



City of Ormond Beach

City Commission Workshop

City Hall Commission Conference Room
22 South Beach St., Ormond Beach FL 32174

December 16, 2025, 6:00 PM

*Jason Leslie, Mayor
Lori Tolland, Zone 1
Travis Sargent, Zone 2
Kristin Deaton, Zone 3
Harold Briley, Zone 4*

Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Leslie called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Present: Mayor Jason Leslie, Commissioners Lori Tolland, Travis Sargent, Kristin Deaton, and Harold Briley, City Manager Joyce Shanahan, Assistant City Manager Claire Whitley, Deputy City Attorney Ann-Margret Emery, and Florida Department of Transportation Representatives Mr. Jim Stroz and Ms. Catalina Chacon.

2. DISCUSSIONS

A. FDOT Nova Road Update

Ms. Joyce Shanahan, City Manager, thanked the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) representatives for taking time to review the Nova Road project.

Mr. Jim Stroz, FDOT representative, reviewed the scope of the Nova Road repaving project, highlighting medians, lane size, and traffic light addition.

Ms. Shanahan inquired if sharrows would be on any traffic lanes; whereby, Mr. Stroz indicated sharrows were for slower traffic lanes and would not qualify in the project area.

Commissioner Tolland inquired about green painting in the lanes; whereby, Mr. Stroz stated there was a national manual designating green markings for bicycle only areas.

Mayor Leslie stated many citizens did not know the bicycle laws.

Mr. Stroz noted there was no planned designated bicycle lane as it would require the purchase of some rights-of-way.

Mayor Leslie inquired if there were any bicycle lanes along Nova Road; whereby, Mr. Stroz indicated there were no current bicycle lanes along the proposed areas for the project. Mayor Leslie questioned whether there were educational events offered by FDOT; whereby, Mr. Stroz explained they held over 140 events over the last 12 months. Mayor Leslie asked if the events were successful; whereby, Mr. Stroz stated there was a double-digit percentage drop in traffic fatalities over the last 12 months, attributing the

decrease to infrastructure projects and educational events. Mayor Leslie suggested the city partner with FDOT to host an event; whereby, Commissioner Tolland and Commissioner Deaton agreed.

Commissioner Sargent stated he rarely saw a bicyclist along Nova Road and believed the bike fatalities that occurred were from motorcycles, not bicycles.

Commissioner Briley agreed there were not many bicyclists traveling on Nova Road.

Commissioner Deaton voiced concerns with e-bikes on the sidewalks; whereby, Mayor Leslie stated e-bikes had to follow the bicyclist laws and did not fall under the motorist category. She inquired if there was data on e-bike versus bicycle accidents; whereby, Mr. Stroz stated he would need to pull the data.

Commissioner Tolland questioned how golf carts were handled; whereby, Mr. Stroz stated golf carts had their own standards.

Mayor Leslie discussed the citizens' concerns and input on FDOT's State Road A1A and Granada Boulevard projects, requesting the Commission receive regular updates on the project and FDOT continue to listen to citizen input throughout the project.

Mr. Stroz discussed the project's managers and assured the Commission FDOT would maintain open communication. He reviewed input from the public meeting and the turn lane changes made based on the meeting feedback and updated traffic numbers.

Mayor Leslie voiced concerns regarding the vehicle stacking with the updated layout.

Commissioner Sargent discussed access to the facilities on the east side of Nova Road near the Sterthaus Drive intersection.

Commissioner Briley discussed the potential issues with the revised plan and suggested a different median plan.

Commissioner Sargent voiced concerns about the traffic at that intersection.

Mayor Leslie suggested eliminating a turn at the intersection to prevent congestion and confusion at the intersection.

Mr. Stroz proposed a revision to the intersection and median layout to accommodate the queuing of traffic.

Commissioner Sargent discussed the heavy traffic in the area and heavily visited plazas.

Commissioner Tolland highlighted the importance of safety.

Mayor Leslie inquired if Police Chief Jesse Godfrey approved the proposed revision; whereby, Chief Godfrey expressed support for the improvement of the intersection.

Mayor Leslie voiced support for the proposed revision.

Mr. Stroz discussed the traffic lights at the intersections along Nova Road at Hand

Avenue and Golf Avenue.

Commissioner Briley inquired if there was any resident feedback; whereby, Mr. Stroz stated Mr. GG Galloway voiced support of the raised median plans and noted there was one negative comment, explaining it was directed towards the CVS, not the Nova Road project.

Commissioner Tolland questioned the timeline; whereby, Mr. Stroz reviewed the timeline, noting construction was planned to start summer of 2026.

Ms. Shanahan asked about the project map; whereby, Mr. Stroz stated the project began at Flomich Street in Holly Hill and ran through Ormond Beach.

The entire Commission thanked FDOT for being a great partner to the city.

Mr. Stroz stated he would send the revised proposal to Ms. Shanahan for her distribution.

3. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM.

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