

# City of Fort Lauderdale



## Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 16, 2021

6:00 PM

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

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## City Commission Regular Meeting

*FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION*

*DEAN J. TRANTALIS Mayor*

*STEVEN GLASSMAN Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District II*

*HEATHER MORAITIS Commissioner - District I*

*ROBERT L. McKINZIE Commissioner - District III*

*BEN SORENSEN Commissioner - District*

*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 6:13 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Dean J. Trantalis

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 5 - Commissioner Heather Moraitis, Vice Mayor Steven Glassman (participated telephonically), Commissioner Robert L. McKinzie (participated telephonically), Commissioner Ben Sorensen (participated telephonically) and Mayor Dean J. Trantalis

**QUORUM ESTABLISHED**

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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**AGENDA ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None.

**Approval of MINUTES and Agenda**[21-0314](#)

Minutes for February 16, 2021 Commission Regular Meeting and March 2, 2021 Commission Joint Workshop with Budget Advisory Board - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner McKinzie made a motion to approve the February 16, 2021 Commission Regular Meeting Minutes and was seconded by Vice Mayor Glassman.

**APPROVED Minutes for February 16, 2021 Regular Meeting**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

Vice Mayor Glassman requested an update to the March 2, 2021 Commission Joint Workshop with the Budget Advisory Board Meeting Minutes regarding contributions to non-profit organizations. City Clerk

Jeffrey Modarelli confirmed.

Commissioner McKinzie made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes for the March 2, 2021 Commission Joint Workshop with the Budget Advisory Board as amended and was seconded by Commissioner Sorensen.

**APPROVED as Amended - Minutes for the Joint Workshop with BAB**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

Commissioner McKinzie made a motion to approve the March 16, 2021 Commission Regular Meeting Agenda and was seconded by Vice Mayor Glassman.

**APPROVED Agenda**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

## PRESENTATIONS

**PRES-** [21-0277](#)

1

Mayor Trantalis will present a Proclamation thanking David K.C. Chien for his service as Director General for the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Miami

Mayor Trantalis presented a Proclamation thanking David K.C. Chien for his service as Director General for the Taipei, Taiwan, Economic and Cultural Office in Miami. Director General Chien expounded on his work with the City and thanked Mayor Trantalis and the Commission for this recognition. Mayor Trantalis thanked Director General Chien for the face masks sent to the City on behalf of Taiwan to address COVID.

**PRESENTED**

**PRES-** [21-0335](#)

2

Mayor Trantalis will present a Proclamation declaring March 25, 2021 as Greek Independence Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Mayor Trantalis presented a Proclamation declaring *March 25, 2021 as Greek Independence Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. The American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association (AHEPA) Supreme Governor Demetrios Kirkiles and AHEPA District 2 Governor James Sirks accepted the Proclamation, thanking Mayor Trantalis and Commission Members. Additional members of the AHEPA spoke about the opportunity to share Hellenic History.

**PRESENTED**

**PRES-** [21-0295](#)  
**3**

Commissioner Sorensen will present a Proclamation declaring March 2021 as Fort Lauderdale Rotary Club Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Sorensen presented a Proclamation declaring *March 2021 as Fort Lauderdale Rotary Club Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Rotary Club President Perry Monioudis accepted the Proclamation, acknowledging the efforts of thousands of Rotary Club members worldwide during the past 100 years. Mr. Monioudis thanked Mayor Trantalis and the Commission for this recognition.

**PRESENTED**

**PRES-** [21-0337](#)  
**4**

Commissioner Sorensen will present a Proclamation declaring March 21-27, 2021 as National Surveyor's Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Sorensen presented a Proclamation declaring *March 21-27, 2021 as National Surveyor's Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Dodie Keith-Lazowick of Keith & Associates accepted the Proclamation, thanking Mayor Trantalis and the Commission for this recognition.

**PRESENTED**

**PRES-** [21-0336](#)  
**5**

Commissioner Moraitis will present a Proclamation declaring March 21, 2021 as Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church Day and Westminster Academy Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Vice Mayor Glassman requested a moment of personal privilege to express his views regarding former Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church (Church) Pastor Reverend D. James Kennedy. He noted the Proclamation does not mention past or present negative Church actions or apologies to the LGBTQ community, expounding on his viewpoint. Vice Mayor Glassman said the City of Fort Lauderdale is diverse and welcoming and discussed the importance of bringing these concerns forward.

Vice Mayor Glassman offered congratulations to the Church and Westminster Academy for its positive achievements.

Mayor Trantalis acknowledged Vice Mayor Glassman's comments and discussed his efforts advocating for the LGBT community to ensure equal rights for everyone. Mayor Trantalis noted times had changed and commented on his work towards bringing leaders of the faith community together, i.e., meetings with diverse members of the faith community to



exchange ideas and come together. This is the time to release resentment and move forward as a community.

Vice Mayor Glassman said the Proclamation was devoid of historical facts, apologies or reconciliation efforts discussed by Mayor Trantalis. He remarked on the strong feedback received from the LGBTQ community who were unaware of outreach, discussion and reconciliation efforts not included in the Proclamation.

Vice Mayor Glassman commented on questions and concerns from the community regarding Westminster Academy policy related to LGBTQ students attending Westminster Academy. Mayor Trantalis said this is a teaching moment and an opportunity for the public to be aware, evolve and begin building bridges.

Commissioner Moraitis confirmed that she recommended recognition of the Church and Westminster Academy for their community work. She commented her work experience at Westminster Academy and her family as members of the Church. Commissioner Moraitis explained her perspective and positive life experience regarding the gay community.

Commissioner Moraitis requested Rob Pacienza, Lead Pastor of Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church, and Joel Satterly, Headmaster of Westminster Academy, and Church Elder George Moraitis join her at the podium.

Commissioner Moraitis read a Proclamation declaring *March 21, 2021 as Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church Day and Westminster Academy Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety.

The Proclamation was accepted by Rob Pacienza, Lead Pastor of Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church. Reverend Pacienza acknowledged Mayor Trantalis and Vice Mayor Glassman's comments and confirmed efforts towards building bridges and making the City the best it can be serving residents. He thanked Mayor Trantalis and Commission Members for this recognition. Headmaster of Westminster Academy Joel Satterly commented on the fifty (50) year history of the Westminster Academy, its impact on the community and looking towards the future.

**PRESENTED**

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Trantalis announced the following Consent Agenda items had

been pulled by Commission Members for separate discussion:

CM-1 - Vice Mayor Glassman noted the need for a correction to the title of this Agenda item, referencing District

CR-1 - Commissioner McKinzie requested this item be removed from the Agenda for additional discussion with City Manager Lagerbloom. City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed.

CP-3

## CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Trantalis explained the procedure for members of the public wishing to speak on Consent Agenda items.

## CONSENT MOTION

### Approval of the Consent Agenda

Vice Mayor Glassman made a motion to approve this item and was seconded by Commissioner Sorensen.

#### Approve the Consent Agenda

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

### CM-1 [21-0229](#)

Motion Approving an Event Agreement and Related Road Closures for Flower Brunch - (Commission District 2)

Vice Mayor Glassman noted the need for a correction to this Agenda item's title. It should read District 4, not District 2. City Manager Lagerbloom concurred.

Vice Mayor Glassman made a motion to approve this item and was seconded by Commissioner McKinzie.

#### APPROVED

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

### CM-2 [21-0183](#)

Motion Approving the Donation of 2002 Ford E350 Econoline Passenger Van - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**CM-3** [21-0018](#)

Motion Authorizing Execution of a Revocable License with Flagler Sixth LLC for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on NE 5th Avenue, NE 7th Street, and NE 5th Terrace, in Association with Flagler Sixth Development Located at 627 North Federal Highway - (Commission District 2)

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**CONSENT RESOLUTION****CR-1** [21-0253](#)

Resolution Disposing of City-Owned Surplus Property Located at 724 NW 15th Way, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33311 - (Commission District 3)

In response to Commissioner McKinzie's comments, stating he had additional information to discuss with City Manager Lagerbloom regarding this item, it was removed from the Agenda.

**REMOVED FROM AGENDA**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**CR-2** [21-0267](#)

Resolution Approving a Map Designating Eight (8) Private Family Estates Areas at Evergreen Cemetery - (Commission District 4)

**ADOPTED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**CR-3** [21-0211](#)

Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation to Participate in their Non-Motorized Traffic Monitoring Program - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**ADOPTED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**CONSENT PURCHASE****CP-1** [21-0238](#)

Motion Approving Agreement for Prospect Road Wellfield Diesel

Tank Replacement - RC Development Group, Inc. - \$383,001-  
(Commission District 1)

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor  
Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**CP-2**    [21-0269](#)

Motion Approving Increase in Funds to Contracts for Turf Grass  
Maintenance, SE, SW, NW Quadrants and Fire Stations - C&M  
Landscaping, Inc. and VisualScape, Inc. - \$98,276 - (Commission  
Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor  
Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**CP-3**    [21-0307](#)

Motion Approving the Termination of Agreement for the Downtown  
Mobility Hub Streetscape Improvements Project - Continental  
Construction USA, LLC. - (Commission District 4)

In response to City Manager Lagerbloom's request, Mayor Trantalis  
confirmed Staff could present to the Commission prior to the contractor.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jodi Hart, Chief Procurement Officer and  
Contract Manager. Ms. Hart provided background information and  
explained Staff efforts to work with the contractor to resolve outstanding  
items related to the Downtown Mobility Hub Streetscape Improvements  
Project (Project) and termination for convenience. The Project is funded  
with a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) grant and has an April  
23, 2021 deadline. She explained details related to the Project timeline  
for completion. The contract began in 2019 and exceeded the allotted  
316-day time period. Work has gone on for 472 days.

Ms. Hart provided a recap of Project construction items raised by the  
third-party Project inspector throughout the term of the contract, citing  
specific examples, i.e., twenty-three (23) Change Orders, one (1) Notice  
to Cure, five (5) Notices of Concern, two (2) Letters of Non-Conformance  
and four (4) Stop Work Orders. Ms. Hart said fourteen days were added  
to the initial contract timeline and noted additional concessions and  
details.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions, Ben Rogers, Transportation  
and Mobility (TAM) Department Director, said this MPO funded Project is  
for the Transportation and Mobility Hub located near City Hall. The  
Project scope of work was to develop and reimagine this area to connect  
numerous types of multi-modal transit at single location and numerous



safety concerns, including pedestrian safety.

Mayor Trantalis acknowledged individuals present who represent the contractor, Continental Construction USA (Continental), Jose Gomez, Daniel Milian and Luis Konski.

Daniel Milian, Continental, discussed information that was not presented to the Commission, including a *Stop-Work Order* issued and related details. He provided information related to Continental's position on this Agenda item. Mr. Milian referenced photo boards illustrating the current Project construction site and previous photo boards of the Project construction site.

***A copy has been made part of the backup to this Agenda item.***

Luis Konski, on behalf of Continental, illustrated incomplete construction provided to the Commission and associated with the *Stop-Work Order*. He pointed out photo boards of the current Project work site and confirmed the majority of the Project is complete.

Mr. Konski commented on notice concerns regarding this Consent Agenda item. City Manager Lagerbloom said this item is a procurement action, and there was no hearing scheduled.

Ms. Hart discussed a February 15, 2021 meeting attended by the President of Continental, Staff and the consultant to inform the contractor of the need to close out the contract by the close of business on March 10, 2021. At the meeting, Ms. Hart explained if the Project was not completed, Staff would proceed with this Agenda item.

Mr. Milian said Continental completed the Project and requested the third-party consultant several days before March 10, 2021. The consultant arrived at the Project at 3:44 p.m. on March 10, 2021 and provided a list of minor revisions related to signage and marking.

Mayor Trantalis noted the need to bring closure to the Project. Further comment ensued.

City Attorney Boileau noted numerous performance issues with Continental. Mr. Rogers confirmed quality control problems, expounding on details and citing examples of items to be addressed prior to the expiration of the MPO grant for the Project.

Mr. Milian discussed details related to the substantial completion of Project contract items. Signage and marking work had been done and is

believed to be within tolerances of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). Further comment and discussion ensued. Mr. Milian explained Continental completed \$174,000 in City Change Orders to move the Project forward.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions, the total cost of the project was \$2,300,000. The City has paid Continental approximately \$1,800,000.

Mayor Trantalis noted the Staff recommendation to terminate the contract. City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed.

Commissioner Sorensen made a motion to approve this item and was seconded by Commissioner Moraitis.

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**CP-4**    [21-0309](#)

Motion Approving Amended Interim Agreement for Aquatic Center South Building Replacement - Hensel Phelps Construction Company - (Commission District 2)

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**MOTIONS**

**M-1**    [21-0301](#)

Motion Designating the Ten Most Populous City Seat to Florida League of City Board of Directors - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

The Commission discussed which Commission Member would serve as its representative Board Member for the Florida League of City Board of Directors (Board) Ten Most Populous Cities Seat. Commissioner Moraitis confirmed she would serve as the Board Member.

Vice Mayor Glassman made a motion to designate Commissioner Moraitis as the Board Member representative on behalf of the City and was seconded by Commissioner Sorensen.

**APPROVED - Commissioner Moraitis Designee**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**M-2**    [21-0232](#)

Motion Approving FY 2021 Beach Business Improvement District (BID) Grant Participation Agreement with A & R Enterprises of So.

FL Inc. - \$107,500 - (Commission District 2)

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding Commission Members attendance at Oceanside Park events, Vice Mayor Glassman confirmed he at been to the market at Oceanside Park. Vice Mayor Glassman commented on the positive activation and attendance at the site for additional activities. Commissioner Sorensen concurred.

Commissioner Moraitis made a motion to approve this item and was seconded by Commissioner McKinzie.

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**M-3**     [21-0266](#)

Motion Approving FY 2021 Beach Business Improvement District (BID) Funding and Promotional Campaign Agreement with Aqua Marketing & Communication, Inc. - \$100,000 - (Commission District 2)

Vice Mayor Glassman made a motion to approve this item and was seconded by Commissioner Sorensen.

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

## RESOLUTIONS

**R-1**     [21-0299](#)

Appointment of Board and Committee Members - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

City Clerk Jeffrey Modarelli read the names of the Board and Committee nominees for appointment and/or reappointment at the upcoming April 6, 2021 Commission Regular Meeting.

City Clerk Modarelli read into the record the names of Board and Committee appointments and/or reappointments for Agenda item R-1.

Commissioner Sorensen introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

**ADOPTED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**R-2**     [21-0300](#)

Appointment of Director, Alternate and Second Alternate to Broward

League of Cities Board of Directors - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Vice Mayor Glassman introduced this Resolution appointing Commissioner Moraitis as Board of Directors Member for the Broward League of Cities Board of Directors and Commissioner Sorensen as Alternate Director which was read by title only.

**ADOPTED - Commissioner Moraitis Director and Commissioner Sorensen Alternate**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**R-3**     [21-0203](#)

Resolution Approving an Economic Development Incentive Award for Project Beecham and Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute an Economic Development Incentive Agreement - \$50,000 (three-year total) - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Sorensen introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

**ADOPTED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**R-4**     [21-0169](#)

Resolution Approving a Joint Participation Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for Maintenance Services for the Historic CSX Railroad Bascule Bridge at River Oaks Preserve Area - \$100,000 - (Commission District 4)

In response to Vice Mayor Glassman's question, City Manager Glassman clarified the use of the word *Historic* in the title of this Resolution that does not relate to historical designation. Vice Mayor Glassman commented on his perspective. City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed Staff will consider the context of the word in future.

Vice Mayor Glassman introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

**ADOPTED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**R-5**     [21-0028](#)

Quasi-Judicial Resolution Approving the Vacation of a Utility Easement Located at 818 NE 4th Avenue - Searstown Warehouse, LLC. - Case No. PLN-EV-20030003 - (Commission District 2)

Anyone wishing to speak must be sworn in. Commission will



announce any site visits, communications or expert opinions received and make them part of the record.

Each Commission member disclosed verbal communications, written communications, site visits and expert opinions received.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Stephanie Toothaker, Esq. Ms. Toothaker clarified this item represents the vacation of an easement regarding the *Flagler Creative Site Plan*. She confirmed meetings with all Commission Members regarding the *Flagler Creative Site Plan*.

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Sorensen made a motion to close the public hearing which was seconded by Vice Mayor Glassman. Roll call showed: AYES: Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie, and Mayor Trantalis.

Commissioner Sorensen introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

**ADOPTED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**PH-1**    [21-0235](#)

Public Hearing - Resolution Granting a Waiver of Limitations at 2407 Aqua Vista Blvd., for the Installation of a Platform Boat Lift and a Platform Jet Ski Lift - (Commission District 2)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's questions regarding the notification process for neighbors when a Dock Waiver of Limitations (Waiver) is requested, Andrew Cuba, Marine Facilities Manager, explained per Unified Development Land Regulation (ULDR) 47-19.3(e), all neighbors within three hundred (300) feet are noticed by U.S. Mail (Notice). The Notice includes specific information regarding distances and his contact information for any neighbor questions. There were no concerns from neighbors regarding this Waiver request.

Mr. Cuba said Commission Meetings and Marine Advisory Board Meetings are noticed via mail separately. Newspaper advertising of Waiver requests appear two (2) times prior to placing the Waiver request

on a Commission Regular Meeting Agenda. Further comment and discussion ensued on the visual impact on neighbors from this type of Waiver request.

Tyler Chappell, *The Chappell Group*, on behalf of the applicant, explained details regarding this Waiver request. This thirty-four foot (34') *no-profile boat lift* Waiver is for a center console vessel, similar to an adjacent neighbor west of this property. The jet ski lift is smaller in height. Mr. Chappell explained the benefits of the *no-profile boat lift*, which are flush with the dock.

There being no one else wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Sorensen made a motion to close the public hearing which was seconded by Vice Mayor Glassman. Roll call showed: AYES: Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie, and Mayor Trantalis.

Commissioner Sorensen introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

**ADOPTED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**PH-2**    [21-0264](#)

Public Hearing - Resolution Granting a Waiver of Limitations at 736 NE 20th Avenue, for the Installation of One (1) Triple Mooring Pile Cluster and Two (2) Single Mooring Piles - (Commission District 2)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

Vice Mayor Glassman explained discussions over the past several years regarding the N.E. 20th Avenue residential area and residential marina use versus an increase in commercial marina use. He cited examples, including two (2) large yachts docked at this residence.

Vice Mayor Glassman recommended reviewing the intention of this area and use as a marina, requesting input from Staff. Vice Mayor Glassman expounded on his perspective.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Priscilla Juranitch, 704 NE 20th Avenue. Ms. Juranitch spoke in opposition to this item, narrating a presentation on this topic that illustrated Code violations and negative impact on residential homes in the neighborhood.

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Mayor Trantalis recognized, Alexander Johnson, 729 NE 20 Avenue. Mr. Johnson spoke in opposition to this item, noting his residence is across from the applicant. He discussed uses of this residential property and others in the neighborhood for commercial boating enterprises. Those residing at the property are crew members and yacht workers. He expounded on his perspective and concerns.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Josh O'Hara, 736 NE 20th Avenue, on behalf of the property owner. Mr. O'Hara explained renovations done to the residence over the past three (3) years to allow the homeowner to reside in the property. The Canadian owner plans to come in May 2021 for four (4) to six (6) weeks. It is not his primary residence.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. O'Hara said the yacht at this residence is for private use and has not been listed for charter (in the Bahamas) since 2017.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's questions, Mayor Trantalis confirmed boat chartering is not permitted in this area. City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed regulation is a Code Enforcement function usually based upon neighbor reports.

Mayor Trantalis commented on his perspective and opposition to Commission approval of this Dock Waiver of Limitations (Waiver) request. He expounded on commercial vessel activity in this neighborhood and related signage along N.E. 20th Avenue.

Mr. O'Hara explained the residence owner visits the City three (3) to four (4) times per year. He confirmed the applicant is not requesting this Waiver to operate a charter activity and commented on pertinent details.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's question, Mr. O'Hara explained the amount of time the vessel could be at sea averages one (1) to two (2) months per year and varies from year to year. Further comment and discussion ensued on various scenarios.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's questions, Vice Mayor Glassman referenced details in Ms. Juranitch's presentation illustrating the negative impact of commercial boat activities and numerous neighbor concerns.

Ms. Juranitch explained details regarding charter activities on the vessel's website and noted the yacht's listing and availability for charter.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jim Juranitch, 714 NE 20th Avenue. Mr.

Juranitch noted his engineering background and spoke in opposition to this Waiver request. He commented on risks involved and cited data and examples of liabilities related to hurricanes.

Commissioner Sorensen recommended conformity in Waiver applications, reducing these types of Waiver requests and re-evaluating the ULDR and readjusting as needed.

Mayor Trantalis commented on ULDR limitations and noted continued approval of Waivers by the *Marine Advisory Board*.

There being no one else wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Sorensen made a motion to close the public hearing which was seconded by Commissioner McKinzie. Roll call showed: AYES: Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie, and Mayor Trantalis.

Commissioner Sorensen introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

#### DEFEATED

**Nay:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

#### PH-3 [21-0259](#)

De Novo Hearing; Quasi-Judicial Consideration of an Ordinance for a Vacation of Right-Of-Way Application - Portion of NE 8th Street - Holman Automotive, Inc. - Case No. V19008 - (Commission District 2)

Anyone wishing to speak must be sworn in. Commission will announce any site visits, communications or expert opinions received and make them part of the record.

Each Commission member disclosed verbal communications, written communications, site visits and expert opinions received.

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Sorensen made a motion to close the public hearing which was seconded by Commissioner Moraitis. Roll call showed: AYES: Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie, and Mayor Trantalis.

Commissioner Sorensen introduced this Ordinance for the First Reading



which was read by title only.

**PASSED FIRST READING**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**ORDINANCE FIRST READING**

**OFR-1** [21-0221](#)

First Reading - Ordinance Amending the City of Fort Lauderdale Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) Section 47-24.5, Subdivision Regulations, to bring the Code Section into Substantial Conformity with the Broward County Platting Requirements - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Sorensen introduced this Ordinance for the First Reading which was read by title only.

**PASSED FIRST READING**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**ORDINANCE SECOND READING**

**OSR-1** [21-0302](#)

Second Reading - Ordinance Amending City of Fort Lauderdale Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) By Creating Article XII., Section 47-36; Establishing a Transfer of Development Rights Program - Planning and Zoning Board Case No. PLN-ULDR-20010001 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Sorensen introduced this Ordinance for the Second Reading which was read by title only.

**ADOPTED ON SECOND READING**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**OSR-2** [21-0303](#)

Second Reading - Quasi-Judicial Ordinance Approving a Rezoning from Industrial (I) District to Commercial Recreation (CR) District through the Allocation of Commercial Flexibility and Associated Site Plan Approval for Xtreme Action Park - Powerline Industrial Center Commercial Condominium Association, Inc., Dezer Powerline LLC, and Dezer Powerline Outparcel LLC. - Case No. ZR19004 - (Commission District 1)

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announce any site visits, communications or expert opinions received and make them part of the record.

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Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Sorensen made a motion to close the public hearing which was seconded by Commissioner Moraitis. Roll call showed: AYES: Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie, and Mayor Trantalis.

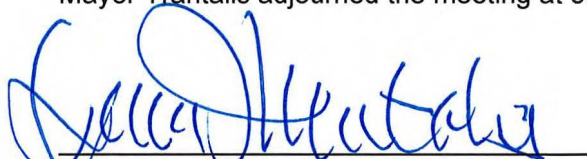
Commissioner Sorensen introduced this Ordinance for the Second Reading which was read by title only.


**ADOPTED ON SECOND READING**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Trantalis adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

  
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Dean J. Trantalis  
Mayor


ATTEST:   
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Jeffrey A. Modarelli  
City Clerk



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE  
City Commission Agenda Memo  
REGULAR MEETING**

**#21-0229**

**TO:** Honorable Mayor & Members of the  
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM:** Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager 

**DATE:** March 16, 2021

**TITLE:** Motion Approving an Event Agreement and Related Road Closures for  
Flower Brunch - **(Commission District 2 4)**

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**Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission approve an event agreement and request for road closures with Richards Marine Services, LLC., and authorize execution of the agreements by the City Manager.

**Background**

City staff has been working closely with the event organizer regarding event topics, such as logistics, maintenance, and security as detailed below. The Police Department recommends approval of the closing of the City streets where appropriate, and event parking has been satisfactorily arranged. When applicable, amplified music was discussed, and the event organizers were advised of the noise ordinance and possible concerns.

The organizer will pay for all event costs and submit the required certificates of insurance. The event organizer will also secure all other necessary permits and licenses that are required from other agencies. Civic and merchant associations have been notified, as appropriate, regarding events in their respective areas. Specific event details are included in each event application as attached.

Where applicable, the City Commission authorizes amplified music for the events listed below.

Authorization for the execution of the event agreements is contingent upon the City Attorney's Office receiving and approving a validly executed agreement.

**These events have been approved by Broward County to operate under Broward County Ordinance 20-23.**

**Event 1: Flower Brunch**

Applicant: Richards Marine Service, LLC.  
Date/Time: Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (2:00pm – 9:00pm)  
Location: Huizenga Plaza - 32 E Las Olas Blvd, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301  
Set Up Date/Time: Friday, March 26, 2021 (5:00pm – 9:00pm)  
Breakdown Date/Time: Saturday, March 26, 2021 (9:00pm – 11:00pm)  
Road Closing: Yes – 1 lane on Las Olas Blvd, directly in front of park  
Alcohol: Yes  
Amplified Music: Yes - Saturday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021 (2:00pm – 9:00pm)  
Special Permission: Amplified Music/Extended Road Closure - Yes  
Insurance Required: Yes  
Banners: No  
Pending Code Violations: No  
Application Fee: \$200

**Resource Impact**

Revenue related to these agreements is included in the FY 2020 operating budget in the accounts listed below.

| <i>Funds available as of March 2, 2021</i> |                      |  |                            |                             |              |
|--|----------------------|--|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| ACCOUNT NUMBER                             | INDEX NAME (Program) | CHARACTER CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME        | AMENDED BUDGET (Character) | AMOUNT RECEIVED (Character) | AMOUNT       |
| 001-PKR033401-K029                         | Community Events     | Charge for Service/Non-sponsor Charges | \$147,000                  | \$5,310                     | \$200        |
| <b>TOTAL AMOUNT ►</b>                      |                      |  |                            |                             | <b>\$200</b> |

**Strategic Connections**

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024 Strategic Plan*, specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Focus Area
- Goal 3: Building a healthy and engaging community
- Objective: Offer a diverse range of recreational and educational programming

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Here*.



**Attachments**

Exhibit 1 – Flower Brunch Application

Exhibit 1a – Flower Brunch Site Plan

Exhibit 1b – Flower Brunch COVID Safety Procedures

Exhibit 1c - Flower Brunch Broward County Approval

Exhibit 1d – Flower Brunch Agreement

Exhibit 2 – March 2021 Special Event Calendar

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