Agenda

Crystal River City Council Meeting
Special Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, February 17, 2026 at 1:00 PM
Citrus County Welcome Center

Joe Meek, Mayor
Chris Ensing, Vice Mayor/Council Seat #3
Gabrielle Satchell, Council Seat #1
Mindi Hastings, Council Seat #2
Robert Holmes, Council Seat #5

Audra Curts-Whann, City Manager
Rob Batsel, City Attorney
Mia Fink, City Clerk

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

Any person who decides to appeal any decision of the Governing Body with respect to any matter considered at this meeting will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose may need to provide that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. (Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes)

Any person requiring reasonable accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the City of Crystal River, City Manager's Office, 123 N.W. Highway 19, Crystal River, Florida, 34428 (352) 795-4216, at least two (2) days before the meeting.

GENERAL MEETING PROCEDURES

1. In consideration of others, we ask that you follow a few basic rules:

   A. Please turn cell phones off, or place on vibrate. If you must make a call, please step out into the hallway.

   B. If you must speak to someone in the audience, please speak softly or go out into the hallway.

   C. Personal comments/remarks, directed to Council or the public, are not allowed and are considered out of order.

2. Public Comment:

   A. The general public will be allowed three (3) minutes to speak during the Public Input section at the beginning of the meeting and five (5) minutes to speak during the Public Input section at the end of the meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

3. PRESENTATIONS

A. 2026 Goalsetting Discussion- Prioritization of Capital Projects

B. 2026 Goalsetting Discussion- Other initiatives for consideration

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CRYSTAL RIVER CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Agenda Item Summary

Meeting Date: February 17, 2026 **Agenda Item Number: 3.A.**

Requested Motion: 2026 Goalsetting Discussion- Prioritization of Capital Projects

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ATTACHMENTS:
Description
Project Status Listing COUNCIL WS 021726.pdf

CITY OF CRYSTAL RIVER

CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP 02/17/2026

PROJECT STATUS LISTING

#	Project (in Alphabetical Order, Not Priority)	Project Description	Project Status	Permitted	CONTRACT AWARDED	Contractor(s)	Funding	Source(s)
1	19th Street Widening/Repaving	Address road condition concerns & plan solutions	Not Started	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Not Funded	TBD
2a	5th Street Streetscaping & CG Parking Lot/Construction	Add'l downtown parking and streetscape improvements	Pending #8a	No	No	Kimley Horn	Not Funded	CRA/Debt
2b	5th Street Streetscaping & CG Parking Lot/Design	Add'l downtown parking and streetscape improvements	Engineering in Progress	No	Yes	Kimley Horn	Fully Funded	CRA
3a	City Hall/Redesign	Conceptual Design, Surveys, Geotechnical, Final Design, Construction Docs	In Progress	N/A	Yes	Monarch Design Group	Fully Funded	Grant (FL Commerce/Legislative Approp)
3b	City Hall/Demolition	Demolition of damaged city hall and cell tower	Pending; Cell Tower Lease expires 9/2026	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Pending	FEMA, Local
3c	City Hall/Reconstruction	Reconstruction of City Hall in Original Location	Not Started - Pending #6a	No	Yes	Scorpio / CMAR	Partially Funded	Insurance, Seeking Grant(s), Local/Debt
3d	City Hall/Little Springs Park Creative Playground	Reconstruction of Little Springs Park Creative Playground	Not Started - Pending #6c	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Not Funded	Seek Grant Opportunity
4	Crosstown Trail North	Evaluate for Long Term Improvements from south section up to Yeomans Park	Not Started	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Not Funded	Seek Grant Opportunity
5	Crosstown Trail South	Evaluate for Lighting (Replace Nonworking Solar damaged in Storms) and Other Improvements	Obtaining Cost Estimates from Duke Energy	No	No	TBD	Fully Funded	Local
6	DAV	Repair Flood Damage - bring to PreStorm Condition	Ready for Project Commencement	Yes	Yes	Jim's Complete Construction	Fully Funded	Insurance, FEMA, Local
7	Golf Cart Crossings	Up to (4) potential crossings of US 19 throughout city	FDOT preliminary approval pending RFI	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Not Funded	Legislative Request 2026
8	Hunter Springs Park Bathroom Expansion &/or Renovation	Add to and/or renovate bathroom facilities at HSP	Not Started	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Not Funded	Possibility of Partial TDC Funding
9	Hunter Springs Park Entrance Improvements	Subsequent to vacation of street into park, move entrance, add new gates, and separation between park and Sinz property	Developer Agreement draft in legal review	No	No	Quotes/Bid Required - TBD on individual elements when plan is finalized	Fully Funded	Local
10a	Hunter Springs Park Seawall/Design & Permitting	Restore Seawall to prevent sand from getting into spring vents at Hunter Springs	Engineering 100%; Permitting in Progress	Applied For	Yes	Kimley Horn	Fully Funded	Local
10b	Hunter Springs Park Seawall/Construction	Restore Seawall to prevent sand from getting into spring vents at Hunter Springs	Pending #10a	Applied For	No	Bid Required - TBD	Fully Funded	Grant (DEP/Legislative Appropriation)
11	Indian Waters Septic to Sewer Conversion - Phase I	Convert 55+ Private Residences from Septic to Sewer	In Progress	Yes	Yes	Various	Fully Funded	Grant (DEP)
12	Indian Waters Septic to Sewer Conversion - Phase II	Convert Add'l Private Residences from Septic to Sewer	Not Started	No	No	TBD	Not Funded	Seeking Grant Opportunity
13a	Kings Bay Park/Master Plan Design & Permitting	Redesign KBP Kayak Launches, Parking, Amenities, Ranger Station	Engineering Design 90%; Permits in Progress	Applied For	Yes	Kimley Horn	Fully Funded	Local (fees),CRA
13b	Kings Bay Park/Reconstruction	Redesign KBP Kayak Launches, Parking, Amenities, Ranger Station	Pending #13a	Applied For	No	Bid Required - TBD	Not Funded	Local (fees), CRA/Debt
14	Legrone Park/Master Plan Design	Master Plan to include add'l pickleball courts requested	Preliminary Discussions Only	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Fully Funded	Local
15a	Paradise Point Road Upgrades/Design	Address road flooding issues via and install roundabout near USFWS/Port	Engineering in Progress	No	Yes	Kimley Horn	Fully Funded	Grant (FHWA)
15b	Paradise Point Road Upgrades/Construction	Address road flooding issues and install roundabout near USFWS/Port	Pending #15a	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Fully Funded	Grant (FHWA)
16a	Riverwalk - Phase I Waterward	Riverwalk Kings Bay Park to Crab Plant Segment	Construction Start End of Manatee Season	Yes	Yes	AD Morgan / CMAR	Fully Funded	Grants (Fl Commerce, TDC), CRA
16b	Riverwalk - Phase II Waterward	Riverwalk Waterfront REZCO to Frye One Pete's Pier	Engineering Design 90%; Permitting Pending Riparian Agreements with Two Remaining Property Owners	No	Yes	AD Morgan / CMAR	Partially Funded	Grant (Restore Act), Seeking Grant(s), CRA/Debt
17	School Zone Flashing Lights	School Zone flashing lights need to be installed at the three schools within the city to facilitate any school speed zone enforcement to be initiated by CCSO	Not Started	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Not Funded	Seek Grant Opportunity
18	Secondary Well	Drill a secondary well for city water needs	Grant Application Pending Final Approval	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Fully Funded	Grant (EPA)

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19	Sidewalks/Citywide Safety Review	Utilize manual city staff analysis to prioritize citywide sidewalk repair/replacement needs	Staff Analysis in Progress	N/A	Yes	SV3	Fully Funded	Local
20	Southern Septic to Sewer Conversion	Convert 276 Private Residences from Septic to Sewer	Grant Application Pending Final Approval	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Fully Funded	Grant (DEP)
21a	Stormwater Master Plan	Assess Stormwater System Citywide & prioritize improvement recommendations; consideration of tide valves	In Progress	N/A	Yes	Kimley Horn	Fully Funded	FEMA, Grant (DEP)
21b	Stormwater Master Plan/Existing Conveyances Prelim	First round of prioritized improvement/cleanout recommendations	Starting February 2026	N/A	Yes	Daly & Zilch	Fully Funded	Grant (DEP)
21c	Stormwater Master Plan/Hunter Springs Basin Restoration	Improve dual DRA's near House Spring and/or Weir System to prevent further damage to the Hunter Springs Basin	Pending #21a	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Partially Funded	Grant (DEP)
22	Streets/Citywide Repaving Review	Utilize road analysis software to prioritize citywide road repaving needs	Staff Evaluating Software/Vendor Options	N/A	No	Bid Required - TBD	Partially Funded	Local
23a	Train Depot	Repair Flood Damage - bring to PreStorm Condition	Construction Start Pending Permit	Applied For	Yes	Jim's Complete Construction	Fully Funded	Insurance, FEMA, Local
23b	Train Depot Conductor Station/Train Cars	Relocation of Visitor Center to Train Depot Site; plan to be prepared and presented to City Council prior to completion of work; target remains to facillitate relocation by August 2026 with temporary alternative of utilizing Train Depot main building after restoration if permanent work cannot be completed timely on train cars.	Metal Building Demolished; Parking Area layout started; cost estimates being obtained for (a) pole barn structure over train cars (b) renovation of bathrooms in rear train car (c) renovation of front train car into kiosk/office space and (d) renovation/moving of conductor station	No	No	Quotes/Bid Required - TBD on individual elements when plan is finalized	TBD	Enterprise Fund - 3SS
24a	Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade/Design	Upgrade Wastewater Treatment Plant to new regulatory requirements and expand capacity	Utilizing Woodard & Curran to write RFQ for Engineering Services	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Fully Funded	Grants (DEP (State and Federal), SRF)
24b	Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade/Construction	Upgrade Wastewater Treatment Plant to new regulatory requirements and expand capacity	Pending #24a	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Fully Funded	Grants (DEP (State and Federal), SRF)
25a	Wayfinding/Signage/Design Standards - CRA/Citywide / Design	Evaluate our Existing Signage & Design Standards on existing sites and develop cohesion between areas and elements	Project just started with JB Pro	N/A	No	JB Pro	Fully Funded	Grant (CPTA)
25b	Wayfinding/Signage/Design Standards - CRA/Citywide / Implementation	Evaluate our Existing Signage & Design Standards on existing sites and develop cohesion between areas and elements	Pending #25a	N/A	No	Quotes/Bid Required - TBD on individual elements when plan is finalized	Partially Funded	CRA, Local
26	Yeoman's Park Master Plan	Evaluate for Long Term Park/Trail Improvements to include recreation, boardwalks, conservation of wetlands, possible dog park	Not Started; UF Students using as Case Study which may provide ideas to City along with previous conceptual plan done 2019 by Community Land Design Inc.	No	No	Bid Required - TBD	Not Funded	Seek Grant Opportunity

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ATTACHMENTS:
Description
Town Hall Suggestions for Workshop 021726.docx

Location: Chamber of Commerce/ City Council Planning Workshop/915 S Suncoast Blvd
Date: February 17, 2026
Time: 1:00 pm

Town Hall Planning Ideas

Locations to Consider – Suggested at Last Meeting to Utilize Spaces which are less formal than council meetings (Public Meeting Room, Auditorium, Cafeteria, Gymnasium):

- County Library – Crystal River
- Crystal River Primary School
- Crystal River Middle School
- Crystal River High School
- Carver Center
- YMCA Building
- Chamber of Commerce (still an option)

Format and/or Topics:

- Consider using a pre-town hall survey or email topics / request in advance to narrow the focus to broad concerns at hand and allow council/staff to be prepared for questions
- Utilize City Facebook pages, website and local media to advertise event(s) and encourage participation by city residents/business owners
- Publicly noticed meeting to allow all council members to be present and participate under the Sunshine Law; audio recording only, or if streaming would be desired, Chamber could be utilized for location
- Decision on which City Senior Staff would be required to be present (to assist in answering questions), beyond City Manager/Assistant City Manager/ City Clerk
- Audio Visual Needs and Sound Needs (to be facilitated by city staff)
- Comment Cards & Sign at Entrance to Capture Names/Contact Info/Questions prior to beginning of meeting to help kick off discussions

- Method of information capture during the town hall – i.e. Easels /3M Paper Sheets to write comments/questions, major topics with a voting methodology (stickers to vote on topics and rank them) to gauge highest areas of interest; Post It Notes on Walls under broad categories with specific comments or projects requested for consideration
- Layout of the room – to encourage open conversation, informal setting, yet ensure comfort of participants
- Who does council want as Mediator for the event?

Similar Public Workshops/Town Halls held recently for reference:

https://www.chronicleonline.com/news/local/public-airs-conservation-concerns/article_ad52407e-bceb-5775-af47-44d22da2706a.html

https://www.chronicleonline.com/news/local/growth-concerns-take-center-stage/article_18f45288-69ff-5ec6-89b8-27b34c05d276.html

https://www.chronicleonline.com/news/local/sparse-crowd-at-town-hall-but-residents-voice-budget-priorities/article_962fb145-34f9-5f7b-93a1-5b6f6fefc363.html

https://www.chronicleonline.com/news/local/bays-shows-how-it-s-done-more-elected-officials-should-hold-town-hall-meetings/article_0d6eb6d0-46fe-5af4-8732-b2161f785e92.html

https://www.chronicleonline.com/news/local/town-hall-highlights-citrus-county-s-challenges-of-stretching-resources-to-keep-up-with-growth/article_d2f4a1f6-e066-5691-80f3-db7790de50d2.html