

CITY COMMISSION
CITY OF WILDWOOD, FLORIDA
REGULAR MEETING
January 12, 2026 7:00 PM
CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBER

(meeting taped)

1. Call to Order

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Ed Wolf	Mayor	Present
David Fountaine	Commissioner	Present
Joe Elliott	Commissioner	Present
Marcos Flores	Mayor Pro Tem/Commissioner	Present
Julian Green	Commissioner	Present (Arrived at 7:06 p.m.)
Jason McHugh	City Manager	Present
Cassandra Smith	Assistant City Manager/CFO	Present
Ashley Hunt	City Attorney	Present
Joshua Bills	City Attorney	Present
Jessica Barnes	City Clerk	Present
Randall Parmer	Police Chief	Present
Melanie Strickland	Development Services Director	Present
Jeremy Hockenbury	Public Works Director	Present
Jason Martin	Utilities Deputy Director	Present
Courtney Kellem	Parks & Recreation Director	Present

Mayor Wolf called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. followed by the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Oath of Office to David Fountaine

The Honorable Judge Paul L. Militello administered the oath of office to Mr. David Fountaine for the City of Wildwood Commissioner Seat #2. Mr. David Fountaine was sworn in with family members present to hold the Bible during the ceremony.

3. Consent Agenda/Informational Items

No items were removed from the Consent Agenda. Items A - C were approved. Motion by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Flores, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion passed 4-0. Commissioner Green was absent for this vote.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Elliott

SECONDER:	Commissioner Flores
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Fountaine

A. Expenditure Report

B. Minutes for Approval: November 24, 2025 Regular Meeting

C. Budgeted Financial Items

1. AMI (Advanced Metering Infrastructure) Purchase and Installation of Potable Water Meter Reading Collectors for the Amount of \$220,990.00

4. Presentations and/or Proclamations

None.

5. Public Hearings - Timed - Legislative

Commissioner Green arrived in the Commission Chambers at 7:06 p.m.

A. Swear in City Staff and Public Speakers

Mayor Wolf swore in staff and audience members who intended to speak during the public hearings.

6. Public Hearings - Timed - Quasi-Judicial

A. A25-3154 - AN - Fannie Mae

Development Services Director Strickland provided a brief explanation of Ordinance O2025-44. She explained this was a standard annexation request of approximately 0.20 acres located on Robin Road in the Continental Country Club area. Strickland stated this was an annexation request where Sumter County had directed the applicant to the City for annexation and land use approval. Motion by Commissioner Flores, seconded by Commissioner Elliott, to adopt Ordinance O2025-44 on second and final reading. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Flores
SECONDER:	Commissioner Elliott
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Green, Commissioner Fountaine

7. Public Forum - 4 minute time limit

Marie Francis, a resident of the Beaumont CDD, addressed the commission about excessive water bills she had received while out of state. She requested city personnel inside inspect her home for issues and noted that current City policies prevented her request from being acted upon by the City of Wildwood. Mayor Wolf noted her concerns and stated the issue was likely the CDD district that controlled the irrigation meters. An appointment would be scheduled for further discussion.

Mayor Wolf read a letter from Gwendolyn Brown that asked for video tributes from those that knew her father, former City of Wildwood Police Chief Edward Lynum. Mayor Wolf shared personal anecdotes about former Police Chief Lynum and committed to providing a video tribute for the funeral service.

8. Ordinances First Reading Only (No Vote)

A. A25-3113 - SSCPA - Fannie Mae

Development Services Director Strickland presented Ordinance O2025-45, an ordinance that proposed a small-scale comprehensive plan amendment for the Fannie Mae property in Continental Country Club area that was recently annexed. First reading only. No vote.

RESULT: FIRST READING	PUBLIC HEARING: January 26, 2026
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B. A25-3155 - RZ - Fannie Mae

Development Services Director Strickland presented Ordinance O2025-46, an ordinance that proposed a rezoning amendment for the Fannie Mae property stated in the previously heard Ordinance O2025-45. First reading only. No vote.

RESULT: FIRST READING	PUBLIC HEARING: January 26, 2026
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C. A25-4472 - AN - Naimat Jesus Inc

Development Services Director Strickland presented Ordinance O2025-62, an ordinance that proposed voluntary annexation of approximately 1.06 acres along Warms Springs Avenue for Naimat Jesus, Inc. First reading only. No vote.

RESULT: FIRST READING	PUBLIC HEARING: January 26, 2026
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9. Resolutions for Approval

A. IT Surplus Computers & Other Equipment January 2026

Mayor Wolf read Resolution R2025-38 that declared certain Information Technology equipment as surplus for disposal. These items would be disposed of through various methods that included auction, donation, or disposal. Motion by Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner Flores, to adopt Resolution R2025-38. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Green
SECONDER:	Commissioner Flores
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Green, Commissioner Fountaine

B. Approval of the 2025 Consulting Engineer's Report: Utility System Assessment Document

Assistant City Manager/CFO Smith explained that Resolution R2026-1 would approve the 2025

Consulting Engineer's Report Utility System Assessment, that was completed by CPH Consulting, LLC. City Manager McHugh detailed that this assessment was a requirement of the bond issuance process. Motion by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Green, to adopt Resolution R2026-1. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Elliott
SECONDER:	Commissioner Green
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Green, Commissioner Fountaine

C. Approving the Negotiated Sale of Utility System Revenue Bonds in an Amount not to Exceed \$90,000,000

Assistant City Manager/CFO Smith explained R2026-2 authorized a negotiated sale of \$90,000,000.00 in utility system revenue bonds for water and wastewater projects. City Manager McHugh explained the expansion of the wastewater treatment facilities and other improvements. He stated that this resolution appointed Jefferies, LLC as the underwriter and approved other related agreements. Mayor Wolf praised the work completed on the bond package and stated it was a lucrative offering. Motion by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Green, to adopt Resolution R2026-2. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Elliott
SECONDER:	Commissioner Green
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Green, Commissioner Fountaine

10. Financial & Contracts & Agreements

A. Millennium Park Phase 1 & 2 Project Payment Application 10 in the Amount of \$590,553.99

Public Works Director Hockenbury presented payment application No.10 for the Millennium Park Phase 1 and 2. He stated the payment was for work completed through November. Motion by Commissioner Flores, seconded by Commissioner Green, to approve payment application No.10. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Flores
SECONDER:	Commissioner Green
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Green, Commissioner Fountaine

B. Millennium Park Phase 1 & 2 Project Change Order 9 in the Amount of \$27,856.58

Public Works Director Hockenbury presented change order No.9 for Millennium Park Phase 1 and 2. He explained that due to a force main that was encountered during construction, a pre-treatment pond needed to be divided. Mayor Wolf asked if this was the responsibility of the City or the engineering firm. City Manager McHugh stated the error was due to inaccurate records of underground utilities. Motion by Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner Flores, to

approve change order No.9. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Green
SECONDER:	Commissioner Flores
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Green, Commissioner Fountaine

- C. Millennium Park Phase 1 & 2 Project Payment Application 11 in the Amount of \$547,568.25
Public Works Director Hockenbury presented payment application No.11 for the Millennium Park Phase 1 and 2. He stated the payment was for work completed through December and that with this payment the project was now current. Motion by Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner Flores, to approve payment application No.11. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Green
SECONDER:	Commissioner Flores
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Green, Commissioner Fountaine

- D. Authorization to Execute the Duke Energy Lighting Service Agreement and Approve CIAC Funding in the Amount of \$303,496.19 for Millennium Park Phase 1 & 2
Public Works Director Hockenbury presented the Duke Energy Lighting Service Agreement. He explained this agreement would fund the installation of approximately 51 pieces of decorative street lighting throughout Millennium Park. Motion by Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner Flores, to approve the Duke Energy Lighting Service Agreement. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Green
SECONDER:	Commissioner Flores
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Green, Commissioner Fountaine

- E. Signature Drive Improvements Project Payment Application No. 4 in the Amount of \$127,691.40
Public Works Director Hockenbury presented payment application No. 4 for the Signature Drive Improvements. He explained this was the final payment for the project. Mayor Wolf praised C.W. Roberts for the efficiency of their work. Motion by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Green, to approve payment application No.4. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Elliott
SECONDER:	Commissioner Green
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Green, Commissioner Fountaine

- F. Pay Application No. 10 for Phase One of the Water Reclamation Facility Project in the Amount of \$1,149,608.96

Utilities Deputy Director Martin presented payment application No.10 for phase one of the Water Reclamation Facility Project. Martin explained this was a payment for ongoing construction. City Manager McHugh noted there was significant progress that included erection of structures and excavation. Motion by Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner Flores, to approve payment application No.10. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Green
SECONDER:	Commissioner Flores
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Green, Commissioner Fountaine

- G. Work Authorization No. 31 for Kimley-Horn to Modify the City's SWFWMD Permit for the Amount of \$85,500

Utilities Deputy Director Martin presented work authorization No.31 to modify the city's Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) water use permit. He explained the modification was to request increased water allocation for expected population growth within the city. Motion by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Green, to approve work authorization No.31. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Elliott
SECONDER:	Commissioner Green
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Green, Commissioner Fountaine

- H. Wildwood WRF Phase 2 ODP (Owner Direct Purchase) of Equipment for the Combined Amount of \$1,714,772.14

Utilities Deputy Director Martin presented the Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) project phase 2 owner direct purchase. He explained this direct purchase was for equipment that included generators, pumps and chemical tanks. He noted this purchase saved the city approximately \$106,000.00 in taxes. Motion by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner Flores, to approve the WRF project phase 2 owner direct purchase. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Elliott
SECONDER:	Commissioner Flores
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Green, Commissioner Fountaine

- I. Employment Contract for Police Officer Recruit Weston Hoffman

Police Chief Parmer presented the employment contract for police officer recruit Weston Hoffman. He noted the annual \$5,000.00 AJ Foundation scholarship that was provided by Steve Munz of Galaxy Home Solutions. Motion by Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner

Flores, to approve the employment contract. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Green
SECONDER:	Commissioner Flores
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Green, Commissioner Fountaine

11. General Items for Consideration/Discussion and Other Business

A. Procedure for Appointment of Mayor Pro Tem

City Attorney Bills presented options for selecting a Mayor-Pro-Tem that consisted of a motion and vote method or nomination and ballot method. After discussion, the Commission chose the nomination and ballot method.

12. Appointments

A. Selection of Mayor Pro Tem

The Commissioners each voted for one of the candidates. The results were:

Voter Name	Nomination/Selection
Commissioner Elliott	Seat 3 - Joe Elliott
Commissioner Green	Seat 5 - Julian Green
Mayor Wolf	Seat 4 - Marcos Flores
Commissioner Fountaine	Seat 4 - Marcos Flores
Commissioner Flores	Seat 4 - Marcos Flores

Commissioner Flores was selected as Mayor Pro Tem with a majority of three votes.

13. City Manager Reports

City Manager McHugh welcomed Commissioner Fountaine and congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Flores.

City Manager McHugh reported on the Beaumont HOA/CDD irrigation issues and noted he contacted the HOA and had planned to work with residents on water conservation education.

City Manager McHugh noted a successful turnout of ten citizens at the most recent Monday with the Manager meeting.

A. Set Workshop for February 2, 2026 at 9:00 am

City Manager McHugh scheduled a workshop to discuss police officer recruitment and Millennium Park project updates.

14. Other Department Reports

None.

15. Commission Members Reports

Commissioner Elliott reported on attending the Florida League of Cities Heartland local meeting. He praised the Touch-a-Truck event coordinated by Parks & Recreation Director Kellem.

Commissioner Green reported on the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council's effectiveness report. He offered condolences to the Lynum family.

Commissioner Fountaine reported on the completion of the Florida League of Cities orientation. He reported on meeting with department heads and the Touch-a-Truck event.

Commissioner Flores reported on attending Touch-a-Truck. He thanked everyone for his appointment as Mayor Pro Tem.

Mayor Wolf reported on the Touch-a-Truck event. He offered condolences to the Lynum family and committed to providing a video tribute.

16. City Attorney Reports

None.

17. Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m. Motion by Commissioner Green, seconded by Commissioner Flores, to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

RESULT:	Passed
MOVER:	Commissioner Green
SECONDER:	Commissioner Flores
AYES:	Mayor Wolf, Commissioner Elliott, Commissioner Flores, Commissioner Green, Commissioner Fountaine

Upcoming Events

January 17, 2026 - Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center at 12:00 p.m.

January 26, 2026 - City Commission Meeting at City Hall at 7:00 p.m.

February 02, 2026 - City Commission Workshop at City Hall at 9:00 a.m.



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ATTEST: Jessica Barnes
Jessica Barnes, City Clerk

BY: Ed Wolf
Ed Wolf, Mayor