



## *City of Ocala*

GROWTH MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT  
201 SE 3<sup>RD</sup> STREET, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR  
OCALA, FLORIDA 34471

May 28, 2026

Carl Zalak III, Chair  
Marion County Board of County Commissioners  
601 SE 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Ocala, Florida 34471

Honorable Chair Zalak:

In accordance with Florida Statutes 163.387, the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget documents (CRA BR 2026-100 and BR 2026-142) to appropriate funding from the East Ocala Redevelopment Area reserve for fund balance to support redevelopment grants in the amount of \$358,000.00 are attached. CRA BR 2026-100 and BR 2026-142 were approved at CRA Board and City Council on May 19, 2026. The Budget resolutions are presented by the East Ocala Community Redevelopment Area.

If you have any questions, please contact Roberto Ellis, Economic Development Manager, 201 SE 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Ocala, FL 34471, (352) 629-8381.

Sincerely,

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Director, Planning

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(Via electronic transmission only)