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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 7, 2023

6:00 PM

The Parker

707 Northeast 8th Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304

City Commission Regular Meeting

FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION

DEAN J. TRANTALIS Mayor

PAM BEASLEY-PITTMAN Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District III

JOHN C. HERBST Commissioner - District I

STEVEN GLASSMAN Commissioner - District II

WARREN STURMAN Commissioner - District IV

GREG CHAVARRIA, City Manager

DAVID R. SOLOMAN, City Clerk

THOMAS J. ANSBRO, City Attorney

PATRICK REILLY, City Auditor

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trantalis called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Virginia Shuman Young Elementary School Student Ryan D. Bellamy

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Trantalis requested a Moment of Silence in Remembrance of James Williams and Dr. Brenda Snipes.

ROLL CALL

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

COMMISSION QUORUM ESTABLISHED

Also Present: City Manager Greg Chavarria, City Clerk David R. Soloman, City Attorney Thomas J. Ansbro, and City Auditor Patrick Reilly

AGENDA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Trantalis announced the appointments of William Shultz to Chief of Police, Carl Williams as Director of the Parks and Recreation Department, and Thomas Ansbro as City Attorney.

Mayor Trantalis noted the following updates to the published Agenda:

REMOVED:

September 19, 2023, Conference Meeting Minutes for revisions.

ADDED:

WALK-ON Motion Approving Recommendation from the Citizens Committee of Recognition Honoring Former Mayor Robert Dressler as the 2022 Honored Founder - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

A copy of the Walk-On Agenda item is attached to the Meeting Minutes.

Approval of MINUTES and Agenda

[23-1088](#)

Minutes for September 13, 2023, Commission Special Meeting - Police Facility Lease, September 19, 2023, Commission Joint Workshop with Beach Business Improvement District Advisory Committee, and September 19, 2023, Commission Conference Meeting - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis noted revisions to the September 19, 2023 Commission Conference Meeting Minutes.

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

APPROVED AS AMENDED

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

PRESENTATIONS**PRES-** [23-1058](#)

2

Mayor Trantalis to present a Proclamation recognizing the 112th National Day of the Republic of China (Taiwan) in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Mayor Trantalis presented a Proclamation recognizing the *112th National Day of the Republic of China (Taiwan) in the City of Fort Lauderdale*.

Director General Charles Chou of the Miami Taipei Economic and Cultural Office accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Commission for its recognition and support.

PRESENTED**PRES-** [23-1072](#)

3

Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman to present a Proclamation declaring November 2023, as Homelessness Awareness Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman presented a Proclamation declaring *November 2023, as Homelessness Awareness Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale*.

Junia Robinson, Assistant Neighbor Support Manager, acknowledged the efforts of the City's Police Department, Fire-Rescue Department, and Judge Florence Barner. Ms. Robinson announced each of the Community Partners who assisted with the City's homelessness efforts and thanked them for their contributions.

PRESENTED

PRES- [23-1071](#)

4

Commissioner Glassman to present a Proclamation declaring November 18, 2023, as the 8th Annual Unity in the Community Grocery and Turkey Giveaway Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Glassman presented a Proclamation declaring *November 18, 2023, as the 8th Annual Unity in the Community Grocery and Turkey Giveaway Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale.*

Michael Albetta, Lake Ridge Civic Association President, expounded on event details and those who had contributed. He accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Commission for this recognition and support.

PRESENTED**PRES-** [23-1057](#)

1

Presentation from School Board Member Dr. Jeff Holness, District 5, re: Update on Fort Lauderdale Schools

District 5 School Board Member Dr. Jeff Holness provided an update on Fort Lauderdale Schools, narrating a presentation entitled *School Board Member Dr. Jeff Holness, District 5, 2023 - 2024 School Updates - The City of Fort Lauderdale Broward County Public Schools.*

Chandra Evans, Positive Behavior Intervention & Support Specialist, narrated a presentation entitled *School Wide-Data, Fort Lauderdale Innovation Zone.*

Yvonne Garth, President at Garth Solutions, Inc., narrated a presentation entitled *SMART Program at Work City of Lauderdale.*

Dr. Holness expounded on District 5 strategies for City Schools.

PRESENTED**CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT**

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

CR-3:

Mayor Trantalis recognized Chauncell Dean, 512 NW 21st Avenue. Ms. Dean acknowledged and thanked the City for its secondary street naming of NW 21st Avenue after her father, George A. Dean II, a teacher and the Band Director who started the Dillard High School Band Program, requesting it remain.

CONSENT AGENDA

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, the following Commission Member requested Consent Agenda items be pulled for separate discussion:

CR-4 Commissioner Sturman

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

Approve the Consent Agenda

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

CONSENT MOTION

CM-1 [23-0993](#) Motion Approving an Agreement with Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Inc. for Calendar Year 2024 Events - (Commission Districts 2 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-2 [23-0818](#) Motion Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Revocable License with River Lofts CL LLC, for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on SW 5th Street and SW 3rd Avenue in Association with the River Lofts on Fifth Development Located at 307 SW 5th Avenue - (Commission District 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-3 [23-0846](#) Motion Accepting Florida Department of Transportation Grant - \$74,194.52 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-4 [23-0988](#) Motion Approving a First Amendment between the Florida Department of Transportation and the City of Fort Lauderdale for the Operations and Maintenance of an Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) -

(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-5 [23-1090](#)

Motion Authorizing the City Manager to submit a request to the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) for Funding Assistance in the amount of \$6,998 to Conduct a Bathymetric Survey of the New River - (Commission Districts 2 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CONSENT RESOLUTION

CR-1 [23-0106](#)

Resolution Approving an Interlocal Agreement Between Broward County and the City of Fort Lauderdale for Funding of the NW 15th Avenue Mobility and Lighting Project Utilizing Transportation Surtax Funding - (Commission District 3)

ADOPTED

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

CR-2 [23-0849](#)

Resolution for Imposition of Special Assessment Liens for Costs Associated with the Securing of Multiple Properties - (Commission Districts 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

CR-3 [23-0930](#)

Resolution Approving NW 21 Avenue between NW 5th Street and Sistrunk Boulevard to also be known as "George A Dean II Avenue" - (Commission District 3)

ADOPTED

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

CR-4 [23-0972](#)

Resolution Approving the Consolidated Budget Amendment to Fiscal Year 2024 - Appropriation - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Sturman commented on this Agenda item's letter J, reallocating \$35,000 in land acquisition funds to the General Fund. He

remarked on conversations with City Manager Chavarria about redirecting that funding to the Riverland Woods Park Community Center.

Laura Reece, Director of the Office of Management and Budget, confirmed. She explained the related budget process and remarked on details that would accommodate Commissioner Sturman's request.

Commissioner Glassman remarked on concerns regarding setting a precedent and explained his viewpoint. Ms. Reece explained the Parks Bond allocates \$7,500,000 per District for land acquisition and cited an example. Further comment and discussion ensued. Commissioner Glassman remarked on the need for consistency for these types of requests. Ms. Reece confirmed, cited an example, and discussed related accounting details and information. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Sturman introduced this Resolution as amended, excluding item J, which was read by title only.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED

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

CR-5 [23-1045](#)

Resolution Approving and Authorizing Execution of a First Amendment to City of Fort Lauderdale FY 2022 Not for Profit Service Agreement between the City of Fort Lauderdale and Taskforce Fore Ending Homelessness, Inc., for the Fort Lauderdale Housing Navigation Program in an Additional Amount not to Exceed \$315,260 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

CONSENT PURCHASE

CP-1 [23-0725](#)

Motion Approving Agreement for the Purchase of Motorcycle Maintenance and Repair - TMCAA, Inc. dba Alligator Alley Harley-Davidson \$105,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CP-2 [23-0827](#)

Motion Approving the Purchase and Installation of Prospect Wellfield Electrical and Control Conduits to Wells 37,43, 38 & 44 - Miller

Electric Company - \$397,260.00 - (Commission District 1)

APPROVED

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

CP-3 [23-0883](#)

Motion Approving Negotiated Fee Schedule and Agreement for Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport Runway 9-27 Pavement Rehabilitation Consultant Services - Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. - \$800,000 - (Commission District 1)

APPROVED

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

MOTIONS

M-1 [23-0982](#)

Motion Approving Event Agreements with Related Road Closures and Requests for Music Exemption for Brt All White and 38th Annual Fort Lauderdale International Film Festival Premiere Party - (Commission Districts 2 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Raphael Reme, 2580 NW 191st Street, Aventura. Mr. Reme explained details related to the *Brt All White* (Event) event, which requests that all participants wear white apparel. In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, Mr. Reme confirmed the location is Southwest Third Avenue between Broward Boulevard and Southwest Second Street.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions, Hans Mullings, 2601 N. Flamingo Road, Sunrise, explained the event's purpose, history, Caribbean theme, previous locations, and related information.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, Mr. Reme explained details regarding his outreach to the community.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Reme confirmed an error in the application and confirmed that the event was not located near Snyder Park.

Commissioner Glassman remarked on the need for Staff to address the timing of events presented to the Commission for approval and cited examples. He noted feedback received at the District 2 Pre-Agenda Meeting regarding the late submission of applications to the Special Events Committee, application errors, and missing information. City Manager Chavarria confirmed this would be addressed. Further

comment and discussion ensued.

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

APPROVED

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

- M-2** [23-1053](#) Motion Approving an Event Agreement, Related Road Closures and Requests for Music Exemption for Food in Motion - (Commission District 2)

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

APPROVED

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

- M-3** [23-1051](#) Motion Approving an Event Agreement and Related Road Closure for South Florida Exotic Car "TOY RALLY", to benefit Toys for Tots - (Commission District 1)

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

APPROVED

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

- M-4** [23-0959](#) Motion Approving Increase to the Stormwater Master Plan Modeling and Design Implementation Continuing Contract Cost Capacity - Hazen and Sawyer, P.C. - \$2,500,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Dewain Akerblom, 2064 SW 28th Terrace. Mr. Akerblom spoke in opposition to this Agenda item and recommended using the funding for roadway improvements.

City Manager Chavarria explained this funding is to accelerate the stormwater plan.

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

APPROVED

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

M-5 [23-1039](#)

Motion Approving a First Amendment to the Comprehensive Agreement with Las Olas Parking Solutions, LLC for the Development, Operation, and Maintenance of a Multi-Use Structure with Public Parking, a Fire-Rescue/EMS Substation, and Retail, at the Southeast Corner of SE 2nd Court and SE 8th Avenue - (Commission District 4)

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

APPROVED

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

M-6 [23-1075](#)

Motion Rejecting All Proposals for Management of the Jimmy Evert Tennis Center (JETC) - Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 106 - (Commission District 2)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Brandon Hanagan, 955 Dotterel Road, Delray Beach, on behalf of FM Tennis LLC. Mr. Hanagan spoke in opposition to this Agenda item.

Commissioner Glassman discussed his outreach to the Jimmy Evert Tennis Center membership and the Victoria Park community who indicated their desire to hire a tennis professional and explained related information.

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

APPROVED

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

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Herbst

RESOLUTIONS

R-1 [23-1049](#)

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 21, 2023.

City Clerk Soloman read the names of the Board and Committee appointments and reappointments for Agenda item R-1 into the record. He announced additional nominees, including Commissioner Glassman's nomination of Siran Derbedrossian to the Community Appearance Board and Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman's nomination of Mark Volchek to the Aviation Advisory Board.

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

ADOPTED AS AMENDED

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

R-2 [23-0967](#)

Resolution Approving an Agreement allowing for the Issuance of Building Permits Prior to Plat Recordation Between Broward County and the City of Fort Lauderdale - Prospect Lake Clean Water Center - UDP-P23004 - (Commission District 1)

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

ADOPTED

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

R-3 [23-1011](#)

Resolution Approving and Adopting the 2024 State Legislative Program for the City of Fort Lauderdale - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Chris Nelson, 520 SE 5th Avenue. Mr. Nelson provided his viewpoint on this Agenda item. Mr. Nelson remarked on the importance of condominium safety and the need to address related financial hardships anticipated with older condominium buildings, including assessments and insurance costs.

Mayor Trantalis concurred on the impact on the community. Commissioner Herbst confirmed this issue had been added to the City's Legislative Priorities, requesting State Representatives to consider establishing a needs based funding program mechanism and cited an example. Commissioner Herbst expounded on his perspective. Mayor Trantalis concurred and read the line item addressing this issue included in the City's Legislative Priorities.

Commissioner Herbst remarked on the need to revise the wording in this Agenda item to reflect funding assistance from the State of Florida (State) be based on needs versus age to offset costs required for capital

improvements and reserves. He commented on related efforts and work with State Representative Chip LaMarca. Further comment and discussion ensued. Commissioner Glassman remarked on the need to include funding assistance for condominiums' Structural Integrity Reserve Studies and relief from condominium insurance costs.

Commissioner Glassman noted that Staff still needs to present the related Resolution. He confirmed the need to work with State Representatives Chip LaMarca and Jason Pizzo to provide solutions and expounded on his perspective regarding increased insurance costs. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, City Attorney Thomas Ansbro confirmed the Resolution on this topic would be modified and presented to the Commission at the Commission Regular Meeting on November 21, 2023.

Daphnee Sainvil, Public Affairs Manager, explained that November 14, 2023, is the deadline for State appropriation requests and remarked on securing sponsors for the Commission's Top Ten (10) Priorities. Ms. Sainvil discussed information related to the State Legislature's Special Session. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Herbst recommended bifurcating the City's appropriation requests from its policy statements.

Commissioner Herbst introduced this Resolution as amended, bifurcating the City's appropriation requests from the City's policy statements, which was read by title only.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED

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

[23-1121](#)

Motion to defer remaining balance of State Legislative Program to November 21, 2023

Commissioner Glassman made a motion to approve this Agenda item, deferring the policy statements portion of the City's Legislative Priorities to the November 21, 2023, Commission Regular Meeting, and was seconded by Commissioner Herbst.

APPROVED

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

R-4 [23-1056](#)

Resolution Closing the Capital Reserve Created via Resolution 21-197

for the City's Water and Sewer System - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

ADOPTED

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

R-5 [23-1040](#) Resolution Declaring Notice of Intent to Lease City-Owned Property Located at 601 Seabreeze Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316, Pursuant to Section 8.13 of the City Charter, to Marine Industries Association of South Florida, Inc. - (Commission District 2)

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

ADOPTED

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

R-6 [23-1065](#) Resolution Declaring Notice of Intent to Sublease City-Owned Property Located at 501 Seabreeze Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 33316, Pursuant to Section 8.13 of the City Charter, to International Swimming Hall of Fame, Inc. - (Commission District 2)

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

ADOPTED

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

R-7 [23-1066](#) Resolution Declaring Notice of Intent to Sublease City-Owned Property Located at 501 Seabreeze Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, 33316, Pursuant to Section 8.13 of the City Charter, to ISHOF Properties, Inc. - (Commission District 2)

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

ADOPTED

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

R-8 [23-1091](#) City Auditor Annual Performance Review - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commission Members discussed the need to improve the process for evaluation of Charter Officers, including providing guidelines, clarity, structure, and transparency. There was a consensus to schedule a Special Meeting on November 21, 2023, on this topic prior to the Commission Conference Meeting.

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PH-1 [23-1016](#)

Public Hearing - Quasi Judicial Resolution Approving a Waiver of Limitations at 830 NE 20th Avenue for the Installation of One (1) Finger Pier and One (1) Boat Lift- (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.

Commissioner Sturman noted the unanimous approval of this waiver by the Marine Advisory Board.

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

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

ADOPTED - Approving

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

PH-2 [23-1017](#)

Public Hearing - Quasi Judicial Resolution Approving a Waiver of Limitations at 2765 NE 14th Street (Unit #32), Porto Venezia Condominium for the installation of one (1) boat lift - (Commission District 1)

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.

Mayor Trantalis recognized John DeTorres, 2761 NE 14th Street. Mr. DeTorres spoke in opposition to this Agenda item.

Commissioner Herbst noted a number of emails received opposing this Agenda item. Commissioner Glassman noted that the Marine Advisory Board (MAB) was in unanimous support of this Agenda item.

In response to Commissioner Herbst's question, Andrew Cuba, Parks & Recreation Department Marine Facilities Manager, explained details regarding this Agenda item. Mr. Cuba said that the MAB does not consider line of site issues, only navigational safety issues.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions, Tyler Chappell, The Chappell Group, 714 East McNab Road, Pompano Beach, confirmed the dock waiver is for thirty-one feet (31'), six (6) feet beyond the permitted twenty-five feet (25'). Mr. Chappell explained details regarding the location and waiver request. He confirmed this waiver request is similar to another waiver request in the same complex. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman's question, Mr. DeTorres explained his property that is impacted is a rental unit.

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 Sturman. Roll call showed: AYES: Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman, and Mayor Trantalis

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

ADOPTED - Approving

Yea: 4 - Commissioner Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman and Mayor Trantalis

Nay: 1 - Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman

ORDINANCE FIRST READING

OFR-1 [23-1074](#)

First Reading - Ordinance Amending the City of Fort Lauderdale Chapter 8, Article III, Titled "Public Beaches," by Creating a New Code Section 8-55.4, Titled "Sale, Service, and Consumption of Food and Alcoholic Beverages" - (Commission District 2)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Bill Brown, 112 N. Birch Road, Central Beach Alliance (CBA) President. Mr. Brown spoke in support of this Ordinance and confirmed that the CBA and other stakeholders have not received any negative feedback. He supports expansion of the sale, service, and consumption of food and alcoholic beverages on the beach to Oakland Park Boulevard and expounded on related information. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Sturman's questions, Mr. Brown remarked on two (2) comments received from a CBA survey on this topic. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, Chris Cooper, Development Services Department Director, confirmed that this Ordinance extends the northern boundary from Sunrise Boulevard to Oakland Park Boulevard. Further comment and discussion ensued. Commissioner Glassman remarked on the two (2) hotel properties impacted by this Agenda item. Commissioner Glassman noted a scrivener's error in the CAM. City Manager Chavarria confirmed that Staff would correct.

Commissioner Herbst remarked on discussions with Staff regarding his recommended modification to the Ordinance to include the North Beach Village area hotels west of A1A on the barrier island (Modification) between the First and Second Reading. Commissioner Glassman noted the need for additional time to allow the CBA to weigh Commissioner Herbst's recommendation. He remarked on feedback at the District 2 Pre-Agenda Meeting and cited examples. Further comment and discussion ensued. Commissioner Herbst noted that the proposed expansion could be a pilot project.

In response to Commissioner Sturman's question, City Manager Chavarria confirmed there have been no public safety concerns. Commissioner Glassman confirmed that they have not received any complaints.

Mr. Cooper remarked on the expiration of the initial pilot plan associated with this Ordinance and Staff's discussions with the CBA membership who were amenable to the Modification. He noted the need for the Second Reading on November 21, 2023. Mr. Cooper said Staff would

return to the Commission with a plan for Commissioner Herbst's Modification within sixty (60) days following the Second Reading.

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

PASSED FIRST READING

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

OFR-2 [23-1015](#)

First Reading - Ordinance Establishing the Bahia Mar Community Development District and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Related Instruments - (Commission District 2)

Mayor Trantalis noted this Agenda item establishes a self-taxing district.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions, Ginger Wald, 515 E. Las Olas Boulevard, explained Exhibit 2 included in the Agenda backup consists of a sketch of the geographical boundaries creating the Bahia Mar Community Development District (CDD) and expounded on related details and information. There is a specific exclusion for governmental entities that own property within a CDD. No property owned by the City can be assessed.

Mayor Trantalis remarked on preliminary discussions about selling air rights on a portion of the property and retaining the first-floor footprint associated with those air rights. Ms. Wald noted an example in Miami. Ms. Wald explained the State Statute Chapter 190 governing the CDD's Board of Supervisors (Board). She noted a specific exclusion for a governmental entity as a land owner to sit on the Board. Ms. Wald explained additional information and related details. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, Ms. Wald confirmed that most occupant businesses under the jurisdiction of the CDD referenced in the backup information include all businesses except the City and expounded on related information. Boat lifts and docks are not part of the CDD.

In response to Commissioner Sturman's questions, Ms. Wald explained this would be the first CDD created in the City. The CDD will be a special taxing district independent of the City. There would be an Interlocal Agreement with the City. The duration of the lease is fifty (50) years with an additional fifty (50) year renewal. Further comment and discussion ensued regarding the developer's responsibility for the infrastructure associated with this development defined in the Comprehensive

Agreement. The CDD is another layer of revenue for infrastructure and other property amenities.

Ms. Wald confirmed the ability of CDD as a governmental entity to request financial assistance from the State of Florida (State) if necessary. She cited the examples of other CDDs in Broward County. Further comment and discussion ensued regarding a chart in the Agenda backup outlining the infrastructure that the CDD would fund and the City would maintain.

Commissioner Sturman requested further discussion of CDDs at a Conference Meeting. Further comment and discussion ensued. Commissioner Herbst remarked on his experiences regarding CDDs and noted his confidence regarding the financial viability of this CDD. Commissioner Sturman remarked on the opportunity to familiarize himself with the CDD before the Second Reading of this Ordinance on December 5, 2023.

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

PASSED FIRST READING

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

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Sturman

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

OSR-1 [23-1037](#)

Second Reading - Ordinance Amending City of Fort Lauderdale Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR); Section 47-20.2, Parking and Loading Zone Requirements and Section 47-20.5, General Design of Parking Facilities to Clarify the Different Types of Residential Uses and Alphabetize the Uses in "Table 1. Parking and Loading Zone Requirements." and to Add Regulations Regarding Drive Aisles for the Different Types of Single-Family Dwellings, Dwellings that Include Two Units and Clusters - Case No. UDP-T23005 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING

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

[23-1096](#)

WALK ON - Motion Approving Recommendation from the Citizens Committee of Recognition Honoring Former Mayor Robert Dressler as the 2022 Honored Founder - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

APPROVED

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

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trantalis adjourned the meeting at 9:08 p.m.

Dean J. Trantalis
Mayor

ATTEST:

David R. Soloman
City Clerk