

A Workshop of the City Commission of the City of Apalachicola was held on Tuesday, August 25, 2026 at 6:00 PM at the Commission Meeting Room located at 74 6th Street, Apalachicola, FL.

Present: Mayor Brenda Ash, Commissioner Despina George, Commissioner Donna Knutson, Commissioner Donna Duncan, Commissioner Adriane Elliott, City Manager Charles Anderson, Finance Director Lee Mathes, Chief of Police Chase Richards, Staff Shelly Toluba

Mayor Ash opened workshop.

AGENDA ADOPTION

Motion to adopt agenda made by Commissioner Duncan, seconded by Commissioner Knutson.
Motion carried 5 to 0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jerry Hurley, Library Board Chair, addressed Library fees.

No further public comments.

FY 26/27 BUDGET DISCUSSION – DRAFT 3

Finance Director Lee Mathes and City Manager Charles Anderson outlined budget and fee schedule changes from Draft 2 to Draft 3.

Discussion held addressing department training/professional development line items, Public Works salary adjustment, golf cart fees, notary fees, tree permit fees for permits obtained after work started, Capital Improvement Fund projects, and policies regarding building reserve and Capital Improvement Fund.

Finance Director Mathes stated the first budget public hearing will be held on September 15th at 6PM in the Commission Meeting Room.

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Elliott, seconded by Commissioner George. Motion carried 5 to 0.

Brenda Ash, Mayor

Lee Mathes, Finance Director