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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 7, 2024

6:00 PM

**Broward Center for the Performing Arts - Mary N. Porter Riverview
Ballroom - 201 SW 5th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312**

City Commission Regular Meeting

FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION

DEAN J. TRANTALIS Mayor

STEVEN GLASSMAN Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District II

JOHN C. HERBST Commissioner - District I

PAM BEASLEY-PITTMAN Commissioner - District III

WARREN STURMAN Commissioner - District IV

SUSAN GRANT, Acting City Manager

DAVID R. SOLOMAN, City Clerk

D'WAYNE M. SPENCE, Deputy City Attorney

PATRICK REILLY, City Auditor

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trantalis called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Dean Trantalis

MOMENT OF SILENCE

In remembrance of City Attorney Thomas Ansbro.

EMPLOYEE RETIREMENTS

Mayor Trantalis announced the retirement of Onesi Girona, Senior Financial Administrator Finance Department - 20 years of service.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Commissioner Warren Sturman, Commissioner John C. Herbst, Vice Mayor Steven Glassman, Commissioner Pam Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Dean J. Trantalis

COMMISSION QUORUM ESTABLISHED

Also Present: Acting City Manager Susan Grant, City Clerk David R. Soloman, Deputy City Attorney D'Wayne M. Spence, and City Auditor Patrick Reilly

AGENDA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Trantalis announced the following updates to the published Agenda:

REMOVED:

CM-2 - Removed from the Agenda; promoter canceled event
R-4 - Removed from the Agenda per the City Manager

REVISION:

CR-6 - CAM revised to correct funding errors on pages 9 through 11.
The revised CAM added to Exhibit 1 - Resolution

A copy of the Revision is attached to these Meeting Minutes.

Approval of MINUTES and Agenda

[24-1027](#)

Minutes for September 17, 2024, Commission Conference Meeting and September 17, 2024, Commission Regular Meeting - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Herbst made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes and Agenda as amended and was seconded by Vice Mayor Glassman.

APPROVED AS AMENDED - Agenda Amended

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

PRESENTATIONS

PRES- [24-1064](#)
1

Check Presentation from Congresswoman Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick for the Lauderdale Manors Park Multimodal Connections Project

Presented at Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Board Meeting during CRA Board Meeting Agenda item R-1.

Congresswoman Sheila Cherfilus-McCormick presented a \$720,000 check to Mayor Trantalis representing federal funding for the Lauderdale Manors Park Multimodal Connections Project. Commissioner Beasley-Pittman thanked Congresswoman Cherfilus-McCormick and remarked on the benefits this funding will provide to the community.

PRESENTED

PRES- [24-1065](#)
2

Mayor Trantalis to present a Proclamation declaring November 2024, as National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Mayor Trantalis thanked Staff for their efforts to alleviate homelessness in the City. He presented a Proclamation declaring *November 2024, as National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety.

Luisa Agathon, Neighbor Support Division Manager, acknowledged and thanked the efforts of homeless service providers. Ms. Agathon accepted the Proclamation on behalf of Neighbor Support Division Staff and thanked the Commission.

PRESENTED

CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Trantalis explained procedures for members of the public who wish to speak on Consent Agenda items.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Sturman requested CR-2 and CR-9 be removed for separate discussion.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Commissioner Herbst made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and was seconded by Commissioner Beasley-Pittman.

Approve the Consent Agenda

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CONSENT MOTION

CM-1 [24-0977](#) Motion Approving an Outdoor Event Agreement with WLF Ventures, LLLP for the Fort Lauderdale Water Lantern Festival - (Commission District 3)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CM-2 [24-1022](#) Motion Approving Outdoor Event Agreements with Yogithot LLC for the Fall and Winter Fitness Bash Events - (Commission District 2)

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

CM-3 [24-0727](#) Motion Accepting the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year which ended September 30, 2023, for Submittal to the Florida Auditor General - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CM-4 [24-0797](#) Motion Approving the First Amendment to the Lease Agreement Between Lakeview Plaza, Inc., and the City of Fort Lauderdale for a Portion of City-Owned Property Located at 6000 Hawkins Road, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309 - (Commission District 1)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CM-5 [24-0924](#) Motion Approving Program Participation and Execution of an Agreement under the FY 2024-2025 State School Security Assessment Program - \$36,399.32 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CM-6 [24-0928](#) Motion Approving the Proposed Use of Grant Funds from the United States Department of Homeland Security, Urban Area Security Initiative, State of Florida Division of Emergency Management through the City of Miami, FY2022 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), for Operation Heat Shield - \$11,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CM-7 [24-0942](#) Motion Approving Grant Application - FY24 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Program - \$88,335 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CM-8 [24-0997](#) Motion Approving Program Participation and Execution of an Agreement under the FY 2024-2025 Drone Replacement Program - \$76,926.80 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CONSENT RESOLUTION

CR-1 [24-0785](#) Resolution Declaring Notice of Intent to Convey City-Owned Property Located at 1200 NW 3 Street (Folio ID 504204200450) in the Northwest-Progresso-Flagler Heights Community Redevelopment

Area and 1145 NW 5 Avenue (Folio ID 494234037570) in the Central City Community Redevelopment Area to the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency and Setting a Public Hearing for December 17, 2024, Pursuant to Section 8.02 of the City Charter - (Commission Districts 2 and 3)

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CR-3 [24-0947](#)

Resolution Approving a City of Fort Lauderdale FY 2025 Not For Profit Grant Participation Agreement with Early Learning Coalition of Broward County, Inc. - \$100,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CR-4 [24-0948](#)

Resolution Approving Fiscal Year 2025 Not For Profit Grant Participation Agreement with Junior Achievement of South Florida, Inc., - \$33,900 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CR-5 [24-0949](#)

Resolution Approving Fiscal Year 2025 Not For Profit Grant Participation Agreement with First Call for Help of Broward, Inc., d/b/a 2-1-1 Broward - \$25,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CR-6 [24-0981](#)

Resolution Approving the Consolidated Budget Amendment to Fiscal Year 2025 - Appropriation - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CR-7 [24-1025](#)

Resolution Approving the Execution and Acceptance of the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program Grant Agreement for Osswald Park, in the amount of \$200,000 - (Commission District 3)

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

- CR-8** [24-1026](#) Resolution Approving the Execution and Acceptance of the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program Grant Agreement, for Carter Park, in the amount of \$170,000 - (Commission District 3)

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CONSENT PURCHASE

- CP-1** [24-0932](#) Motion Approving an Agreement for the Purchase and Installation of Two Submersible Mixers - Odyssey Manufacturing Co. - \$147,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

- CP-2** [24-0933](#) Motion Approving an Agreement for Ocean Buoys Maintenance - Lauderdale Towing & Salvage, Inc. d/b/a Sea Tow Ft. Lauderdale - \$117,000 - (Commission District 2)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

- CP-3** [24-0970](#) Motion Approving a First Amendment to the Design Criteria Package Agreement for the Federal Courthouse Parking Garage - DESMAN, Inc. - \$50,866 - (Commission District 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

- CR-2** [24-0916](#) Resolution Amending the Parks and Recreation Rules and Regulations - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Sturman proposed an amendment to this Agenda item, which was discussed with Deputy City Attorney D'Wayne Spence. Deputy City Attorney Spence explained details of the amendment and expounded on related information. Commissioner Sturman recalled previous Commission Conference Meeting discussions regarding

moving forward with a pilot program.

In response to Commissioner Herbst's question, Commissioner Sturman clarified details that would include some parks to allow dogs, other parks that would not allow dogs, and a mechanism for area homeowner's associations to determine whether parks in their area would allow dogs, which would be determined through a request to the Parks, Recreation and Beach Advisory Board (PRBAB). Further comment and discussion ensued. Commissioner Herbst remarked on concerns and the burden this would place on the PRBAB and cited examples.

Mayor Trantalis noted the complicated nature of Commissioner Sturman's amendment and expounded on his viewpoint. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Carl Williams, Parks and Recreation Department Director. Mr. Williams explained prior Commission direction and related feedback when this was presented to the PRBAB, which included its concerns regarding enforcement challenges. The PRBAB recommended allowing dogs in all City parks except for areas delineated in Park Rules.

Commissioner Sturman expounded on his viewpoint and challenges to enforcement and discussed feedback during a District 4 Townhall on this subject. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Charles Leikauf, PRBAB Vice Chair. Mr. Leikauf explained PRBAB's recommendation included in this Agenda item.

Commissioner Sturman remarked on various options, including the ability for area neighborhoods to opt out and expounded on various scenarios. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mr. Leikauf discussed the PRBAB's efforts. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Herbst remarked on the need for criteria should Commissioner Sturman's recommendation be considered and pointed out that this would be a Commission policy decision versus a Staff decision.

Mayor Trantalis suggested this item be returned to the PRBAB for further consideration.

Commissioner Herbst remarked on the PRBAB's lengthy efforts and requested the Commission move forward with the recommendation of the PRBAB included with this Agenda item. Further comment and discussion ensued. Vice Mayor Glassman concurred and commented on his perspective.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Stephanie Provost, 724 SW 12th Avenue, Riverside Park Residence Association President. Ms. Provost spoke in support of this Agenda item.

In response to Commissioner Sturman's question, Mr. Williams explained that Broward County (County) allows dogs in County parks.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Chris Nelson, 520 SE 5th Avenue. Mr. Nelson discussed his support for allowing dogs and cats in City parks.

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

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

CR-9 [24-1061](#)

Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Easement with Peoples Gas System, Inc. at Snyder Park - 3299 SW 4th Avenue - (Commission District 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Ted Inserra, 912 SW 19th Street, River Oaks Civic Association President. Mr. Inserra discussed his opposition to this Agenda item.

In response to Commissioner Sturman's question, Deputy City Attorney Spence confirmed this amendment conforms to the Comprehensive Agreement, and the Commission does not have any latitude regarding this Agenda item. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Herbst's question, Mayor Trantalis confirmed the related project had contemplated a full scale restaurant.

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

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

MOTIONS

- M-1** [24-0936](#) Motion Approving An Allocation of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for Broward County Habitat Community Housing Development Corporation with Joinder and Consent by Habitat for Humanity Broward, Inc Not to Exceed \$482,000 - (Commission District 3)

In response to Commissioner Beasley-Pittman's questions, Alfred Battle, Development Services Department Acting Director, explained this allocation makes up for Habitat for Humanity's funding shortfall. Rachel Williams, Housing and Community Development Manager, said this allocation is a good use of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Nancy Robbin, Habitat for Humanity Executive Director. Ms. Robbin explained information associated with the funding shortfall, which was due in part to flood zone changes, and remarked on fundraising efforts for this project.

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

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

- M-2** [24-1057](#) Motion Approving a Billboard Relocation and Reconstruction Agreement between the City of Fort Lauderdale and Clear Channel Outdoor, LLC - (Commission Districts 1, 3 and 4)

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

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

RESOLUTIONS

- R-1** [24-1033](#) Appointment of Board and Committee Members - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

City Clerk David Soloman read the names of Board and Committee nominees for appointment and/or reappointment at the Commission Regular Meeting on November 19, 2024.

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

In response to Vice Mayor Glassman's question, City Clerk Soloman confirmed training for new Advisory Board and Committee appointees, which includes a signed Oath of Office and an affidavit related to the Code of Conduct as set forth by the Commission.

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

R-2 [24-1035](#)

Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in Support of the Broward County Resolution Urging the School Board of Broward County, Florida, to Release All Cities Subject to Tri-Party Educational Mitigation Agreements and Approving the Release of the 2007 Tri-Party Education Agreement between the Broward County School Board and the City of Fort Lauderdale - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

R-3 [24-1070](#)

Resolution Appointing an Interim City Attorney for the City of Fort Lauderdale - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Acting City Manager Susan Grant explained Staff efforts to move forward with recruitment for a new City Attorney based upon Commission direction.

Commissioner Herbst suggested completing the recruitment and hiring of a new City Manager prior to starting recruitment efforts for a new City Attorney. Mayor Trantalis remarked on his perspective that the recruitment process for a new City Attorney should start.

Commissioner Herbst commented on his confidence regarding Deputy City Attorney D'Wayne Spence's ability to be the Interim City Attorney, similar to Acting City Manager Grant, and expounded on his viewpoint.

In response to Commissioner Beasley-Pittman's question, Deputy City Attorney Spence confirmed the recent hiring of a litigation attorney in the Office of the City Attorney and noted one (1) other vacancy.

Vice Mayor Glassman confirmed his confidence regarding Deputy City Attorney Spence's ability to be the Interim City Attorney and recommended moving forward with recruitment efforts for both positions.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jerome Post, Human Resources Department Director. In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Post provided an update on recruitment for the City Manager position, confirmed efforts are on schedule, and expounded on related details. City Manager applications vetted by the recruiter will be reviewed by the City Manager Search Committee (CMSC) in December 2024 and interviewed in January 2025. The Commission will interview candidates recommended by the CMSC in February 2025.

In response to Vice Mayor Glassman's question, Mr. Post confirmed the number of applications for the City Manager position met his expectations.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Chris Nelson, 520 SE 5th Avenue. Mr. Nelson commented on this Agenda item and the contributions and character of City Attorney Thomas Ansbro.

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman confirmed her support to move forward with concurrent recruitment efforts for both the City Manager and the City Attorney and expounded on her viewpoint. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Acting City Manager Grant explained options for City Attorney recruitment that Staff would bring forth for Commission consideration. Further comment and discussion ensued regarding compensation and the effective date of Deputy City Attorney Spence being appointed to Interim City Attorney.

Commissioner Herbst recommended the Finance Department determine the amount based upon the Commission discussions regarding former City Attorney Ansbro's compensation and recent merit increase and that it be retroactive to the date Deputy City Attorney Spence assumed the role of Interim City Attorney.

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman concurred with Commissioner Herbst's recommendation.

Commissioner Herbst introduced this Resolution approving the appointment of D'Wayne Spence to the position of Interim City Attorney and providing for the subsequent return of D'Wayne Spence to the position of Deputy City Attorney when a permanent City Attorney is selected.

ADOPTED - Appointing D'Wayne Spence to the Position of Interim City Attorney and Providing for the Return of the Interim City Attorney to the Position of Deputy City Attorney

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

- R-4** [24-0996](#) Resolution Approving an Affordable/Workforce Housing Tax Reimbursement Incentive and Ad Valorem Tax Reimbursement Agreement delegating authority to the City Manager to execute such agreement together with any and all ancillary or subsequent documents necessary and incidental to the administration of the incentive agreement - The Cove at 1055 N Federal HWY - (Commission District 2)

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- PH-1** [24-0793](#) Public Hearing Approving the Issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for PDP MD, LLC to Operate Fifteen Non-Emergency Medical Transport Vans within the City of Fort Lauderdale - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Herbst made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Vice Mayor Glassman. Roll call showed AYES: Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, and Mayor Trantalis

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

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

- PH-2** [24-0917](#) Public Hearing - Quasi-Judicial Resolution Approving a Waiver of Limitations at Hemingway Landings Condominium Located at 1414, 1424, & 1500 SE 12th Street for Existing Pilings - (Commission

District 4)

Anyone wishing to speak must be sworn in. The 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.

Mayor Trantalis recognized former City Commissioner Romney Rogers, 1401 East Las Olas Boulevard, on behalf of Hemingway Landings Condominium. Mr. Rogers spoke in support of this Agenda item and explained information included in the Waiver of Limitations (Waiver) application.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding the length of the requested Waiver beyond twenty-five feet (25'), Mr. Rogers noted it is less than three feet (3'), and expounded on related information.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Paul Landino, 1424 SE 12th Street. Mr. Landino spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Ellyn Bogdanoff, Esq., Becker & Poliakoff, P.A., One East Broward Boulevard, on behalf of Brian Lilly. In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Ms. Bogdanoff confirmed Brian Lilly lives in the Hemingway Landings Condominium. Ms. Bogdanoff spoke in opposition to this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Seth Kolton, 1500 SE 12th Street. Mr. Kolton spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Chris Nelson, 520 SE 5th Avenue. Mr. Nelson provided his viewpoint regarding the need for Agenda item speakers to disclose on whose behalf they are speaking.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Bob Dunckel, Assistant City Attorney III. Mr. Dunckel discussed recommendations associated with resolving dock waiver and boat lift issues at the Hemingway Landings Condominium and cited examples. Mr. Dunckel recommended Commission adoption of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis concurred with Mr. Dunckel's recommendation and expounded on his viewpoint.

There being no one else wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Herbst made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Vice Mayor Glassman. Roll call showed AYES: Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, and Mayor Trantalis

In response to Commissioner Sturman's question, Ms. Bogdanoff pointed out the controversial boat slips illustrated in the backup information. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Sturman's question, Mr. Dunckel confirmed the ability to grant waivers for the non-controversial boat lifts illustrated in the backup information. Commissioner Sturman confirmed his support of Mr. Dunckel's recommendation. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Sturman's comments, Mr. Rogers pointed out that this Agenda item only relates to pilings, is not related to boat lifts, and explained related information. Commissioner Sturman remarked on his viewpoint. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Sturman's question, Ms. Bogdanoff explained Mr. Lilly's opposition to the boat lifts, not the extension of boat slip dock pilings, because they block his view. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Sturman discussed his viewpoint, provided context, and cited examples of similar Waiver requests that include boat lifts.

Mayor Trantalis discussed his viewpoint regarding the Commission's considerations when granting a Waiver and said that boat lifts are a separate issue. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Herbst's question regarding Commissioner Sturman's recommendation that this Resolution be amended, Mr. Rogers explained that is not what the Waiver is requesting and remarked on the likely consequences.

Commissioner Herbst introduced this Resolution for approval which was read by title only.

ADOPTED - Approving

Yea: 4 - Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Sturman

PH-3 [24-0918](#)

Public Hearing - Quasi-Judicial Resolution Approving a Waiver of Limitations at 1240 Bayview Drive for the Installation of one (1) Boat Lift- (Commission District 1)

Anyone wishing to speak must be sworn in. The 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.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Andrew Schein, Esq., Lochrie and Chakas, P.A., on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Schein requested removal of a portion of the Resolution approving the Waiver of Limitations (Waiver) that prohibits the upland property's use as a vacation rental. Further comment and discussion ensued.

There being no one else wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Herbst made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Commissioner Beasley-Pittman. Roll call showed AYES: Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, and Mayor Trantalis

Commissioner Herbst introduced this Resolution for approval which was read by title only.

ADOPTED - Approving

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

PH-4 [24-1036](#)

Public Hearing - Quasi-Judicial Ordinance Rezoning from Residential Multifamily Mid Rise - Medium High Density (RMM-25) District to Northwest Regional Activity Center-Mixed-Use Northeast (NWRAC-MUne) District Located at 900 NW 1st Avenue - KP Storage, LLC. - Case No. UDP-Z24003 - (Commission District 2)

Anyone wishing to speak must be sworn in. The 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 Herbst made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Vice Mayor Glassman. Roll call showed AYES: Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, and Mayor Trantalis

Vice Mayor Glassman introduced this Ordinance on the First Reading which was read by title only.

PASSED FIRST READING

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Mayor Trantalis

REQUEST FOR EXECUTIVE CLOSED-DOOR SESSION

Interim City Attorney D'Wayne Spence requested that on November 19, 2024, commencing at approximately 4:30 P.M. or as soon thereafter as can be heard, the City Commission shall meet privately to discuss pending litigation, pursuant to Section 286.011(8), Florida Statutes, concerning the following matter(s):

LaToya Ratlieff v. City of Fort Lauderdale, et al. Case No.: 22-CV-61029-RAR

Present at the attorney-client session will be:

Mayor Dean J. Trantalis
Vice Mayor/Commissioner Steven Glassman
Commissioner John C. Herbst
Commissioner Pamela Beasley-Pittman
Commissioner Warren Sturman
Acting City Manager Susan Grant
Interim City Attorney D'Wayne M. Spence
Assistant City Attorney Robert M. Oldershaw
Outside Counsel Jeffery R. Lawley, Esq., Billing, Cochran, Lyles, et al.
Outside Co-Counsel Scott D. Alexander, Esq., Johnson Anselmo, et al.,
and a Certified Court Reporter from Bailey-Entin Court Reporting

The estimated length of this session will be approximately 30 minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trantalis adjourned the meeting at 9:20 p.m.

Dean J. Trantalis
Mayor

ATTEST:

David R. Soloman
City Clerk