

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
CITY COMMISSION
FORT LAUDERDALE
September 13, 2012**

Meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Vice Mayor Rodstrom on the above date, in City Hall, 100 North Andrews Avenue, 1st floor Chambers.

Roll call showed:

Present: Vice Mayor Charlotte E. Rodstrom
Commissioner Bruce G. Roberts
Commissioner Bobby B. DuBose
Commissioner Romney Rogers

Absent: Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler (excused - Section 3.08, City Charter)

Also Present: City Manager Lee R. Feldman
City Auditor John Herbst
City Clerk Jonda K. Joseph
City Attorney Harry A. Stewart

Invocation was offered by Commissioner Rogers, followed by the recitation of the pledge led by Vice Mayor Rodstrom.

Vice Mayor Rodstrom called the meeting to order and noted its purpose.

The City Manager indicated that this program provides funding for the City's fire-rescue services and facilities. The assessment rate will remain the same, \$135 for residential, and generate \$20,885,361.

Vice Mayor Rodstrom opened the floor for public comment.

Charles King, 105 North Victoria Park Road, did not want the City to consider raising the fire assessment fee or millage rate. He did not believe the City has curbed spending as reserve funds have been utilized for the last five years. If necessary, he suggested the hotel bed tax or sales tax be raised to balance the budget, rather than increases that impact property owners.

There being no other individuals wishing to speak on this matter, a **motion** was made by Commissioner DuBose and seconded by Commissioner Roberts to close the public hearing. Roll call showed: YEAS: Commissioner Rogers, Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Rodstrom, and Commissioner DuBose. NAYS: None.

Vice Mayor Rodstrom announced that the proposed fire-rescue special assessment rate will be \$135 annually for each residential property and the proposed fire-rescue special assessment rate for non-residential properties shall be as shown on the detailed rate schedule provided in the resolution approving the fire-rescue special assessment.

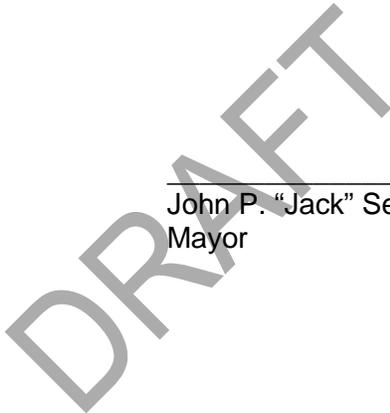
Commissioner DuBose introduced the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 12-169

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF FIRE RESCUE SERVICES, FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS IN THE CITY; ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF ASSESSMENT; IMPOSING FIRE RESCUE ASSESSMENTS AGAINST ASSESSED PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA; APPROVING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Which resolution was read by title only. Roll call showed: YEAS: Commissioner Rogers, Commissioner DuBose, and Vice Mayor Rodstrom. NAYS: Commissioner Roberts.

There being no other matters to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 6:09 p.m.



John P. "Jack" Seiler
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jonda K. Joseph
City Clerk