Inc. Staff is aware of the work currently being done by Holtz Consulting Engineers, Inc. and is in agreement with this request.

Invoice Date	Pay Request No.	Date Paid	Amt. Requested	Amount Paid	Remaining Balance
					$264,547.00
Jun-26	1	Jun-26		$11,526.75	$253,020.25
Jul-26	2		$16,963.50		$236,056.75

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $16,963.50 to Holtz Consulting Engineers, Inc.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM SUMNER ENGINEERING & CONSULTING, INC – NW 15 REHABILITATION

Please find attached the invoice in the amount of $8,436.11 submitted by Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc. Staff is aware of the work currently being done by Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc. and is in agreement with this request.

Invoice Date	Pay Request No.	Date Paid	Amt. Requested	Amount Paid	Remaining Balance
					$189,600.00
Sep-25	1	Sep-25		$36,810.00	$152,790.00
Oct-25	2	Oct-25		$30,160.00	$122,630.00
Dec-25	3	Dec-25		$8,430.00	$114,200.00
Feb-26	4	Feb-26		$4,488.00	$109,712.00
Mar-26	5	Mar-26		$23,407.00	$86,305.00
Apr-26	6	Apr-26		$9,387.00	$76,918.00
May-26	7	May-26		$4,594.00	$72,324.00
Jun-26	8	Jun-26		$4,535.74	$67,788.26
Jul-26	9		$8,436.11		$59,352.15

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $8,436.11 to Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 13

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM SUMNER ENGINEERING & CONSULTING, INC – SW 5TH AVENUE VACUUM SEWER PAHSE I

Please find attached the invoice in the amount of $4,200.00 submitted by Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc. Staff is aware of the work currently being done by Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc. and is in agreement with this request.

Invoice Date	Pay Request No.	Date Paid	Amt. Requested	Amount Paid	Remaining Balance
					$325,840.00
Nov-23	1	Nov-23		$22,808.80	$303,031.20
Jan-24	2	Jan-24		$35,842.40	$267,188.80
Feb-24	3	Feb-24		$9,775.20	$257,413.60
Mar-24	4	Mar-24		$13,033.60	$244,380.00
Apr-24	5	Apr-24		$16,292.00	$228,088.00
May-24	6	May-24		$14,662.80	$213,425.20
Aug-24	7	Aug-24		$9,775.20	$203,650.00
Sep-24	8	Sep-24		$21,179.60	$182,470.40
Dec-24	9	Dec-24		$65,168.00	$117,302.40
Mar-25	10	Mar-25		$39,100.80	$78,201.60
Apr-25	11	Apr-25		$22,808.80	$55,392.80
May-25	12	May-25		$19,550.40	$35,842.40
Jun-25	13	Jun-25		$13,033.60	$22,808.80
Sep-25	14	Sep-25		$13,033.60	$9,775.20
Oct-25	15	Oct-25		$6,516.80	$3,258.40
Dec-25	16	Dec-25		$3,258.40	$0.00
Jan-26	Change Order		$292,700.00		$292,700.00

Feb-26	17	Feb-26		$13,986.00	$278,714.00
Apr-26	18	Apr-26		$5,994.00	$272,720.00
May-26	19	May-26		$4,621.83	$268,098.17
Jun-26	20			$5,340.57	$262,757.60
Jul-26	21		$4,200.00		$258,557.60

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $4,200.00 to Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 14

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM SUMNER ENGINEERING & CONSULTING, INC – SW 5TH AVENUE FACILITIES PLAN AND SRF APPLICATION

Please find attached the invoice in the amount of $6,950.00 submitted by Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc. Staff is aware of the work currently being done by Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc. and is in agreement with this request.

Invoice Date	Pay Request No.	Date Paid	Amt. Requested	Amount Paid	Remaining Balance
					$26,000.00
Jun-25	1	Jun-25		$7,250.00	$18,750.00
Aug-25	2	Aug-25		$2,250.00	$16,500.00
Jul-26	3		$6,950.00		$9,550.00

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $6,950.00 to Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 15

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM SUMNER ENGINEERING & CONSULTING, INC. – SWSA SEPTIC TO SEWER CONNECTIONS - PHASE I LOTS (D, E AND F)

Please find attached the invoice in the amount of $995.00 submitted by Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc. Staff is aware of the work currently being done by Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc. and is in agreement with this request.

Invoice Date	Pay Request No.	Date Paid	Amt. Requested	Amount Paid	Remaining Balance
					$9,000.00
Feb-26	1	Feb-26		$5,455.00	$3,545.00
May-26	2	May-26		$2,300.00	$1,245.00
Jun-26	3	Jun-26		$250.00	$995.00
Jul-26	4		$995.00		$0.00

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $995.00 to Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 16

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM SUMNER ENGINEERING & CONSULTING, INC. – SWSA SEPTIC TO SEWER CONNECTIONS - PHASE I LOTS (J THROUGH AA)

Please find attached the invoice in the amount of $14,435.00 submitted by Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc. Staff is aware of the work currently being done by Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc. and is in agreement with this request.

Invoice Date	Pay Request No.	Date Paid	Amt. Requested	Amount Paid	Remaining Balance
					$104,400.00
Jun-26	1	Jun-26		$32,725.00	$71,675.00
Jul-26	2		$14,435.00		$57,240.00

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $14,435.00 to Sumner Engineering & Consulting, Inc.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 17

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICES FROM NOWLEN, HOLT & MINER, P.A.

Please find attached invoice in the amount of $12,500.00 and is in agreement with this request.

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $12,500.00 to Nowlen, Holt & Miner, P.A.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 18

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM NASON YEAGER GERSON HARRIS & FUMERO, P.A. – LEGAL SERVICES

Please find attached invoice in the amount of $11,380.00 submitted by Nason Yeager Gerson Harris & Fumero, P.A. for legal services. Staff is aware of the work currently being done by Nason Yeager Gerson Harris & Fumero, P.A. and is in agreement with this request.

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $11,380.00 to Nason Yeager Gerson Harris & Fumero, P.A.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 19

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM CONELY AND CONELY, P.A. – LEGAL SERVICES

Please find attached invoice in the amount of $2,568.75 submitted by Conely and Conely, P.A. for legal services. Staff is aware of the work currently being done Conely and Conely, P.A. and is in agreement with this request.

Staff recommends approval of this invoice in the amount of $2,568.75 to Conely and Conely P.A.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 20

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM THORN RUN PARTNERS

Please see attached the Thorn Run Partners monthly invoice.

Staff recommends approval of the monthly invoice from Thorn Run Partners in the amount of $3,500.00.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 21

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

INVOICE FROM MACVICAR CONSULTING, INC.

Please see attached the MacVicar Consulting Inc. invoice.

Staff recommends approval of the monthly invoice from MacVicar Consulting Inc. in the amount of $250.00.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 22

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

SURPLUS ITEMS

Periodically staff reviews vehicles, equipment and materials to determine what can be deemed as surplus and available for disposal. A compiled list of those items is listed below:

1. 2008 12 ft. x 6.5 ft. Anderson 6-ton series dump trailer- this unit was at the WWTP- floor was re-done several years ago, unit has been replaced with a new one this year.

2. 2016 14 ft. x 6 ft. Big Tex 14 LX dump trailer- this unit was at the SWTP-extensive framework was re-done several years ago, floor is in bad shape. Unit has been replaced with a new one this year.

3. Hycor Rotostrainer cylinder at SWTP– this unit is damaged and has a 4-inch diameter hole in it. The construction of the drum is thin welded wire that cannot be repaired. This unit has been replaced with a new one.

Staff is requesting these items to be declared surplus and available for auction to the highest bidder.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 23

JULY 21, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

OPERATIONS DIRECTOR MONTHLY REPORT

Site Visits 6-18-2026 thru 7/16-2026

SWTP:	General Maintenance/ Normal Operations FDEP approved GWTP to be put back on line, running plant two days per month. Review meeting this Thursday 7-23-26 for 75% Draft Ozone Rehab project
Maintenance:	General Maintenance Normal operations: leaks, complaints, new services Finishing up on couple Water Main extensions NE 8 st. & NE 6th ct.(Pine Ridge)
WWTP:	General Maintenance / Normal Operations Two trainees testing for Operator licenses Interviews Thursday 7-23-26 for vacant positions Okee-Tantie package plant 10-year permit renewal application received from FDEP and under Review.

*The above Operations Director report is presented for informational purposes. If there are any questions, I would be happy to answer them.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 24

JULY 21, 2026

MEETING MINUTES

Attached are copies of the minutes from the meeting held on June 16, 2026.

Unless the Board determines a correction is required to the minutes, Staff recommends the approval of the meeting minutes from June 16, 2026 as presented.

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 25

JULY 21, 2026

PUBLIC COMMENTS

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 26

JULY 21, 2026

CUSTOMER – D. DESAI

As per Resolution 99-1, Mr. Dave Desai has requested to speak to the OUA Board. He has submitted an Agenda Item Request Form (please see attached) and spoken with the OUA Executive Director concerning his request.

In general, his request concerns the OUA sewer connection grant funding and why can' t the funding be utilized to pay those property owners that wish to do the connections themselves or hire a contractor to make the connections. Why are the grant monies only available to those property owners that utilize the OUA contractors.

The OUA identified three possible scenarios to connect a house to the collection system out at the street. Each connection will require the pumping out of the septic tank, breaking up the septic tank and backfilling with soil, connecting piping to the house and extending it out to the street and restoration. The project will require a building permit and inspections.

Option 1 - Owner to do the work: As the property owner, the owner can do the work and obtain the necessary Health and Building Department permits. This work will be done at the Owner's expense.

Option 2 - Owner to contract the work: As the property owner, the owner can contract out the work. Either the Owner or contractor will be required to obtain the necessary Health and Building Department permits. All of the work will be done whether by contractor or Owner with all work at Owner's expense.

Option 3 - OUA to do the work: The OUA will put out bid for contractors to do all of the work. The OUA will obtain the Building Department permit and the OUA will conduct the Health Department inspections. The selected contractor will do all the work with inspections by OUA staff. The property owner will be responsible for all costs over whatever the grant amount will pay. As per the April 2026 Agenda, the grant amount maximum cap was set at $3,600.00. Any project cost at or less than this amount will be fully paid by the grant with no cost to the property owner. Any project cost above this amount ($3,600.00) will be paid by the property owner with the grant picking up the initial amount.

This grant provision for only paying for the OUA contracted work is that the OUA publicly bid the work, selected the contractor from the public bidding process, inspected the work and certified that the work as complete and in compliance with the bid documents. With respect to options 1 or 2, none of this can happen.

In this case (Mr. Desai) today, the house was vacant and the owner wanted to move forward with the septic tank removal right away rather than wait for the OUA bidding process to take place. The March 3, 2026, letter was clear in that he could move forward with the first two options and with the letter stating that the property Owner would be responsible for the costs.

In a later letter on June 24, 2026, the OUA clearly identified what contractor will be doing the work, what it will cost to do the work ($ 3,252.43) on his property and that the grant money will fully pay for the work.

Mr. Desai asked if the entire $3,600.00 could be paid to him since his costs were greater than that amount.

Mr. Desai was told that the grant money (whether the amount was $3,252.43 or $3,600.00) is not available to him since he took it upon himself to have the work done and that the OUA (Grantee) could not verify or certify to the Grantor that the work was done. All that can be noted is that if permits were pulled and completed.

It is OUA staff position that this request should be denied in that the property did not adhere to project requirements.

If the OUA Board elects to grant this request, how should OUA staff handle other requests where Options 1 or 2 were utilized?

OKEEHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 27

JULY 21, 2026

FINANCE REPORT

At the end of the third quarter, June 2026, YTD revenue was $11,134,773 compared to a budget of $10,922,259 resulting in the achievement of 101.9% of budget or a favorable variance of $212,514.

A comparison between current YTD achievements and prior year's result at June 2025 shows:

a) YTD water & sewer (2026) revenue yield a 108.3% and 107.4% growth over prior YTD result (June 2025).
b) Prior year's amount of other revenue in the sum of $1,163,630 was due to the large signup by sewer customer before the expiration of 75% discount fee on installation charges.

YTD operating expenses at the end of June 2026 stood at $7,330,643 compared with YTD budget of $8,418,656 yielding a positive variance of $1,088,014 or 12.9%. Compared with FY25 YTD, total overhead at June FY26 is $7,330,643 remains flat over the period.

Main factors impacting YTD Overhead variance:

1. Water Master plan schedule for final quarter	-	$300,000
2. Delay in GWTP online operation	-	$158,000
3. Wastewater staffing (recruiting in progress)	-	$163,000

Restricted revenue generated $2,090,063 compare to YTD budget of $454,183 which produced a variance of $1,635,880 which is mainly due to capital connection charge revenue on water and sewer: Lakefront Estates, SFWMD and S. Holding LLC.

Non-operating expenses which comprises of depreciation and loan interest expenses were $2,572,788 compared to YTD budget of $2,493,080 reports a variance of $79,708.

Number of Accounts – 06.30.26

At June 30, 2026, the number of customers served by the Authority were:

Water	-	10,357
Sewer	-	4,788

After review and discussion, the Board is asked to move a motion accepting June's Finance Report.

OKEEHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 28

JULY 21, 2026

FY27 PRELIMINARY BUDGET REVIEW

At last month's meeting, the following sections were reviewed: with summary explanations on how each section was determined:

Section A	-	Budget Assumptions and Summary.
Section B	-	Revenue
Section C	-	Operating Expenses (Labor + O&M)
Section D	-	Capital Projects (major & minor projects)

Today, the following sections will be presented, allowing for discussions:

Sections E, F, G	-	Maintenance of Reserve.
Section H	-	Fire Hydrant Fund.
Section K	-	Debt Servicing & Projection.
Section L	-	Labor Cost.
Section N	-	Projected in-fil, Capital Allowance & Install Fee.
Section O	-	Fund Balances – cash flows.

<u>Section E, F, G – Maintenance of Cash Reserve</u>

As per the Authority's General Policy and Procedure Guideline (section 41: Financial Fund Policies – latest version Resolution 24-02), OUA should strive to maintain a reserve amount as established by Bond documents and/or Board's resolution.

The following were established for each reserve:

Renewal, Replacement & Improvement Fund	-	5% of prior fiscal year's revenue
Emergency Reserve Fund	-	30 days or prior year's O+M
Operating Reserve Fund	-	60 days of current O+M budget

Using the above calculation, sections E, F & G shows the change in funds according to the reserve determination stated in the "Policy & Procedure Guideline".

<u>Section H – Fire Hydrant Fund</u>

Also included in the policy, is that a Fire Hydrant Fund should be maintained for the acquisition, installation of fire hydrants, periodic maintenance and for the repair and replacement of fire hydrants.

The current rate schedule establishes a charge of $0.62/month for residential customers and $1.98/month for non-residential customers.

<u>Section K – Debt Servicing</u>

Section K summarize OUA's loan commitments (principal + interest) by fiscal period – refer to K1.

For FY27 budgetary period, the Authority is committed to pay $2,493,351 for loan obligation to Truist, SRF & USDA.

Section L – Labor Cost

In addition to the labor assumptions stated on schedule L1, sheet L2 shows a summary of total extended labor cost which total $6,377,511 and agrees with the revised sheet C3 (cell O-32).

Section N – Capital Connection Charges and Installation fees

Applicable charges for new connection to the system are installation and capital connection charges.

Although there could be a number of unknown customers added to the network during the budget period, in preparation of FY27 budget, a conservative estimate for water and wastewater was used:

	Water	Wastewater
Annual in-fill growth	25	12

The above anticipated ERCs are used to estimate the installation fee shown on schedule B3 (water & wastewater) and capital connection fees on B4.

Section O – Projected Funds Balances

Section O, shows the anticipated cash movement on all cash account during FY27. After accounting for all movements (FY27), the budget targets a fund balance of $9,139,317 with no account schedule to be in an overdraft.

Finally, should time allow, a review of schedule A4 (which provides a top-level overview of the budget) will be presented.

The above extracts of FY27 preliminary budget are provided for information purpose only. No action is required by the Board.

OKEEHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 29

JULY 21, 2026

**CEMETERY ROAD WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY (CRWWTF)
SAND AND GRIT REMOVAL GRANT, SG087 AND CONTRACT**

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection's (DEP) Springs and Watershed Restoration Program offers a grant for the removal of accumulated sand and grit from domestic wastewater treatment systems. The CRWWTF East Oxidation Ditch Aerator was assessed by SediVision on January 8, 2026. The assessment estimated that 109.8 cubic yards of accumulated materials were present. OUA received a cost estimate of $80,600.00 from US Submergent to remove the sand and grit. The cost estimate was piggy backed utilizing the City of Orlando's Procurement and Contracts Division Reservoir Environmental Cleaning Services contract.

OUA applied to DEP for grant reimbursement of the estimated $80,600.00 through the Sand and Grit Removal Grand Program. The grant was approved for up to $80,600.00 in funding reimbursement.

The SediVision Assessment Report, US Submergent Cost Estimate and State of Florida DEP Standard Grant Agreement are attached for review.

Following discussion, staff recommends accepting the Sand and Grit Removal Grant SG087, proceeding with a contract with US Submergent and issuing a Purchase Order for the removal of accumulated sediments from the East Oxidation Ditch Aerator.

Motion 1:

> **Accept DEP Sand and Grit Removal Grant SG087 from DEP and authorize the Chairperson to sign Grant Agreement.**

Motion 2:

> **Accept Cost Estimate from US Submergent in the amount of $80,600.00, authorize the Chairperson to sign Cost Estimate and issue a purchase order in the amount of $80,600.00 to US Submergent for the removal and disposal of the sand and grit in the East Oxidation Ditch Aerator.**

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 30

JULY 21, 2026

SWSA PROJECT 2 – SEPTIC TO SEWER CONNECTIONS
VPS #5 GROUPS Y, Q, R AND S

On June 25th, bids were received and opened for **VPS #5 Group Y,** which has thirty-nine (39) addresses for connection. Bids were received from two Florida licensed plumbing contractors, Invertech Solutions LLC and Meek's Plumbing, Inc.

		Vendor's Bid	Staff Review
Invertech Solutions LLC	-	$160,899.16	$160,899.11
Meeks Plumbing Inc.	-	$129,548.00	$129,548.16

Following Staff review for completeness, Meeks Plumbing Inc was identified as the bidder with the lowest bid of $129,548.00.

The VPS #5 Group Y Bid Tabulation is shown on the following page:

Residential Connections - Septic to Sewer									
VPS #5 Group Y				Math rounding error due to splitting upfront costs to specific addresses, use bid p					
6/29/2026	Last Edited								
				Invertech Solutions LLC			Meek's Plumbing, Inc.		
Mobilization		LS		$4,000.00			$3,800.00		
Indemnification		LS		$700.58			$0.00		
Safety		LS		$700.58			$0.00		
MOT		LS		$0.00			$0.00		
			Sub-Total	$5,401.16			$3,800.00		
			Number of Connections	39			39		
			Per Connection Costs	$138.49			$97.44		
Sitework									
	2218 SW 16TH ST			$138.49	$2,846.00	**$2,984.49**	$97.44	$2,197.00	**$2,294.44**
	2045 SW 18TH LN			$138.49	$2,598.00	**$2,736.49**	$97.44	$2,026.00	**$2,123.44**
	2062 SW 18TH LN			$138.49	$2,346.00	**$2,484.49**	$97.44	$1,852.00	**$1,949.44**
	2101 SW 18TH LN			$138.49	$4,926.00	**$5,064.49**	$97.44	$3,632.00	**$3,729.44**
	2106 SW 18TH LN			$138.49	$3,014.00	**$3,152.49**	$97.44	$2,313.00	**$2,410.44**
	2123 SW 18TH LN			$138.49	$2,827.00	**$2,965.49**	$97.44	$2,184.00	**$2,281.44**
	2152 SW 18TH LN			$138.49	$5,548.00	**$5,686.49**	$97.44	$4,061.00	**$4,158.44**
	2175 SW 18TH LN			$138.49	$3,365.00	**$3,503.49**	$97.44	$2,555.00	**$2,652.44**
	2191 SW 18TH LN			$138.49	$2,972.00	**$3,110.49**	$97.44	$2,284.00	**$2,381.44**
	2198 SW 18TH LN			$138.49	$4,590.00	**$4,728.49**	$97.44	$3,400.00	**$3,497.44**
	2211 SW 18TH LN			$138.49	$1,186.00	**$1,324.49**	$97.44	$1,052.00	**$1,149.44**
	1920 SW 19TH LN			$138.49	$2,617.00	**$2,755.49**	$97.44	$2,039.00	**$2,136.44**
	2044 SW 19TH LN			$138.49	$7,876.00	**$8,014.49**	$97.44	$5,667.00	**$5,764.44**
	2084 SW 19TH LN			$138.49	$2,308.00	**$2,446.49**	$97.44	$1,826.00	**$1,923.44**
	2085 SW 19TH LN			$138.49	$3,075.00	**$3,213.49**	$97.44	$2,355.00	**$2,452.44**
	2106 SW 19TH LN			$138.49	$3,075.00	**$3,213.49**	$97.44	$2,355.00	**$2,452.44**
	2130 SW 19TH LN			$138.49	$3,926.00	**$4,064.49**	$97.44	$2,942.00	**$3,039.44**
	2174 SW 19TH LN			$138.49	$2,346.00	**$2,484.49**	$97.44	$1,852.00	**$1,949.44**
	2175 SW 19TH LN			$138.49	$2,720.00	**$2,858.49**	$97.44	$2,110.00	**$2,207.44**
	2224 SW 19TH LN			$138.49	$2,948.00	**$3,086.49**	$97.44	$2,501.00	**$2,598.44**
	1625 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$2,949.00	**$3,087.49**	$97.44	$2,268.00	**$2,365.44**
	1646 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$2,930.00	**$3,068.49**	$97.44	$2,255.00	**$2,352.44**
	1647 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$2,411.00	**$2,549.49**	$97.44	$1,897.00	**$1,994.44**
	1674 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$2,947.00	**$3,085.49**	$97.44	$2,264.00	**$2,361.44**
	1675 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$2,369.00	**$2,507.49**	$97.44	$1,868.00	**$1,965.44**
	1696 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$3,056.00	**$3,194.49**	$97.44	$2,342.00	**$2,439.44**
	1697 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$2,659.00	**$2,797.49**	$97.44	$2,068.00	**$2,165.44**
	1719 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$2,453.00	**$2,591.49**	$97.44	$1,926.00	**$2,023.44**
	1741 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$2,472.00	**$2,610.49**	$97.44	$1,939.00	**$2,036.44**
	1742 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$5,303.00	**$5,441.49**	$97.44	$4,083.00	**$4,180.44**
	1769 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$1,972.00	**$2,110.49**	$97.44	$1,594.00	**$1,691.44**
	1792 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$4,745.00	**$4,883.49**	$97.44	$3,817.00	**$3,914.44**
	1793 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$3,968.00	**$4,106.49**	$97.44	$2,971.00	**$3,068.44**
	1818 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$2,762.00	**$2,900.49**	$97.44	$2,139.00	**$2,236.44**
	1841 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$3,575.00	**$3,713.49**	$97.44	$2,700.00	**$2,797.44**
	1903 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$2,617.00	**$2,755.49**	$97.44	$2,039.00	**$2,136.44**
	1908 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$8,528.00	**$8,666.49**	$97.44	$6,994.00	**$7,091.44**
	1911 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$2,472.00	**$2,610.49**	$97.44	$1,939.00	**$2,036.44**
	1933 SW 22ND TER			$138.49	$3,201.00	**$3,339.49**	$97.44	$2,442.00	**$2,539.44**
Contingency Allowance		LS				**$25,000.00**			**$25,000.00**
	TOTAL					**$160,899.11**			**$129,548.16**

On July 9th, bids were received and opened for **VPS #5 Group Q,** which had had seventeen (17) addresses for connection. Bids were received from two Florida licensed plumbing contractors, Fehl Safe Water Systems LLC and Meek's Plumbing, Inc.

		Vendor's Bid	Staff Review
Fehl Safe Water Systems LLC	-	$70,249.00	$70,249.00
Meeks Plumbing Inc.	-	$66,667.50	$66,667.50

Following Staff review for completeness, Meeks Plumbing Inc was identified as the bidder with the lowest bid of $66,667.50.

The VPS #5 Group Q Bid Tabulation is shown below:

Residential Connections - Septic to Sewer									
VPS #5 Group Q				Math rounding error due to splitting upfront costs to specific addresses, use bid p					
7/9/2026	Last Edited								
				Meeks Plumbing, Inc.			Fehl Safe Water Systems		
Mobilization		LS		$3,800.00			$4,000.00		
Indemnification		LS		$0.00			$0.00		
Safety		LS		$0.00			$0.00		
MOT		LS		$0.00			$0.00		
			Sub-Total	$3,800.00			$4,000.00		
			Number of Connections	17			17		
			Per Connection Costs	$223.53			$235.29		
Sitework									
	3238 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$2,108.50	**$2,332.03**	$235.29	$2,295.00	**$2,530.29**
	3239 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$2,385.50	**$2,609.03**	$235.29	$2,611.00	**$2,846.29**
	3260 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$1,791.00	**$2,014.53**	$235.29	$1,933.00	**$2,168.29**
	3282 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$2,492.50	**$2,716.03**	$235.29	$2,683.00	**$2,918.29**
	3283 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$2,494.00	**$2,717.53**	$235.29	$2,737.00	**$2,972.29**
	3306 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$2,024.50	**$2,248.03**	$235.29	$2,199.00	**$2,434.29**
	3315 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$2,121.00	**$2,344.53**	$235.29	$2,309.00	**$2,544.29**
	3328 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$1,887.50	**$2,111.03**	$235.29	$2,043.00	**$2,278.29**
	3352 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$2,313.00	**$2,536.53**	$235.29	$2,503.00	**$2,738.29**
	3353 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$2,261.00	**$2,484.53**	$235.29	$2,469.00	**$2,704.29**
	3374 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$2,799.50	**$3,023.03**	$235.29	$3,083.00	**$3,318.29**
	3375 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$2,205.00	**$2,428.53**	$235.29	$2,405.00	**$2,640.29**
	3396 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$2,563.00	**$2,786.53**	$235.29	$2,813.00	**$3,048.29**
	3397 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$2,510.00	**$2,733.53**	$235.29	$2,753.00	**$2,988.29**
	3421 SW 18TH ST			$223.53	$2,261.00	**$2,484.53**	$235.29	$2,469.00	**$2,704.29**
	1752 SW 34TH TER			$223.53	$1,763.00	**$1,986.53**	$235.29	$1,901.00	**$2,136.29**
	1802 SW 34TH TER			$223.53	$1,887.50	**$2,111.03**	$235.29	$2,043.00	**$2,278.29**
Contingency Allowance		LS				**$25,000.00**			**$25,000.00**
		TOTAL				**$66,667.50**			**$70,249.00**

On July 9th, bids were received and opened for **VPS #5 Group R,** which had had seventeen (17) addresses for connection. Bids were received from two Florida licensed plumbing contractors, Fehl Safe Water Systems LLC and Meek's Plumbing, Inc. One property owner refused access and participation in the bid process and is listed a $0.00 on Bid Tabulation.

		Vendor's Bid	Staff Review
Fehl Safe Water Systems LLC	-	$68,895.00	$72,125.00
Meeks Plumbing Inc.	-	$68,257.00	$68,257.00

Following Staff review for completeness, Meeks Plumbing Inc was identified as the bidder with the lowest bid of $68,257.00.

The VPS #5 Group R Bid Tabulation is shown below:

Residential Connections - Septic to Sewer									
VPS #5 Group R				Math error and omitted second septic tank Contractor bid one septic tank when two exist					
7/13/2026	Last Edited								
				Meeks Plumbing, Inc.			Fehl Safe Water Systems		
Mobilization		LS		$3,800.00			$4,000.00		
Indemnification		LS		$0.00			$0.00		
Safety		LS		$0.00			$0.00		
MOT		LS		$0.00			$0.00		
			Sub-Total	$3,800.00			$4,000.00		
			Number of Connections	16			16		
			Per Connection Costs	$237.50			$250.00		
Sitework									
	1701 SW 34TH TER			$237.50	$3,061.00	$3,298.50	$250.00	$3,381.00	$3,631.00
	3481 SW 17TH ST			$237.50	$1,707.00	$1,944.50	$250.00	$1,837.00	$2,087.00
	3503 SW 17TH ST			$237.50	$2,212.50	$2,450.00	$250.00	$2,407.00	$2,657.00
	3524 SW 17TH ST			$237.50	$1,859.50	$2,097.00	$250.00	$2,011.00	$2,261.00
	3525 SW 17TH ST			$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
	3548 SW 17TH ST			$237.50	$2,438.50	$2,676.00	$250.00	$2,671.00	$2,921.00
	3549 SW 17TH ST			$237.50	$2,273.50	$2,511.00	$250.00	$2,483.00	$2,733.00
	3570 SW 17TH ST			$237.50	$2,314.00	$2,551.50	$250.00	$2,529.00	$2,779.00
	3571 SW 17TH ST			$237.50	$2,205.00	$2,442.50	$250.00	$2,405.00	$2,655.00
	3594 SW 17TH ST			$237.50	$2,205.00	$2,442.50	$250.00	$2,405.00	$2,655.00
	3595 SW 17TH ST			$237.50	$2,136.50	$2,374.00	$250.00	$2,327.00	$2,577.00
	3616 SW 17TH ST			$237.50	$2,466.50	$2,704.00	$250.00	$2,703.00	$2,953.00
	3617 SW 17TH ST			$237.50	$2,438.50	$2,676.00	$250.00	$2,671.00	$2,921.00
	3638 SW 17TH ST			$237.50	$2,108.50	$2,346.00	$250.00	$2,295.00	$2,545.00
	3639 SW 17TH ST			$237.50	$2,189.50	$2,427.00	$250.00	$2,387.00	$2,637.00
	3685 SW 17TH ST			$237.50	$2,342.00	$2,579.50	$250.00	$2,561.00	$2,811.00
	1702 SW 37TH AVE			$237.50	$5,499.50	$5,737.00	$250.00	$6,052.00	$6,302.00
Contingency Allowance		LS				$25,000.00			$25,000.00
		TOTAL				$68,257.00			$72,125.00

On July 9th, bids were received and opened for **VPS #5 Group S,** which had had seventeen (18) addresses for connection. Bids were received from two Florida licensed plumbing contractors, Fehl Safe Water Systems LLC and Meek's Plumbing, Inc.

		Vendor's Bid	Staff Review
Fehl Safe Water Systems LLC	-	$72,836.00	$72,476.00
Meeks Plumbing Inc.	-	$69,271.50	$69,271.50

Following Staff review for completeness, Meeks Plumbing Inc was identified as the bidder with the lowest bid of $69,271.50.

The VPS #5 Group S Bid Tabulation is shown below:

Residential Connections-Septic to Sewer									
VPS #5 Group S									
				Transcription error caused mathmatical error from bid sheet to bid form					
7/13/2026	Last Edited								
				Meeks Plumbing, Inc.			Fehl Safe Water Systems		
Mobilization		LS		$3,800.00			$4,000.00		
Indemnification		LS		$0.00			$0.00		
Safety		LS		$0.00			$0.00		
MOT		LS		$0.00			$0.00		
			Sub-Total	$3,800.00			$4,000.00		
			Number of Connections	18			18		
			Per Connection Costs	$211.11			$222.22		
Sitework									
	1651 SW 32ND AVE			$211.11	$1,900.00	$2,111.11	$222.22	$2,057.00	$2,279.22
	1701 SW 32ND AVE			$211.11	$1,887.50	$2,098.61	$222.22	$2,043.00	$2,265.22
	3261 SW 17TH ST			$211.11	$2,040.00	$2,251.11	$222.22	$2,217.00	$2,439.22
	3282 SW 17TH ST			$211.11	$1,940.50	$2,151.61	$222.22	$2,103.00	$2,325.22
	3283 SW 17TH ST			$211.11	$1,956.00	$2,167.11	$222.22	$2,121.00	$2,343.22
	3307 SW 17TH ST			$211.11	$2,052.50	$2,263.61	$222.22	$2,231.00	$2,453.22
	3328 SW 17TH ST			$211.11	$2,538.00	$2,749.11	$222.22	$2,785.00	$3,007.22
	3329 SW 17TH ST			$211.11	$3,241.50	$3,452.61	$222.22	$3,587.00	$3,809.22
	3352 SW 17TH ST			$211.11	$2,040.00	$2,251.11	$222.22	$2,217.00	$2,439.22
	3353 SW 17TH ST			$211.11	$3,403.50	$3,614.61	$222.22	$3,067.00	$3,289.22
	3374 SW 17TH ST			$211.11	$1,984.00	$2,195.11	$222.22	$2,153.00	$2,375.22
	3375 SW 17TH ST			$211.11	$3,132.50	$3,343.61	$222.22	$3,463.00	$3,685.22
	3396 SW 17TH ST			$211.11	$2,108.50	$2,319.61	$222.22	$2,295.00	$2,517.22
	3397 SW 17TH ST			$211.11	$2,093.00	$2,304.11	$222.22	$2,277.00	$2,499.22
	3420 SW 17TH ST			$211.11	$2,040.00	$2,251.11	$222.22	$2,217.00	$2,439.22
	3421 SW 17TH ST			$211.11	$2,314.00	$2,525.11	$222.22	$2,529.00	$2,751.22
	1652 SW 34TH TER			$211.11	$2,342.00	$2,553.11	$222.22	$2,561.00	$2,783.22
	1702 SW 34TH TER			$211.11	$1,458.00	$1,669.11	$222.22	$1,553.00	$1,775.22
Contingency Allowance		LS				**$25,000.00**			**$25,000.00**
		TOTAL				**$69,271.50**			**$72,476.00**

Following discussion and clarification, the Board is asked to accept Staff recommendations for the lowest bidder of each bid:

Motion 1:

Accept Meeks Plumbing Inc. as the lowest bidder for VPS 5 Group Y (Thirty-Nine connections) for the sum of $129,548.00 and to issue Notice of Award.

Motion 2:

Accept Meeks Plumbing Inc. as the lowest bidder for VPS 5 Group Q (seventeen connections) for the sum of $66,667.50 and to issue Notice of Award.

Motion 3:

Accept Meeks Plumbing Inc. as the lowest bidder for VPS 5 Group R (seventeen connections) for the sum of $68,257.00 and to issue Notice of Award.

Motion 4:

Accept Meeks Plumbing Inc. as the lowest bidder for VPS 5 Group S (eighteen connections) for the sum of $69,271.50 and to issue Notice of Award.

Motion 5:

Once Meeks Plumbing Inc has submitted the appropriate documents, Staff is requesting OUA Board to approve issuance of the appropriate documents (eg. Notice to Proceed etc.)

MAIN OFFICE EMERGENCY AC REPAIR

The main office AC units (there are four of them) were scheduled (Wednesday, 7/8) for annual maintenance/cleanup and during the check, one of the units was noted as low on freon. The company doing the maintenance work was scheduled to come back the next day to adjust the freon level and check for leaks. Upon their return, it was determined that the second unit had a bad blower motor (both units were the oldest of the four and were located together in the hallway closet). The remaining two units were put on a lower temperature, and fans were utilized to try and make the office space livable on Thursday.

A determination was made to get quotes (2- 5ton SEER2 units) on replacing both units.

Quotes received:

$17,407.00 Miller's Central Air, Inc.	14.3 SEER2 1yr labor + 1yr parts warranty
$23,800.00 Glades Air Conditioning	16.0 SEER 1yr labor + 10yr parts warranty
$26,370.00 CRS	? SEER/SEER2 1yr labor + 5yr parts warranty
$17,900.00 Michael Pollittt Inc.	15.5 SEER2 1yr labor + 10yr parts warranty

What is a SEER rating: it stands for the seasonal energy efficiency ratio which means the higher the number, the more efficient the units work, saving you money. A SEER2 rating takes into account the impact ductwork has on the unit efficiency.

While Miller has a slightly lower price, the lower SEER2 value and lower time for parts warranty made the Pollitt price ($493.00) a better value. Monday (7/13) was set as the day of installation.

OUA staff is requesting approval of the purchase and installation of two 5-ton AC units for the main office from Michael Pollitt, Inc. for $17,900.00.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 32

JULY 21, 2026

SWSA PROJECT 2 AIR TERMINALS

With this project going from construction phase to operational phase, the internal components of a vacuum pit (controller & valve) will need to be installed when individual homes are connected.

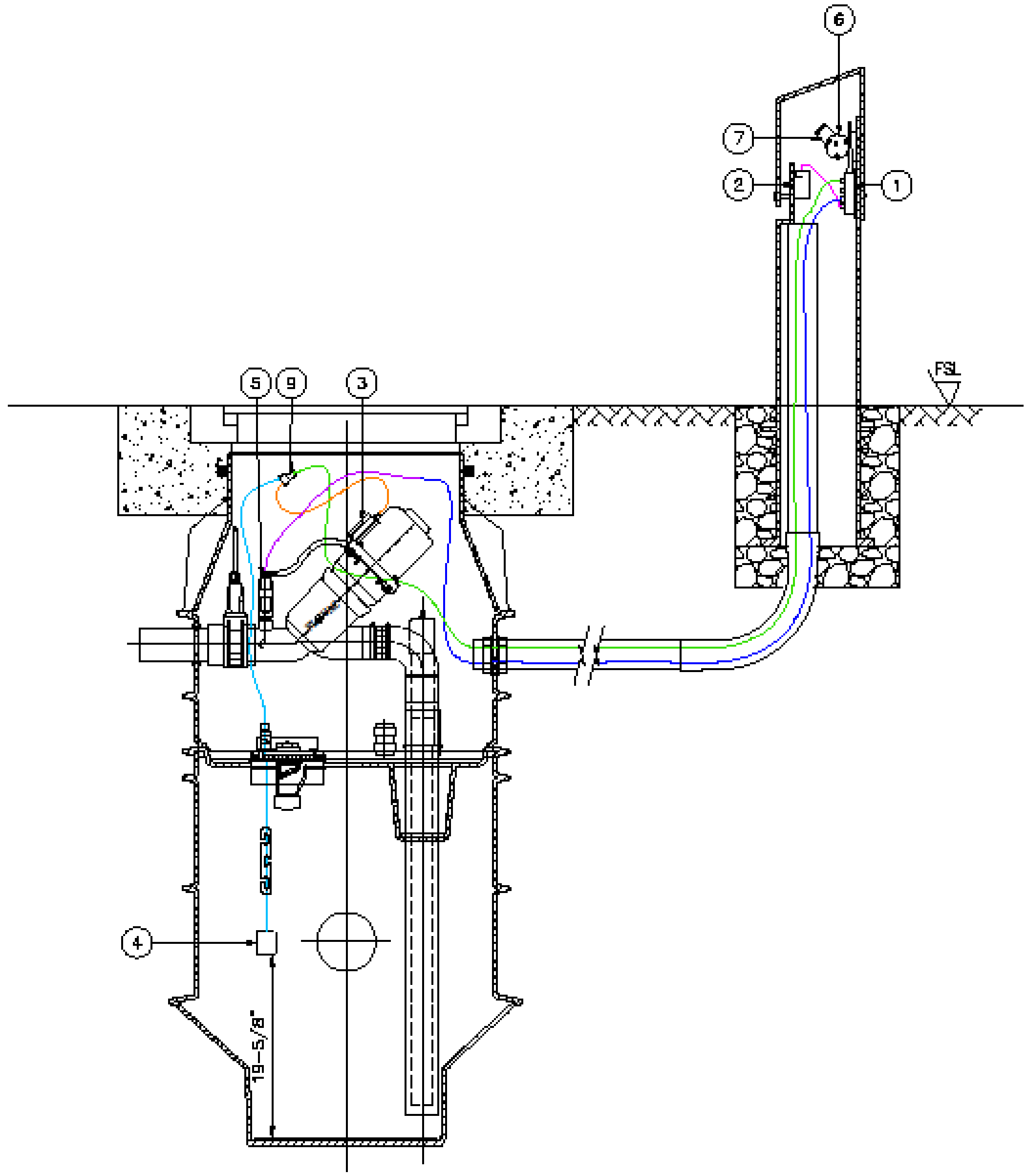
The vacuum pits are installed in the road right-of-way and are usually near drainage swales or ditches. These features do fill up with water during inclement weather. Submerged vacuum pits will leak over time and the submerged controllers will fail to work. To that end, the long-term solution is to install the controllers up in the air terminals (vents). During construction, the piping was installed should moving the controller become necessary after construction. The initial project requirement called for the controller to be installed in the pit.

OUA staff, through past experience, are requesting to spend the money now to install the controllers in the air terminal so as to save time and money (controller repair) later when the vacuum pits flood.

Please find attached a proposal from Flovac Americas to install up to 184 controllers in the SWSA Project 2 area. In review of the proposal, it was determined that it did not include the areas of Oak Lakes Estates and Eagle Point, which raises the total number of controllers to install in the air terminals to approximately 221 units.

It is OUA staff recommendation to the OUA Board to approve the installation of the vacuum pit controllers in the air terminals for all of the Project 2 Vacuum Collection System at a total unit price of $590.78 each.

Presently, at 221 units, the cost would be $ 84,865.55.



ELEVATION

– VENT PIPE REMOVED FOR CLARITY

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 33

JULY 21, 2026

LIFT STATION & MANHOLE REHABILITATION

In the FY26 budget the OUA has a budget figure of $150,000 for 4 Lift Station Rehabilitations & $55,000 for 16 Manhole Rehabilitations.

At this time, we are only doing 7 out of the total 16 manholes. The other 9 manholes will be done at a later time as it will be warranty work at no charge by Maxx Environmental.

OUA staff has reached out to 3 vendors who specialize in these types of Rehabilitation for quotes. All supporting documentation is included with this agenda item. The following companies are ranked by bid price below for the Lift Stations & Manholes separately:

<u>LIFT STATIONS</u>

1. Maxx Environmental, LLC $ 148,968.00
2. Pumps Outs Unlimited $ 275,402.25
3. Underground Services of America $ 276,043.00

<u>MANHOLES</u>

1. Maxx Environmental, LLC $ 28,825.00
2. Pump Outs Unlimited $ 58,458.50
3. Underground Services of America $ 44,875.00

The lowest bid for the Lift Station & Manhole Rehabilitation is Maxx Environmental, LLC for a total of $ 177,793.00. Following discussion and clarification, Staff recommends the Board's acceptance of the low bid of $ 177,793.00 from Maxx Environmental, LLC.

MANHOLE REHABILITATION LIST TO INCLUDE SCOPE OF WORK BEING REQUESTED

FY26 BUDGET

1. 6 manhole rehabilitations in the County Industrial Park at NW 16th Blvd off of HWY 98 North and 1 manhole rehabilitation at NE-6 City Commerce Park Lift Station. FY26 Budget

The manhole rehabilitation scope of work consists of:

1. Pressure Cleaning/Blasting Manhole
2. Any bench work repair needed
3. Sealing of any infiltration
4. Re-coating of interior of manhole

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 34

JULY 21, 2026

SW 5TH AVENUE SEPTIC TO SEWER

At an earlier OUA Board meeting (January 2026), the project engineer proposed to divide the SW 5th Avenue Septic to Sewer project into three components:

Project Component	**Preliminary Cost**
Vacuum Pump Station	$3,351,000

Collection System A	$2,639,000
Collection System B	$1,118,000

The rationale behind this decision making was that the OUA had $5,000,0000 in state funding with the remainder yet to be funded. It was determined to group components VPS and B together to create a possible $4,469,000 project with the remaining element to bid as Collection System A at $2,639,000.

Phase I (VPS & B) Project have been bid and the low bid came in at $4,728,321. Contract documents have been executed and the project is underway.

Now, for Phase II. OUA staff and the project engineer attempted apply for the late summer SRF selection process, but there was too much to be accomplished in too little time. The application process has now been shifted to meet the November selection process.

Mr. Jeff Sumner is here today to define the schedule as to how the OUA can meet this SRF timeline.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 35

JULY 21, 2026

2027 RIF COMMERCE DEPARTMENT GRANT APPLICATION

On July 13, 2026, the OUA submitted a 2027 Rural Infrastructure Fund grant application for the State Road 70 West Water Main Improvement Project. The application was prepared to support the installation of a 16-inch water main to serve two planned industrial parks along State Road 70.

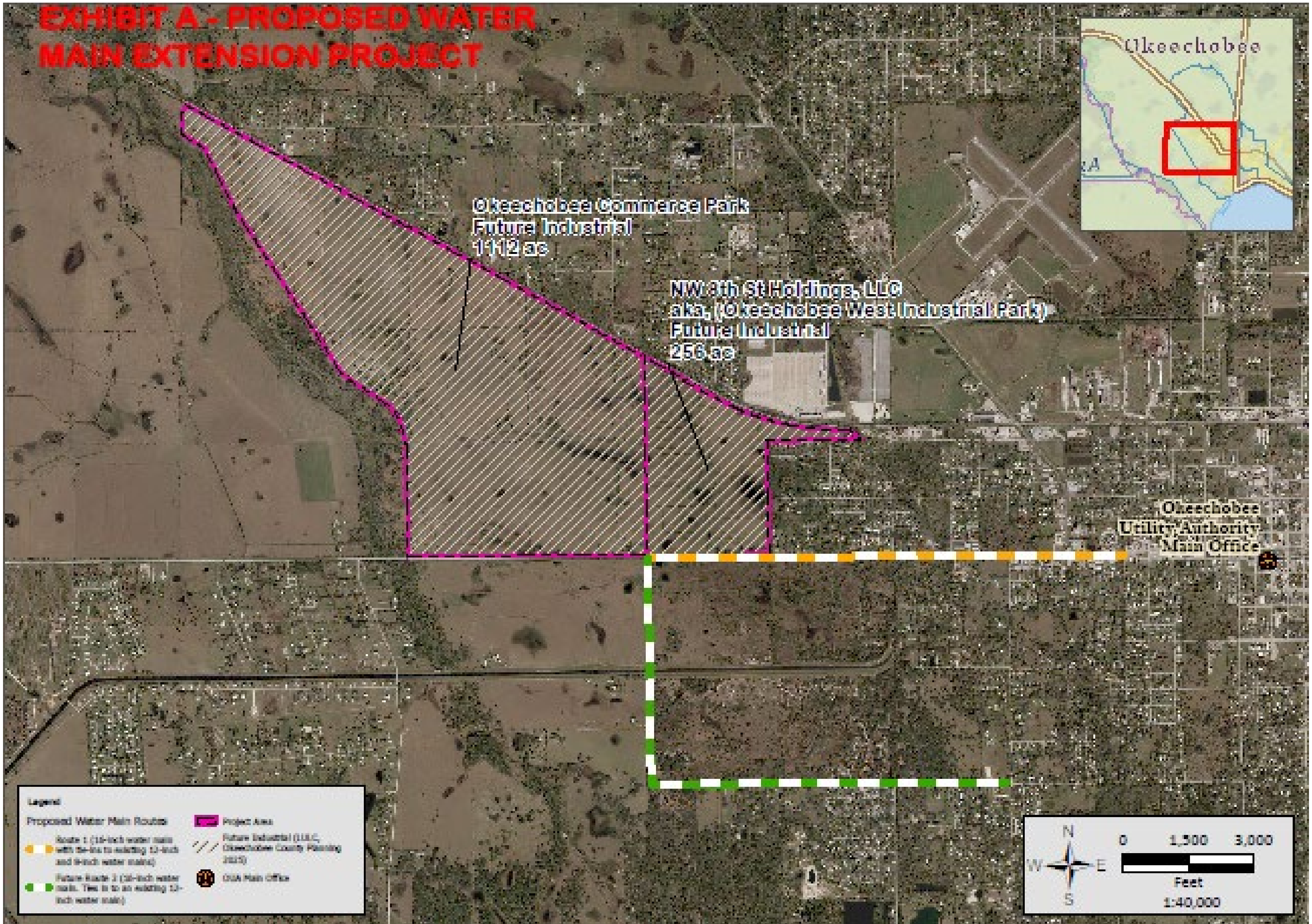
The application was submitted by the Okeechobee Utility Authority with support from Okeechobee County Economic Development Corporation.

The piping system extends along State Road 70 West from SW 24th Avenue to SW 48th Avenue. Altogether, there is an estimated 11,500 LF of piping along with appurtenances such as valves, restrainers, fire hydrants and other fittings. The preliminary estimate for construction came in at $3,930,000.

In addition to these two industrial parks, there are plans for a possible ±700 unit residential complex to be constructed at SW 48th Avenue and SR 70W.

OUA staff have proposed a meeting with the different development teams to discuss how they can contribute to the 16-inch water main project as well as a 12-inch water main as needed based upon the demands of all three projects.

This agenda item is included as a discussion item.



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AGENDA ITEM NO. 36

JULY 21, 2026

OKEECHOBEE COUNTY FIRE STATION REAL PROPERTY DONATION AGREEMENT

Stephen Conteaguero, OUA Attorney has prepared the attached **Real Property Donation Agreement, Notice of Right of Reverter and General Warranty Deed** for Board review and approval. A chronological record of the Board's deliberations, decisions and actions as documented in meeting minutes leading to the agreement is provided below.

During the February 17, 2026 OUA Board Meeting, Justin Nelson, Assistant County Administrator first spoke on the OUA owned parcel located at 875 Highway 78 West and the County's need for a location to construct a new fire station, to be called Fire Station No. 5.

A Motion by Steve Hargraves to donate the property located at 875 Highway 78 West to Okeechobee County for the purpose of constructing Fire Station No. 5, with a 10-year Reverter Clause. Second by Tabitha Trent. Vote unanimous (5-0), motion carried.

During the March 17, 2026 OUA Board Meeting, Stephen Conteaguero, OUA Attorney presented a General Warranty Deed with OUA as Grantor and Okeechobee County Fire Department as Grantee. The deed was accompanied by a Notice of Right of Reverter with an Initial Use Requirement (Five-Year Activation Condition) and a Continuing Use Requirement (Post Activation Reverter).

A Motion by Glenn Sneider to approve the transfer of property to Okeechobee County with the following clauses:

1. 3 acres of land to be donated for the construction of Fire Station No. 5
2. Inclusive of a Seven-Year Reverter Clause
3. Okeechobee County to demolish and clean up existing structures on the Property
4. OUA Legal Fees paid for by Okeechobee County
5. Okeechobee County to reimburse the OUA for land survey services

Second by Jamie Gamiotea. Vote unanimous (5-0), motion carried

During the May 19, 2026 OUA Board Meeting, BOCC Chairman David Hazellieff requested to address the Board concerning the need for the proposed Fire Station No. 5 on SR78 West. Assistant County Administrator, Justin Nelson was present to discuss the 875 SR78 West property. Mr. Nelson discussed issues with the terms of the property transfer and that the Reverter Clause would not align with the terms of their grant. Mr. Nelson reviewed the need for the entire 5-acre parcel. County Commissioner Hazellief addressed the Board explaining that there was a possibility of a Sheriff Substation on the same property, followed by a brief discussion.

A Motion by Steve Nelson to approve the removal of Section 2, change the property donation from 3 to 5 acres, a 10-year reverter clause, demolition of structures and legal fees to be paid by the County. Second by Jamie Gamiotea. Vote unanimous (4-0), motion carried.

Following discussion and clarification, the Board is asked to accept Staff's recommendation to:

1. **Authorize the OUA Board Chairperson to execute and the OUA Attorney to approve the Real Property Donation Agreement before forwarding the Agreement to Okeechobee County Board of County Commissioners for acceptance**

2. **Following Okeechobee County Board of County Commissioner's acceptance of the Real Property Donation Agreement, Authorize the OUA Board Chairperson to sign the General Warranty Deed and Notice of Right of Reverter, with witnesses and notarization.**

3. **Record all final and executed documents in the Official Records Book and Page, Public Records of Okeechobee County Florida**

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 37

JULY 21, 2026

HEALTH CARE COSTS

As discussed in earlier Board meetings, the employee health insurance cost is going up 11.5% for FY27. In the current employment market, attracting new hires and/or retention of existing employees requires an approach of financial finesse. Either a higher salary, benefits or some combination.

The OUA offers a wide variety of health care plans, from low copays to no copays to HSA plans. Each plan offers the employee an option for: just the employee, employee & spouse, employee & children or employee & family.

The following tables list the current FY26 plan costs as well as the FY26 OUA contribution to the employee with the OUA contribution based upon plan coverage. As noted in the tables, the OUA provides insurance plans to retired OUA employees but does not offer a contribution to the plan cost.

Rate Comparison for Current Health Insurance Premiums FY 2026/2027

BlueChoice 3769	Covered	FY26 Monthly Employee Premium	FY26 OUA Monthly Contribution	FY26 Net Employee Premium Balance		FY27 Monthly Employee Premium	FY27 OUA Monthly Contribution	FY27 Net Employee Premium Balance
Coverage								
Employee	2	$1,068.00	$1,200.00	$132.00		$1,190.00	$1,300.00	$110.00
Plus Spouse	0	$2,218.00	$1,525.00	($693.00)		$2,472.00	$1,725.00	($747.00)
Plus Children	0	$2,012.00	$1,525.00	($487.00)		$2,242.00	$1,725.00	($517.00)
Plus Family	0	$3,283.00	$1,850.00	($1,433.00)		$3,659.00	$2,150.00	($1,509.00)
Retirees	0	$808.00	$ -			$900.00	$ -	
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Blue Options 3748	Covered	FY26 Monthly Employee Premium	FY26 OUA Monthly Contribution	FY26 Net Employee Premium Balance		FY27 Monthly Employee Premium	FY27 OUA Monthly Contribution	FY27 Net Employee Premium Balance
Coverage								
Employee	8	$1,212.00	$1,200.00	($12.00)		$1,351.00	$1,300.00	($51.00)
Plus Spouse	0	$2,517.00	$1,525.00	($992.00)		$2,806.00	$1,725.00	($1,081.00)
Plus Children	0	$2,284.00	$1,525.00	($759.00)		$2,546.00	$1,725.00	($821.00)
Plus Family	0	$3,726.00	$1,850.00	($1,876.00)		$4,154.00	$2,150.00	($2,004.00)
Retirees	1	$909.00	$ -			$1,013.00	$ -	
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BlueOptions 3559	Covered	FY26 Monthly Employee Premium	FY26 OUA Monthly Contribution	FY26 Net Employee Premium Balance		FY27 Monthly Employee Premium	FY27 OUA Monthly Contribution	FY27 Net Employee Premium Balance
Coverage								
Employee	5	$858.00	$1,200.00	$342.00		$956.00	$1,300.00	$344.00
Plus Spouse	3	$1,708.00	$1,525.00	($183.00)		$1,903.00	$1,725.00	($178.00)
Plus Children	5	$1,551.00	$1,525.00	($26.00)		$1,728.00	$1,725.00	($3.00)
Plus Family	3	$2,491.00	$1,850.00	($641.00)		$2,776.00	$2,150.00	($626.00)
Retirees	0	$659.00	$ -			$734.00	$ -	
	16							

Rate Comparison for Current Health Insurance Premiums FY 2026/2027

BO 5168/5169	Covered	FY26 Monthly Employee Premium	FY26 OUA Monthly Contribution	FY26 Net Employee Premium Balance		FY27 Monthly Employee Premium	FY27 OUA Monthly Contribution	FY27 Net Employee Premium Balance
Coverage								
Employee	28	$862.00	$1,200.00	$338.00		$961.00	$1,300.00	$339.00
Plus Spouse	1	$1,716.00	$1,525.00	($191.00)		$1,913.00	$1,725.00	($188.00)
Plus Children	3	$1,558.00	$1,525.00	($33.00)		$1,737.00	$1,725.00	($12.00)
Plus Family	0	$2,503.00	$1,850.00	($653.00)		$2,790.00	$2,150.00	($640.00)
Retirees	1	$664.00	$ -			$740.00	$ -	
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BO 5172/5173	Covered	FY26 Monthly Employee Premium	FY26 OUA Monthly Contribution	FY26 Net Employee Premium Balance		FY27 Monthly Employee Premium	FY27 OUA Monthly Contribution	FY27 Net Employee Premium Balance
Coverage								
Employee	2	$744.00	$1,200.00	$456.00		$829.00	$1,300.00	$471.00
Plus Spouse	0	$1,481.00	$1,525.00	$44.00		$1,650.00	$1,725.00	$75.00
Plus Children	0	$1,345.00	$1,525.00	$180.00		$1,499.00	$1,725.00	$226.00
Plus Family	0	$2,161.00	$1,850.00	($311.00)		$2,408.00	$2,150.00	($258.00)
Retirees	0	$566.00	$ -			$631.00	$ -	
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The change to the OUA Monthly Contribution was adjusted to minimize the monthly increase to Monthly Employee Premium cost.

Coverage	FY26 OUA Monthly Contribution	FY27 OUA Monthly Contribution
Employee Only	$1,200.00	$1,300.00
Plus Spouse	$1,525.00	$1,725.00
Plus Children	$1,525.00	$1,725.00
Plus Family	$1,850.00	$2,150.00

Based upon the current number of employees and preferred plan coverages, the monthly cost of FY26 ($75,450) compared to FY27 ($83,050) is $7,600, or an annual increase of $91,200. From an annual cost perspective, current FY26 is $905,400 while the proposed FY27 will be $996,600.

Of course, should the OUA employee count change or plan distribution change, then OUA health care cost would be adjusted accordingly.

It is staff recommendation that the OUA Board adopt the FY27 OUA Monthly Contribution proposed above.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 38

JULY 21, 2026

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

The Executive Director Employment Contract was updated on June 29, 2026 and presented to Greg Kennedy on June 30, 2026. The contract is attached beginning on the following page.

The proposed agreement provides for an initial one-year term and will automatically renew for successive one-year terms unless terminated or otherwise modified in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

Following review, discussion, and approval by the Okeechobee Utility Authority Board of Directors and acceptance by Greg Kennedy, the Board will establish the effective commencement date of the agreement. Upon approval, the acceptance date and required signatures will be completed on Page 8 of 8 of the agreement.

Recommended Action

Approve the Executive Director Employment Contract and authorize the Chair to execute the agreement with an effective commencement date of July 31, 2026.

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 39

JULY 21, 2026

ATTORNEY

OKEECHOBEE UTILITY AUTHORITY

AGENDA ITEM NO. 40

JULY 21, 2026

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Southwest Wastewater Service Area

- Project 1
  - Force Main SE2 Interconnect
    On Hold
- Project 2 Collection System
  Notice to Proceed issued on March 29, 2023
  Substantial: May 23, 2025 (731 calendar days from NTP + 45 days per Change Order No. 4)
  Substantial Completion: Feb 13, 2026
  Final: July 6, 2025 (775 calendar days from NTP + 45 days per Change Order No. 4)
- Project 3 Okee-Tantie
  Under Design (Pending FDEP & USACOE Permitting)
  Engineer to present update today

SR 78W Phase III WM Improvements

- Under design

SW 5th Ave Wastewater System Improvements

- Phase I Underway
- Presentation today on Phase II

Treasure Island Septic to Sewer Project

- Under design

Taylor Creek Isles VPS #2 Generator Replacement Project

- Notice to Proceed issued
- Project behind schedule, staff/engineer working on details

General Information

- VPS #4 & #5 Septic to Sewer Bids this month
- Pine Ridge Park Expansion almost completed
- NW15 Lift Station Rehabilitation Project underway
- 2027 RIF Grant SR 70W WM Improvement Project application submitted

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AGENDA ITEM NO. 41

JULY 21, 2026

ITEMS FROM THE BOARD