



# Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, change is constant and affects all cities, towns, suburbs, counties, boroughs, townships, rural areas, and other places; and

**WHEREAS**, community planning and plans can help manage this change in a way that provides better choices for how people work and live; and

**WHEREAS**, community planning provides an opportunity for all residents to be meaningfully involved in making choices that determine the future of their community; and

**WHEREAS**, the full benefits of planning requires public officials and citizens who understand, support, and demand excellence in planning and plan implementation; and

**WHEREAS**, the month of October is designated as National Community Planning Month throughout the United States of America and its territories, and

**WHEREAS**, American Planning Association endorses National Community Planning Month as an opportunity to highlight how planning is essential to recovery and how planners can lead communities to equitable, resilient and long-lasting recovery; and

**WHEREAS**, the celebration of National Community Planning Month gives us the opportunity to publicly recognize the participation and dedication of the members of planning commissions and other citizen planners who have contributed their time and expertise to the improvement of the City of Ocala; and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize the many valuable contributions made by professional community and regional planners of the City of Ocala and extend our heartfelt thanks for the continued commitment to public service by these professionals.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kent Guinn**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Ocala, Florida, do hereby proclaim October 2022, as

## COMMUNITY PLANNING MONTH

in the City of Ocala in conjunction with the celebration of National Community Planning Month.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Ocala, Florida, to be affixed this 18<sup>th</sup> day of October 2022.



Kent Guinn, Mayor  
City of Ocala