

City Commission increases water, sanitation rates

Rate increase resolutions spark Golden Gem, water pressure discussions

By Sarah Merly
Reporter

The Apopka City Commission voted unanimously Wednesday afternoon to increase the water and sanitation rates by 6% and 6.5%, respectively, effective Oct. 1. Shawn Ocasio, senior man-

ager at Raftelis, explained that the consulting firm had completed a study of the city’s water rates, creating “detailed projections of revenues” and analyzing the city’s capital improvement program. “As a part of that funding plan, in order to accomplish those projects, there was the anticipation of additional debt being taken on in order to fund some of those projects — the idea being some of these are very long-lived assets, so you try to match the cost of the asset over the life cycle,” Ocasio said. “As a part of that, as well,

there were some significant operating cost changes, and that’s just associated with the inflationary environment that you operate in. Additionally, there was additional FTEs, or full-time equivalents, built into the plan.” In public comment, resident Albert McKimmie questioned the city’s confidence in its ability to pay for projects like the Golden Gem reclaimed water facility, which he estimated would cost “another 20 million [dollars].” Finance Director Blanche Sherman said the 6% increase was factored into the

proposed budget and would allot at least \$10 million to the larger Golden Gem pond on the east. Resident Rod Olsen also mentioned issues with reclaimed water pressure at his home, prompting Public Works Director Vladimir Simonovski to explain where and why reduced water pressure occurs in north Apopka. “There are two constrictions in the system, basically in the north section of town,” Simonovski said. “On Ponkan



UTILITIES, A5 Albert McKimmie | PHOTO BY DANA O’CONNOR

Apopka celebrates 144th birthday



From left to right; Commissioner Yesenia Baron, Mayor Nick Nesta, Commissioner Sam Ruth, Commissioner Nadia Anderson and Vice Mayor Diane Velazquez pose with Apopka’s original incorporation papers. | PHOTO BY SARAH MERLY

Historical society gifts historic incorporation papers

By Sarah Merly
Reporter

Apopka residents and city officials celebrated the 144th anniversary of Apopka’s incorporation Wednesday at the Apopka Community Center,

where Orange County Mayor Jerry Demings issued a proclamation in honor of the city’s birthday. “My father, when he was about 18 years old, came to Florida from Alabama, and he moved to Apopka. This is where he met my mother,” Demings said. “My mother was born in North Florida, and somehow, she ended up here in Apopka, and so because of that union, I’m able to stand here today

as the fifth-elected countywide mayor — how about that?” The Apopka Historical Society and community volunteers followed the proclamation with a presentation of Apopka’s story, starting with the Timucua and Seminole tribes’ settlements, early White and Black settlers from the Deep South, and the founding of Orange Lodge No. 36 F & AM. “In 1856, Orange Lodge No. 36 was established, becoming

one of the earliest permanent institutions in the area,” said Worshipful Master Michael Berry. “The settlement grouped around the lodge as a regional trading center, with people trading animal skins, natural resources, foreign goods and other supplies.” The settlement, then known as The Lodge due to the Masons’ local influence, was later

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Commissioners weigh tightened spending ahead of budget vote

Nonprofit grants, Camp Wewa, legal services draw debate

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

Apopka city commissioners scrutinized proposed spending on nonprofit grants, City Hall renovations, legal services and Camp Wewa Tuesday as they worked through a tentative fiscal year 2027 budget ahead of their first formal budget hearing Thursday, which was set to occur after press time. The Aug. 21 proposed budget includes about \$228.9 million in expenditures and projects about \$203.9 million

in revenues before the use of reserves. Finance Director Blanche Sherman said the proposed general fund budget would use about \$6 million in reserves. The proposal has changed substantially since July, when city officials were working from a preliminary \$287.3 million budget as commissioners considered a higher tentative property tax rate. No formal action was taken during Tuesday’s workshop. Commissioners instead reviewed department budgets and proposed changes that could be considered when the commission met Thursday to adopt its tentative millage rate and budget. The work-

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Apopka Finance Director Blanche Sherman speaks during a city budget workshop in May. Sherman reviewed the city’s proposed fiscal year 2027 budget with commissioners during a Sept. 1 workshop. | PHOTO BY DANA O’CONNOR

Doggette receives key to city, concludes tenure

Mayor Nesta honors longtime Patmos Chapel pastor as he prepares to move to Alabama

Staff Reports

After 44 years of pastoral ministry and academic leadership, James R. Doggette Sr. is beginning another chapter — but not before the city of Apopka recognized the decade he spent serving the local community. Doggette, senior pastor of Patmos Chapel Seventh-day

Adventist Church for the past 10 years, received the key to the city during an Aug. 22 service at The Well Activity Center. Mayor Nick Nesta presented Doggette and his wife Erin with a proclamation recognizing his ministry and community service. Nesta also proclaimed Aug. 22 as Dr. James R. Doggette Sr. Recognition Day. Doggette is leaving Patmos Chapel to return to Oakwood University in Huntsville, Ala., where he previously served as a professor of practical theology.

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Chief launches Best of Apopka voting period

Voting ends Sept. 28

By Sarah Merly
Reporter

The Apopka Chief launched the voting period for its 2026 Best of Apopka Reader’s Choice Awards on Monday, inviting readers to celebrate local businesses and leaders. “We’re excited to enter the voting stage of this annual tradition,” said Chief publisher J.C. Derrick. “It’s time to let everyone know about those doing great work in Apopka.” For many years under the Chief’s prior ownership, Best of Apopka gave residents the opportunity to determine Apopka’s finest in categories such as home and garden, retail, and



Last year, Eggs Up Grill won second place in the breakfast category. | PHOTO BY GIGI COHEN

more. After COVID-19 suspended the contest for four years, the Chief brought the tradition back in 2025, allowing

readers to submit their votes online using the Second Street platform by Upland Software. This year, the Chief contin-

ued to innovate the contest. Instead of nominations and votes arriving at once, the Chief encouraged readers to add candidates to the ballot from July 31 to Aug. 23, before voting opened. “This year, we added a nomination phase to improve the management of the contest,” said Gigi Cohen, digital solutions manager for the Chief’s parent company, MARC Media. “We are excited that the initial phase brought back some of our most cherished businesses and thrilled to see some fresh names on the list.” Readers may cast their votes at theapopkachief.com/best-of-apopka/ through Sept. 28. Most

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To get heroes, the paychecks need zeroes

While looking at a somewhat disappointing selection of New York strip steaks, my thoughts naturally turned toward college football.

What if big-time coaches did their own grocery shopping?

Let's say Jessica Cristobal has a hankering for prime rib and sends her husband, Miami Hurricanes head coach Mario, down to Aldi with a shopping list. Would he go to the meat department to pick the best of what's available?

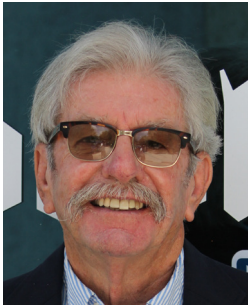
Or would he go around the store taking items that looked better out of other people's shopping carts?

Not picking on Cristobal in particular, but that sort of shopping seems to be the way of the athletic world in these days of the transfer portal, and this is a good example. Miami happens to be serving up the most expensive chunk of prime beef in college football this year with \$6.5 million quarterback Darian Mensah. He was once in Duke's shopping cart, and before that Tulane had him in the bag.

The shopping analogy is fun, but flawed. The groceries are actually jumping from cart to cart on their own. And who could blame them, considering the numbers getting rung up on the cash register? If my figuring is right and the internet is nearly accurate, Mensah will have brought in \$10 million by the end of his junior year.

Times have changed. Remember when there was a scandal over FSU players getting free shoes? SMU had its football taken away in 1987 because boosters funneled money to players. It was disgraceful then. Now it would be a good

Columnist



Jake Vest

business model.

The top five quarterbacks ranked by NIL money will have \$25 million funneled to them legally this year. But they're making it easier on alumni by spreading it around and having attended a dozen different

schools—so far.

The world in which this kind of money can change hands would seem to be way above my pay grade and generally none of my business—except I was one of that unfortunate 99 percent of students who had to major in something and take mandatory classes. One was economics.

A professor introduced the subject by stating, "all money has to come from somewhere." He paused before adding, "OUT OF YOUR POCKETS." Then he got out the old "guns and butter" chart to show that every penny that is spent on one thing is a penny that can't be spent on something else.

He might have been on to something. The school I went to has an NIL budget for football of \$33.7 million and just added a quarterback who is "going to cost some real money to keep." Phase 1 of stadium renovations will cost \$337 million, including a state-of-the-art sound system.

Meanwhile, I just got a letter with my alumni magazine asking me to dig into my Social Security check to make a donation because the school NEEDS money.

Needs? Really?

I might have wasted my college time getting an education, but even I'm not dumb enough to fall for that.

Staff plays key role in city's success

Dear Residents of Apopka,

Last week, I shared with you some of the work taking place during our hiring pause and why reorganizing the City of Apopka is so important to our future.

I talked about our Strategic Plan, the need for clear lines of responsibility and accountability, better communication between departments, and making sure we have the right people in the right places.

This week, I want to talk about the most important part of that organizational chart: The people.

Strong organizations are not built by organizational charts alone. They are built by employees who understand the mission, take pride in their work, and know that their experience and ideas matter.

They know where things are working. They know where communication breaks down. They know which processes take too long or create unnecessary frustration. They also know what we are doing well and what we need to protect as we make changes.

I want those voices to be part of this process.

When I talk about reorganization, I don't want our employees to immediately think that means eliminating jobs or simply moving people around. If all we accomplish is changing titles and moving boxes on an organizational chart, then we haven't accomplished much.

This is about building a better organization.

We need a clear chain of command so employees know where to go when a decision needs to be made. We need departments communicating with each other instead of operating in silos. We need workloads and responsibilities that make sense. And we need employees to have the tools, support and leadership necessary to do their jobs successfully.

But there is another part of this that is just as important to me.

I want the City of Apopka to be a great place to work.

As mayor, my goal isn't only to make Apopka a community where people are proud to live, raise their families and build their businesses. I

Apopka Mayor



Nick Nesta

also want the people who work for the City of Apopka to be proud of where they work.

When an employee puts on an Apopka shirt or uniform in the morning, I want them to be proud to wear it. When someone signs into their computer to start their day or begins another work week, I want them to feel good about being part of this organization.

Whether you work in Public Works, Utilities, Parks and Recreation, Finance, Community Development, Police, Fire, Human Resources, Communications or anywhere else within our city, you should understand that what you do matters.

Every employee plays a role in the service our residents receive.

But pride in an organization isn't something leadership can simply demand from employees. We have to build a workplace that earns it.

That means treating employees with respect. It means communicating with them instead of allowing rumors to fill the gaps. It means recognizing people who are doing good work. It means giving employees opportunities to grow and develop. It also means setting clear expectations and holding people accountable when those expectations aren't met.

Accountability and supporting employees are not opposites. I believe support only comes when accountability is present.

We can expect a high level of performance while also giving employees the leadership, training and resources they need to meet that expectation.

Change will not always be easy, and not everyone will agree with ev-

ery decision we make.

Leadership means listening to different perspectives, gathering the information, and then being willing to make the decisions necessary to move the organization forward.

Our employees deserve to understand where we are going and why.

This process is also not about looking backward and finding people to blame for problems that may have existed for years. Apopka has changed tremendously, and the demands placed on our city government have changed with it.

This is about where we go from here.

As we continue reviewing the organization, there may be responsibilities that move. Departments may need to work more closely together. We may find employees whose experience and talents can be better utilized somewhere else. We may also determine there are positions we need to fill or areas where additional expertise is necessary.

Those decisions should be made thoughtfully and for the right reasons.

That is exactly why the hiring pause was necessary. It gives us an opportunity to determine what we need before we simply start filling vacancies.

As mayor, I also understand that accountability starts with me. I am responsible for setting the direction of this organization and making sure the team we put in place can carry out the priorities we have established for Apopka.

But no mayor, chief, director or organizational chart can accomplish that alone.

It takes all of us.

I want to build a city government where departments work together, leadership listens, employees are supported, expectations are clear and everyone understands who we ultimately work for: the residents of Apopka.

If we can create that kind of organization, we will not only provide better service to our residents, we will create a workplace where our employees are proud to say: "I work for the City of Apopka."

Labor Day commemorates historic struggle for employment safety, rights

Having a picnic this Labor Day? If so, you're honoring a tradition going all the way back to the first Labor Day parade, held in New York City on Sept. 5, 1882.

"After marching from City Hall to Union Square, the workers and their families gathered in Reservoir Park for a picnic, concert and speeches," according to the Library of Congress.

"Observed the first Monday in September, Labor Day is an annual celebration of the social and economic achievements of American workers. The holiday is rooted in the late nineteenth century when labor activists pushed for a federal holiday to recognize the many contributions workers have made to America's strength, prosperity, and well-being," according to the U.S. Department of Labor.

While the workers and their families at that first Labor Day would have enjoyed their picnics and celebrations then, conditions were very different. None of the workers were taking a paid holiday, and the forty-hour work week, overtime pay, and the now traditional five-day work week were all far into the future.

Safety laws and regulations were also rare then. Nearly three de-

Columnist



Tim Price

CADES later, the notorious Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire occurred in New York City in 1911, killing 146 garment workers. The factory was located eight stories up and many of those who died jumped to their deaths, since the doors to the stairwells were locked. The factory owners were more concerned about theft and someone taking a break without permission than they were about their employees' safety.

Although this tragedy spurred legislation to better protect workers, it frequently took incidents such as these to prompt change.

President Grover Cleveland signed the bill creating Labor Day on June 24, 1894. The bill had languished in the Senate for nearly 10 months until the middle of June, then made it

through both houses of Congress in just a handful of days.

Many people believe passage of the bill was intended not only to honor working people; it was also to help placate the labor movement at a time when one of the best-known incidents in American labor history was escalating. The Pullman Strike, at a railroad car factory near Chicago, included incidents of violence on both sides, caused tremendous property damage, and led to the deaths of 30 people.

Since the days of the first Labor Day celebration, the Pullman Strike, and the Triangle Shirtwaist Factory fire, labor union members and others have worked to improve conditions beyond those already mentioned. Child labor laws, a minimum wage, health benefits, and help for workers injured on the job are among the fruits of their efforts.

The concept of the first Labor Day celebration is generally credited to one of two men from New York. However it happened, the idea of workers celebrating each other and the work itself has been a key part of American society ever since.

Editor's note: Tim Price (1959-2024) was a feature writer for Mainstreet Daily News, which previously published a version of this story.

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Apopka approves Floridian Town Center hotel plan

Fudge Road annexation advances as part of development’s roadway network

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

A proposed 137-room Marriott-branded hotel at Floridian Town Center cleared another hurdle Wednesday as the Apopka City Commission unanimously approved its major development plan and advanced a related annexation needed for the development’s roadway network.

The four-story Fairfield Inn and TownePlace Suites hotel is planned for Lot 5 of Floridian Town Center, a planned development near the northwest

corner of the S.R. 429 Connector Road and U.S. 441.

Upon construction, the hotel would be the first development within Floridian Town Center, according to the City Commission staff report.

The hotel project will include 142 parking spaces and 25% open space, according to city staff. The Development Review Committee recommended approval April 29, followed by a unanimous recommendation from the Planning Commission on June 9.

Approval of the major development plan does not authorize construction. The project must still undergo the city’s construction site plan review process.

During discussion, Commissioner Yesenia Baron asked how many jobs the hotel would create.



A rendering shows the proposed four-story, 137-room Fairfield Inn and TownePlace Suites hotel planned for Floridian Town Center. The Apopka City Commission unanimously approved the hotel’s major development plan Wednesday, Sept. 2. | COURTESY OF CITY OF APOPKA

Project attorney Jason Searl said developers anticipate about 75 jobs during a 12- to 15-month construction period, followed by 30 full-time hospitality jobs.

The proposed hotel would operate under Marriott’s Fairfield Inn and TownePlace Suites brands.

The commission later unani-

mously approved on first reading the annexation of about 0.88 acre of Fudge Road from Kitt Avenue to S.R. 429/Connector Road. A second public hearing is scheduled for Sept. 16.

City Public Works Director Vladimir Simonovski described the annexation as a “cleanup item” for Floridian

Town Center. City documents state that bringing the roadway segment into Apopka is necessary for the development’s planned roadway network and future trunk road. The annexation also would facilitate platting of an outparcel containing a proposed sanitary sewer lift station.

After the annexation, the developer intends to seek vacation of the applicable portion of Fudge Road so the existing roadway configuration can be incorporated into the Floridian Town Center master-planned roadway and development layout.

Vice Mayor Diane Velazquez tied the roadway work directly to the hotel during the commission discussion.

“This will be a main entrance into the hotel,” Velazquez said. “Basically,

we’re just acquiring the roads, but the developer will upgrade those streets. They will be responsible for that.”

Velazquez said she had asked Searl for written confirmation that the developer would be responsible for the two roads and said he provided a letter to the city administration committing to the work.

The Floridian Town Center was approved by the City Commission in 2021 and amended in 2024. The planned development is designated for townhomes, multifamily housing, commercial, hotel and mixed-use development. City staff reported that the master developer has constructed infrastructure to serve the development, including stormwater facilities, utilities and roads.

Commercial development advances in Kelly Park area

City moves forward with land-use changes for two properties

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

The Apopka City Commission unanimously advanced future land-use changes Wednesday for two properties totaling more than eight acres near Kelly Park Road, where commercial development is planned.

The commission approved the first reading of future land-use amendments for Kelly Park Road Commercial, a 3.48-acre property north of

Kelly Park Road, and Twin Fountains Commercial, a 5.09-acre property along Plymouth Sorrento Road south of Kelly Park Road.

Both properties are owned by Effie Road Holdings LLC, with Luke Classon listed as the applicant, and both are within the Kelly Park Interchange Form-Based Code area.

For Kelly Park Road Commercial, the applicant is seeking to change the property’s future land-use designations from County Rural and Future Land Use-In Progress to Mixed-Use. The three-parcel property is east of Effie Drive along the north side of Kelly Park Road. One parcel was annexed into Apopka in June,

and the amendment would establish a unified Mixed-Use designation across the 3.48-acre site.

Senior Planner Jean Sanchez said the change would “support the transition of that area from rural and low-intensity residential conditions toward commercial and mixed-use development patterns.”

The Twin Fountains property is a vacant and wooded 5.09-acre site east of Plymouth Sorrento Road and south of Kelly Park Road. The applicant is seeking to change its future land use from Residential Very Low Suburban to Mixed-Use.

The applicant intends to develop the property as a multi-

tenant commercial center, although specific tenants and a final site plan have not been identified.

“The surrounding area reflects the transition to commercial, mixed-use and residential development occurring in this portion of the Kelly Park form-based code area,” Sanchez said.

The Development Review Committee recommended approval of both amendments, followed by unanimous recommendations from the Planning Commission on Aug. 11.

The City Commission unanimously approved both ordinances on first reading. Second readings are scheduled for Sept. 16.



An aerial map shows the three parcels outlined in red that make up the 3.48-acre Kelly Park Road Commercial property north of Kelly Park Road and east of Effie Drive. The Apopka City Commission unanimously advanced a future land-use amendment for the property on Wednesday, Sept. 2. | COURTESY OF THE CITY OF APOPKA



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BY ANY MEANS (R)
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MEMBER SINCE 2025
Matt DiSalvatore

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FLCA symposium updates Apopka on data centers, AI policy



From left to right Alex Newman, Alex Dray, and Amy Kremer discuss AI and education at the Aug. 27 symposium. | SCREENSHOT COURTESY OF FLCA YOUTUBE CHANNEL



Sam Romain (left) and Tom Gaitens (right) discuss data center construction and implications. | SCREENSHOT COURTESY OF FLCA YOUTUBE CHANNEL

Panels held Aug. 27 at Victory Church

By Sarah Merly
Reporter

The Florida Citizens Alliance (FLCA) brought five political activists and thinkers to Apopka’s Victory Church on Aug. 27, educating guests on data center implications and AI policy.

While Apopka does not currently have a data center in operation, according to data-centermap.com, panelist Sam Romain, chairman of Americans for Energy Dominance, claimed that more data centers are on the horizon nationwide than most may expect.

“The problem with the data center — the way this whole thing works — is that this starts in zoning, and when you read the city or county’s agenda, and it says, ‘We’re going to rezone the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of Section 42 in Quadrant A3,’ no one knows what that means,” said panelist Sam Romain, chairman of Americans for Energy Dominance. “So there’s very likely way more data centers in process than anyone in this room is even aware of.”

Fellow panelist Tom Gaitens, senior advisor for Humans First, noted that data centers

themselves are not new inventions, estimating that the U.S. already has 5,100 to 5,200 centers “we’ve already been using with our cell phone and our computer technology for a long time now.” Instead, Gaitens drew more attention to the rapid obsolescence of regular centers — and possibly of those planned for construction.

“We don’t even know what the half-life of the hyperscale data center is, right? So we have no studies to understand that all this expense, these billions and billions and billions of dollars that we’re funneling — much of it is speculative dollars — and we’re blowing up our 401ks because everyone’s overly invested in this space,” he said.

Gaitens also took issue with where data centers are often developed — on rural land — seemingly without much consideration of other options.

“There’s not a lot of competition for political outcomes because there’s fewer people, right? And so they understand that those are targets that are ripe for exploitation, but the reality is, just like coastland, we are not making more strategic feed-producing land in this world,” he said. “If the only solution they come up with is to destroy rural America, well, I don’t think that’s the only solution.”

Gaitens instead suggested exploring the possibility of building data centers in “dilapidated, outdated parts of the community in the cities,” in “warehouse districts [that] already have electrical capacity programmed into it.”

Romain encouraged guests to give local government officials “grace,” recognizing how much a data center could bring to a city’s economy “on paper.” He drew upon the planned data center in Fort Meade, a city approximately two hours south of Apopka, as an example.

“When you see an opportunity for your city to go from a \$1.5 million annual budget — Fort Meade — to a \$15 million annual income off of one business that requires 50 parking spaces — and not a whole lot of crime happens at data centers — it’s not a bad deal on paper for them to want to do that, and so that’s why I think [what] these cities are doing is primarily money-driven,” he said.

However, both Romain and Gaitens stressed the need for increased public accessibility to information regarding data center development, with Romain mentioning that nondisclosure agreements regarding data centers are allowed under SB 484.

“We the people should decide who our neighbors are in the industrial process and how

our tax dollars are spent, so that’s why a conservative like myself felt [it] very important to get in this space and help focus people’s attention on the issues,” Gaitens said.

The second half of the symposium focused on the political and educational implications of what the data centers enable: AI.

“It’s one thing to deploy these technologies and make them available to adults who have experience, who have the ability to consent to things,” said panelist Alex Newman, CEO of Liberty Sentinel Media. “It’s an entirely different matter to deploy these technologies with children without parental permission, without parental supervision, and then use them not just to collect endless amounts of data — data so granular, so detailed that I don’t think people can even begin to imagine — but then to take all of that and weaponize it to manipulate these children, to change their attitudes and their values and their mindsets.”

Panelist Amy Kremer, chair of Humans First, pointed to several acts of terrorism on college campuses and beyond enabled by AI, including a shooting in Canada executed by an 18-year-old.

“What’s horrific about that shooting is that conversation with ChatGPT was flagged by

12 people internally at OpenAI, and they took it to their bosses, and nothing was done about it. That shooting could have been stopped,” Kremer said. “The fact that we are talking about the most powerful technology in human history, and there are no reporting guidelines, no transparency guidelines, is unbelievable... So, yes, I’m concerned about our children. I’m also concerned about our national security and how this technology is being used to harm people.”

To start regulating technology in the classroom, Newman suggested implementing parental opt-in and open-source platforms.

“Parents, if they want their children to use any AI in school, should be opting into that technology with what I would consider to be full informed consent,” Newman said. “I think any platforms that are used in schools with children ought to be open-source, so that we can examine the source code closely, make sure they’re not sending the data to who knows who, who knows what government agency.”

Kremer also expressed her support for resurrecting the Artificial Intelligence Bill of Rights, or CS/SB 482, which died in the Florida House of Representatives in March.

“I think Governor DeSantis

should call a special session between now and the end of the year, and let’s pass it,” she said. “Governor DeSantis really wanted to get that legislation passed, and unfortunately, your speaker of the house wouldn’t allow it through. Now, your speaker of the house has become an ambassador to Brazil, and he’s no longer there.”

Panelist Alex Dray, national organizing director of Young People’s Alliance, encouraged the audience near the end of the symposium by noting the strong bipartisan support he has witnessed on the legislative front.

“Because of that grassroots concern we’re hearing from all across the country, we’ve been able to successfully turn that concern into real actionable policy that has put important protections and guardrails on this new technology to ensure that it’s good for us and it doesn’t harm us,” said Alex Dray, national organizing director for Young People’s Alliance. “We’ve been able to actually get legislation passed in Nebraska, Washington, and Hawaii on [AI chatbot companions], despite the massive big-tech pressure that we had — Nebraska, red state; Hawaii, Washington, blue states.”

Orange County DOH issues mosquito-borne illness alert

DOH encourages residents to use mosquito repellent

Staff Reports

The Florida Department of Health in Orange County (DOH-Orange) has issued an alert to make residents aware of an increase in mosquito-borne disease activity in areas of Orange County.

Several sentinel chickens have tested positive for West Nile virus infection,

according to an Aug. 27 news release. DOH-Orange and Orange County Mosquito to Control are coordinating their surveillance and prevention efforts by expanding coverage within affected communities.

In addition, response measures have been increased through targeted mosquito control treatments to help reduce mosquito populations.

Residents may reduce the spread of mosquito-borne diseases by wearing repellent, repairing holes in

screens, and emptying or covering anything that could hold standing water at least once a week, according to the DOH.

The DOH continues to conduct statewide surveillance for mosquito-borne illnesses, including West Nile virus infections, Eastern equine encephalitis, St. Louis encephalitis, malaria, chikungunya and dengue. The department encourages Florida residents to report dead birds at myfwc.com/contact/incident-reporting/.



Mosquitoes can carry a variety of diseases, including Eastern equine encephalitis and malaria. | GETTY IMAGES

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Who gets the call? Where residents can report 7 everyday problems

The right place depends on city limits, road ownership and what time of day issue occurs

By Josh Peterson
Interim Editor

A pothole, dark streetlight or untouched trash cart may look like a simple service problem. Reporting it can be less simple because an Apopka mailing address does not necessarily mean the city of Apopka owns the road or provides the service.

The quickest route starts with two questions: Who con-

trols the location, and does the problem need immediate attention?

1. START WITH JURISDICTION, NOT THE MAILING ADDRESS.

The city’s Solid Waste page directs residents who are unsure about city limits to the Orange County Property Appraiser. City-issued carts are black for household trash and gray for recycling; Orange County’s collection lookup is for unincorporated-county customers with blue- and green-lid carts. That distinction also helps with roads, drainage and code complaints.

2. SEND CITY POTHOLES AND SIDEWALK PROBLEMS TO APOPKA.

For a pothole, damaged sidewalk, crooked sign or

similar issue on a city street, use Apopka SeeClickFix and include the exact location, a description and a photo when possible. The city’s Streets Division also takes reports at 407-703-1731. If the road is maintained by Orange County, start with OCFL 311 or call 311 or 407-836-3111.

3. USE FDOT FOR STATE ROADS.

Problems on state-controlled roads belong with the Florida Department of Transportation, even when the road runs through Apopka. FDOT’s Customer Service Portal accepts issue reports. Apopka is in District 5, which has the following official contact numbers: 386-943-5000 and 800-780-7102. A U.S. or

state-route designation is a clue, but if ownership is uncertain, the city Streets Division or Orange County 311 can route the question.

4. MATCH A MISSED PICKUP TO THE CART PROVIDER.

City customers can report garbage and recycling problems through SeeClickFix and check the city’s ReCollect schedule from the Solid Waste page. Unincorporated Orange County customers should use the county collection lookup or call the Solid Waste Hotline at 407-836-6601. Note the address, collection day, cart type and whether material was tagged or improperly placed.

5. REPORT DARK STREETLIGHTS TO DUKE ENERGY.

Duke Energy services Apopka streetlights. Use Duke’s Street & Area Light Repair Map or call 800-228-8485. Record the pole number and nearest cross street before reporting. A failed traffic signal is different: inside the city, call 407-703-1731, and on a county or state road, use the controlling agency.

6. CALL FOR WATER OR SEWER TROUBLE.

For a city water line break, leak, sewer backup or overflow, Apopka lists 407-703-1731 during regular business hours and 407-703-1757 for evenings, weekends and holidays. The city’s Water Resources page also covers stormwater operations. County utility or drainage concerns

can begin with Orange County 311.

7. KNOW WHEN A SERVICE REQUEST IS NOT ENOUGH.

Apopka’s online systems are not emergency lines. Call 911 for crimes in progress, serious medical situations, fires or other immediate threats to life and safety. Inside Apopka, the police nonemergency and after-hours line is 407-703-1757. In unincorporated Orange County, the Sheriff’s Office nonemergency number is 407-836-4357.

Save the confirmation or request number after filing. If the problem is sent to the wrong place, that record gives the next agency something concrete to trace instead of starting the story over.

UTILITIES

between Vick Road and Jason Dwelley, we have a 12-inch pipe, and there is also no pipeline on Plymouth Sorrento between Lester and Ponkan, so we’re trying to address that.”

Simonovski said the plan for the first constriction is to connect the 30-inch pipe at the end of Rogers Road to that at Jason Dwelley Parkway, which would “provide more flow and be able to fill in the two ground storage tanks at the northwest facility quicker.” The Plymouth Sorrento constriction would be addressed with a 30-

inch extension between Lester and Ponkan, which “will also help with moving more water towards Golden Gem.”

“The key is that it’s not an access to water issue — it’s an issue with moving water around our city,” Mayor Nick Nesta said. “Once all these pieces finally come into place, residents are going to see quality water, quality service, and no pressure issues.”

Although the sanitation rate increase did not generate as much discussion, the staff report explained it was necessary



Rod Olsen | PHOTO BY SARAH MERLY

“to cover operating expenses due to an increase in the population served, and the rising costs of labor, fuel, disposal and other operating expenses.”



Vladimir Simonovski | PHOTO BY DANA O’CONNOR

waste to a tip facility,” Ocasio said. “On top of that, there was the fleet replacement program that was built in to cycle out some of your existing fleet, as

well as add a couple of side loaders and other items to expand the fleet for growth.”

Death Notice

Tina Louise Frazier, 60, died Aug. 28, 2026, in Altamonte Springs. A funeral will take

place at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 4, followed by burial at Edgewood-Greenwood Cemetery

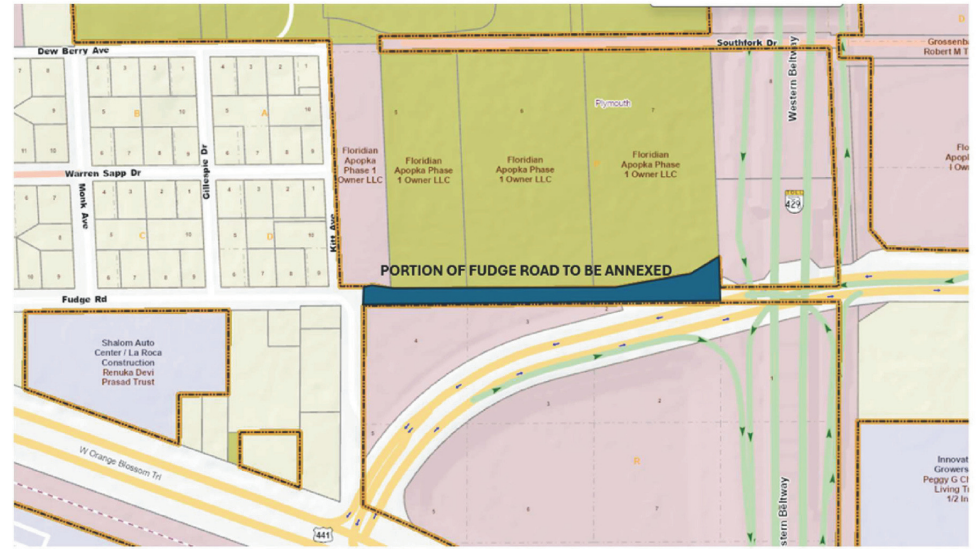
in Apopka. Baldwin Fairchild Funeral Home will host the funeral.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE ANNEXATION CITY OF APOPKA

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Florida Statutes 171.044, the Apopka Code of Ordinances, Part III, Land Development Code, Article II, Section 2.5.1.A, that **the City of Apopka** has made an application to the City of Apopka City Commission for an **ANNEXATION** of a portion of Fudge Road between Kitt Avenue and 429 Connector Road. This application relates to the following described property:

ORDINANCE NO. 3173

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, TO EXTEND ITS TERRITORIAL AND MUNICIPAL LIMITS TO ANNEX PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 171.044 THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED LANDS SITUATED AND BEING IN ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, OWNED BY ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA; A PORTION OF FUDGE ROAD BETWEEN KITT AVENUE AND SR 429 CONNECTOR ROAD; COMPRISING 1.0 ACRES, MORE OR LESS; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



Contains: 1.0 +/- acres

NOTICE is given that public hearings will be held by the **City of Apopka City Commission** at its regularly scheduled meetings in the City Commission Chambers of the Apopka City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida on **Wednesday, September 2, 2026 beginning at 1:30 P.M. and Wednesday, September 16, 2026 beginning at 6:00 P.M.** or as soon thereafter as possible.

Affected parties and the public may appear at the above listed hearings to speak. The proposed Annexation can be inspected at the Apopka Community Development Department located at Apopka City Hall on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. City Hall address shown below. Please be advised that, under State law, if you decide to appeal a decision made with respect to this matter, you will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk’s Office at 120 East Main Street, Apopka FL 32703, Telephone: 407-703-1704, no less than 48 hours prior to the proceeding.

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PAYSON NESBITT SULLIVAN

March 26, 1934 - August 23, 2026



Payson Nesbitt Sullivan, beloved husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather and friend passed away peacefully on August 23 at the age of 92.

Born on March 26, 1934, Payson lived a life defined by family, hard work entrepreneurship, and a deep love for the outdoors. He was married to his beloved wife, Sara Josephine, for 70 years. They settled in their retirement years in the Sutherland Bluff Community in McIntosh County, Georgia.

Payson graduated from McCallie Preparatory School before attending the University of Florida, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration in 1956. After College, Payson and Sara Jo settled in Apopka, Florida where they were very involved in the community and raised their four children.

Throughout his business career, Payson was an entrepreneur who was never afraid to pursue a new opportunity. His career included work in the insurance industry (Orlando), indoor foliage (Apopka), and the egg business (Plymouth). In 1990, he moved to Georgia and started Sullivan Environmental Services in Vidalia. What began as a small single truck garbage collection business grew into a successful family enterprise serving thousands of customers and many communities throughout South Georgia. His legacy in the industry continues today through two of his sons who remain active in the solid waste business.

While Payson was proud of his professional accomplishments, his greatest joy was his family. He was the father of four, grandfather of eight and great grandfather of six. He especially enjoyed spending time outdoors, with hunting and fishing among his favorite pastimes.

Payson was preceded in death by his wife, Sara Jo, and his daughter, Beth Sullivan Biehle, and son in law Erich Biehle. He is survived by his three sons, Scott Sullivan (Kristy), Sam Sullivan (Susan), and Will Sullivan (Clara), and his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

A celebration of life for friends and family will be held at their family home in McIntosh County on September 26. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Hospice of the Golden Isles (www.hospice.me 912-265-4735) or Visting Angels Southeast Georgia (912-342-8901).



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Recent rain brings relief, but drought conditions persist

Orange County, Wekiwa Springs fare better than harder-hit areas

By Teresa Sargeant
Reporter

Recent rainfall has brought some relief to Central Florida, but significant rainfall deficits remain across portions of the St. Johns River Water Management District, with full recovery expected to require sustained above-average rainfall.

The district reported Aug. 21 that drought conditions continue despite recent storms during Florida’s summer rainy season. Rainfall has remained below average for much of the past year across the district, preventing groundwater supplies and river flows from fully recovering.

Clay Coarsey, the district’s director of water supply planning and assessment, said in



Rock Springs. | COURTESY OF SJRWMD

an Aug. 19 interview that some of the most severe conditions have occurred in northern and central portions of the district.

“We’re not necessarily getting enough to get above and beyond that average that we need to dig ourselves out of the hole,” Coarsey said.

Coarsey said nearly 3 feet of rainfall would be needed over three months to return drought conditions to normal.

Rainfall deficits have been particularly pronounced north and west of Orange County. As of Aug. 18, Lake County had accumulated an 11.39-inch rainfall deficit over the previous 12 months, according to the district. Alachua County was 17.31 inches below average and Marion County was 16.62 inches below average.

Summer rainfall also does not necessarily translate direct-



Wekiwa Springs. | COURTESY OF SJRWMD

ly into groundwater recharge. Heat causes water to evaporate, while growing plants absorb water through a process called transpiration, Coarsey said.

Orange County has fared better.

Coarsey said Orange County had received about 45 inches of rainfall over the preceding year. Groundwater levels also were performing better than in counties farther north.

Flows at Wekiwa Springs and Rock Springs remained within their normal ranges in July, while Silver Springs, farther north in Marion County, was at the bottom of the very low range for that time of year, according to the district.

Despite Orange County’s comparatively better conditions, residents should continue conserving water.

Coarsey said about half the

water used by a typical home goes toward outdoor uses. He encouraged residents to make sure irrigation timers are properly programmed and that they are not watering more frequently than permitted.

The district continues to monitor rainfall, groundwater levels, river flows and other indicators to determine when water-shortage restrictions can be modified or lifted.

Coarsey said one challenge is that Florida’s groundwater shortage is largely invisible to residents, unlike low lakes and reservoirs where receding water levels can be easily seen.

“I think it’s hard for people to understand that we’re at near record-low groundwater levels in certain parts of the state,” Coarsey said.

Continued conservation can help preserve groundwater supplies while the region waits for enough rainfall to replenish the aquifer, he said.

Boudoin appointed interim Orange County clerk of courts

Chief administrative officer will serve pending gubernatorial appointment or special election

Staff Reports

Joyce Boudoin has been named interim Orange County clerk of courts after Tiffany Moore Russell, who left office Aug. 31 after advancing to the runoff for Orange County mayor.

Chief Judge Lisa Munyon of the Ninth Judicial Circuit

appointed Boudoin as clerk ad interim by administrative order and administered her oath of office Monday evening.

Boudoin has worked for the Orange County Clerk of Courts for 18 years and has served as chief administrative officer since 2022. Her previous positions include director of the Project Management Office, director of Court Operations and assistant administrator.

As chief administrative officer, Boudoin provides leadership and oversight across administrative and operational functions within the clerk’s

office.

She will serve as interim clerk until Gov. Ron DeSantis appoints a replacement or until the outcome of a special election scheduled for the November general election.

The special election winner will complete the remainder of Russell’s term.

On Aug. 18, Roberta Walton Johnson won the Democratic primary for clerk of courts, receiving more than half of the vote in the three-candidate contest against Rick Singh and Maribel Gomez Cordeiro. Walton Johnson will face no-party-affiliation candidate Terrell Thomas in November.



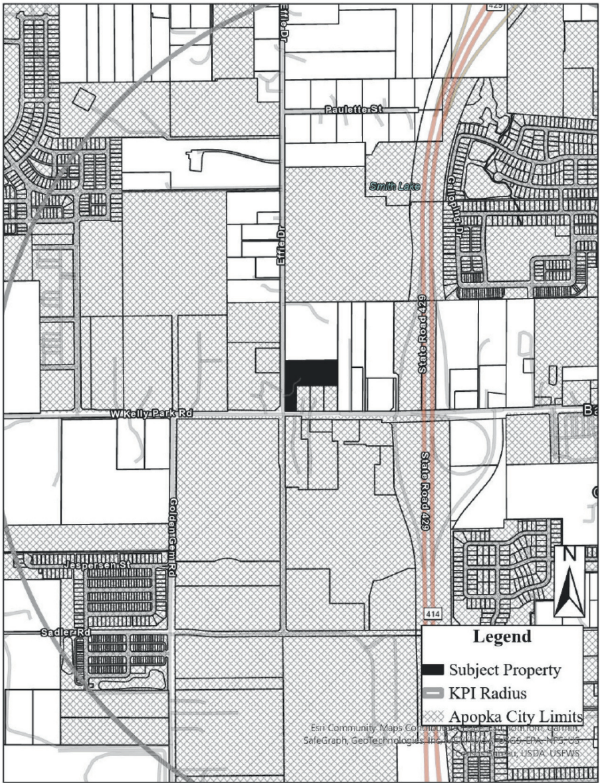
Joyce Boudoin, center, takes the oath of office as Orange County clerk ad interim Monday, Aug. 31. Chief Judge Lisa Munyon of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, left, administers the oath. | COURTESY OF ORANGE COUNTY CLERK OF COURTS

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE ANNEXATION CITY OF APOPKA

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 171.044, the Apopka Code of Ordinances, Part III, Land Development Code, Article II, Section 2.5.1.A, that **LUKE M. CLASSON, P.E.** has made an application to the City of Apopka City Commission for an **ANNEXATION** of a property located at 5103 Effie Road. This application relates to the following described property:

ORDINANCE NO. 3174

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, TO EXTEND ITS TERRITORIAL AND MUNICIPAL LIMITS TO ANNEX PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 171.044 THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED LANDS SITUATED AND BEING IN ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA, OWNED BY CATHY L. KOHL; GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF KELLY PARK ROAD AND EFFIE ROAD; COMPRISING 5.40 ACRES, MORE OR LESS; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



Parcel Identification Number(s): 12-20-27-0000-00-088
Contains: 5.40 +/- acres

NOTICE is given that public hearings for Ordinance No. 3174 will be held by the **City of Apopka City Commission** at its regularly scheduled meetings in the City Commission Chambers of the Apopka City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida on **Wednesday, October 7, 2026 beginning at 1:30 P.M. and Wednesday, October 21, 2026 beginning at 6:00 P.M.** or as soon thereafter as possible.

Affected parties and the public may appear at the above listed hearings to speak. The proposed Annexation can be inspected at the Apopka Community Development Department located at Apopka City Hall on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. City Hall address shown below. Please be advised that, under State law, if you decide to appeal a decision made with respect to this matter, you will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk’s Office at 120 East Main Street, Apopka FL 32703, Telephone: 407-703-1704, no less than 48 hours prior to the proceeding.

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Habitat seeks to revive failed East Sixth Street townhome project

Nonprofit warns additional costs could jeopardize 24 affordable homes

By Teresa Sargeant Reporter

A failed 24-unit affordable housing development in downtown Apopka is getting a second chance under Habitat for Humanity, but the nonprofit warned city staff Wednesday that additional costs could jeopardize the project.

The application concerns the former Cornerstone at Sixth site at 350 E. Sixth St., where Hannibal Square Community Land Trust previously planned an estimated \$8.1 million development consisting of 24 affordable townhomes.

“Last month, Habitat for Humanity bought this property,

and if you’re aware of the history of the property, another not-for-profit owned it and tried to develop these townhomes and didn’t have the financial wherewithal to make it happen,” Ed Schrank, Habitat for Humanity Seminole-Apopka’s chief construction officer, told the Development Review Committee.

Orange County terminated its developer’s agreement with Hannibal Square Community Land Trust after the nonprofit encountered financial problems and failed to make sufficient progress on the project.

Orange County Property Appraiser records identify Habitat for Humanity Seminole-Apopka as the owner of parcels within the proposed development.

Habitat is trying to move forward with substantially the same 24-unit plan under the name Apopka Townhomes. The construction documents de-



A “For Sale” sign remained Wednesday at the vacant 350 E. Sixth St. property where Habitat for Humanity Seminole-Apopka is seeking to revive plans for 24 affordable townhomes. Orange County property records identify Habitat as the owner of the proposed townhome parcels. | PHOTO BY TERESA SARGEANT

scribe the July application as a submission for “re-permit” and contain plans dating from the earlier development.

Schrank said Habitat was assured during its due diligence that, subject to city code changes made since the previous ap-

provals, the project could proceed largely as designed.

However, city staff identified outstanding comments that must be resolved before the construction site plan can be approved. Planning and zoning manager Bobby Howell said the density

appeared to comply with the property’s allowance of 10 units per acre and characterized some of the other comments as procedural or cleanup matters.

Schrank told the committee that Habitat cannot afford to lose any of the project’s 24 units and still make the development financially feasible. Habitat must raise about \$3 million beyond the anticipated proceeds from selling the homes, he said.

“A private developer couldn’t make this project work as designed, but we can and we will,” Schrank said.

He asked staff to distinguish between changes required by city code and improvements that might be desirable but are not mandatory.

“If it’s a want-to-have as opposed to a must-have, we ask that you look back to what was approved two years ago and don’t let perfect be the enemy

of good in this thing,” Schrank said. “We’re on the edge financially, and if our cost increases a little too much, we’re going to have to sell the property and not develop it.”

“We may not be able to make it perfect,” he added. “Let’s try for good. Twenty-four affordable houses is a good thing.”

Howell offered to meet separately with the project team to work through the remaining comments.

“We definitely want to help you get this project built,” Howell said. “This is a good thing for the city.”

The DRC recommended denial at this stage because comments remain outstanding. Howell said the 24-unit development does not require public hearings and can receive approval at the DRC level once the outstanding issues are resolved.

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incorporated as the Town of Apopka City on Sept. 2, 1882.

“During August of 1882, the Apopka Citizen newspaper carried a notice that on September 2, all citizens should meet at Fudge Hall — the lodge — to organize a municipal government, choose a name and seal, and define the limits of the town. This was the official incorporation of the city,” said Apopka Museum trustee Lorena Potter. “The limits of the city were originally one mile from the lodge in every direction, and soon the town began to grow larger.”

Volunteers then recounted Apopka’s role in Florida’s citrus, turpentine and indoor foliage industries.

“My grandfather, Harry John Ustler, moved to Apopka in 1912 and created the first foliage nursery in Apopka and all of Florida,” said Judy Ustler. “The warmer clay allowed ferns in Central and South America to be grown in the United States. Others began to grow ferns in Apopka in the 1910s and the 1920s, and the industry here flourished. By 1920, Apopka was known as the Fern City.”

Other community members discussed the Cyclone of 1918 and the city’s long-repealed segregation ordinance, then brought listeners to where Apopka stands now as Orange County’s second-largest city. Afterward, Apopka Historical Society President Maribel

Brinkle gifted the Apopka mayor’s office with the city’s original incorporation papers.

“Our story began as a small trading station in northwest Orange County in 1882. We were officially incorporated as the Town of Apopka City,” said Mayor Nick Nesta in his closing remarks. “From those humble beginnings, generations of families, farmers, business owners and community leaders helped build the remarkable city we are proud to call home today. As we honor that rich history, we also recognize that Apopka stands at the threshold of a new era. Our city is growing, opportunities are expanding, and our future is filled with promise. Through every change, we will remain committed to preserving the character, traditions, and sense of community that make Apopka so special.”

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Prussing receives horticulture chapter’s highest honor

Gene A. Batson Award recognizes decades of service, leadership

By Teresa Sargeant Reporter

Long before Patrick Prussing built a career helping Florida growers, his interest in horticulture took root beside his grandfather’s orchid collection. That early connection eventually led Prussing into nearly four decades of work in Florida’s green industry — and on Aug. 27, to the highest honor presented by the Action Chapter of the Florida Nursery, Growers and Landscape Association (FNG-LA). Prussing received the Gene A. Batson Award during the chapter’s 31st award luncheon at Highland Manor in Apopka. Farm Credit of Central Florida sponsored the event.

“Looking around this room, I see the very people who have shaped my life and career for the last four decades,” Prussing told those gathered. “Without you, I would not be here.” The award was established in 1995 by the Action Chapter’s board of directors to recognize members who have demonstrated outstanding service and leadership within the chapter. Batson, a nursery operator who helped establish several successful businesses, was its first recipient. For Prussing, receiving an award bearing Batson’s name held particular meaning. Prussing worked under Batson early in his career after meeting him through a referral from another nursery operator. “He taught me more than just plants,” Prussing said. “He showed me the value of work ethic, opportunity and leadership in this industry.” Born in Atlanta and raised during his early childhood in



Patrick Prussing (back row, third from right) holds his Gene A. Batson Award while posing with luncheon attendees Aug. 27 at Highland Manor in Apopka. The award recognizes outstanding service and leadership in the Action Chapter of the Florida Nursery, Growers and Landscape Association. | COURTESY OF FARM CREDIT OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

nearby Mableton, Georgia, Prussing moved to Orlando in 1986. His interest in plants began during visits to his grandparents in Coral Gables, where he helped his grandfather tend orchids and volunteered at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden.

In 1990, while attending Evans High School, Prussing received a \$1,000 scholarship — an experience he said confirmed that he had found the professional community to which he wanted to belong. While studying horticulture

at Valencia College, Prussing founded and became the first president of the Valencia Horticulture Society. When the college’s horticulture program faced possible closure, Prussing and the society organized a large campus plant sale. Its success helped persuade the college to preserve the program. His commitment to education later reached Zellwood Elementary School, where he began visiting his oldest son’s kindergarten class to teach children how plants help people. He brought donated soil, pots and plants so students could take home what they planted. The effort expanded to other classrooms and continued annually for about a decade. Prussing also shared his plant knowledge as a Cubmaster and Scoutmaster with Zellwood Pack and Troop 639, teaching young people to identify harmful and beneficial plants during hikes and camping trips.

Professionally, Prussing served as head propagator at RFJ Co. and White Rose Nurseries, spent 12 years helping develop Sunshine Horticulture as a liner producer and later worked as sourcing manager at LiveTrends. He now serves as Central Florida sales representative for Southern Ag Insecticides, assisting commercial growers with chemical needs, pest management and bio-rational products. Keynote speaker Katy Moss Warner, a retired Walt Disney World horticulture executive, praised Prussing and other industry members for using their expertise to support schools, public gardens and nonprofit organizations. Prussing credited his wife, Shelly, whom he married inside a nursery office while working for Batson, as “the catalyst for every good thing” in his life. “This industry has given me a purpose, a passion and a second family,” he said.

Central Florida commemorates 9/11 with ceremonies, blood drive

2026 marks 25th anniversary of terrorist attack

By Sarah Merly Reporter

Although planes struck the World Trade Center 25 years ago, Central Florida will never forget the national tragedy. Join the local community at the events below on Friday, Sept. 11, to honor America’s heroes.

WEKIVA HIGH SCHOOL FLAG CEREMONY
Time: 7:30 a.m.
Location: Wekiva High

School flagpole (2501 Hiwassee Road, Apopka)
Wekiva High School’s Air Force Junior ROTC will present the colors and conduct a 13-fold flag ceremony early Friday morning, honoring Orange County Public Schools Superintendent Maria Vazquez for her years of service before her retirement. Members of the school band will also play the national anthem.
CITY OF APOPKA 9/11 MEMORIAL SERVICE
Time: 8:30 a.m.
Location: Apopka City Hall (120 E. Main St., Apopka)
Join the Apopka Fire and Police Departments at the



Join the community in honoring the sacrifices of September 11’s first responders. | METRO CREATIVE GRAPHICS

flagpole as the flag is lowered to half-staff.
REMEMBRANCE 9/11 TRIBUTE

25TH ANNIVERSARY EXHIBIT
Time: 10 a.m.-8 p.m.
Location: Winter Garden

City Hall (300 W. Plant St., Winter Garden)
View artifacts, video footage, and personal accounts of 9/11 at City Hall. The exhibit runs from Wednesday, Sept. 9, through Saturday, Sept. 12.
9/11 MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE
Time: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Location: Select Seacoast Bank branches (visit oneblood.io/seacoast to view a list)
Those donating blood at select Seacoast Bank locations will receive a limited-edition 9/11 T-shirt, a \$20 electronic gift card and a wellness checkup.
9/11 REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY
Time: 11 a.m.

Location: Orlando VA Medical Center, first floor (13800 Veterans Way, Orlando)
Honor those who sacrificed their lives in 2001 with the Orlando VA Healthcare System. U.S. Marine Corps veteran and former New York City Police Department officer Steve Dailey will join as the keynote speaker.
9/11 REMEMBRANCE AND CANDLELIGHT CEREMONY
Time: 7 p.m.
Location: Orlando Fire Station 1 (78 W. Central Blvd., Orlando)
Watch as the Orlando Fire Department lights 404 candles to honor all the fallen first responders of 9/11.

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DOGGETTE

FROM A1

His new responsibilities will include helping establish a Doctor of Ministry curriculum.

During his career, Doggette served congregations in Louisiana, Arkansas, California, Ohio, Alabama, Texas and Florida and spent 20 years teaching at Oakwood University.

His tenure at Patmos also included community outreach through the church and The Well Activity Center. A food drive and community pantry established in 2020 now serve about 1,200 households each month. More than 8,000 households

received assistance during the first seven months of 2026.

Hundreds of pastors, former students, colleagues, public servants, family members and others attended the service. The church also prepared a time capsule containing memorabilia commemorating his ministry.

Patmos Chapel hosts Sabbath School at 10 a.m. and worships at 11 a.m. every Saturday. To learn more about Patmos Chapel and The Well Activity Center, visit thewellactivitycenter.com.



Dr. James R. Doggette Sr. (center) holds the key to the city presented to him by Apopka Mayor Nick Nesta (right) during an Aug. 22 farewell service at The Well Activity Center. Doggette's wife, Erin, joins them for the presentation. Doggette is leaving Patmos Chapel Seventh-day Adventist Church after 10 years as senior pastor. | COURTESY OF CARLOS MEDLEY

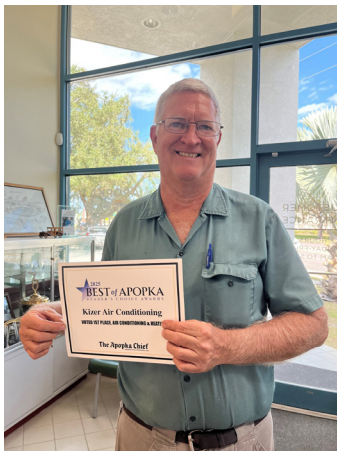
BEST OF APOPKA

FROM A1

winners will be announced in the Chief's Nov. 6 edition, with those in the "Leadership with The Apopka Chamber" category to be announced at the Apopka Area Chamber of Commerce's Dec. 1 gala.

"Whether you are fiercely loyal to a defending champion or eager to crown a rising star, it is up to the community and the readers of The Apopka Chief to decide who is outstanding and worthy of their 'Best of' votes," Cohen said.

Questions about Best of Apopka voting may be sent to bestofapopka@theapopkachief.com.



Kizer Air Conditioning won first place in the air conditioning & heating category in the 2025 Best of Apopka Reader's Choice Awards. | COURTESY OF GIGI COHEN

BUDGET

FROM A1

shop agenda called only for an overview and discussion.

Among the most extensive discussions were proposed reductions to community-oriented spending, including \$100,000 for a nonprofit grant program, \$10,000 in discretionary funding for each commissioner and about \$282,500 in listed community events and programs.

Commissioner Nadia Anderson questioned those reductions while pointing to other proposed expenditures, including \$75,000 for renovations to the second floor of City Hall and \$210,000 for office furniture replacement. She proposed redirecting those expenditures toward restoring nonprofit funding and community events.

"A lot of nonprofits actually depend on that money and have it already budgeted for schol-

arships and things and senior citizens and stuff," Anderson said. "So I think we can delay \$75,000."

Mayor Nick Nesta defended the renovation, saying work on the second floor has been delayed for years and postponing it could increase its eventual cost.

"The more we push that out, the more expensive it gets," Nesta said.

Sherman said Anderson's recommendations would be brought back for votes at Thursday's hearing.

Anderson also questioned eliminating the \$10,000 in discretionary funding for each commissioner while other expenditures remained in the budget.

The commission also discussed the proposed legal-services budget, which Sherman

said retains funding for an in-house city attorney while allocating \$475,000 for outside city attorney services.

Anderson questioned whether the city should budget for an in-house attorney before commissioners decide whether to establish an in-house legal department.

"We need to move this city attorney position out the budget until we're able to properly figure out what that looks like," Anderson said.

Nesta said retaining the position in the budget gives commissioners flexibility while they determine whether to continue outsourcing legal services or establish an in-house department.

"If we're going in-house, we definitely can't do with one," Nesta said. "That needs to be a more robust in-house counsel department."

Sherman said a fully staffed legal department would cost more than the city's current outside counsel arrangement

because it would require additional attorneys and support staff.

Commissioners also discussed restoring a risk-management specialist position. Human Resources Director Joe Patton said the city's existing risk-management employee handles duties including workers' compensation and insurance coverage for vendors at city events, while other HR employees provide limited backup.

Sherman included a risk-management specialist among the staffing changes to be added back when she reviewed proposed adjustments near the end of the workshop.

Another lengthy discussion centered on the future of Camp Wewa.

Nesta said the city purchased the property for about \$4.7 million and spends about \$1 million annually to operate it. While programming at the camp performs well financially, he said maintaining the

facility continues to draw city resources.

"My goal is to spend time and all my extra time to actually build out an actual marketing and business plan for Camp Wewa," Nesta said. "But at some point, we need to make a decision on how much money are we going to continue to spend on this?"

Vice Mayor Diane Velazquez described Camp Wewa as "a money pit right now," but opposed selling the property, citing its value as green space and its potential for greater public use.

"It's a money pit right now," Velazquez said. "It's green space, and we'll just have to find a way to market it."

Commissioners Sam Ruth and Yesenia Baron also expressed support for retaining the property while exploring ways to increase its use and revenue. The tentative revenue budget projects \$163,271 in Camp Wewa activity fees for FY27.

The spending discussions come after commissioners voted 4-1 on July 30 to set a proposed operating millage rate of 4.6761 mills, with Anderson opposed. The rate is 10% above the rollback rate of 4.2510 mills.

The 4.6761-mill rate also represents a 0.2385-mill increase from the city's current 4.4376-mill operating rate. The tentative rate establishes the maximum the city can adopt without restarting the state's Truth in Millage notification process.

The commission will hold its tentative budget hearing at 5:15 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 3, at the Apopka Community Center, 519 S. Central Ave. The final budget hearing is scheduled for 5:15 p.m. Sept. 16 in the City Hall Commission Chambers, where the final budget and millage rate are scheduled for adoption.

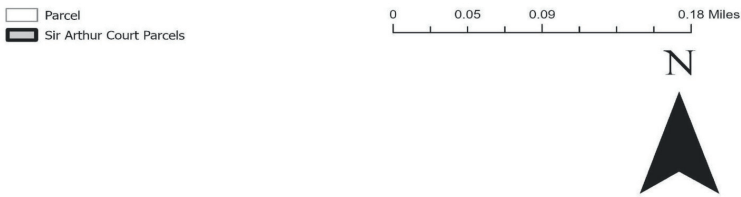
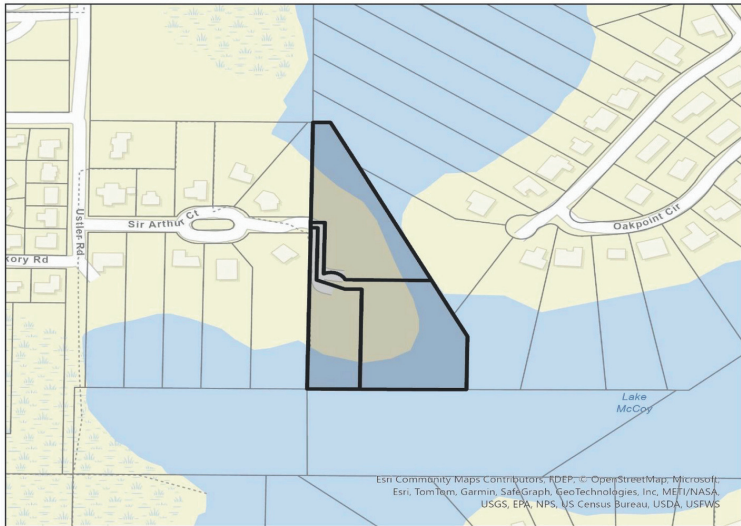
The new fiscal year begins Oct. 1.

CITY OF APOPKA
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
CHANGE OF ZONING

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Sec. 166.041(3)(a), Florida Statutes and the Apopka Code of Ordinances, Part III, Land Development Code, Article II, Section 2.4.7.B, that **Michael Cooper** has made application relating to the following described property.

ORDINANCE NO. 3176

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Notice is given that the **City of Apopka Planning Commission** will hold a public hearing at its regularly scheduled meeting in the City Council Chambers of the Apopka City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida on **Tuesday, October 13, 2026 beginning at 5:30 P.M.**, or as soon thereafter as possible.

FURTHER NOTICE is given that a public hearing for Ordinance Number 3176 will be held by the **City of Apopka City Council** at its regularly scheduled meeting in the City Council Chambers of the Apopka City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida on **Wednesday, November 4, 2026 beginning at 1:30 P.M.** or soon thereafter.

Affected parties and the public may appear at the above listed hearings to speak. The proposed Rezoning Application can be inspected at the Apopka Community Development Department located at Apopka City Hall on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. City Hall address shown below. Please be advised that, under State law, if you decide to appeal a decision made with respect to this matter, you will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk's Office at 120 East Main Street, Apopka FL 32703, Telephone: 407-703-1704, no less than 48 hours prior to the proceeding.

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POLICE BEAT

APD makes 21 arrests, responds to 51 crashes Aug. 23-29

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In the period from August 23-29, 2026, the Apopka Police Department received 1,579 calls for service, responded to 51 crashes, issued 97 citations, and made 21 arrests. Burglaries: 0 vehicles, 0 residences, 0 businesses. No

juveniles were charged. The following adults were arrested and charged: Waylon Adam Smith, 44, 2041 Mercy Dr., Orlando, larceny petit theft-merchandise farm transit 2+ prior conviction (X2); larceny-other theft. Waylon Adam Smith, 44, 2845 Grace St., Apopka, larceny petit theft-merchandise farm transit 2+ prior conviction. Donald Eugene Musselwhite, 57, 623 O Leary Ct., Apopka, larceny-grand theft from posted construction site; burglary-unoccupied structure unarmed. Michael Justin Aldridge,

36, 344 Winding Cove Ave., Apopka, damage property-criminal mischief damage property \$200-\$1,000. Myles Brandon McRoy, 34, Apopka, battery-touch or strike. Isaiah Jeremiah Nycere Robinson, 20, Apopka, battery-touch or strike. Tamara Marie Herman, 48, 2848 Charmont Dr., Apopka, trespassing-structure or conveyance. Jose Luis Alcala Rodriguez, 27, 452 Red Cedar Ct., Apopka, battery-touch or strike. William James Fox, 55, 925 Lake Dr., Apopka, drugs-possession of controlled substance

without prescription; drug equipment-possession and/or use; out-of-county warrant. Derek Alan Ian Hylands, 52, Apopka, battery-commit domestic battery by strangulation; battery-touch or strike; cruelty toward child-abuse child without great bodily harm. Thomas Ward Klinker, 71, 2375 Partnership Hills Dr., Apopka, resist officer-obstruct without violence; trespassing-structure or conveyance. John Haven Chambers, 44, 441 Hickory Rd., Apopka, moving traffic violation-driving while license suspended, revocation equivalent status

3rd subsequent violation. Jamia Renae Hutto, 36, Apopka, damage property-criminal mischief damage property \$200-\$1,000; kidnap-false imprisonment of person; battery-touch or strike. Luis Angel Perez Rodriguez, 48, 832 Trailview Dr., Apopka, drugs-possession of controlled substance without prescription. Giovanni Farid Palomino Campos, 30, 1661 Windy Ave., Apopka, moving traffic violation-operate motor vehicle without valid license 1st conviction; resist officer-obstruct without violence. Zuraya Angelaya Louis,

22, Apopka, battery-touch or strike. Michael James Childers, 46, Apopka, battery-touch or strike, domestic violence. Wesley Antonio Terrell Hendry, 38, 2566 Clear Water Dr., Apopka, out-of-county warrant. Sharon Annetta Davis, 66, 5350 Hayloft Dr., Apopka, out-of-county warrant. Kyonnah Ariel Hudson-Reynolds, 26, 1002 Armada Ct., Ocoee, out-of-county warrant. Michael Anthony Johnson, 39, 611 Business Park Blvd., Winter Garden, out-of-county warrant.

WEKIVA AFJROTC PRESENTS COLORS FOR NASCAR



Wekiva High School AFJROTC cadets Nyally Berrios, Aidan Caraballo, Emily Carrasquillo, Anthony Darwin, Anabel Evens, Erika Fernandez-Garcia, Brianna Helms, Noe Martinez, Taaliyah Rivers and Isabella Robinson presented the colors on Saturday during the pre-race ceremonies for Daytona's Coke Zero Sugar 400 NASCAR race. "The cadence and military precision displayed by the cadets commanded the attention of over 100,000 fans filling the grandstands and an estimated 4 million viewers watching live nationwide on NBC," read the Aug. 30 Mustang Pride e-newsletter. "Wekiva High School's AFJROTC was chosen because of its exceptional discipline, outstanding drill proficiency, and continued dedication to community service throughout Central Florida." | COURTESY OF SCOTT STEWART



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Wekiva Mustangs steamroll Lake Buena Vista, 56-6



Avantae Scott running back one of his two touchdown punt returns in the second quarter. | PHOTO BY DANA O'CONNOR

Balanced attack propels Wekiva to perfect 2-0 record

By Johnny Outing
Correspondent

The Wekiva Mustangs dominated all three phases of the game as they started a three-week road trip with a 56-6 blowout of the Lake Buena Vista Vipers last Friday. Lake Buena Vista, a school entering its sixth year of existence, looked to redeem itself

from a 71-0 opening-week loss, but it ran into an increasingly focused Wekiva team that is now 2-0 on the young season. Wekiva started fast in the first quarter, marching down the field from its own 43-yard line with strong efforts from senior running back Ya'Terrius Jackson and a 30-yard dot thrown to receiver Dominique Walker from starting quarterback Dominick Sanguine. Wekiva workhorse Bakary Manley capped the opening drive with a 14-yard touch-

down run up the left sideline. "I'm always proud of their urgency," head coach Ashton Watts said of the quick start. "We can't take any opponent lightly, and we show that in our urgency." Wekiva kept the momentum going after a special teams fumble recovery with 9:50 left in the first quarter. The turnover led to Sanguine's 32-yard pass to Manley, which he followed with a 10-yard quarterback keeper into the end zone. Wekiva capitalized on its

second two-point conversion of the game to take a commanding 16-0 lead. For the second week in a row, the defense showed grit and speed on the field, keeping the Vipers to -12 yards on the ground in the first quarter. Led once again by Wekiva's front seven, the Vipers couldn't find any breathing room to establish a rhythm on offense. With a defense clicking on all cylinders, the offense

MUSTANGS, B3

Wekiva volleyball gets back on track with Jones sweep



Avianna Mater reaches up to spike a ball right at Jones. | PHOTO BY VINNIE CAMMARANO

Mustangs dominate Jones from service line

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

Wekiva volleyball found the rhythm it had been searching for. After entering the match at 1-4 following a difficult early-season stretch, the Mustangs put together one of their strongest performances of the season, sweeping Jones 25-15, 25-12, 25-17 at home Tuesday night.

Wekiva overcame an uneven start before taking control behind dominant serving, including a 19-1 run in the second set. The Mustangs went the entire match without committing a single service error.

For coach Heather Lorenz, the victory was a sign her team was beginning to look like itself again.

"The biggest thing is both of my big players, my libero Mikayla, and my one outside hitter, Avianna, were back in with us this week," Lorenz said. "So that was exciting and a great start to our week."

Jones opened with the first two points before Wekiva began settling in. The teams traded errors early, but Isabella Espada found Avianna Mater for a kill from the right side, and Mater followed with an ace to tie the set at 5.

Jones briefly regained the

advantage, but Wekiva answered behind kills from Ginia Reese and Elyanna Sanchez. Mater then fueled a three-point run with a booming kill before Espada found her twice more for kills, helping the Mustangs build a 14-9 lead.

Wekiva maintained control down the stretch. Sanchez smashed a kill off the Jones block and added another to push the lead to 22-15. Reese followed with two kills from the middle before a Jones error sealed the 25-15 opening-set victory.

The second set was where the Mustangs completely took over.

Jones built an early 6-3 advantage, but Wekiva quickly flipped the momentum behind its serving.

Mater delivered back-to-back aces to give Wekiva a 10-7 lead and continued to dominate from the service line. She added several more aces as the Mustangs continued pulling away.

Leona Salasek joined the run with a kill pinned to the back line, while Sanchez added a spike and a solo kill as Wekiva built a commanding 18-7 advantage.

Salasek later recorded another solo kill, as Wekiva scored 19 of the last 20 points to blow the set open at 22-7.

Salasek and Sanchez tipped for a point and smashed an-

WEKIVA, B2



Elyanna Sanchez rises for a kill attempt. | PHOTO BY VINNIE CAMMARANO

Apopka struggles against Winter Park



Kai Goodling makes a running throw complete to Ceon Cotton. | PHOTO BY VINNIE CAMMARANO

Offense can't find rhythm in 35-0 loss

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

Apopka's first home game of the season quickly turned into another difficult night Friday as longtime rival Winter Park controlled the line of scrimmage from the opening snap and handed the Blue Darters a 35-0 loss.

The Wildcats scored on their opening possession and never looked back, building a 28-0 halftime lead before adding an-

other touchdown in the third quarter.

For Apopka coach Marcus Neeson, the biggest issues were clear.

Winter Park consistently found openings against the Blue Darters on the ground while Apopka's offensive line struggled to contain pressure and blitzes.

"We had guys that were confused, and we just let their defense run through," Neeson said. "I'm not sure what the confusion was. When everyone should have slid one direction, we always have one guy who

is like, 'Oh, my bad.' Well, my bad's going to get your quarterback lit up, and that can't be accepted."

Winter Park opened the game with a long touchdown pass to take a 7-0 lead with 10:15 remaining in the first quarter.

Apopka struggled to establish momentum early. Jakyvion Kemp opened the Blue Darters' first possession by breaking tackles for a 7-yard run, but the drive stalled and Apopka was forced to punt.

Winter Park added another rushing touchdown later in the quarter to make it 14-0.

Apopka's defense produced one of its best moments of the first half when Irish Ferrer intercepted a Winter Park pass in the end zone after a battle for possession.

The turnover gave Apopka a chance to respond, and the Blue Darters began moving the ball with the help of a Winter Park offside penalty. But Kemp broke free near midfield and lost the ball, ending the opportunity.

Winter Park added another rushing touchdown early in the second quarter before Apopka

BLUE DARTERS, B3

Apopka drubs Jones, falls to Windermere

Blue Darters split back-to-back matches

By Vinnie Cammarano
Reporter

Apopka volleyball experienced both sides of a competitive week, dominating Jones on the road before returning home and taking a talented Windermere team to the brink in a five-set thriller.

The Blue Darters opened the stretch with a commanding 25-10, 25-13, 25-15 sweep of Jones before falling to Windermere 25-16, 22-25, 25-13, 25-27, 15-13 the following night.

Despite the loss, Apopka showed encouraging signs against Windermere after battling back twice and pushing the match to the final points of the fifth set.



Apopka hits their ace celebration after Marie Hughes rips an ace. | PHOTO BY VINNIE CAMMARANO

Against Jones, Apopka quickly took control after an early deficit.

The Fightin' Tigers scored the first three points, but Marie Hughes helped the Blue Darters answer immediately. After Apopka got on the board, Hughes delivered three consecutive aces as part of a run that gave the Blue Darters control.

Taylor Cain then found Kiera Taylor in the middle for a spike before Hughes added another ace.

Apopka continued building its lead behind strong serving. Emily Durham stepped to the line and delivered an ace before setting Laila White for a kill in the middle, forcing a Jones timeout with the Blue Darters

ahead 16-5.

Victoria Polusmak added an ace as Apopka continued its dominant first set. Kiana Napier followed with two consecutive kills from the right side before Hughes closed the set with two more aces for a 25-10 victory.

Jones again opened the second set with an early advantage, leading 5-4 before Apopka found its second gear.

Freshman Kalissa Burske entered the match and immediately contributed, setting Napier for a kill. White later tied the score at 7 with a tip kill.

Polusmak then gave Apopka its first lead of the set with a kill off a set from Isabel Romero. After Taylor added another kill, Polusmak took over from the service line.

She delivered three con-

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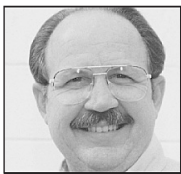
Fish continue to bite as anglers look to fall season

Hello Folks,

As I write my column today, we are three weeks away from fall. I can hardly wait any longer for some cooler weather! I know it's not goin' to be in the 60s that same day, but a guy can always dream, right?

The fishin' is still doin' pretty good in our area. The Maitland Chain of Lakes Wednesday Nighter is bein' held at Lake Fairview now instead of on the Maitland Chain of Lakes. The bass fishin' in Lake Fairview has been pretty good lately. Anglers are weighin' in three bass that usually weigh about 10 to 12 pounds to win.

In case you're a bass angler over in the southeast side of Orlando, they have a Wednes-



GOIN' FISHIN'

Jim Keck
Correspondent

day night tournament on the Conway Chain. So, get your fishin' pole, and catch yourself a big ole grandpa bass! You can always feel sorry for him and let him go. But you showed him who was boss!

If you want to get out of the heat and fish for bass when it's a little cooler, get you a partner and go fish John's Lake over in Winter Garden or Lake Fairview in north Orlando, and take part in the Wednesday Nighter's tournament.

The bass fishin' on the Harris Chain is still goin' good... if you know where to look for 'em. Most folks are fishin' in deeper water with a drop shot rig. They're catchin' 'em in 10 to 15 feet of water.

The bass fishin' on the Butler Chain (known by some as the Windermere chain) is still doin' good. Most days folks're gettin' on the water early and catchin' a few bass along the shoreline grass on topwater baits. As the day goes along and the sun gets up higher you may need to move to deeper water and fish the submerged hydrilla and pepper grass patches throughout the chain. A swim jig or a slow sinkin' Senko type bait will get you some bites. Also try fishin' a Caroli-

na rig in open water where you have submerged vegetation. I've caught some nice bass out there usin' this setup. I haven't caught any real big'uns lately, but you know... bass in the two- to three-pound range.

The Wednesday Night Shootout on John's Lake was a little rough last week with the storm we had on tournament night. It's still takin' around 10 to 12 pounds to win.

The bass fishin' on West Lake Toho is doin' good if you get on the water *real early* or *real late* in the day. The guides are takin' folks out and (for this time of the year) catchin' some really nice bass with shiners. If you want to catch some *big* bass, shiners are the way to go right now.

Down on the Headwaters Lake west of Fellsmere, the bass fishin' is still goin' strong. Most of the guides down there are gettin' out on the water real early, and they're catchin' some pretty nice bass on shiners. Once the shiner bite is over, they're catchin' some bass on chatterbaits and slow sinkin' Senko type baits.

Folks're still catchin' plenty of shellcrackers down in Lake Kissimmee (east of Lake Wales) most of 'em on red worms, and around the pads. You need to get a bucket of worms and go catch you some shellcrackers!

Betcha don't know why we call 'em "shellcrackers." Well, it's because this "Redear Sunfish" (affectionately known

to us in the southeast USA as "shellcrackers") has a unique set of teeth in the back of their mouth that makes 'em capable of crunching the shells of snails and other mollusks! And... *that's* my biology lesson for this week!

And that's it for this week. I hope to see you on the water real soon.

Tip of the week: Go early or late! And... please... *be careful!* Labor Day weekend is upon us, and some folks tend to forget to *just be thoughtful* about what they're doin' when they start celebratin' any holiday!

SAVE A FEW, AND GOOD LUCK!

WEKIVA

FROM B1

other kill from the right side to finish the set, 25-12.

Lorenz credited the Mustangs' work from the service line for the massive momentum swing.

"I feel like it was a lot more serving that gave us that run," Lorenz said. "We were running on a good bunch of aces between Avianna and Elyanna at the serve line, and we've been working a lot on our serves."

Wekiva carried that momentum into the third set.

Reese opened with a kill, followed by an Espada ace. Sanchez then delivered back-to-back aces during a run that gave the Mustangs a seven-point advantage. Mater added a drop-shot kill to extend the lead to 10-1.

Jones fought back later in the set, but Wekiva remained in control.

Destiny Rosado added an ace,



Avianna Mater steps up to send a serve to Jones. | PHOTOS BY VINNIE CAMMARANO

while Sanchez repeatedly found success along the left side. Espada added another ace, and Mater sent a ball from deep that trickled over the net for another point.



Ginia Reese high points the set pass from Espada and slams it over the net.

Jones eventually pulled closer, but the Mustangs regained control to finish the sweep. Sanchez delivered another ace before Rosado recorded the final kill in the 25-17 victory.

Sanchez led Wekiva with 11 kills and three aces. Mater finished with seven kills and seven aces, while Reese added four kills.

Espada paced the offense with 18 assists.



Wekiva celebrates Destiny Rosado's final kill of the match against Jones.

Rosado was named player of the match after an outstanding defensive performance. Lorenz called it Rosado's strongest match in four years, particularly for her ability to absorb and deflect hard incoming attacks. Rosado also added an ace and the match-winning kill.

The Mustangs' performance at the service line was especially encouraging for Lorenz.

"Literally, we didn't have any

serving errors, which was wild, because we usually pick up quite a few," Lorenz said. "So I'm really impressed with them tonight."

Lorenz said the win showed the Mustangs what they are capable of when they play with confidence and establish their identity.

"We had a rough start. I feel like in that first set, we were very complacent, but then we

came back and started feeling our own and getting back into who we truly are as a team," Lorenz said. "It was really nice to see that tonight. Maybe with this performance, as we go forward, they'll start to realize they truly are that strong."

Wekiva looked to carry that momentum into Thursday's varsity-only home matchup against Evans, which was set to occur after press time.

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MUSTANGS

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had ample time on the field to showcase a balanced run and passing game. Jackson continued his dominance late in first quarter with a hard-fought 45-yard run up the middle. He finished the drive with a pitch to the left for a nine-yard touchdown run, putting Wekiva up 23-0.

The second quarter came with special teams heroics. At the 10:22 mark of the second quarter, senior wide receiver Avantae Scott fielded a punt and maneuvered his way to a 47-yard touchdown return.

Later in the quarter, Scott matched his first touchdown with a second punt return touchdown, this time cover-

ing 38 yards, putting the Mustangs up 36-0 with less than six minutes left in the half.

Near halftime, Sanguine hit Rashard Ricketts in stride for a 45-yard pass, which set up backup quarterback Ty'Rance Cook, who connected with sophomore Givonny Bufford for a 28-yard touchdown pass. The Mustangs entered the locker room with a well-balanced 43-0 score.

With a running clock in the second half, Wekiva continued to manhandle the Lake Buena Vista running game, holding the Vipers to negative yardage in their opening possession.

The Wekiva offense, utiliz-

ing the entirety of the bench, added more points when senior running back Landon Jerome took a bad snap and turned it into a 47-yard touchdown run up the sideline. Wekiva missed the field goal, which left the score at 49-0.

With Lake Buena Vista staring its second scoreless game in the face, starting quarterback Yusuf Hussain responded with a well-placed pass to running back Chris Figueroa, who turned it into a 71-yard score, the team's first touchdown of the season.

Jackson capped off Wekiva's remarkable night by promptly returning the ensuing kickoff to cap the scoring at 56-6.

On Friday, Wekiva travels to Winter Garden to take on the 2-0 West Orange Warriors.



Ty'Rance Cook makes a pass during Wekiva's dominant win over Lake Buena Vista. | PHOTO BY DANA O'CONNOR



Quarterback Dominick Sanguine looks for running room against Lake Buena Vista. | PHOTO BY DANA O'CONNOR

BLUE DARTERS

FROM B1

finally put together its strongest offensive possession of the night.

The Blue Darters benefited from several Winter Park penalties, including pass interference calls that helped move the offense downfield.

Quarterback Kai Goodling connected with Ceon Cotton twice over the middle. On a blitz where Goodling looked dead to rights, he escaped multiple defenders and scrambled for a first down. He later found Johnson Navilssaintdown to the 10-yard line.

Another Winter Park pass interference penalty gave Apopka first-and-goal. After two Kemp runs moved the ball to the 4, Goodling's fade toward Nyzier Collington fell incomplete. On fourth down, Jalen Parmely was stopped at the 5-yard line, ending Apopka's best scoring

opportunity.

Winter Park added a touchdown on the final play of the first half after a broken coverage left a tight end open downfield. The score gave the Wildcats a 28-0 halftime lead.

The second half brought more offensive struggles for Apopka, including an interception, sacks and additional turnovers.

Winter Park scored its final touchdown late in the third quarter to trigger a running clock.

Apopka did have several defensive stops, including two fourth-down stops and a fourth-quarter forced fumble and recovery, but the Blue Darters were unable to turn those opportunities into points.

Neeson said Winter Park repeatedly attacked the areas where Apopka struggled.

"They found the weak links on the defense, and they just



Blue Darters run out of the tunnel for their first home game of the 2026 season against Winter Park. | PHOTO BY VINNIE CAMMARANO



Apopka student section tosses up powder as the Blue Darters kick off the game. | PHOTO BY VINNIE CAMMARANO

kept attacking those guys," Neeson said. "I told our guys they're going to keep running the ball over to you until you stop them."

He said some early alignment problems eventually gave way to a bigger issue: physicality.

"Once we fixed the alignment stuff, then it came down to physicality," Neeson said. "We just weren't wrapping up, and we're tiptoeing down to the line of scrimmage from the second and

third level. When you do that, it's five yards automatically."

Apopka also continued rotating quarterbacks between Goodling and Hunter McNeeney, with neither able to establish consistent offensive rhythm.

Neeson said the quarterback competition remains open and will ultimately come down to one major factor.

He mentioned he made the decision to start Goodling Fri-

day after McNeeney struggled with turnovers against Boone the previous week, but both quarterbacks turned the ball over against Winter Park.

"Ball security is job security," Neeson said. "It comes down to the guy that's going to win the job. We're still competing at quarterback.... We got young quarterbacks that are still trying to find their footing, and they're

forcing balls that they don't need to."

Despite the lopsided result, Neeson believes many of Apopka's problems can be corrected.

"It's things that are correctable," he said. "It's growing pains, but we'll get back."

The Blue Darters will stay home for another week to host their longtime rivals, the Ocoee Knights, at 7 p.m. Friday.

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Victoria Polusmak rises up to spike a ball from the left side of the net. | PHOTOS BY VINNIE CAMMARANO

secutive aces as Apopka turned an early deficit into a 15-9 advantage. Burske added a kill before Polusmak delivered another ace.

The Blue Darters continued pulling away, with White well-placed tip kill and Romero adding a big kill from the left side as Apopka claimed the second set 25-13.

The third set followed a similar pattern, with Jones jumping ahead early before Apopka responded.

Cain used her signature dump shot to help the Blue Darters take their first lead, and Polusmak continued her strong night with a pair of kills from the left side.

Cain later set White for a booming kill, while Anais Ruiz delivered an impressive diving dig that kept a rally alive and resulted in another Apopka point.

The Blue Darters continued to pull away as Cain added another dump kill and set Hughes for a powerful finish from the left side.

Romero contributed another kill from the right before Apopka closed out the sweep with a 25-15 victory.

Polusmak led the Blue Darters with eight kills and five aces. Hughes finished with seven aces and five kills, while Cain filled the stat sheet with four dump kills, one ace and 14 assists.

Coach Brian Mater said he likes the energy his team plays with but that it still has areas to clean up.

“We’re getting a lot of good energy right now,” Mater said. “We’re getting a little comfortable with some of the games that we should just go in there and kill it. So we got to kind of work on that.”

Mater said his team’s upcoming schedule will require improvement, particularly defensively.

“I think we’re really struggling in the back row a lot on defense,” Mater said. “We’re playing flat-footed. A lot of our players are standing straight up instead of being down, ready to play and falling forward and crashing forward. Boone killed us on tips, so we really gotta start playing harder defense a lot more,” he said.

The next night, Apopka faced a much different challenge.



Marie Hughes rises for a powerful serve in the first set.



Kiana Napier sends a serve to Jones in the third set.

The Windermere Wolverines took the opening set 25-16, but Apopka responded with a 25-22 victory in the second.

Windermere regained control in the third set, winning 25-13, before the Blue Darters

again refused to go away. Apopka battled through a neck-and-neck fourth set that eventually went to extra points. The Blue Darters prevailed 27-25, sending the match to a decisive fifth set. The final set was a nail-bit-



Isabel Romero sets up Laila White in the middle.



Kalissa Burske and team is all smiles after Burske's crafty dump over the net.



Victoria Polusmak dives forward to receive a short serve.

er. Apopka stayed within striking distance throughout, but Windermere ultimately escaped with a 15-13 victory to win the match.

The Blue Darters will had little time to regroup. After two consecutive

matches against Jones and Windermere, Apopka was scheduled to hit the road for a 7 p.m. Thursday matchup against a difficult West Orange team. The contest occurred after press time.

CITY OF APOPKA
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CHANGE OF FUTURE LAND USE AND
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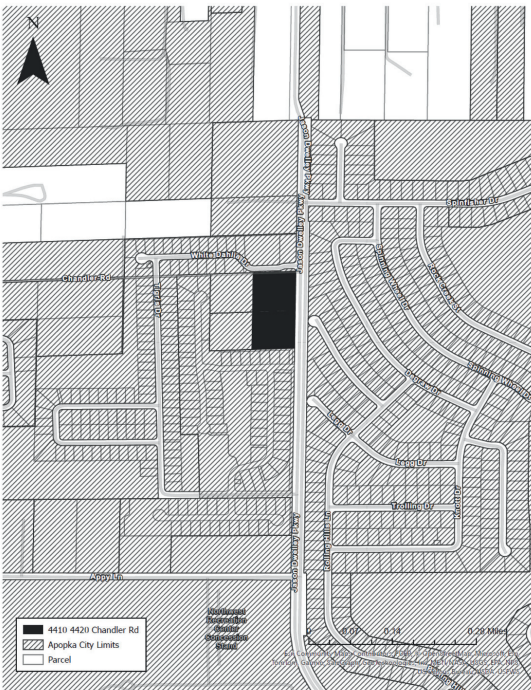
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Interested parties and the public may appear at the above-listed hearings to speak. The proposed ordinances, along with any additional information regarding the application and review process, may be inspected at the Apopka Community Development Department located at Apopka City Hall, 120 E. Main Street, Apopka, Florida 32703, on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Please be advised that, under State law, if you decide to appeal a decision made with respect to this matter, you will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Written public comments regarding the application for the proposed ordinance may be submitted by mail to the City Clerk's Office at 120 East Main Street, Apopka FL 32703. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of these proceedings should contact the City Clerk's Office at 120 East Main Street, Apopka FL 32703, Telephone: 407-703-1704, at least 48 hours prior to the proceeding.

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CITY OF APOPKA
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE
FUTURE LAND USE AMENDMENT AND
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Friday, September 4

Apopka Night Out on 5th
6 p.m. – Market on 5th (40 E. Fifth St., Apopka)
Kick off the fall market season with bounce houses, Touch-A-Truck with the Apopka Police Department and Apopka Fire Department, and Snowie’s Sno Cones. Free.

Slow Magic

6 p.m. – The Social (54 N. Orange Ave., Orlando)
Darkness and light, aggression and gentleness, ecstasy and reflection: these dualities define Slow Magic’s third and strongest project to date, Float. An expansive and inventive compendium of modern electronic pop, the enigmatic producer’s latest spans a multitude of genres and moods resulting in a listening experience that makes for its own journey. \$15.

Disney On Ice presents Spotlight Magic!

7 p.m. – Kia Center (400 W. Church St., Orlando)
Add a hint of red-carpet flair as you get ready for an unforgettable evening with your favorite Disney friends. The magic shines brighter than ever as beloved stories from Zootopia 2, Tangled, Beauty and the Beast, Toy Story, and Monsters, Inc. unfold in spectacular fashion, bringing Hollywood-inspired glamour to the ice. From \$37.40.

Saturday, September 5

Growin’ Through It Head Planter Workshop

1 p.m. – Harry P. Leu Gardens (1920 N. Forest Ave., Orlando)
Paint, plant, and create your own mannequin head planter in this fun, beginner-friendly workshop. All materials included. From \$64.26.

Ceramic Earrings Jewelry Class

3 p.m. – Dolce and Bake Cafe/Bakery (8143 S. John Young Parkway, Orlando)
Design and create your own polymer clay earrings while enjoying coffee, treats, and a fun, relaxing creative experience! \$46.26.

Sunday, September 6

First Sunday Coin Show

9:30 a.m. – Apopka Community Center (519 S. Central Ave., Apopka)
Join the Central Florida Coin Club for its First Sunday Coin Show! This event is free, and one-way traffic begins at 2:30 p.m.

Monday, September 7

Free Day at Leu Gardens

9 a.m. – Harry P. Leu Gardens (1920 N. Forest Ave., Orlando)
Join us for Free Admission Day, presented by Orlando Health.

Line Dance

11:30 a.m. – Beardall Senior Center (800 S. Delaney Ave., Orlando)
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Celebrate Labor Day with Ripley’s Believe It or Not! LIVE at ICON Park

1 p.m. – ICON Park (8375 International Drive, Orlando)
Ripley’s Believe It or Not! invites you to ICON Park this Labor Day for an afternoon of weird, wonderful and unforgettable fun celebrating the release of Wired Into Weird, the newest edition of Ripley’s iconic annual book featuring unbelievable stories and extraordinary people. Free.

Tuesday, September 8

Mixed Media Jewelry Workshop: The Art of Texture & Story

10 a.m. – FAVO (718 Highland Ave., Suite #238, Orlando)
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tiles, tactile fibers, and personal keepsakes into expressive wearable art. In this hands-on workshop, you will explore mixed-media assemblage techniques to construct a custom, one-of-a-kind pendant necklace rich in texture, color, and personal story. \$75.84.

Climb Club: Fall 2026

4:30 p.m. – Camp Wewa (221 S. Binion Road, Apopka)
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Wednesday, September 9

Flag Raising Ceremony

10:30 a.m. – Piedmont Lakes Middle School (2601 Lakeville Road, #8975, Apopka)

This meaningful ceremony will honor the United States flag and the values of service, patriotism, and community. The flag being raised was flown over the U.S. Capitol and generously donated to Piedmont Lakes Middle School by the Apopka Serves Foundation. U.S. Representative Daniel Webster will attend the event. Free.

Apopka Foliage Toastmasters

7 p.m. – Apopka Museum (120 E. Fifth St., Apopka)
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Rosalía

8:30 p.m. – Kia Center (400 W. Church St., Orlando)
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Thursday, September 10

Biz & Coffee Morning

7:45 a.m. – Eggs Up Grill (502 S. Hunt Club Blvd., Apopka)

Join us for the Biz & Coffee Morning, a relaxed yet purposeful gathering designed to foster connections, spark collaboration, and strengthen our local business community. Free for chamber members.

Textile Brooch Workshop

10 a.m. – FAVO (718 Highland Ave., Suite #238, Orlando)
Join artist Mirjana Cesar for a morning of creativity. \$58.79.

Arts and Crafts Hangout

10 a.m. – Beardall Senior Center (800 Delaney Ave., Orlando)
Absolutely no agenda here but to have fun! Bring your own project and work on it with friends.

Seed Library Day

11:30 a.m. – OCLS Chickasaw Branch (870 N. Chickasaw Trail, Orlando)
Looking to add new plants to your garden? Stop by and grab some seeds! While supplies last. Free.

Fiber Art Collage Brooch Workshop

2 p.m. – FAVO (718 Highland Ave., Suite #238, Orlando)
Whether you are a seasoned crafter or stepping into fiber art for the first time, this class offers a welcoming, relaxed environment to connect with fellow art enthusiasts, explore new techniques, and create a custom accessory that reflects your personal style. \$64.48.

Maryland crab cakes, jalapeno cheese grits and upside-down cake

Native Marylander Sam Merritt of SugarSpunRun.com says, “There is very little filler in my crab cake recipe. It is made with mostly lump crab meat to allow the crab flavor to really shine! This is an authentic, Maryland-style recipe. We are known for our blue crab dishes here in Maryland. My recipe is baked, not fried, which keeps the crab cakes lighter and moist. Besides the crab, my crab cake recipe uses just 10 additional ingredients. Do not use imitation crab meat.”

As a perfect accompaniment to our crab cakes, let’s have some of Spring Creek’s Jalapeno Cheese Grits made from a recipe in Joyce LaFray Young’s book titled *Country Cookin’*. This interesting book is written about the most popular recipes from famous places in Florida.

According to *southernliving.com*, “The peach season is pretty short, running from late spring through the summer. This is when you’ll get the best-tasting peaches.” I would advise, for folks who dislike cilantro and can’t take much hot seasoning, don’t pass this recipe by; just cut down on those ingredients, or leave them out altogether. There is *nothing* that will replace fresh peach and tomato salsa! Here’s everything else you’ll need for the peach salsa: “Two of the summer’s best fruits... tomatoes and peaches... come together beautifully in a peach salsa that is bright and sweet but also full of zest and spice. This beautiful peach salsa can be enjoyed on its own with some chips or crunchy veggies, or is perfect on tacos, on top of a grilled fish, or on a summer salad. This is a fresh and fruity salsa recipe that can work with *all* your seasonal produce. If you have sweet, ripe plums, nectarines, and apricots on hand, these can be subbed out for peaches once *they* are no longer in peak form.” *Editor’s Note: This recipe was developed by the Southern Living Test Kitchen; the recipe notes were written by Aly Walansky.*

Mrs. Meggett says, “I learned how to make this dish at the Dodge House. Pineapple upside-down cakes can be found throughout the American South, but my cake is one of the lightest and most perfectly sweet versions in South Carolina.” Note that she wants to save you work by urging you to use an “electric mixer.” I *used* to use the old rotary style egg beater; you had to turn a little handle to get the beaters to go round and round!



MARYLAND BLUE CRAB CAKES

Recipe from Sam Merritt of *SugarSpunRun.com*

INGREDIENTS:

6 tablespoons mayonnaise
1 large egg
1 teaspoon yellow mustard (Dijon would also work)
1 teaspoon lemon juice
1 teaspoon Old Bay (or J.O. seasoning)
1-1/2 teaspoons finely minced fresh parsley (or **1** teaspoon dried parsley)
1/4 teaspoon table salt
1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
1 pound jumbo lump crab meat (picked over and shells removed)
1/2 cup plain Panko crumbs (or crushed saltine crackers)
1 tablespoon salted butter, cut into **8** pieces (plus additional for greasing the pan)
Tartar sauce for serving (optional)

DIRECTIONS:

1) Lightly grease a rimmed baking sheet with butter. Set aside. 2) In a large mixing bowl, whisk together: mayonnaise, egg, mustard, lemon juice, seasoning, parsley, salt, and pepper until well combined. 3) Use a spatula to gently work the crab meat and Panko into the wet ingredients (try not to break up the lumps of crab meat). 4) Scoop the mixed crab meat by heaping 1/3 cup. Do not flatten the crab cake. Space the crab cakes at least 2 inches apart on the baking sheet. 5) Place 1 tablespoon salted butter on the top center of each crab cake. 6) Prior to baking: Cover baking sheet tightly with plastic wrap and transfer to refrigerator to chill for at least 30 minutes and up to 24 hours. 7) To bake: Preheat oven to 450 degrees Fahrenheit. Once oven is fully preheated, remove crab cakes from refrigerator and remove plastic wrap. 8) Transfer to the center rack of the oven and bake for 8-10 minutes or until baked through. 9) For a browned exterior, switch oven to broil for the last 2 minutes and broil on high heat for 2 minutes.

SPRING CREEK’S JALAPENO CHEESE GRITS

Recipe from

Country Cookin’ by Joyce LaFray Young

INGREDIENTS:

4 cups (1 quart) water
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup grits
1/4 cup margarine
4 ounces Jalapeno cheese (diced)

1 egg, beaten
1/3 cup evaporated milk
2 dashes Tabasco sauce
1/4 cup bread crumbs for topping
Paprika

DIRECTIONS:

1) In a large saucepan, heat water and salt to boiling. 2) Add grits. 3) Reduce heat and slowly cook until almost done. Stir several times. 4) Add margarine and diced cheese. Stir until melted. 5) Add egg, milk, and Tabasco sauce. Stir until well mixed. 6) Grease a 1-1/2-quart casserole. 7) Pour in cooked grits. 8) Cover top with bread crumbs. Sprinkle with paprika. 9) Bake at 350 degrees Fahrenheit for 30 minutes. Note: “*Spicy and hot... you’ll love it!*” Serves 6.

PEACH SALSA

Recipe from *southernliving.com*

INGREDIENTS:

3 medium-size fresh peaches (about 1-1/4 pounds total), pitted and diced
1/2 cup finely chopped red onion (from 1 onion)
1/2 cup quartered multicolored cherry tomatoes
1/4 cup packed chopped fresh cilantro leaves
1/2 small serrano chile, cut into thin rings
1 teaspoon grated lime zest (plus)
2 tablespoons fresh juice (from 1 lime)
1 teaspoon kosher salt
1/4 teaspoon chili powder

DIRECTIONS:

1) Mix ingredients: Combine peaches, red onion, tomatoes, cilantro, serrano, lime zest, lime juice, salt, and chili powder in a medium bowl. 2) Stir together and let stand 5 minutes at room temperature before serving, stirring occasionally.

EMILY MEGGETT’S PINEAPPLE UPSIDE-DOWN CAKE

Recipe from Gullah Geechee

Home Cooking by Emily Meggett

INGREDIENTS: FOR THE CRUST:

1 cup packed brown sugar
1/4 cup (1/2 stick) unsalted butter, melted
1 (20-ounce) can pineapple slices, drained (reserve the juice)
Half of a 10-ounce jar maraschino cherries, drained
FOR THE CAKE BATTER:
2 large eggs

3/4 cup (1-1/2 sticks) unsalted butter, softened
2 cups granulated sugar
2-1/2 cups cake flour, preferably Swans Down
2-1/2 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1 cup milk, whole or 2-percent
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/3 cup of the reserved pineapple juice

DIRECTIONS:

1) Preheat the oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit. 2) Make the crust: In a medium mixing bowl, combine the brown sugar and butter. Using a spoon, press the mixture into the bottom of a 10-inch round cake pan, ensuring that the bottom is fully covered with the brown sugar mixture. 3) Open the pineapple can. Drain the pineapple juice from pineapples, saving the pineapple juice. Place the pineapple rings on the brown sugar mixture in an arrangement of your liking. Place a cherry in the center of each pineapple ring. 4) Make the cake batter: In a large mixing bowl, using an electric mixer, beat all the ingredients together: eggs, butter, sugar, flour, baking powder, salt, milk, vanilla, plus 1/3 cup of the reserved pineapple juice. Once combined, pour the batter over the pineapple. 5) Bake the cake for 45 minutes, or until done – an inserted toothpick should be clean when removed from the baked cake. 6) Remove the cake from the oven and allow it to cool completely. Once cooled, carefully turn the cake upside down onto a cake plate. (You want to see the baking pan empty with no pineapple or cherries still sticking to the bottom of the baking pan.) You will be rewarded to see your beautiful cake with pineapple and cherries on the top. Slice and serve with whipped cream, if you’d like. For serving: See Sweetened Whipped Cream recipe, below.

EMILY MEGGETT’S SWEETENED WHIPPED CREAM

Recipe from Gullah Geechee

Home Cooking by Emily Meggett

INGREDIENTS:

1 pint whipping cream
2 tablespoons sugar

DIRECTIONS:

In a medium-sized mixing bowl, with an electric mixer on high speed, beat the cream until peaks begin to form. While mixing, add the sugar. Continue to mix until stiff peaks form, 3 to 4 minutes total. Add a spoonful of this topping before serving.

The Apopka Chief

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION 2
File No. 2025-CP-003461-O
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF JORGE HUGO TOVAR LEON, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of JORGE HUGO TOVAR LEON, deceased, whose date of death was March 10, 2025, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Avenue, Orlando, FL 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served, must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. The personal representative has no duty to discover whether any property held at the time of the decedent's death by the decedent or the decedent's surviving spouse is property to which the Florida Uniform Disposition of Community Property Rights at Death Act as described in ss. 732.216-732.228 applies, or may apply, unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under s. 732.2211, Florida Statutes. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is: September 4, 2026.

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September 4, 11, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA Probate Division
CASE NUMBER: 2026-CP-000729-O
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF DANNY BRYN DELANCEY, Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the Estate of **Danny Bryn Delancey, deceased**, whose date of death was February 3, 2026, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Avenue, Orlando, Florida 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this notice is: September 4, 2026.
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September 4, 11, 2026

IN THE NINTH CIRCUIT COURT OF FLORIDA, ORANGE COUNTY PROBATE
CASE NO. 2026-CP-002898-O
IN RE: THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM MICHAEL AVERY, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the ESTATE OF WILLIAM MICHAEL AVERY, deceased, File Nubmer 2026-CP-002898-O is pending in the Circuit Court in and for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Ave., Room 335, Orlando, FL 32801.

The names and addresses of the personal representative and that personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF

THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of the first publication of this Notice is **September 4, 2026.**
Personal Representative:
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September 4, 11, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2026-CP-2735
Division
IN RE: ESTATE OF MARIA LUGO AKA MARIA DEL C. LUGO AKA MARIA C. LUGO AKA MARIA DEL CARMEN LUGO AKA MARIA DEL C. PEREZ
Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Maria Lugo, AKA Maria Del C. Lugo, AKA Maria C. Lugo, AKA Maria Del Carmen Lugo, AKA Maria Del C. Perez, deceased, whose date of death was July 24, 2026, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Ave., Orlando, FL 32703. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

The personal representative has no duty to discover whether any property held at the time of the decedent's death by the decedent or the decedent's surviving spouse is property to which the Florida Uniform Disposition of Community Property Rights at Death Act as described in ss. 732.216-732.228, Florida Statutes, applies, or may apply, unless a written demand is made by a creditor as specified under s. 732.2211, Florida Statutes. The written demand must be filed with the clerk.
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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this notice is August 28, 2026.
Personal Representative:
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August 28, September 4, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 48-2026-CP-02685A0010X
Division 2
IN RE: ESTATE OF WALTER ARTHUR REEVES
Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Walter Arthur Reeves, deceased, whose date of death was June 30, 2026, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite 335, Orlando, Florida 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
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The date of first publication of this notice is August 28, 2026.
Personal Representative:
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August 28, September 4, 2026

BARRED.
The date of first publication of this notice is August 28, 2026.
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August 28, September 4, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2026-CP-002542-O
Division Probate
IN RE: ESTATE OF JANICE BURNS a/k/a JANICE WAGNER BURNS
Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Janice Burns a/k/a Janice Wagner Burns, deceased, whose date of death was July 5, 2026, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite 335, Orlando, Florida 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
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The date of first publication of this notice is August 28, 2026.
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August 28, September 4, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 2026-CP-002565-O
Division Probate
IN RE: ESTATE OF DONNA BARBARA HOMA a/k/a DANUTA HOMA
Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Donna Barbara Homa a/k/a Danuta Homa, deceased, whose date of death was May 27, 2026, is pending in the Circuit Court for Orange County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite 335, Orlando, Florida 32801. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
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The date of first publication of this notice is August 28, 2026.
Personal Representative:
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August 28, September 4, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2026-CA-000553-O
DIVISION: Guardianship
IN RE: GUARDIANSHIP OF WILLIAM HALPIN
NOTICE OF DISPOSITION OF UNCLAIMED GUARDIANSHIP FUNDS DEPOSITED IN COURT REGISTRY
Notice is given that, pursuant to section 744.534, Florida Statutes, unclaimed guardianship funds from the following case remain on deposit in the registry of court:
Guardianship of: WILLIAM HALPIN, Person Subject to Guardianship
Case Number 2023-CA-000553-O, \$8130.70 (less the cost of publication); WILLIAM HALPIN, as Guardian, deposited these funds per **Order to deposit deceased ward's excess funds in Registry of Court** entered on **10/03/2024**, on behalf of **WILLIAM HALPIN**.
The Clerk of the Circuit Court shall deposit these funds with the State Treasurer no less than six months after the first publication of this notice, after deducting fees and any costs of publication. Within 10 years from the date of such deposit with the State Treasurer, any person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity entitled to such funds may obtain same by order of court and compliance with other applicable provisions of section 744.534, Florida Statutes. All funds deposited with the State Treasurer not claimed within 10 years from the date of deposit shall escheat to the state for the benefit of the State School Fund.
Dated: **on this the 4th day of August, 2026**
Tiffany Moore Russell
Orange County Clerk of the Circuit Court
425 N. Orange Ave.,
Ste. 335
Orlando, FL 32801
By: /s/ Carissa Bundy
Deputy Clerk
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
August 7, September 4, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NUMBER: 2026-CA-003008-O
DIVISION NUMBER: 39
IN RE: FORFEITURE OF A 2019 HONDA CIVIC, VIN 19XFC2F66KE048069
TO: CHRISTOPHER S. KANE
NOTICE OF ACTION
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action pursuant to the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act has been filed by the Orange County Sheriff's Office on the following property in Orange County, FL: a 2019 Honda Civic, VIN 19XFC2F66KE048069, seized on or about the 22nd day of January, 2026, at or near 808 North Chickasaw Trail, Orlando, Orange County, Florida. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to the Assistant General Counsel for the Orange County Sheriff's Office, Legal Services, P.O. Box 1440, Orlando, Florida 32802, within 30 days of this publication, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Petitioner's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Petition for Final Judgment of Forfeiture.
REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS BY PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.
If you are a person with disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County Courthouse, 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite 510, Orlando, Florida, (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
DATED this August 20, 2026
Tiffany Moore Russell,
Clerk of Courts
Takiana Didier,
Deputy Clerk
Civil Division
425 N Orange Ave
Room 350
Orlando, FL 32801
September 4, 11, 18, 25, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2026-CA-001028-O
DIV NO.: 37
MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of GRANDE VISTA OF ORLANDO CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff,
vs.
CYNTHIA D. NEWTON, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT III
TO: CARL MCCALL
101 CARNINE AVE
EWING, NJ 08638-2303
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 30, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2026-CA-001028-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT III
Unit Week 36*X in Unit 9149, in GRANDE VISTA CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 5114 at Page 1488 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof, as Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 8th day of October, 2026 online at www.myorangelcerealforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on August 31, 2026.
DATED August 31, 2026
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391
HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510,

Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
OUR FILE #110523.2020
MRHC #ORANGE
September 4, 11, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2024-CA-007828-O
FIRST HORIZON BANK, a Tennessee state-chartered bank, formerly known as First Horizon Bank National Association, and formerly known as Capital Bank, a division of First Tennessee Bank National Association, Plaintiff,
vs.
EV8 INVESTMENTS & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, INC.; PRECIOUS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, LLC; EVERGREEN INVESTMENT & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT INC.; ELMO ANGELO BARTOLOME; DELILAH BAR-TOLOME; UNIVERSAL KIDNEY CENTER OF MARGATE-CORAL SPRINGS, LLC; UNIVERSAL KIDNEY CENTER OF BOYNTON BEACH, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANTS of the property located at 4875 NE 20th Terrace, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33308; UNKNOWN TENANTS of the property located at 2800 N. State Road 7, Margate, Florida 33063; CITY OF MARGATE, a Florida municipal Corporation; and ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA; Defendants.
NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE PURSUANT TO SECTION 45.031, FLORIDA STATUTES (2026)
TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to that certain Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated October 17, 2025, and that certain Agreed Order Regarding Award of Plaintiffs' Attorneys' Fees and Costs and for Postponement and Rescheduling of Foreclosure Sale dated November 12, 2025, and that certain Agreed Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale and Awarding Additional Attorneys' Fees dated February 20, 2026, and that certain Agreed Order and Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated April 15, 2026, and that certain Agreed Order Regarding Sale of Real Property Described as Parcel 3 in Verified Complaint and Notice of Lis Pendens dated June 10, 2026, all entered by the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit, in and for Orange County, Florida, the style of which is indicated above, the **Clerk of the Court**, pursuant to Section 45.031, Florida Statutes (2026), will on October 7, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. at www.myorange-clerk.realforeclose.com offer for sale and sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following real and personal property, situated in Broward County, and described in said Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure, to wit:

REAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:
See Exhibit A attached hereto.
PERSONAL PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:
See Exhibit B attached hereto.
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens, must file a claim before the Clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. The Court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale. Notice of the changed time of sale shall be published as provided herein.
Dated in Orlando, Orange County, Florida this 2nd day of September, 2026.
Attorney for Plaintiff,
First Horizon Bank,
/s/ Joseph E. ("Ed") Foster
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If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Ninth Circuit Court Administration ADA Coordinator, Orange County Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite 510, Orlando, Florida 32801 | 407-836-2303 or 407-836-2215 at least 7 days before your scheduled appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

EXHIBIT A
PARCEL 1:The South 310 feet of the North 360 feet of the West 250 feet of Tract 91, in Block 90, PALM BEACH FARMS COMPANY PLAT NO. 3, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 45, Public Records of Palm Beach County, Florida; said lands now lying and being and situate in Broward County, Florida. Less and except the following:
Parcel No. 145
The part of the South 310.00 feet of the North 360.00 feet of the West 250 feet of Tract 91, in Block 90, PALM BEACH FARMS COMPANY PLAT NO. 3, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 45 through 54, Public Records of Palm Beach County, Florida, in Section 19, Township 48 South, Range 42 East, said land situate, lying and being in Broward County, Florida, said part which lies within 120.00 feet Easterly of the West line of said Section 19, said line also being the Range line between Ranges 41 and 42; Less existing Road Right of Way.
And
A .25 foot wide strip of land in said Section 19 which lies Westerly of and contiguous to the West line of said Tract 91 and which is bounded on the North by the Westerly extension of a line 50 feet Southerly of and parallel with the North line of said Tract 91, and bounded on the South by a line 360 feet Southerly of and parallel with the North of said Tract 91.
EXHIBIT B
All buildings and improvements of every kind and description now or hereafter located upon the Property described on Exhibit "A" attached, and also as defined in the Uniform Commercial Code Financing Statement Form to which this Rider is attached, or any part of such Property.
All and singular the tenements, heredi-

taments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion or reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof; and also all the estate, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever of Debtor, of, in and to the same and of, in and every part and parcel thereof.
All right, title and interest of Debtor, if any, in and to the land lying in the bed of any street, road or avenue, opened or proposed, in front of or adjoining the Property to the center line thereof. All easements, rights-of-way, gores of land, ways, alleys, passages, sewer right, waters, water courses, water rights and powers, riparian and littoral rights, docks and dockage rights, and all estate, rights, titles, interests, privileges and liberties of any nature whatsoever, in any way belonging, relating or pertaining to the Property. All furniture, furnishings, fixtures, equipment, inventory, goods and articles of personal property now or at any time hereafter attached to or used in any way in connection with the use, operation and occupation of the buildings erected on the Property or any part thereof including but without being limited to all heating, lighting and plumbing fixtures and used at any time in the operation, use and occupation of any of the buildings on the Property and dynamos, motors, furnaces, fire prevention and extinguishing apparatus, cooling systems, plants, apparatus, tools, machinery, fittings, dispensers, facades, signs, pumps, canopy, computers, furnishings and fixtures of every kind whatsoever at any time used in or about or upon the Property, except personal property, if any, belonging to others than the Debtor, located on the Property, it being understood and agreed, however, that any renewal, replacement or substitution of any and all such equipment shall be purchased by Debtor and when paid for be owned by it, and all of the right, title and interest of Debtor in and to the equipment which may be subject to any title retention or security agreement. Any and all award or payments, including interest thereon, and the right to receive the same, which may be made with respect to the Property as a result of (a) the exercise of the right of eminent domain, (b) the alteration of the grade of any street, or (c) any other injury to or decrease in the value of the Property, to the extent of all amounts which may be secured by the Mortgage at the date of receipt of any such award or payment by Secured Party, and of the reasonable attorneys' fees, costs and disbursements, incurred by Secured Party in connection with the collection of such award of payment. All building materials that may be placed on the Property during the existence of this lien and all bonuses and royalties on the Property and further, all rents, royalties, profits, revenues, incomes and other benefits arising from the use or enjoyment of the Property or from any contract pertaining to such use or enjoyment. All leases and contracts for sale now and hereafter entered into involving the Property or any part thereof, and all right, title and interest of Debtor thereunder, including, without limitation, cash or securities deposited thereunder to secure performance by the leases or contract vendees of their obligations. All of Debtor's right, title and interest in all leases including, but not limited to all leases of equipment permitted hereunder if any, and in said leased equipment.
All right, title and interest of Debtor to plans and specifications, designs, drawings and other matters prepared for any construction on the Property. All good will, trademarks, trade names, option rights, purchase contract, books and records and general intangibles of Debtor relating to the Property, all licenses or permits in connection with the construction on or operation of the Property, all accounts, instruments, chattel paper and other rights of Debtor or for payment of money for property sold or loaned, for services rendered, for money loaned, or for advances or deposits made and any other intangible property of Debtor related to the Property.
All rights of Debtor under all contracts now or hereafter made with any provider of goods or services for or in connection with any construction undertaken on, or services performed or to be performed in connection with the Property, including the architect's agreement and the construction contract which have been or will be entered into by Debtor for the design and construction of the Property. All rights of Debtor under any agreement, contract, understanding or arrangement. All insurance policies now or hereafter in effect with respect to the Property, or any portion thereof, any unearned premiums thereon, and all proceeds thereof.
All other property or rights of Debtor of any kind or character related to the Property and/or the Business and all proceeds and products of any of the foregoing, all of the foregoing including such property whether now or hereafter existing or acquired.
Any reference herein to the "Property" shall be deemed to apply to the land described above and said improvements, buildings, fixtures, equipment, and materials, and the rents, profits and leases thereof, and said tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances, and all of the other above-mentioned rights or property interest.
All accounts, accounts receivables, notes and contract rights of Debtor, whether now existing or hereafter acquired, all chattel paper and instruments, whether now existing or hereafter acquired, evidencing any obligation to Debtor for payment of goods sold or leased or services rendered; all interest of the Debtor in any goods, the sale or lease of which shall have given or shall give rise to any of the foregoing; all as more particularly described in Article 673, Florida Statutes and at common law; and the proceeds of any of the foregoing.
All accounts of Debtor, including but not limited to all bank accounts, brokerage accounts, and/or investment accounts held with Secured Party. All reserved or reserve accounts established for Debtor relating to and/or arising out of the Property and/or the Loans and/or Notes as referenced in the Mortgage including, but not limited to, any interest reserve and/or construction reserve. All escrow accounts established for Debtor relating to and/or arising out of the Property and/or the Loans and/or Notes as referenced in the Mortgage including, but not limited to, any interest reserve and/or construction reserve. To the extent any of the Mortgaged Property defined in the Mortgage requires perfection of a UCC-1 Financing Statement to perfect a security interest therein, the collateral is deemed to further include any and all such Mortgaged Property.
Without limiting the foregoing, the

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following are also included:
All assets, property and rights of Debtor. All of the following of Debtor: All accounts and accounts receivable, health care insurance or any other insurance receivables, all contracts and contracts rights as well as general intangibles, all furniture, fixtures, equipment, machinery, inventory and supplies of Debtor, wherever located whether the foregoing collateral is now owned or hereafter acquired, together with all accessions, additions, replacements, substitutions or proceeds relating to any of the collateral, and all records of any kind relating to any of the foregoing.
All personal property of Debtor.
All furniture, fixtures, equipment and accounts of Debtor.
All Property rights of Debtor.
All intangible property of Debtor
All of Debtor's property rights of any kind whatsoever, whether now existing or hereafter acquired, together with increases, substitutions thereto and all replacements thereof, additions and accessions thereto and the proceeds and products thereof, whether real, personal, mixed or otherwise, and whether tangible or intangible, including but not limited to, all good will, trademarks, trade names, name of businesses, books and records and general intangibles of Debtor; all licenses or permits in connection with the Debtor's business; all accounts, cash on hand and in bank accounts, accounts receivables, instruments, chattel paper and other rights of Debtor for payment of money, for services rendered, for money loaned or agreements relating to collection of receivables, or for advances or deposits made and any other intangible property of Debtor related to its business; all accounts, note and contract rights of the Debtor, whether now existing or hereafter acquired, all chattel paper, insurance premiums and residuals (earned and due and payable) and all instruments, whether now existing or hereafter acquired, evidencing any obligations to Debtor for payment of goods sold or leased or services rendered; all interest of the Debtor in any goods or personal property, the sale or lease of which shall have given rise to any of the foregoing; together with all furniture, furnishings, goods, fixtures, equipment, machinery, inventory, and articles of personal property of every kind or nature whatsoever (all as defined in the Uniform Commercial Code or at common law) and all components and proceeds of any of the foregoing, now or at any time hereafter located in, upon or under the Debtor's business premises or attached to or used or usable in any way in connection with the use, operation and occupation of the Debtor's business and now owned or hereafter acquired by the Debtor.
All leases and contracts for sale now and hereafter entered into involving the Collateral and/or property located at the Property ("Property") or any part thereof, and all right, title and interest or Debtor thereunder as lessor or lessee, including, without limitation, cash, security deposits, advance rentals or securities deposited thereunder to secure obligations, together with all rents and payments in lieu of rents.All rights of Debtor as seller or Debtor under any agreement, contract, understanding or arrangement pursuant to which Debtor has, with the consent of Secured Party, obtained the agreement of any person to pay or disburse any money for Debtor's sale (or borrowing on the security of) of the Collateral and/or Property or any part thereof, including any sale contract(s) together with all deposits paid by purchasers under such sales contracts which are being held in escrow pending closing of such sales.
Any and all award or payments, including interest thereon, and the right to receive the same, which may be made with respect to the Collateral and/or Property as a result of (a) the exercise of the right of eminent domain, (b) the alteration of the grade of any street, or (c) any other injury to or decrease in the value of the Collateral and/or Property, and of the reasonable attorneys' fees, costs and disbursements, incurred by Secured Party in connection with the collection of such award or payment.
All of Debtor's right, title and interest in, to and under any lease by and between Debtor, as tenant and any landlord for the lease of any premises upon which Debtor occupies and conducts its business.
All of the right, title and interest of the Debtor in and to any and all insurance policies or binders, now or subsequently acquired, owned, processed or filed by Debtor, including, without limitation, all unearned premiums and commissions accrued, accruing or to accrue under any, and all insurance policies now or hereafter provided pursuant to the terms of the Loans or security agreements, and all proceeds or sums payable for the loss of or damage to (a) the Property and/or any Collateral described herein or (b) rents, revenues, income, profits or proceeds from service agreements or contracts, leases, franchise, concessions or licenses of or on any part of the Collateral and/or Property.
All of Debtor's interest in all utility security deposits or bonds on the Collateral and/or Property or any part thereof.
All other property or rights of Debtor of any kind or character related to the Collateral and/or Property and all proceeds and products of any of the foregoing all of the foregoing, including such property whether nor hereafter existing or acquired, including all customer lists, other lists and business information relating to the Debtor's business or the Collateral.
All permits, licenses, consents, certificates of use and occupancy (or their equivalent) and governmental applications and approvals relating to the Collateral and/or Property or issued in connection with any business conducted or to be conducted by Debtor.
All bank accounts (excluding trust and agency accounts), including interest thereon, Letter(s) of Credit, deposits, cash, money, deposit accounts and other rights and evidence or rights to cash and all additions thereto and substitutions therefore and all cash proceeds thereof, now or hereinafter created or held by Debtor or delivered by Debtor to the Secured Party.
All documents, contract rights, instruments, pledged assets, causes of action, claims chattel paper and general intangibles relating to or arising from any of the Collateral and all cash and non-cash proceeds and products thereof.
All of the following of Debtor:
All client lists, including all proprietary information directly pertaining to all property and casualty insurance accounts and all rights to renewals of insurance policies and all intangibles related to company licenses to represent

any insurance companies.
All extensions, additions, improvements, betterments, renewals and replacements, substitutions, or proceeds or any of the foregoing, and all inventory, accounts, chattel paper, documents, instruments, equipment, fixtures, consumer goods, general intangibles and other property of any nature constituting proceeds acquired with proceeds of any of the Collateral and/or Property described herein.
All and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion or reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof; and also all the estate, title, interest, property, claim and demand whatsoever of Debtor, of, in and to the same and of, in and every part and parcel thereof;
All furniture, furnishings, fixtures, equipment, inventory, goods and articles of personal property including but without being limited to all heating, lighting and plumbing fixtures and used at any time in the operation, use and occupation of any of buildings by Debtor and dynamos, motors, furnaces, fire prevention and extinguishing apparatus, cooling systems, plants, apparatus, tools, machinery, fittings, dispensers, facade, signs, pumps, canopy, computers, furnishings and fixtures of every kind whatsoever at any time used by Debtor, it being understood and agreed, however, that any renewal, replacement or substitution of any and all such equipment shall be purchased by Debtor and when paid for be owned by it, and all of the right, title and interest of Debtor in and to the equipment which may be subject to any title retention or security agreement.
Any and all award or payments, including interest thereon, and the right to receive the same, which may be made with respect to any assets of Debtor as a result of (a) the exercise of the right of eminent domain, (b) the alteration of the grade of any street, or (c) any other injury to or decrease in the value of any assets of Debtor, and of the reasonable attorneys' fees, costs and disbursements, incurred by Secured Party in connection with the collection of such award of payment.
All rents, royalties, profits, revenues, incomes and other benefits arising from the use or enjoyment of any assets of Debtor or from any contract pertaining to such use or enjoyment.All leases and contracts for sale now and hereafter entered into by Debtor, and all right, title and interest of Debtor thereunder, including, without limitation, cash or securities deposited thereunder to secure performance by the leases or contract vendees of their obligations.
All of Debtor's right, title and interest in all leases including, but not limited to all leases of personal property and/or equipment and all of Debtor's rights in said leased equipment and personal property.
All right, title and interest of Debtor to any plans and specifications, designs, drawings and other matters prepared for any construction.
All good will, trademarks, trade names, option rights, purchase contract, books and records and general intangibles of Debtor, all licenses or permits of Debtor, all accounts, instruments, chattel paper and other rights of Debtor for payment of money for property sold or loaned, for services rendered, for money loaned, or for advances or deposits made and any other intangible property of Debtor.
All rights of Debtor under all contracts now or hereafter made with any provider of goods or services for or in connection with any construction undertaken on, or services performed or to be performed in connection with the architect's agreement and the construction contract which have been or will be entered into by Debtor.
All rights of Debtor under any agreement, contract, understanding or arrangement.
All assets and rights of Debtor used in connection with the business operated at the Property.
All insurance policies of Debtor now or hereafter in effect by Debtor, or any portion thereof, any unearned premiums thereon, and all proceeds thereof.
All other personal property or rights of Debtor of any kind or character.
All accounts, accounts receivables, notes and contract rights of Debtor, whether now existing or hereafter acquired: all chattel paper and instruments, whether now existing or hereafter acquired, evidencing any obligation to Debtor for payment of goods sold or leased or services rendered; all interest of the Debtor in any goods, the sale or lease of which shall have given or shall give rise to any of the foregoing; all as more particularly described in Article 673, Florida Statutes and at common law; and the proceeds of any of the foregoing.
The collateral herein is intended to cover cash and non-cash proceeds, products, renewals, substitutions, increases, and modifications to any such collateral.
The security interest of the Secured Party shall attach as soon as the Debtor obtains any interest in any collateral set forth above. Moreover, the collateral is intended to cover cash and non-cash proceeds, products, renewals, substitutions, increases, and modifications to any such collateral.
Any reference herein to the "Mortgage" shall mean that certain Mortgage And Security Agreement dated July 31, 2019, as amended, made by the Debtor to the Secured Party.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2026-CA-001028-O DIV NO.: 37
MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of GRANDE VISTA OF ORLANDO CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff, vs.
CYNTHIA D. NEWTON, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT II
TO: ERIC J. SWANSON 14524 BYWOOD AVENUE BATON ROUGE, LA 70819
MARTAL SWANSON 14524 BYWOOD AVENUE BATON ROUGE, LA 70819
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 30, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2026-CA-001028-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT II
Unit Week 33 in Unit 8145, in GRANDE VISTA CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 5114 at Page 1488 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof, at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 8th day of October, 2026 online at www.myorangelclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on August 31, 2026.
DATED August 31, 2026
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2026-CA-001028-O DIV NO.: 37
MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of GRANDE VISTA OF ORLANDO CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff, vs.
CYNTHIA D. NEWTON, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT IV
TO: WILLIAM HAWKINS 55 PORTMARNOCK CRESCENT PORTMARNOCK CO DUBLIN D13 EY24 IRELAND
SIOBHAN HAWKINS 55 PORTMARNOCK CRESCENT PORTMARNOCK CO DUBLIN D13 EY24 IRELAND
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 30, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2026-CA-001028-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT IV
Unit Week 08 in Unit 9252, in GRANDE VISTA CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 5114 at Page 1488 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof, at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 8th day of October, 2026 online at www.myorangelclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on August 31, 2026.
DATED August 31, 2026
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2024-CA-008117-O NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, Plaintiff, vs.
TASHEE TILLMON; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF TASHEE TILLMON; JUNIPER-ARBOR BEND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA; HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF SEMINOLE COUNTY AND GREATER APOPKA, FLORIDA, INC.; UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION #1 and #2, and ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES, et al., Defendant(s).
RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure dated April 28, 2025 and an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated August 26, 2026, entered in Civil Case No.: 2024- CA-008117-O of the Circuit Court of the Ninth Judicial Circuit in and for Orange County, Florida, wherein NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING, Plaintiff, and TASHEE TILLMON; JUNIPER-ARBOR BEND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA; HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF SEMINOLE COUNTY AND GREATER APOPKA, FLORIDA, INC., are Defendants.
TIFFANY MOORE RUSSELL, The Clerk of the Circuit Court, will sell to the highest bidder for cash, at www.myorangelclerk.realforeclose.com, at 11:00 AM, on the 28th day of September, 2026, the following described real property as set forth in said Judgment, to wit:
LOT 44, NEW HORIZONS, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 94, PAGES 63 THROUGH 66, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA.
If you are a person claiming a right

to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed. If you fail to file a timely claim you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. After the funds are reported as unclaimed, only the owner of record as of the date of the Lis Pendens may claim the surplus.
If you are a person with a disability who needs special accommodation, you are entitled to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator at the address or phone number below at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance or immediately upon receiving an official notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
ADA Coordinator Orange County Courthouse 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite 510 Orlando, Florida, 32801 (407) 836-2303
Dated: August 27, 2026
/s/ Brian L. Rosaler
By: Brian L. Rosaler
Florida Bar No.: 0174882.
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Notice of Public Sale
Notice is hereby given that **Northwest Orlando Storage** at 5330 N Pine Hills Rd Orlando, FL 32808 will sell the contents of the units listed below at a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien (pursuant to Chapter 83 of the Florida Statutes). The sales will be held online at StorageTreasures.com on 9/21/26 at approx. 9:00 am. Contents will be sold for cash only to the highest bidder; subject to add'l terms noted on the website. The property to be sold is described as "general household items" unless otherwise noted. Unit # – Name – Description:
#A201-202-Wilbert Pierre-#B029-Ja'leel Jackson-#C003-Leeeyshikka Candelario-#C028-Ashari White-C056-Julian Hamilton Spades Cuts/ Julian Hamilton-#1058-Kianna Gray-#1064-Desiree Combs-#1128-Jose Rodriguez-#1187-Decarius Curry-#1219-Kassendy Clerzeau #1230-Rodney Jones
August 28, September 4, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2025-CA-012379-O DIV NO.: 37
MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of HAO CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff, vs.
TONY WANYIU CHENG, et al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT V
TO: BRYAN C. CAPRICE 2309 HICKORY ROAD ANNAPOLIS, MD 21401
LEAH B. CAPRICE 1286 PATAPSCO ROAD ANNAPOLIS, MD 21401
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 26, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-012379-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT V
Unit Week 16*X in Unit 1411, in HAO CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 6017 at Page 0143 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof.
at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 30th day of September, 2026 online at www.myorangelclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on August 26, 2026.
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/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
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September 4, 11, 2026

NOTICE OF ACTION – QUIET TITLE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2026-CA-006874-O NICOLAS CHAILLAN, as Trustee of the CHAILLAN FAMILY TRUST, U/A DATED JUNE 21, 2018, Plaintiff, v.
DUANE E. THOMAS, CHANDRA R. THOMAS, and ALL PERSONS UNKNOWN, CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 182 KENTUCKY BLUE CIRCLE, APOPKA, FLORIDA 32712, Defendants.
TO: ALL PERSONS UNKNOWN, CLAIMING ANY LEGAL OR EQUITABLE RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE,

LIEN, OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN AND TO: All parties claiming interests by, through, under, or against the above-named Defendants, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title, or interest in the following described real property situated in Orange County, Florida.
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:
Lot 9, Bluegrass Estates, according to the map or plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 44, Page(s) 83 through 85, Public Records of Orange County, Florida.
Street Address:
182 Kentucky Blue Circle, Apopka, Florida 32712
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to quiet title to the above-described property has been filed against you. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to the action on Plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address are: Derek E. Bruce, Esq., Florida Bar No. 0148717 Gunster, Yoakley & Stewart, P.A. 200 South Orange Avenue Suite 1400 Orlando, Florida 32801 Telephone: (407) 648-5077 Email: dbruce@gunster.com on or before 30 days from the first date of publication and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.
WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court on this 5th day of August, 2026.
TIFFANY MOORE RUSSELL Clerk of the \Circuit Court
Tiffany Moore Russell, Clerk of Courts Civil Division 425 N Orange Ave Room 350 Orlando, Florida 32801
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
By: /s/ Lauren Scheidt As Deputy Clerk
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County Courthouse, 425 N. Orange Avenue, Suite 510, Orlando, Florida, (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
PUBLISH: The Apopka Chief August 14, 21, 28, September 4, 2026
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF ABANDONED PERSONAL PROPERTY
A public auction will take place at Site Storage Inc., 1101 S. Orange Blossom Trail in Apopka FL 32703, on Friday October 2, 2026, at 9am. The following property will be sold: Household goods and other miscellaneous items. The contents will be sold in "as is" condition. The property being sold was owned by or held on behalf of Maryam Choufany Apopka FL. The terms of the sale are cash in lawful money of the United States with the sale going to the highest bidder. The property must be paid for and removed by the purchaser at the time of sale. The sale will be held to satisfy the accumulated storage charges and fees incurred in the amount of \$362.12
September 4, 11, 18, 25, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2025-CA-009844-O DIV NO.: 34
MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of MVC TRUST OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff, vs.
WILLIAM H. BLAND, AS INDIVID-

MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of LAKESHORE RESERVE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff, vs.
JAMES W. ALBRIGHT, DECEASED, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT II
TO: RICHARD J. FUCHS, DECEASED, THE ESTATE OF RICHARD J. FUCHS, DECEASED AND ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES OR OTHER CLAIMANTS BY AND THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, SAID DEFENDANT C/O MICHAEL S. DINNEY ESQ 919 CONESTOGA RD STE 3-414 BRYN MAWR, PENNSYLVANIA 19010
MAUREN FUCHS, DECEASED C/O MICHAEL S. DINNEY ESQ 919 CONESTOGA RD STE 3-414 BRYN MAWR, PENNSYLVANIA 19010
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 24, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-009844-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:
COUNT II
Unit Week 16 in Unit 2403, in LAKE-SHORE RESERVE CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 9741 at Page 2312 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof, at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 30th of September, 2026 online at www.myorangelclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on August 24, 2026.
DATED August 24, 2026.
/s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
OUR FILE #126445.0026 MRHC #ORANGE
August 28, September 4, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2026-CA-000131-O DIV NO.: 34
MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of MVC TRUST OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff, vs.
WILLIAM H. BLAND, AS INDIVID-

UAL, et al.,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE
AS TO COUNT XII
TO: GINA UMALI TING
7436 FERN AVE
NIAGARA FALLS,
ONTARIO L2G 5H5
CANADA
RAFAEL LORENZ TING
7436 FERN AVE
NIAGARA FALLS,
ONTARIO L2G 5H5
CANADA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 24, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2026-CA-000131-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT XII
4 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: Y91130 & Y91131 & Y91132 & Y91133) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1000 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of July 01, 2019 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement), at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 29th day of September, 2026 online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on August 24, 2026. DATED August 24, 2026. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #129710.0168 MRHC #ORANGE August 28, September 4, 2026

A-AAA Key Mini Storage
1001 S Semoran Blvd
Orlando FL 32807
407-401-9422
N30@trustedstoragepros.com
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
In order to satisfy a contractual landlord's lien, under the provisions of the Florida Self Service Storage Act, public notice is hereby given that the following described property located at A-AAA Key Mini Storage 1001 S Semoran Blvd Orlando FL 32807, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for Credit/Debit only at www.storageauctions.com on September 16, 2026 at 11:30AM.
ELISE BELL:
Totes, bags, clothes
ELISE MARIE BELL:
Totes, bags, clothes
FAKRUDDIN AHMED:
Display cases
BAYRON ROANDOLFO PONCE DUARTE:
Furniture, bags, buckets, clothes, construction materials, fishing poles, coolers
JESSICA MARIE HENDRICKSON:
Microwaves, shelves
ARABELLA VARGAS:
Totes, boxes, fans, home ditor, wheelchair, walker
RAFAEL JOSE CRUZ CISCO: Buckets, cleaning supplies, boxes
RAFAEL CRUZ: Buckets, cleaning supplies, boxes
Publish: The Apopka Chief
August 28, September 4, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2026-CA-006789-O DIV NO.: 37 MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff,
vs.
CANDI MIGUEL, et. al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT II
TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN:
TO: ADRIAN AMPUERO
CAMINO SAN FRANCISCO DE ASIS 1 CASA 52 SANTIAGO, 1030000 CHILE
AND
ANALYA GUTIERREZ
CAMINO SAN FRANCISCO DE ASIS 1 CASA 52 SANTIAGO, 1030000 CHILE
The above named Defendants are not known to be dead or alive and, if dead, the unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, or other claimants, by, through under or against said Defendant and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described below.
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED of the institution of the above-styled foreclosure proceedings by the Plaintiff, MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC., upon the filing of a complaint to forelose a mortgage and for other relief relative to the following desribed property:

COUNT II
4 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: CB3109 & CB3110 & CD4508 & CD4509) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1000 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described

in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of October 01, 2021 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement) AND you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to the complaint, upon EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQUIRE, Holland & Knight LLP, 200 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 2600, Orlando, Florida 32801, attorneys for the Plaintiff, on or before thirty (30) days from the first day of publication herein and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

DATED on this 19th day of AUGUST, 2026.
Tiffany Moore Russell
Clerk of the Court
BY: /S/ Nancy Garcia
As Deputy Clerk
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
CONFORMED COPY TO:
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
HOLLAND & KNIGHT, LLP
200 S. Orange Avenue,
Suite 2600
Orlando, Florida 32801
Ph. (407) 244-5198
ATTORNEYS FOR
PLAINTIFF

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County Courthouse, 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite 510, Orlando, Florida, (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. HK#126435.9609/MP120 August 28, September 4, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 2026-CA-006944-O DIV NO.: 36 MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC. Plaintiff,
vs.
TERRY SCORTT, AS INDIVIDUAL AND AS GUARANTOR AND AS TRUSTEE OF THE SCORTT FAMILY LIVING TRUST U/A DATED 9/19/2008, et. al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION BY PUBLICATION AS TO COUNT IX
TO THE FOLLOWING DEFENDANT WHOSE RESIDENCE IS UNKNOWN:
TO: MANUEL SOSA MESA
CALLE 4 OESTE #2A-45
CALI, OF 760001
COLOMBIA
The above named Defendant is not known to be dead or alive and, if dead, the unknown spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, or other claimants, by, through under or against said Defendant and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property described below.
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED of the institution of the above-styled foreclosure proceedings by the Plaintiff, MARRIOTT OWNERSHIP RESORTS, INC., upon the filing of a complaint to forelose a mortgage and for other relief relative to the following described property:

COUNT IX
10 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: IN0638 & IN0639 & IN0640 & IN0641 & IN0642 & IN0643 & IN0644 & IN0645 & IN0646 & IN0647) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 2500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of October 01, 2025 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement). AND you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to the complaint, upon EDWARD M. FITZGERALD, ESQUIRE, Holland & Knight LLP, 200 S. Orange Avenue, Suite 2600, Orlando, Florida 32801, attorneys for the Plaintiff, on or before thirty (30) days from the first day of publication herein and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

DATED on this 25th day of AUGUST, 2026.
Tiffany Moore Russell
Clerk of the Court
BY: /S/ Nancy Garcia
As Deputy Clerk
CIRCUIT COURT SEAL
CONFORMED COPY TO:
EDWARD M. FITZGERALD
HOLLAND & KNIGHT, LLP
200 S. Orange Avenue,
Suite 2600
Orlando, Florida 32801
Ph. (407) 244-5198
ATTORNEYS FOR
PLAINTIFF

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least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. THIS DOCUMENT IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. HK#126435.9623/MP121 September 4, 11, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2025-CA-012379-O DIV NO.: 37 MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of HAO CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff,
vs.
TONY WANYIU CHENG, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT VI TO: MARILYN A. SANDERS
7040 W FOSS RD
MONEE, IL 60449-9002
MCARTHUR SANDERS
7040 W FOSS RD
MONEE, IL 60449-9002
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 19, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-012379-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT VI
Unit Week 39 in Unit 1330, in HAO CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 6017 at Page 0143 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof.
at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 30th day of September, 2026 online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on August 20, 2026. DATED August 20, 2026. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #110528.0815 MRHC #ORANGE August 28, September 4, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2025-CA-012379-O DIV NO.: 37 MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of HAO CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff,
vs.
TONY WANYIU CHENG, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT IV TO: DONNA M. CONQUEST
PO BOX 722 and 7251
NE 92ND CT
BRONSON, FL 32621-0722
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 19, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2025-CA-012379-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT IV
Unit Week 06 in Unit 1019, in HAO CONDOMINIUM, according to the Declaration of Condominium thereof, as recorded in Official Records Book 6017 at Page 0143 in the Public Records of Orange County, Florida, and any amendments thereof.
at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 30th day of September, 2026 online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on August 20, 2026. DATED August 20, 2026. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #110528.0814 MRHC #ORANGE August 28, September 4, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2026-CA-000131-O DIV NO.: 34 MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of MVC TRUST OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff,
vs.

WILLIAM H. BLAND, AS INDIVIDUAL, et al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT X TO: LARRY S. MILLER, LARRY S. MILLER, AS INDIVIDUAL AND AS TRUSTEE OF THE MILLER FAMILY TRUST DATED OCTOBER 15, 1990
3378 CRISTOBAL WAY
SPRING VALLEY, CA 91977-3109
BETTY L. MILLER, AS INDIVIDUAL AND AS TRUSTEE OF THE MILLER FAMILY TRUST DATED OCTOBER 15, 1990
3378 CRISTOBAL WAY
SPRING VALLEY, CA 91977-3109

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 24, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2026-CA-000131-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT X
6 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: W37945 & W37946 & W93221 & W97151 & W97152 & W97201) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 1500 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of January 01, 2024 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement).

at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 29th day of September, 2026 online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on August 24, 2026. DATED August 24, 2026. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #129710.0166 MRHC #ORANGE August 28, September 4, 2026

STORAGE SENSE SELF STORAGE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Storage Sense Apopka Located at 2208 Stillwater Ave., Apopka, Florida 32703 Phone 407-703-8854 intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property Under the Florida Facility Act Statutes. The Sale shall take place online at www.lockerfox.com and closes on the **23rd Day of September, 2026 at 10:00 AM** Property will be sold for cash only. Unit must be cleaned out within 72 hours of purchase with a \$100 cash cleaning Deposit.
-Personal Property-Dekeith Peterkin Unit 2104
Personal Property
Kevyn Bryant
Unit 2054
Personal Property
Monique A. Young
Unit 2060
Personal Property
Sakeenah Ballenger
Unit 2046
Personal Property
August 28, September 4, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2026-CA-000131-O DIV NO.: 34 MARRIOTT RESORTS HOSPITALITY CORPORATION, a South Carolina Corporation, Management Agent on behalf of MVC TRUST OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation, and All Owners as Agent, Plaintiff,
vs.
WILLIAM H. BLAND, AS INDIVIDUAL, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE AS TO COUNT VIII TO: MAX WARREN BARBER
1028 S 1900 E
SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84108
SARAH GRACE NAVARRA
1028 S 1900 E
SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84108
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on August 24, 2026, in the cause pending in the Circuit Court, in and for Orange County, Florida, Civil Case No. 2026-CA-000131-O, the Office of Tiffany Moore Russell, Orange County Clerk of the Court will sell the property situated in said County described as:

COUNT VIII
16 Interests (numbered for administrative purposes: T50551 & T50552 & T50601 & T50602 & T50603 & T50604 & T50605 & T50606 & T50607 & T50608 & T50609 & T50610 & T50611 & T50612 & T50613 & T50614) in the MVC Trust ("Trust") evidenced for administrative, assessment and ownership purposes by 4000 Points (250 Points for each Interest), which Trust was created pursuant to and further described in that certain MVC Trust Agreement dated March 11, 2010, executed by and among First American Trust, FSB, a federal savings bank, solely as trustee of Land Trust No. 1082-0300-00, (a.k.a MVC Trust), Marriott Ownership Resorts, Inc., a Delaware corporation, and MVC Trust Owners Association, Inc., a Florida corporation not-for-profit, as such agreement may be amended and supplemented from time to time ("Trust Agreement"), a memorandum

of which is recorded in Official Records Book 10015, page 4176, Public Records of Orange County, Florida ("Trust Memorandum"). The Interests shall have a Use Year Commencement Date of December 01, 2018 (subject to Section 3.5 of the Trust Agreement), at Public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash starting at the hour of 11:00 a.m. on the 29th day of September, 2026 online at www.myorangeclerk.realforeclose.com. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Submitted for publication to The Apopka Chief on August 24, 2026. DATED August 24, 2026. /s/ EDWARD M. FITZGERALD EDWARD M. FITZGERALD FLORIDA BAR NO. 0010391 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact ADA Coordinator, Human Resources, Orange County, Courthouse, at 425 North Orange Avenue, Suite #510, Orlando, Florida 32801; Telephone (407) 836-2303, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. OUR FILE #129710.0164 MRHC #ORANGE August 28, September 4, 2026

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No.: 2025DR-9358-O Division: 41 Adriana Correa, Petitioner and Jan Brandon Carvajal, Respondent. Amended NOTICE OF ACTION FOR Dissolution of marriage with Children TO: Jan Brandon Carvajal, 3726 Palm Desert Lane Apt 5213 Orlando FL 32839 YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Dissolution of Marriage with Children has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Adriana Diana, Correa, whose address is 3726 Palm Desert Lane Apt 5213 Orlando FL 32839, on or before 10/8/2026, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 425 N Orange Ave Orlando FL 32801, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition. (If applicable, insert the legal description of real property, a specific description of personal property, and the name of the county in Florida where the property is located) N/A. Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request. You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Designation of Current Mailing and E-Mail Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed or e-mailed to the addresses on record at the clerk's office. WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings. Dated: 8/17/26 Tiffany M. Russell Clerk of Court CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: Joana James Deputy Clerk CIRCUIT COURT SEAL August 21, 28, September 4, 11, 2026

NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09 FLORIDA STATUTES NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of **FloriCare Lawn And Power Wash**, with a mailing address of 3564 Avalon Park E Blvd Ste 1-A691, Orlando, FL 32828 and a principal office located in Orange County, intends to register the said name with the Florida Dept. of State, Division of Corporations, Tallahassee, Florida. Owner: Alexandre Costa September 4, 2026

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NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09 FLORIDA STATUTES NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of **5th Order Records**, with a mailing address of 6179 Westgate Drive #434, Orlando, FL 32835 and a principal office located in Orange County, intends to register the said name with the Florida Dept. of State, Division of Corporations, Tallahassee, Florida. Owner: Warship Wetworks LLC September 4, 2026

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NOTICE UNDER FICTITIOUS NAME LAW PURSUANT TO SECTION 865.09 FLORIDA STATUTES NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the Fictitious Name of **H2O Pool Works**, with a mailing address of 2121 South Hiawassee Rd, Suite 130, Orlando, FL 32835 and a principal office located in Orange County, intends to register the said name with the Florida Dept. of State, Division of Corporations, Tallahassee, Florida. Owner: Paula Cristina Daniel September 4, 11, 2026

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