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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 7, 2021

1:30 PM

City Hall - City Commission Chambers
100 North Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

City Commission Conference Meeting

FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION

DEAN J. TRANTALIS Mayor

HEATHER MORAITIS Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District I

STEVEN GLASSMAN Commissioner - District II

ROBERT L. McKINZIE Commissioner - District III

BEN SORENSEN Commissioner - District IV

CHRIS LAGERBLOOM, City Manager

JOHN HERBST, City Auditor

JEFFREY A. MODARELLI, City Clerk

ALAIN E. BOILEAU, City Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trantalis called the meeting to order at 1:36 p.m.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Trantalis announced details regarding the meeting format, including how members of the public can view and participate.

QUORUM ESTABLISHED

Commission Members Present: Vice Mayor Heather Moraitis, Commissioner Steven Glassman, Commissioner Robert L. McKinzie, Commissioner Ben Sorensen and Mayor Dean J. Trantalis

Also Present: City Manager Chris Lagerbloom, City Clerk Jeffrey A. Modarelli, City Attorney Alain E. Boileau and City Auditor John Herbst

COMMUNICATIONS TO THE CITY COMMISSION

[21-1144](#)

Communications to the City Commission - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

***The Education Advisory Board (EAB)
November 18, 2021***

Communication to Commission:

The Education Advisory Board encourages the City Commission to express support to the School Board of Broward County to ensure the leases with Bezos Academy at the four identified schools are completed by January 31, 2022, to include North Fork Elementary School, Thurgood Marshall Elementary School, Bennett Elementary School, and Seagull Alternative High School.

Ask the School Board to prepare to expedite building permits and other infrastructure needs to support an opening by Fall 2022.

The Education Advisory Board acknowledges this is an expedited request and thanked the Commissioners for their commitment to meeting the needs for Early Childhood Education in Fort Lauderdale.

Motion made by Ms. Perloff, seconded by Mr. Relyea to approve the Communication to the Commission. Motion passed unanimously. (15-0)

Dr. Allen Zeman, Education Advisory Board Chairman, explained the Education Advisory Board (EAB) communication urging the Broward County School Board (School Board) to move quickly to approve the Bezos Academy Program (Program). He explained the significance of this investment by the Bezos Foundation and related details, including the outfitting of learning center classrooms and facilities offering exciting all-day, twelve months per year free Montessori-based education for three (3) and four (4) year old children, impacting hundreds of people.

Mr. Zeman acknowledged the presence of Bezos Foundation representative Sheila Shedd. Mr. Zeman emphasized the importance of the School Board addressing this opportunity by January 31, 2022, to accommodate space rehabilitation. The Bezos Foundation will receive a ten (10) year lease and offer this Program for 10 years with hope it continues to grow beyond the four (4) identified schools.

In response to Vice Mayor Moraitis' questions regarding anticipation of concerns or the need to continue to look at private facilities, Dr. Zeman explained Program efforts address the nearest target opportunity to quickly move forward. He discussed the opportunity for the Program to expand to other areas and explained details regarding the opportunity for area day-care centers to learn from the Program.

In response to Vice Mayor Moraitis' question regarding School Board approval, Dr. Zeman noted the need for a speedy approval. The planned space for the Program is under-utilized. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Glassman echoed Mayor Trantalis and Vice Mayor Moraitis' remarks. He commented on this tremendous opportunity and his perspective.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Sheila Shedd, 8215 SW 72 Avenue, Sheila Shedd, Bezos Academy Regional Partnership Development Leader, acknowledged and thanked the EAB for its support. Ms. Shedd explained details related to the Program vision for every child to have quality education and future plans to expand throughout Broward County with a focus on the City. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Zoie Saunders, Chief Education Officer, said this is the beginning of a

long-standing partnership and an immediate opportunity for these four (4) schools anticipated to open in October 2022. The next step is for the Commission to draft a letter of support to the Broward County School Board. She commented on the need for community outreach to make the public aware of this opportunity. Ms. Saunders discussed the workforce development impact of this Program. The Bezos Academy is committed to hiring locally and year-round programming allows families to pursue jobs.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, Mayor Trantalis confirmed a letter of support is being prepared by his office.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

BUS-1 [21-1167](#)

Leaf Blower Update - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner McKinzie provided an overview of this item and the Leaf Blower Working Group Member's background. He confirmed forthcoming input from Kyle Bolger, a private landscaper; Mike Weymouth, Las Olas Company President and Las Olas Boulevard business owner.

Porshia Williams, Department of Sustainable Development Assistant Director and Code Compliance Manager, narrated a slide presentation addressing noise complaints Code Enforcement had received regarding leaf blower activity.

A copy is part of the backup to this Agenda item.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions regarding leaf blower noise complaints, Ms. Williams said it is rare for Code Enforcement to receive complaints and explained the process for enforcement. When noise complaints are received, Code Officers must respond in real-time to witness violations. The landscape company is no longer present when Code Enforcement arrives in many instances.

Mayor Trantalis expounded on his viewpoint regarding the enforcement process due to the need for an immediate response. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis commented about receiving more complaints than those listed in the presentation, acknowledged limits of Code and questioned whether Code is best suited to respond.

Commissioner McKinzie discussed Working Group research findings on previously made recommendations.

Commissioner McKinzie commented on reduced Code Enforcement Staff available to address leaf blower noise complaints due to reassignment to nighttime Noise Ordinance complaints. Research indicated daytime noise complaints related to barking dogs, pool pumps and garbage trucks, and leaf blowers ranked last. Commissioner McKinzie expounded on details of his research efforts.

Phil Thornburg, Parks and Recreation Department Director, explained other than a higher pitch, there is little discernable difference in electric versus gas-powered leaf blowers. Electric leaf blowers are two to three times more expensive than gas-powered leaf blowers, and electric leaf blowers have limitations in wet conditions.

Commissioner McKinzie noted a landscaping company mentioned by Vice Mayor Moraitis at a prior Conference Meeting is a power center under new ownership servicing and selling landscaping equipment.

Michael Weymouth, Las Olas Company President, addressed leaf blowers from the perspective of private businesses. Mr. Weymouth recommended this topic be addressed from the viewpoint of hours of operation, which could be adjusted and enforced. He noted enforcement is cost-prohibitive and recommended a public awareness campaign. Mr. Weymouth pointed out this topic relates to additional landscape equipment, i.e., lawnmowers and edgers, and includes noise and pollution from commercial and residential landscaping.

Commissioner McKinzie reviewed photographs related to non-leaf blower debris in storm drains in various areas of the City. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Kyle Bolger, a commercial landscape business owner, provided his perspective regarding commercial landscaping. A ban on leaf blowers would be detrimental to his landscaping business, and mandating electric leaf blowers would be cost-prohibitive. Mr. Bolger discussed details associated with Las Olas Boulevard storm drain debris from tree canopies and items tossed by members of the public and visible at 7:00 a.m. He recommended enforcement of the existing Noise Ordinance and modifying leaf blower operations times suitable for particular neighborhoods.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Bolger explained he had not used any other equipment for landscape debris collection other than leaf blowers during his time in the landscaping business. Further comment

and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis expounded on environmental waterway concerns due to runoff from landscaping and noted Miami Beach recently implemented a ban on leaf blowers.

In response to Vice Mayor Moraitis' question, Commissioner McKinzie explained that Mr. O'Laughlin opposes battery-operated leaf blowers. Mr. O'Laughlin agreed to reduce leaf blower hours for residential landscaping operations from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.

Vice Mayor Moraitis said she did not support banning leaf blowers. The main complaint from District 1 constituents is hours of operations, i.e., starting at 7:00 a.m. Further comment and discussion ensued regarding leaf blower hours of operation in residential and commercial areas.

Vice Mayor Moraitis recommended an 8:00 a.m. start time for leaf blower use in residential neighborhoods. Further comment and discussion ensued on modifying hours of leaf blower operations.

Mr. Weymouth discussed details of stormwater drain infrastructure requiring regular cleaning. He noted the need for commercial area landscaping efforts to begin by 7:00 a.m. along Las Olas Boulevard due to hours of operation for businesses. Vice Mayor Moraitis concurred and discussed the need to clean stormwater drains and catch basins of all debris regularly. She concurred with Mayor Trantalis' concerns regarding stormwater runoff polluting waterways. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner McKinzie noted the natural attrition of seasons, causing leaves and palm fronds to fall into the waterways.

Mayor Trantalis commented on correspondence from a Flagler Village resident regarding leaf blower usage and noise.

Mayor Trantalis confirmed his witnessing leaf blower debris blown into storm drains along with other debris. He discussed other examples.

Mayor Trantalis expounded on his perspective and emphasized recognizing and addressing environmental concerns and cited examples. He commented on scientific studies by the City of Miami Beach that gas leaf blowers were noisier than electric leaf blowers. Further comment ensued, and Mayor Trantalis reiterated his view that this needs to be addressed.

Mr. Weymouth discussed the need for a public awareness campaign for all commercial landscape maintenance companies and property owners. Further comment and discussion ensued on the need to protect waterways.

Vice Mayor Moraitis reiterated her support of Mayor Trantalis' concerns regarding protecting waterways and the environment without banning leaf blowers. Further comment and discussion ensued regarding other types of enforcement moving forward.

Commissioner Glassman concurred with Mayor Trantalis' comments regarding environmental concerns and the need to protect waterways. He noted banning leaf blowers was not the way to go.

Vice Mayor Moraitis recommended an education campaign and noted existing Ordinances address debris blown into waterways and fertilizer draining into waterways.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Commission Members confirmed a consensus to modify hours of operation for residential leaf blowers from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. weekdays. Weekends would remain at 8:00 a.m.

Ms. Williams explained Code Ordinance Section 17-8 encompasses all yard maintenance tools. Further comment and discussion ensued on including all types of noise complaints.

Mayor Trantalis confirmed a consensus to direct City Attorney Boileau to bring forward an amended Ordinance modifying hours of operation for all mechanized lawn maintenance equipment from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. weekdays in residential neighborhoods. Further comment and discussion ensued on utilization of Code Enforcement discussed earlier by Commissioner McKinzie.

In response to Commissioner McKinzie's question, Mayor Trantalis said that having the Ordinance in place and beginning an education campaign would be a start to addressing noise concerns.

CONFERENCE REPORTS

CF-1 [21-1174](#)

Carr, Riggs & Ingram (CRI) Forensic Examination Report - Rio Vista Restoration Project - (Commission District 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Ben Kincaid, CPA, CFE, CFF, CVA, Carr,

Riggs & Ingram (CRI).

In response to Commissioner McKinzie's inquiry, City Attorney Boileau provided his legal perspective and noted details associated with this topic. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mr. Kincaid narrated the slide presentation entitled City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Rio Vista Restoration Project (Project) Summary of Forensic Examination Report (Report) and explained it is a high-level summary. Mr. Kincaid noted the availability of Rob Broline, CPA, CCA, and CRI Partner, to answer Commission questions.

A copy is part of the backup to this Agenda item.

Mr. Kincaid reviewed the Report and its Executive Summary issued by CRI on November 29, 2021.

A copy of each is part of the backup to this Agenda item.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Kincaid explained the stormwater contract included a two (2) year contract with two (2) one (1) year renewals. There was originally a \$4,500,000 contract value assigned to the original approval for the contract's initial two (2) year term. Staff interpreted that procurement policies and procedures allowed when the renewal came up, the two (2) one (1) year renewals, the \$4,500,000 million originally approved could then also be re-approved in the administrative renewals.

Based on CRI's review, it was unclear whether the \$4,500,000 in additional funding that increased the contract from \$4,500,000 to \$9,000,000 over its entire life was authorized or approved by the Commission. It is recommended that the City provide further clarification on policies and procedures as to whether that is allowed and to ensure proper approvals.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Mark Snead, 1736 NE 9th Street, Rio Vista Civic Association Vice President and Treasurer. Mr. Snead noted the extreme nature of the sewage break and spoke in support of Commissioner Sorensen for assisting with remediation efforts. He clarified that the Association's involvement with the playground only reviewed the plan presented.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Janet Scaper, 401 SW 4th Avenue. Ms. Scaper discussed her work with Commissioner Sorensen over the past

five (5) years and commented on her perspective that Commissioner Sorensen did not direct Staff or vendor actions.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Paul Chettle, 200 S. Birch Road. Mr. Chettle commented on his perspective regarding the management of the Project, other projects contained in a Consent Order and Staff hires.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jeff Darlington, 916 Ponce De Leon Drive. Mr. Darlington commented on the difficult task faced by Commissioner Sorensen throughout the sewage spill remediation process and cited examples of neighborhood hardships.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Charles King, 105 N. Victoria Park Road. Mr. King commented on his perspective regarding details associated with this Agenda item and how the Commission should handle.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Marilyn Mammano, 1819 SE 17th Street. Ms. Mammano commented on her perspective regarding this Agenda item, the complicated nature of the Project and her appreciation of Commission Sorensen's work on behalf of constituents.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jeff Burns, 804 N. Rio Vista Boulevard. Mr. Burns spoke in support of Commissioner Sorensen and cited examples of his commitment to the Project and the community.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Roman Currier, 1555 Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard, on behalf of Hinterland. Mr. Currier discussed his viewpoint regarding Project approvals, details related to expediting the Project and outstanding funds owed. Further comment and discussion ensued.

City Attorney Boileau explained the City's position on this subject. He requested the Commission not to comment or ask questions.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, City Attorney Boileau clarified details associated with public comments related to Commission approvals of the Project. Further comment ensued.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Anthony Fasano, 1016 S. Rio Vista Boulevard. Mr. Fasano spoke in support of Commissioner Sorensen's character and his efforts towards addressing the Project.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Dr. Ely Brand, 908 Ponce De Leon Drive. Dr. Brand spoke in support of Commissioner Sorensen. He described circumstances related to the sewage spill and remediation efforts.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jacquelyn Scott, 1626 SE 1st Street. Ms. Scott spoke in support of Commissioner Sorensen and expounded on her positive view of the current Commission.

Mayor Trantalis discussed his understanding of this Agenda item and the related monetary claim against the City. He requested input from each Commission Member.

Vice Mayor Moraitis commented on the emergency nature and difficulty involved with the Rio Vista Neighborhood sewage spill. She remarked on her viewpoint that Commissioner Sorensen's efforts related to the Project were made with the correct intentions. Vice Mayor Moraitis recommended addressing the five (5) recommendations in the Report and developing Best Practices for City processes and procedures.

Commissioner Glassman echoed Vice Mayor Moraitis' comments. He commented on his viewpoint and said a forensic audit should include all details. The Report was incomplete because key individuals involved were not interviewed. Commissioner Glassman discussed the need to address critical findings and implement proper controls to ensure this does not happen again. He discussed addressing items raised by CRI and recommended the Charter Review Board (CRB) review and consider language changes to Charter Sections 3.07, 3.08 and 6.06.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Commissioner Glassman explained language in these three Sections of the Charter is very strong and questioned if it was or should have an application to items listed in the Report. Commissioner Glassman reiterated his recommendation that the CRB review these Sections of the Charter along with other things that have surfaced over the past few years. He commented this is a learning experience to ensure this did not happen again and expounded on his understanding and perspective regarding the Report.

In response to Commissioner McKinzie's question regarding CRB Meetings, Mayor Trantalis explained the CRB meets at the request of the Commission as needed. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis expounded on his viewpoint regarding the proactive nature of the Commission and community expectations. He discussed his perspective regarding the Project and Commissioner Sorensen's desire to do the right thing. Litigation would address questions involving the contractor's right to rely on representations made by a Commission Member regarding the authority to proceed with work not approved by

the Commission. He confirmed procedures must be adhered to and remarked that Commissioner Sorenson did not seek any personal financial gain, and all his efforts were for the benefit of the community.

Mayor Trantalis discussed his opposition to censure and disagreed with CRI regarding remedies, stating they are not appropriate to this situation. He commented on the boundaries of the Mayor and District Commissioners and discussed the City's form of government.

Commissioner Sorensen confirmed his thorough review of the Report and understood the impact of his comments. His efforts were genuine towards helping those in need during the sewage break and the pandemic. Commissioner Sorensen said he would take the Report's findings and better understand the impact of his word

Mayor Trantalis said there isn't any further direction at this point that the Commission is interested in taking. City Attorney Boileau will be working on this item and working to resolve. City Attorney Boileau confirmed there would be a focus on internal training procedures and processes.

City Auditor Herbst remarked on the impact Commission Members' statements have on City employees and requested they realize their messages have consequences that filter down to Staff. Further comment ensued.

CF-2 [21-1100](#)

Quarterly Investment Report for Period Ending September 30, 2021 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Susan Grant, Finance Department Director. Ms. Grant provided the Quarterly Investment Report for the Period Ending September 30, 2021.

Ms. Grant said the City's quarterly investment portfolio, for both the quarter and the fiscal year to date, exceeded benchmarks.

Ms. Grant discussed pension funds. Both the General Employee Retirement System (GERS) pension plan and the Police and Fire Pension Plan exceeded their actuarial assumptions, resulting in lower City contributions in upcoming years.

Richard Pengelly, CFA, CIMA, CTP, Director of PFM Asset Management LLC, provided a market update and commented on anticipated financial headwinds on the horizon, i.e., reactions to the COVID variant and anticipation of the Federal Reserve raising interest rates, that could be a challenge to equity markets and the City's longer

portfolios. The cash portfolio would benefit from higher interest rates.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding reducing the City's equity position and increasing its cash position, Mr. Pengelly explained there is no active equity-related strategy associated with the two funds managed in-house. The cash portfolio does not allow equity. The OPEB portfolio has a passive 60/40 strategy, and when cash is available, it is invested and rebalanced. Further comment and discussion ensued.

CITY COMMISSION REPORTS

Members of the Commission announced recent and upcoming events and matters of interest.

Vice Mayor Moraitis discussed the upcoming Galt Ocean Mile plaque dedication for Pio Ieraci in recognition of Mr. Ieraci's community service. She invited Commission Members to attend and commented on additional holiday celebrations.

Commissioner McKinzie discussed concerns and cited examples regarding private home improvement vendor flyers placed on properties in District 3. He voiced concern about this type of marketing preying on vulnerable elderly residents. Commissioner McKinzie cited concerns regarding these types of program solicitations harming senior citizens due to interest costs and noted similar concerns related to other City promoted improvement programs. Further comment ensued.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, City Attorney Boileau explained addressing this type of consumer-driven issue falls under the responsibility of the Florida Attorney General and could be forwarded to their office for review.

City Attorney Boileau noted the ability to institute an educational campaign to address resident concerns and commented on difficulties related to First Amendment rights. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner McKinzie reiterated concerns related to endorsing similar Ygrene and PACE home improvement programs.

City Manager Lagerbloom commented on his understanding of Ygrene and PACE programs. Further comment and discussion ensued. Staff advised the City has agreements with four (4) of these types of companies. Should the Commission direct these agreements be dissolved, Staff will determine what is necessary.

Commissioner McKinzie commented on the Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights (NWPFH) Redevelopment Board Chairperson's outreach to Commission Members regarding ways to improve CRA project operations. He cited a recent example associated with the deferment of a CRA project located at NW 9th Avenue and Sistrunk Boulevard and explained the Commission had not been aware of process delays associated with CRA projects.

Commissioner McKinzie confirmed meeting with residents to address concerns in addition to reaching a compromise with the applicant for the CRA project located at NW 9th Avenue and Sistrunk Boulevard.

Mayor Trantalis commented on a meeting with the NWPFH Redevelopment Board Chair and concerns regarding NWPFH projects not moving forward in a timely manner. Further comment and discussion ensued. Mayor Trantalis discussed a conversation with City Manager Lagerbloom to appoint a Staff person to act as an ombudsman to address NWPFH Redevelopment Board projects moving forward. Commissioner McKinzie commented on the need to ensure a smooth transition between the applicant and the Building Department. He commented on the three-year funding timeline, or an applicant would lose funding. Commissioner McKinzie expounded on his perspective.

Commissioner McKinzie recommended a Commission Joint Workshop with the NWPFH Redevelopment Board. Mayor Trantalis concurred and noted the sunset of the NWPFH Redevelopment Board in four (4) years. Further comment ensued regarding related efforts.

Commissioner McKinzie commented on the upcoming Martin Luther King Day Parade (MLK Parade) and details related to the procurement process. Further comment and discussion ensued on Commissioner McKinzie's efforts and involvement and the current status and related details. Commissioner McKinzie requested he is involved in all written communications.

Tarlesha Smith, Assistant City Manager - Human Resources Director, clarified background details. The format of the initial proposal forwarded to the City Attorney's Office was not acceptable. Representatives of Bethune-Cookman University provided an updated proposal, and an invoice received today would be forwarded to the City Attorney's Office. Further comment and discussion ensued on the need for improved communication.

Commissioner Glassman commented on the successful, well-attended holiday events throughout the City.

Commissioner Glassman noted several Broward County Solid Waste Working Group (BCSWWG) meetings concentrating on an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) and the governing structure. When finalized, he will update the Commission.

Commissioner Glassman remarked on the Proclamation recognizing works of local sculptor artist Nilda Comas. He expounded on details related to the artistic accomplishments of Nilda Comas.

Commissioner Glassman discussed the need to address traffic flow for large beach area events. He suggested updating the Outside Event Application to include how traffic flow would be managed in terms of vehicle flow and pedestrian safety.

Commissioner Glassman noted public consternation regarding affordability of the \$30 flat rate for beach event parking at Las Olas Garage and beach parking lots. He commented on revisiting the cost of parking for those wishing to park for a few hours.

Commissioner Glassman commented on the importance of remembering those who perished on Pearl Harbor Day - December 7, 1941 and those who served as a result.

Commissioner Sorensen remarked on the December 5, 1945, anniversary of Flight 19, in which five (5) Avenger aircraft took off from Naval Air Station Fort Lauderdale for a training mission and disappeared.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's request, Ben Rogers, Transportation and Mobility (TAM) Department Director, provided an update regarding street signage. Installation of Rubin Stacy Memorial Boulevard updated signage along a portion of Davie Boulevard began earlier this month and is scheduled for completion in the next two (2) to three (3) weeks. The Strategic Communications Division will be coordinating a related special event in February 2022.

Commissioner McKinzie commented on his perspective and the City remaining focused on its goal to recognize events involving Rubin Stacy. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's question, Mr. Rogers

explained details of the secondary street naming of SW 20th Street as Denison Way from SW 9th Avenue to the dead end. Staff is working with the Denison family for historical information to include in the Commission Agenda Memo planned for February or March 2022, followed by signage fabrication.

Mayor Trantalis discussed attending the New River Rail Crossing Open House sponsored by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) that included the FDOT's latest update regarding its Tunnel Bridge proposal. He expounded on design details included in the presentation. The price for the tunnel was lowered, and progress continues towards decreasing the cost.

Commissioner Sorensen confirmed his support of a tunnel under the New River and offered his assistance. Mayor Trantalis discussed aspects of related meetings and negotiations.

Commissioner McKinzie discussed details of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department and the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) efforts for its 2,000-holiday turkey giveaways. Mayor Trantalis commended their work and acknowledged the huge effort involved.

Mayor Trantalis remarked on his participation in the Fort Lauderdale Police Department Promotional Ceremony in which a number of Police Staff and Administrative Staff were recognized for their promotions.

Mayor Trantalis commented on activities associated with the upcoming Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade on December 11, 2021.

Mayor Trantalis remarked on the rebuilding of the Cordova Road seawall and the outstanding work of Staff.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, City Manager Lagerbloom said the property appraisal for Bahia Mar is anticipated in mid to late January 2022. Further comment and discussion ensued regarding a Bahia Mar Agenda item scheduled for the December 21, 2021 Commission Conference Meeting.

Commissioner Glassman commented on the need to keep moving forward. Commission review of Bahia Mar documents at the December 21, 2021 Commission Conference Meeting relates to the revenue sharing model. City Attorney Boileau explained the documents currently being drafted. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Glassman noted the amount of work to accomplish and the benefits of reviewing documents incrementally.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

City Manager Lagerbloom discussed rescheduling the Commission Joint Workshop with Citizens' Police Review Board and scheduling a Commission Joint Workshop with the Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights (NWPFH) Redevelopment Board. Further comment and discussion ensued on Commission Member availability.

The Joint Workshop with the NWPFH Redevelopment Board would be scheduled on January 18, 2022 and the Joint Workshop with Citizens' Police Review Board would be rescheduled to February 2022.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trantalis adjourned the meeting at 4:51 p.m.