



City of North Port

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NORTH PORT, FL 34286

Meeting Agenda

City Commission Regular Meeting

CITY COMMISSIONERS

Pete Emrich, Mayor
Barbara Langdon, Vice Mayor
Phil Stokes, Commissioner
David Duval, Commissioner
Demetrius Petrow, Commissioner

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Jerome Fletcher, City Manager
Michael Fuino, City Attorney
Heather Faust, City Clerk

Thursday, April 2, 2026

4:00 PM

City Commission Chambers

PUBLIC COMMENT: Properly submitted comments will be accepted and included in the official record of the meeting pursuant to City Commission Policy No. 2020-04.

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In Person Attendance: Submit a comment card to the City Clerk. Comment cards with completed information may be submitted until the Mayor closes Public Comment for the agenda item. Public comment is limited to three minutes per person.

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CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

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3. WELCOME OF NEW EMPLOYEES:

- A. [26-0552](#) Welcome New Employees

4. PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

- A. [26-0571](#) Presentation of Certificates to the Graduating Class of North Port University (NPU), to be Presented to the Graduating Class.
- B. [26-0361](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 2026 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month, to be Presented to Ning Tinsley on Behalf of Safe Place and Rape Crisis Center, Inc. (SPARCC).

Attachments: [Proclamation](#)

- C. [26-0377](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 2026, as National Donate Life Month, to be Presented to Jack Moses on Behalf of LifeLink Foundation Inc.

Attachments: [Proclamation](#)

- D. [26-0384](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 2026, as Child Abuse Prevention Month, to be Presented to Roslyn Mendoza on Behalf of the Child Protection Center.

Attachments: [Proclamation](#)

- E. [26-0545](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 2026, as Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month, to be Presented to Dawn Jones.

Attachments: [Proclamation](#)

- F. [26-0493](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 19th through April 25th 2026, as National Crime Victims Rights Week, to be Presented to Laurerose Conly on behalf of the Sarasota County Victim Advisory Council.

Attachments: [Proclamation](#)

- G. [26-0485](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 2026, as the 60th Anniversary of the Allamanda Garden Club, to be Presented to Carole M. Buhlman on Behalf of the Allamanda Garden Club.

Attachments: [Proclamation](#)

- H. [26-0417](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 24th 2026, as National Arbor Day, to be Presented to City of North Port Development Services Department.

Attachments: [Proclamation](#)

- I. [26-0472](#) Presentation of the Economic Development Division's Quarterly GEM Award

- J. [26-0527](#) Presentation of Proclamations Proclaiming April, 2026, as Florida Volunteer Month and April 19th Through April 25th, 2026, as National Volunteer Week, to be Presented to the City of North Port Police

Department and the City of North Port Parks and Recreation Department.

Attachments: [Police Proclamation](#)
[Parks and Recreation Proclamation](#)

- K.** [26-0532](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 12th Through April 18th, 2026, as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week, to be Presented to the City of North Port Police Department.

Attachments: [Proclamation](#)

- L.** [26-0488](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 2026, as Water Conservation Month, to be Presented to City of North Port Utilities Department.

Attachments: [Proclamation](#)

- M.** [26-0489](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 2026, as Florida Water Professionals Month, to be Presented to City of North Port Utilities Department.

Attachments: [Proclamation](#)

- N.** [26-0490](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming May 17th through May 23rd 2026, as Water Reuse Week, to be Presented to City of North Port Utilities Department.

Attachments: [Proclamation](#)

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6. ADJOURNMENT:

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