

The Marion County Land Development Regulation Commission met on February 18, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in the Growth Services Main Training Room, 2710 E Silver Springs Blvd, Ocala, Florida.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman David Tillman called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Kimberly Lamb called roll, and the quorum was confirmed.

Board members present were Chairman David Tillman, Vice-Chairman Gene Losito, Richard Busche, Christopher Howson, and Erica Larson. Nate Chambers was not present during the roll call, but the Chair confirmed his attendance on the record at 5:34 p.m., immediately after roll was called.

Staff members present were Chief Assistant County Attorney Dana Olesky, Assistant County Administrator Tracy Straub, Growth Services Director Chuck Varadin, Growth Services Deputy Director Ken Weyrauch, Development Review Coordinator Elizabeth Madeloni, Parks & Recreation Director Jim Couillard, Parks & Recreation Project Coordinator Susan Heyen, and Staff Assistant IV Kimberly Lamb.

Chairman David Tillman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PROOF OF PUBLICATION

Kimberly Lamb read the Proof of Publication and advised that the meeting was properly advertised.

1. ADOPT THE FOLLOWING MINUTES

LDRC Board Member Richard Busche made a motion to adopt the minutes from the February 4, 2026, meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Member Chris Howson. The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

2. SCHEDULED ITEMS

2.1 Workshop: Discussion for Proposed Marion County Land Development Code (LDC) Amendments to Review and Update Section 1.2 Definitions

LDRC Board Members voiced their recommendations and comments regarding the current language.

The Board agreed that more discussion on the language was needed and will bring the item back to a future workshop on February 25, 2026.

2.2 Workshop: Discussion for Proposed Marion County Land Development Code (LDC) Amendments to Review and Update Article 6, Division 7 Tree Protection and Replacement

Jim Couillard, Parks & Recreation Director, opened the discussion regarding this item.

LDRC Board Members voiced their recommendations and comments regarding the current language.

The Board agreed that more discussion on the language was needed and will bring the item back to a future workshop on February 25, 2026.

2.3. Workshop: Discussion for Proposed Marion County Land Development Code (LDC) Amendments to Review and Update Section 6.8 Landscape

Due to time constraints, this item was not addressed and is postponed to a future meeting.

3. NEW BUSINESS

3.1 The Next LDRC Public Hearing/Workshop will be on March 4, 2026, at the McPherson Governmental Campus

Chief Assistant County Attorney Dana Olesky confirmed with the Board that the LDRC Workshop will be held next week on February 25, 2026. She also reminded the board of the upcoming LDRC meetings and stressed the importance of timely responses and attendance to ensure a quorum.

The Board also agreed to reschedule the LDRC Public Hearing originally set for March 4, 2026, to March 11, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT

The workshop adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Attest:

David Tillman, Chairman

Kimberly Lamb, Staff Assistant IV