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## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, August 22, 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***

***D'WAYNE M. SPENCE, Interim City Attorney***

***PATRICK REILLY, City Auditor***

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Trantalis called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance****ROLL CALL**

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

**QUORUM ESTABLISHED****PRES- [23-0747](#)  
1**

Representative Chip LaMarca to make Check Presentation to City of Fort Lauderdale for the City's Galt Mile Streetscape Improvement Project in District 1 for the State of Florida FY 2023-2024

Florida House Representative Chip LaMarca presented a check to the City representing State funding for the District 1 Galt Mile Streetscape Improvement Project. Representative LaMarca acknowledged and thanked those who assisted in this funding effort.

Commissioner Herbst and Mayor Trantalis accepted the check and thanked Representative LaMarca.

**PRESENTED**

**RECESS**

Mayor Trantalis recessed the meeting at 6:21 p.m. to return to the Conference Meeting.

**RECONVENE**

Mayor Trantalis reconvened the Regular Meeting at 9:21 p.m.

**AGENDA ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Trantalis announced the following updates to the published Agenda:

**CHANGES:**

R-4 Resolution (Exhibit 2) was revised with updated verbiage from

Broward County

**Meeting Minutes Revisions:**

June 6, 2023, Regular Meeting - page 9 revision "eastern" was replaced with "western".

June 20, 2023, Conference Meeting - page 13 revision "takeover" was replaced with "take over".

**REMOVED:**

PRES-3

R-7 City Manager Chavarria requested the removal of this Agenda item.

R-8 Per the discussion during Conference Agenda Item CF-1

**WALK-ON:**

Motion Approving the Lease Agreement between Cypress Corporate Center LLC and the City of Fort Lauderdale

**WALK-ON:**

Motion Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Revocable License with FAT VILLAGE PROJECT LLC, for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on NW 5th Street, NW 1st Avenue and NW 6th Street/Sistrunk Boulevard in Association with the FAT Village Development Located at 501-545 NW 1st Avenue and 545 North Andrews Avenue

***A copy of the updated Agenda items and the Walk-On Resolution are attached to these Meeting Minutes.***

**Approval of MINUTES and Agenda**

[23-0740](#)

Minutes for June 6, 2023, Commission Regular Meeting, June 20, 2023, Commission Joint Workshop with Budget Advisory Board, June 20, 2023, Commission Conference Meeting, June 20, 2023, Commission Regular Meeting, and July 5, 2023, Commission Joint Workshop with Northwest-Progresso-Flagler Heights Redevelopment Board - (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 Commissioner Glassman.

**APPROVED AS AMENDED**

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

**23-0856**

Subsidiary Motion amending an exhibit to agenda Item OSR-1, CAM 23-0607, Second Reading - Quasi-Judicial Ordinance Approving a Rezoning from South Beach Marina and Hotel Area District (SBMHA) to Planned Development District (PDD) with an Associated PDD Site Plan Located at 801 Seabreeze Boulevard - Rahn Bahia Mar, LLC. - Bahia Mar - Case No. UDP-PDD22004 - (Commission District 2) previously adopted at the June 20, 2023, Commission Regular Meeting

Commissioner Glassman discussed the need to correct information included in the Exhibit attached to the Second Reading of Agenda item OSR-1, CAM 23-0607, voted on at the June 20, 2023 Commission Regular Meeting. He confirmed the need to strike item 13b of the Exhibit.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, Interim City Attorney Spence explained the procedure to make the correction on the record.

Commissioner Glassman made a motion to strike item 13b included in the Exhibit attached to the Second Reading of Agenda Item OSR-1, CAM 23-0607, voted on at the June 20, 2023, and was seconded by Commissioner Sturman.

**APPROVED**

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

**PRESENTATIONS****PRES- 23-0755**  
**2**

Mayor Trantalis to present a Proclamation Celebrating the 40 Year Anniversary of the South Florida Chapter, National Forum for Black Public Administrators (NFBPA)

Mayor Trantalis presented a Proclamation *Celebrating the 40 Year Anniversary of the South Florida Chapter, National Forum for Black Public Administrators (NFBPA)*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety.

Dr. Philip Harris, President of the South Florida Chapter of the NFBPA, accepted the Proclamation. Dr. Harris thanked the Commission for this recognition and the 2028 NFBPA National Convention will be hosted in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

**PRESENTED**

**PRES- [23-0804](#)**  
**3**

Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman to Present a Proclamation declaring August 2023, as National Black Business Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale

**REMOVED FROM AGENDA**

## **CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT**

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

CR-4

Mayor Trantalis recognized Tony Spalding, 2554 Gulfstream Lane. Mr. Spalding questioned how this Agenda item's liens are initiated and remarked on his viewpoint.

CR-6

Mayor Trantalis recognized Tony Spalding, 2554 Gulfstream Lane. Mr. Spalding commented on changes to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Budget. Mayor Trantalis confirmed a FY 2024 Second Budget Hearing and noted line item budget amendments throughout the year.

CR-8

Mayor Trantalis recognized Tony Spalding, 2554 Gulfstream Lane. Mr. Spalding recommended oversight of Code Enforcement identifying derelict vessels and cited his own experience.

CP-5 and CR-6

Mayor Trantalis recognized Paul Renneisen, 3111 NE 56th Avenue. Mr. Renneisen commented on concerns related to both CP-5 and CR-6 Agenda items and said they do not provide adequate liability protection to the City.

Susan Grant, Assistant City Manager responded to Mr. Renneisen's concerns. She explained this is a typical piggyback contract with the Department of Justice (DOJ). There are multiple line items that are not utilized in the contract for the rehabilitation of this helicopter. Staff will only use the line item that refers to disposal of the helicopter, and the helicopter would not be rehabilitated. She explained efforts of Staff and related details.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions, Ms. Grant explained the revenue from the sale of the helicopter would not be known until it is sold at auction. There would be no cost to the City except for the auction fee, which would be deducted from the auction price. Ms. Grant discussed details of the related budget amendment included in Agenda item CR-6.

Rufus James, Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport (FXE) Director, explained the condition of the helicopter and noted that the purchaser would need to make the helicopter airworthy.

In response to Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman's questions, Mr. James explained the City did not purchase the helicopter. The helicopter was obtained by the Police Department as a result of confiscation and a subsequent court order judgment transferred its title to the City.

#### CP-7

Mayor Trantalis recognized Michael Schneider, 139 Fiesta Way. Mr. Schneider remarked on cost concerns associated with Agenda item CR-7 and the Las Olas Mobility Project. Mayor Trantalis noted the neighborhood's longtime request for crosswalk safety improvements. Commissioner Glassman remarked that the request for this safety improvement came from the Las Olas Mobility Project Working Group and explained related details.

### CONSENT AGENDA

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

CR-9 Commissioner Sturman

### Approval of the Consent Agenda

Commissioner Sturman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and was seconded by Commissioner Herbst.

#### Approve the Consent Agenda

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

### CONSENT MOTION

**CM-1**    [23-0742](#)    Motion Approving Event Agreements for Igloo Cooler Festival and FemAle Brew Fest - (Commission Districts 2 and 3)

#### APPROVED

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

**CM-2**    [23-0626](#)    Motion Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Revocable

License with Midtown PAL Flagler Village LLC for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on NE 6th Street/Sistrunk Boulevard and NE 4th Avenue in Association with the Advantis Station Development Located at 600 NE 3rd Avenue - (Commission District 2)

**APPROVED**

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

**CM-3**    [23-0672](#)

Motion Accepting the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year which ended September 30, 2022, for Submittal to the Florida Auditor General - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**APPROVED**

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

**CM-4**    [23-0745](#)

Motion Authorizing the Execution of an Underground Electric Utility Facilities Easement with Florida Power and Light Company - Prospect Lake Water Treatment Plant - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**APPROVED**

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

**CM-5**    [23-0767](#)

Motion Authorizing Settlement of Workers' Compensation Claims in Michael Spalding v. City of Fort Lauderdale, Case Nos. 11-02613JLN, 20-025268DAL, and 21-005893DAL - \$350,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**APPROVED**

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

**CONSENT RESOLUTION**

**CR-1**    [23-0636](#)

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Submit a Grant Application for \$4,275 to the Florida Inland Navigation District - Small Scale Derelict Vessel Removal Program to Remove a Derelict Vessel from the Cox's Landing Boat Ramp - (Commission District 4)

**ADOPTED**

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

- CR-2**     [23-0646](#)     Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding with Broward College to Expand Access to Post-Secondary Education for Fort Lauderdale Residents - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**ADOPTED**

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

- CR-3**     [23-0681](#)     Resolution Accepting Two Cox CXO300hp Outboard Engines, Installation, and Twelve Months of Service from Ring Power Corporation in Exchange for Allowing Ring Power Corporation to Conduct Certain Marketing Activities, Waiving the Competitive Solicitation and Selection Processes Contained in Division 2, Procurement, of Chapter 2, Article V, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, for the acquisition of the Engines, and Approving a Marketing Agreement between Ring Power Corporation and the City of Fort Lauderdale,- \$160,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**ADOPTED**

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

- CR-4**     [23-0689](#)     Resolution Imposing Special Assessment Liens for Lot Clearing - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**ADOPTED**

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

- CR-5**     [23-0734](#)     Resolution Accepting Grant Funds from the State of Florida Department of Health: Emergency Medical Services Program for \$36,746.25 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**ADOPTED**

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

- CR-6**     [23-0735](#)     Resolution Approving the Consolidated Budget Amendment to Fiscal Year 2023 - Appropriation - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**ADOPTED**

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



- CR-7**    [23-0760](#)    Resolution Appointing George Steven Fender, Esquire of the law firm of Fender, Bolling, and Paiva, P.A., as special counsel representing the City of Fort Lauderdale in federal and state court proceedings regarding the action filed by KAS AIRPORT, LLC, a Florida limited liability company - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**ADOPTED**

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

- CR-8**    [23-0773](#)    Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Apply to the Broward Boating Improvement Program for Grant Funding of \$50,000 for Future Derelict Vessel Removal - (Commission Districts 1, 2 and 4)

**ADOPTED**

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

- CR-9**    [23-0801](#)    Resolution Delegating Authority to the City Manager to Approve and Execute All Grant Agreements with the Federal Aviation Administration and All Associated Documents with the Grant Agreements and Authorize the City Manager to Accept Grant Funds on Behalf of the City - (Commission District 1)

In response to Commissioner Sturman's question, City Manager Chavarria explained this Agenda item delegates authority to the City Manager to expedite agreements with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Commissioner Sturman and Commissioner Herbst commented on concerns about delegating approval authority for contracts and agreements to Staff. City Manager Chavarria confirmed this Agenda item could be amended. Commissioner Herbst noted the ability to delegate signature authority to the City Manager during specific times, including the Commission Summer Break. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis noted that the City Manager has spending authority up to a specified amount and a decision on this Agenda item is the prerogative of the Commission. Commissioner Herbst discussed his viewpoint and commented on the position of the Office of the City Attorney that contracts and grant agreements are Commission policy issues. Commissioner Sturman concurred.

Rufus James, Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport (FXE) Director, explained this Agenda item relates to FAA grant agreements for the rehabilitation of FXE Runway 927. The FAA Grants are anticipated by the end of August 2023 and the summer of 2024.

Interim City Attorney Spence explained Charter provisions require the Mayor's signature on all City agreements unless the Commission delegates authority to another individual. This Resolution could be amended to address the specific item discussed by Mr. James. Further comment and discussion ensued

Commissioner Herbst introduced this Resolution as amended authorizing the City Manager to execute the grant agreement for FXE Runway 927 which was read by title only.

**ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

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

**CR-10** [23-0808](#)

Resolution Appointing The Ferraro Law Firm, P.A., as Special Counsel to represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in the investigation and prosecution of any and all claims pertaining to that certain class-action litigation arising out of the groundwater supply and soil contamination by Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances ("PFAS") contained within any and all products, including but not limited to Aqueous Film Forming Foam ("AFFF") - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**ADOPTED**

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

**CR-11** [23-0825](#)

Resolution Appointing the Law Firm of Quintairos, Prieto, Wood, & Boyer, P.A., as Special Counsel, to Represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in Connection with General Liability Claims and Labor and Employment Matters and Prescribing Hourly Rates - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**ADOPTED**

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

**CR-12** [23-0826](#)

Resolution Repealing Resolution No. 20-176 and Appointing the Law Firm of Bilzin Sumberg, as Special Counsel, to Represent the City of Fort Lauderdale in Connection with Complex Real Estate Matters and Prescribing Hourly Rates - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**ADOPTED**

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

**CONSENT PURCHASE**

- CP-1**    [23-0544](#)    Motion Approving an Agreement for Industrial Painting Services - Five12 Painting & Remodeling LLC - \$816,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)
- APPROVED**
- Yea:** 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman and Mayor Trantalis
- CP-2**    [23-0652](#)    Motion Approving Agreements for Motor Rewind Services - PSI Technologies Inc and Donerite Pumps Inc - \$375,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)
- APPROVED**
- Yea:** 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman and Mayor Trantalis
- CP-3**    [23-0653](#)    Motion Approving the Purchase of Sodium Hypochlorite - Allied Universal Corp. - \$499,800 (two-year total) - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)
- APPROVED**
- Yea:** 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman and Mayor Trantalis
- CP-4**    [23-0677](#)    Motion Approving Increase to the Advanced Metering Infrastructure Solution Consultant Services Cost Capacity - Black & Veatch Corporation - \$106,049.00 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4)
- APPROVED**
- Yea:** 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman and Mayor Trantalis
- CP-5**    [23-0699](#)    Motion Approving Piggyback Agreement with the Department of Justice and United States Marshals Service No. 15M50020DA4400006 for the purchase of National Aircraft Services from Risk Mondial, Inc. dba Risk Mondial Aviation & Recovery - \$110,000 (estimated) - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)
- APPROVED**
- Yea:** 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman and Mayor Trantalis
- CP-6**    [23-0712](#)    Motion Approving an Agreement for Las Olas Blvd and SE 15th Ave Intersection Modifications Project - Weekley Asphalt Inc. -

\$123,317.00 - (Commission District 2)

**APPROVED**

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

**CP-7**     [23-0721](#)

Motion Approving an Agreement for the Las Olas Mid-Block Crossings Project - Horsepower Electric Inc. \$564,244 Event No. 84-2 - (Commission District 2)

**APPROVED**

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

**CP-8**     [23-0727](#)

Motion Approving Agreement for Purchase of Parking Lot Clean Up Services - SFM Janitorial Services, LLC - \$631,436 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**APPROVED**

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

**MOTIONS**

**M-1**     [23-0743](#)

Motion Approving Event Agreements and Related Road Closures for The Fort Lauderdale Jingle Bell Jog, 36th Annual Las Olas Art Fair (October 2023), Winterfest Family Fun Day, 12th Annual Fort Lauderdale Turkey Trot, Step Out Walk to Stop Diabetes and Taco and Margarita Festival - (Commission Districts 2 and 4)

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

**APPROVED**

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

**M-2**     [23-0744](#)

Motion Approving Event Agreements, Requests for Extended Road Closures Beyond 10:00am on the Barrier Island, and Requests for Music Exemption for the Visit Lauderdale Food & Wine Festival, Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade, Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade PUBLIC VIEWING AREA and Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade VIP VIEWING AREA - (Commission Districts 1, 2, and 4)

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

**APPROVED**

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

**M-3**     [23-0421](#)

Motion Approving Piggyback Agreement utilizing Broward County Sherriff's Office Request Letters of Interest/Contract No. 23004AP for Purchase and Installation of Emergency Equipment for City Vehicles - The Shyft Group Upfit Services, Inc. d/b/a Strobes-R-Us - \$7,800,000 (estimated initial term total) - (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 Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman and Mayor Trantalis

[23-0857](#)

WALK-ON - Motion to Extend Commission Meeting until 11pm

Commissioner Sturman made a motion to extend the meeting until 11:00 p.m. and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.

**APPROVED**

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

**M-4**     [23-0526](#)

Motion Approving the Purchase of Water Meter Boxes - Fortiline, Inc. and Core and Main LP. - \$1,208,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

**APPROVED**

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

**M-5**     [23-0596](#)

Motion Approving an Agreement for the Lead and Copper Rule Revision (LCRR) Compliance Program - Arcadis U.S., Inc. - \$999,409 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

**APPROVED**

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

- M-6**     [23-0618](#)     Motion Approving Agreement for Flagler Heights Sewer Basin A-21 Lateral Services - LMK Pipe Renewal, LLC - \$1,604,063.75 - (Commission District 2)
- Commissioner Herbst made a motion to approve this Agenda item and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.
- APPROVED**
- Yea:** 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman and Mayor Trantalis
- M-7**     [23-0628](#)     Motion Approving the Final Ranking of Firms, Negotiated Fee Schedule and Agreements for General Water and Wastewater Professional Architectural - Engineering Consulting Continuing Services - Chen Moore and Associates, Inc., Hazen and Sawyer, P.C., Arcadis Inc., CDM Smith Inc., AECOM Technical Services, Inc. - \$32,913,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)
- Commissioner Sturman made a motion to approve this Agenda item and was seconded by Commissioner Herbst.
- APPROVED**
- Yea:** 4 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Sturman and Mayor Trantalis
- Nay:** 1 - Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman
- M-8**     [23-0782](#)     Motion Approving an Interlocal Agreement with the Village of Lazy Lakes to Provide Fire Rescue Services - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)
- Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman made a motion to approve this Agenda item and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.
- APPROVED**
- Yea:** 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman and Mayor Trantalis
- M-9**     [23-0778](#)     Motion Appointing Honored Pioneer for Broward County Historic Preservation Board's 2023 Pioneer Day - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)
- Commissioner Herbst made a motion to approve this Agenda item and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.
- APPROVED**
- Yea:** 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman and Mayor Trantalis

**RESOLUTIONS****R-1**     [23-0697](#)

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

City Clerk David Soloman informed the Commission that a representative and an alternate need to be appointed to the Broward County Solid Waste Authority at the September 5, 2023, Commission Meeting. Further comment and discussion ensued.

City Clerk David Soloman read the names of Board and Committee nominees for appointment and/or reappointment at the September 5, 2023, Commission Regular Meeting.

City Clerk Soloman read into the record the names of the Board and Committee appointments and reappointments for Agenda item R-1. He noted the additional nominations of Dev Motwani to the Noise Control Advisory Committee by Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman and Robyn Vegas to the Public Art and Placement Advisory Board by Commissioner Sturman.

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

**ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

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

**R-2**     [23-0477](#)

Resolution Accepting the 2023-2024 State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Funds in the Amount of \$2,168,696 and Approving the Recommended Funding Allocation for the SHIP Program FY 2023-2024 by Authorizing the City Manager to use an Estimated Program Income in the Amount of \$50,000, for a Total Funding Amount of \$2,218,696 and Apply 10% of the SHIP Funds Plus 5% of any Program Income Earned for Administrative Costs - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Herbst recommended utilizing SHIP funding to adequately fund the Rapid Rehousing Program ensuring people avoid homelessness. He expounded on his viewpoint and feedback from the community regarding this recommendation.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions regarding the ability to utilize SHIP funding for that purpose, Chris Cooper, Development Services Department Director, explained SHIP guidelines prioritize sixty-five

percent (65%) of its funding for homeownership. Mr. Cooper explained the ability to fund the Rapid Rehousing Program and additional ways to fund homeless housing services.

In response to Commissioner Herbst's question regarding whether the amount set aside for homeownership is the minimum, Mr. Cooper said he would research and provide an update.

Mayor Trantalis concurred on the need to provide Rapid Rehousing, discussed the importance of providing follow-up social services to address the cause of homelessness, and expounded on his viewpoint.

Commissioner Herbst agreed on the need for follow-up social services and remarked on his understanding that the Rapid Rehousing Program is intended for people who are on the verge of becoming homeless or have recently become homeless versus the chronically homeless and cited examples. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions, Mr. Cooper explained the Rapid Rehousing Program is intended to stave off eviction and discussed details of related wraparound services. Mr. Cooper recommended Staff make a presentation on these services at an upcoming Commission Meeting. He confirmed the funding associated with this Agenda item is not earmarked and can be amended from time to time based on Commission input and recommendations from the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee.

Commissioner Herbst commented on his support of this Agenda item with the caveat that the Commission consider Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) allocations in the near future.

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

**ADOPTED**

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

**R-3**      [23-0539](#)

Resolution Approving the Performing Arts Center Authority Budget for Fiscal Year 2023 and Tri-Party Grant Agreement - \$1,062,000 (estimated three-year total) - (Commission District 2)

Commissioner Glassman discussed his support of this Agenda item and the need for Staff to inform and promote the benefits of a specific program and what it provides to the community.



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

**ADOPTED**

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

**R-4**     [23-0639](#)

Resolution Approving an Agreement for the Installation of Required Improvements between Broward County and the City of Fort Lauderdale Prior to Issuance of Certificate of Occupancy for the Fort Lauderdale Police Headquarters - (Commission District 2)

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

**ADOPTED**

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

**R-5**     [23-0695](#)

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Reimbursable Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for the Dorsey-Riverbend Stormwater Improvements Project in an Amount up to \$10,482,997 - (Commission District 3)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Tony Spalding, 2554 Gulfstream Lane. Mr. Spalding commented on his understanding and concerns regarding stormwater runoff.

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

**ADOPTED**

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

**R-6**     [23-0696](#)

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Reimbursable Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for the Progresso Stormwater Improvements project in an Amount up to \$13,495,743 - (Commission District 2)

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

**ADOPTED**

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

- R-7**     [23-0715](#)     Resolution Approving an Amendment to Resolution No. 23-121 to Change the Public Hearing Date - (Commission District 2)

**REMOVED FROM AGENDA**

- R-8**     [23-0761](#)     Resolution urging the Florida Legislature to identify available funding sources that could be used to create a grant program or low interest loan program or both, for condominium associations and economically vulnerable specially assessed condominium unit owners who reside full-time in their condominium units, urging the Florida Legislature to collaborate with lending and financial institutions to create programs that would provide funding relief to condominium associations and economically vulnerable condominium unit owners who are specially assessed, for the costs of deferred maintenance and repairs arising out of milestone inspections and structural integrity reserve studies, and urging the Florida Legislature to further amend the law so that associations other than those operating a multicondominium may determine to provide no reserves or less reserves than required if an alternative funding method is identified by the Florida Legislature or approved by the Florida Division of Florida Condominiums, Timeshares, and Mobile Homes of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**REMOVED FROM AGENDA**

- R-9**     [23-0813](#)     Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Florida Power & Light ("FPL") Easements Over City-owned Property for Utilities at Bahia Mar Marina Village - (Commission District 2)

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

**ADOPTED**

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

- R-10**     [23-0732](#)     Resolution Approving the Sub-Sublease Agreement between West Marine Products, Inc. and the City of Fort Lauderdale, in Substantially the Form Provided, Subject to Post-Condition Approvals, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Sub-Sublease and Related Agreements - \$7,404,480 (64-Month Rent) - (Commission District 2)

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding any recourse prior to the expiration of this sixty-four (64) month lease, Interim City Attorney D'Wayne Spence confirmed subleasing would be possible

subject to the approval of the other sub-lessors. Further comment and discussion ensued.

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

**ADOPTED**

**Yea:** 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Sturman and Mayor Trantalis

**Nay:** 2 - Commissioner Herbst and Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**PH-1**    [23-0101](#)

Public Hearing - Quasi-Judicial Resolution Approving the Historic Designation of the Property Commonly Known as "Castro Convertibles," located at 2860 N. Federal Highway as a Historic Landmark- Historic Preservation Board Case No. UDP-HPD21003 - (Commission District 1) - Requesting Deferment to December 5, 2023

Commissioner Herbst made a motion to defer this Agenda item to December 5, 2023, and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.

**DEFERRED to December 5, 2023**

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

**PH-2**    [23-0590](#)

Public Hearing - Quasi Judicial - Resolution Approving a Waiver of Limitations at 515 Seabreeze Blvd. for the Installation of one (1) Marginal Dock, Thirteen (13) Finger Piers, and Twenty-Five (25) Boat Lifts - (Commission District 2)

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 Sturman made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman. Roll call showed: AYES: Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, and Mayor Trantalis

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

**ADOPTED - Approving**

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

**PH-3**    [23-0717](#)

Public Hearing - Amending Quasi-Judicial Ordinance Vacating a 50-Foot Wide by 300-Foot-Long Right-of-Way for the Portion of SE 4th Avenue Between the Tarpon River and SE 11th Street - Case No. UDP-V21004 - (Commission District 4)

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 Sturman made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman. Roll call showed: AYES: Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sturman, and Mayor Trantalis

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

**PASSED FIRST READING**

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

**PH-4**    [23-0718](#)

Public Hearing - Amending Quasi-Judicial Ordinance Vacation of Right-of-Way Identified as a 28-Foot-Wide by 303.92-Foot-Long Portion of SE 10th Court Between SE 3rd Avenue and SE 4th Avenue - Case No. UDP-V21005 - (Commission District 4)

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 Sturman made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded

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

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

**PASSED FIRST READING**

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

**PH-5**    [23-0749](#)

Public Hearing - Ordinance Amending the Spectrum Development of Regional Impact (DRI) Development Order to Allow Up to 15,361 Square Feet of Senior Citizen Center Use and Update the Authorized Agent, Conditions of Approval, and Process for Changes to the Development Order - Case No. UDP - DRI23001 - (Commission District 1)

In response to Commissioner Sturman's question, Interim City Attorney Spence explained the need for Commissioner Sturman to announce his voting conflict and abstain from voting on this Agenda item. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Interim City Attorney Spence confirmed Commissioner Sturman's ability to participate in discussions.

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

Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman 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

**Abstain:** 1 - Commissioner Sturman

**ORDINANCE FIRST READING****OFR-1** [23-0674](#)

First Reading - Ordinance Amending the City of Fort Lauderdale Code of Ordinances Chapter Nine Building and Construction, Article Two Permits and Inspections, Division Two Fees, and Chapter Twenty-Five Streets and Sidewalks, Article Thirteen Fees, Division One Fees to Adjust Permit Fees for Services Related to Land Development and Permitting- (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Herbst introduced this Ordinance on the First Reading which was read by title only.

**PASSED FIRST READING**

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

**ORDINANCE SECOND READING****OSR-1** [23-0684](#)

Second Reading - Quasi-Judicial Ordinance Approving a Rezoning from Residential Mid Rise Multifamily/Medium High Density (RMM-25) District to Community Facility (CF) District - 1900, 1930 and 1940 NE 47 Street and 1901, 1911 and 1921 NE 46 Street- Holy Cross Hospital, Inc.- Case No. UDP-Z22030 - (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.

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

Commissioner Herbst introduced this Ordinance on the Second Reading which was read by title only.

**ADOPTED ON SECOND READING**

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

**OSR-2** [23-0629](#)

Second Reading - Ordinance Amending Chapter 11, Code Enforcement, Article II Section 11-3, Jurisdiction of Board and Special Magistrate, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale to Establish a Lien Amnesty Program and to Provide for Temporary Suspension of Section 11-3(c) During Periods of Lien Amnesty - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Herbst introduced this Ordinance on the Second Reading which was read by title only.

**ADOPTED ON SECOND READING**

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

**OSR-3** [23-0785](#)

Second Reading - Ordinance Repealing Section 28-172 Meter for Temporary Use - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Herbst introduced this Ordinance on the Second Reading which was read by title only.

**ADOPTED ON SECOND READING**

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

**WALK-ON MOTIONS**[23-0810](#)

WALK ON - FAT VILLAGE PROJECT LLC, for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on NW 5th Street, NW 1st Avenue and NW 6th Street contiguous to the FAT Village development.- (Commission District 2) Motion Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Revocable License with FAT VILLAGE PROJECT LLC, for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on NW 5th Street, NW 1st Avenue and NW 6th Street/Sistrunk Boulevard in Association with the FAT Village Development Located at 501-545 NW 1st Avenue and 545 North Andrews Avenue - (Commission District 2)

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

**APPROVED**

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

[23-0858](#)

WALK-ON - Motion to Extend Commission Meeting until 11:30pm

Commissioner Sturman made a motion to extend the meeting to 11:00 p.m. and was seconded by Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman.

**APPROVED**

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

[23-0859](#)**WALK-ON - Motion to Extend Commission Meeting until 12am**

Commissioner Sturman made a motion to extend the meeting to 12:00 a.m. and was seconded by Commissioner Herbst.

**APPROVED**

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

[23-0807](#)**WALK ON - Motion Approving the Lease Agreement between Cypress Corporate Center LLC and the City of Fort Lauderdale, in Substantially the Form Provided - \$1,451,970 (24-Month Rent) - (Commission District 1)**

Mayor Trantalis recognized Brooke Mosier, Colliers International, 200 East Broward Boulevard. In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Ms. Mosier confirmed Police Department personnel vacated the old Police Department Headquarters building and are occupying temporary spaces. She explained details associated with the lease space options. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman's questions, Ms. Mosier confirmed that Option A - 1901 W. Cypress Creek (1901 W. Cypress) and Option B - 1515 W. Cypress Creek (1515 W. Cypress) both have space that could be modified to accommodate individuals in police custody. Ms. Mosier noted her understanding that only 1515 W. Cypress has hurricane rated windows. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Sturman's question, Mayor Trantalis said Staff recommends 1901 W. Cypress.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions, Harry Spitzer, 3435 Stallion Lane, Weston, on behalf of 1901 W. Cypress, confirmed additional space would cost \$27.25 per square foot and the option of six (6) month lease renewals. He explained the history of building renovations, its minimal flood risk and noted it has seven hundred sixty (760) surface parking spaces, two hundred sixty (260) of which would be for the Police Department.

In response to Commissioner Herbst's questions, Mr. Spitz confirmed there is no covered parking at 1901 W. Cypress. Mr. Spitz said the Police Department parking area would be separated, remarked on



security efforts, and confirmed the ability to install a gate around the Police Department parking area. Police Chief (Chief) Patrick Lynn explained both facilities have a separate entrance for Police Officers with prisoners. Neither of the facilities have a secure, enclosed area for prisoners transported in police vehicles. There is more direct access to an interview room at 1515 W. Cypress. At 1901 W. Cypress, individuals in Police custody are escorted into a public area, pass a cafeteria and into an elevator to reach an interview room. Chief Lynn confirmed the need for Police Department parking lot security fencing.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions, Chief Lynn remarked on recent accommodations and said 1515 W. Cypress would work better for Police Department needs. Chief Lynn cited examples that include the public's access to the first floor to access records and interact with Police Officers. Chief Lynn said concerns related to the configuration of 1901 W. Cypress are not insurmountable, and noted the ability of Police to address security in either facility.

In response to Vice Mayor Beasley-Pittman's questions, Chief Lynn explained his understanding of details associated with space planning for Police personnel needs at 1515 W. Cypress. City Manager Chavarria explained previous space planning efforts, which included relocating an additional City division at 1515 W. Cypress. Chief Lynn discussed Police Department facility square footage needs and remarked on maximizing the amount of square footage to minimize the number of restrictions on Police personnel.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's comments regarding the current locations of Police personnel in the CAM, Chief Lynn noted his goal to move as many people into the facility selected and reduce the number of people in other locations.

Commissioner Sturman remarked on his viewpoint regarding the importance of public safety and concerns regarding the reduction of square footage needs. Mr. Spitzer confirmed the availability of an additional 15,000 square feet at 1901 W. Cypress. Commissioner Sturman remarked on the number of generators at 1901 W. Cypress and the lack of hurricane rated windows.

In response to Commissioner Sturman's questions, Evan Gross, on behalf of 1515 W. Cypress, confirmed this facility is hurricane rated and confirmed onsite generators to fully operate the HVAC, elevators, workstations, and all building components around the clock.

Commissioner Sturman remarked on the annual costs at 1515 W.

Cypress, and on aspects of the two (2) floors that would accommodate the space layout needs for Police Department operations, including ingress and egress, interview rooms, parking, and noted related information. Mr. Sheldon Gross, on behalf of 1515 W. Cypress confirmed.

In response to Commissioner Sturman's question, City Manager Chavarria confirmed lease details at One East Broward Boulevard. Commissioner Sturman expounded on his viewpoint and the importance of accommodating Police Department needs.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Sheldon Gross discussed details related to the Police Department having around the clock access to 1515 W. Cypress. The Police Department would provide limited duty personnel stationed at the front desk entrance. He explained there are five (5) building entrances and expounded on details. City Manager Chavarria remarked on around the clock staffing. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Herbst's question, Police Chief Lynn said the current Police Department does not have around the clock public access and confirmed the ability to provide a Police Officer to staff the front desk during business hours. City Manager Chavarria confirmed his objection to staffing a Police Officer at the front desk. Chief Lynn discussed Police Union objections to civilians staffing the Police Department's front desk and explained related information. A Front Desk Police Sergeant and light duty Police Officers staff the front desk.

In response to Commissioner Sturman's questions, Mr. Sheldon Gross explained public interaction associated with front desk staff during business hours and explained information regarding security in place at 1515 W. Cypress.

Commissioner Herbst remarked on his understanding of Police Precinct staffing. Chief Lynn confirmed and clarified his understanding that the lobby entrance would be open Monday through Friday, from nine to five, and staffed by an armed Desk Sergeant and assisted by light duty officers.

In response to Commissioner Herbst's question, Mr. Spitzer explained the furnishings at 1901 W. Cypress.

Commissioner Herbst concurred with Commissioner Sturman regarding a preference for adequate space for Police Department operations and remarked on his tour of 1515 W. Cypress. Mr. Sheldon Gross confirmed

1515 W. Cypress has existing workstations and furnishings, the Police Department's ability to expand to an additional floor, and a three percent (3%) annual increase to the gross rent with lease extensions.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, City Manager Chavarria explained details related to Staff's recommendation. Restrictions at 1515 W. Cypress would hinder Police Department Operations, which 1901 W. Cypress does not. Further comment and discussion ensued regarding determining space needs for Police Department operations and the ability to increase space.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question about each representative having an adequate opportunity to respond, City Manager Chavarria discussed related details.

In response to Commissioner Herbst's questions regarding the space analysis, including adequate space for new Patrol Officers and Homeless Outreach personnel, Chief Lynn explained the square footage requested was based upon the minimum number of people he felt necessary to keep operations moving as efficiently as possible. This includes detectives and other personnel working remotely. Commissioner Herbst remarked that detectives working remotely is unacceptable.

Commissioner Glassman discussed concerns related to the process and cited examples. In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, Ms. Mosier explained details related to the process, deadlines for responses and related information. Proposals were not received from 701 West Cypress Creek due to lack of parking and 200 West Cypress Creek due to concerns about people coming and going. She remarked on receiving multiple updates to lease terms for 1515 W. Cypress.

Commissioner Glassman discussed his perspective and concerns. Ms. Mosier explained updated terms and supplemental proposals for 1515 W. Cypress. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions, Mr. Sheldon Gross confirmed that 1515 W. Cypress retained Colliers International of South Florida as a broker and did not retain a lobbyist. Mr. Sheldon Gross clarified details regarding a July 26, 2023, communication from the City indicating it would take two (2) floors at 1515 W. Cypress and remarked on the August 21, 2023, 5:00 p.m. deadline. He commented on additional supplemental information provided and 1515 W. Cypress meeting the needs of the City.

Commissioner Glassman inquired about possible conflicts of interest related to Colliers representing both the City and 1515 W. Cypress, and 1515 W. Cypress' property tax exemption. Ms. Mosier explained that Colliers International of Florida and Colliers International of South Florida are separate business teams. Interim City Attorney Spence noted it does pose an issue of a conflict and would need additional information to review. Commissioner Glassman reiterated his concern. Mr. Sheldon Gross explained the property tax-exempt status of 1515 W. Cypress and its ownership history. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions regarding a clear distinction between Colliers International of Florida and Colliers International of South Florida, Interim City Attorney D'Wayne Spence explained the need to review related documentation to make a determination as to whether a conflict exists.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, Mr. Spitzer confirmed that 1901 W. Cypress pays annual property taxes. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Glassman reiterated concerns about this Agenda item, his viewpoint that he is not ready to move forward, and questioned the urgency. City Manager Chavarria remarked on efforts associated with this Agenda item and related discussions with the Police Union President.

In response to Commissioner Herbst's question, Mr. Sheldon Gross confirmed his lease offer was in written form and was provided to Ms. Mosier and explained related information. Interim City Attorney Spence noted his office had not received a copy of the lease. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Herbst and Commissioner Glassman's questions, City Manager Chavarria clarified details related to discussions with Kaplan University (Kaplan) and Mr. Sheldon Gross regarding lease terms and negotiations for 1515 W. Cypress. Commissioner Glassman remarked on concerns.

Mayor Trantalis noted the individuals from Colliers International of Florida who prepared the lease documents for 1515 W. Cypress. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis commented on the importance of 1515 W. Cypress being hurricane-rated and remarked on space at 1901 W. Cypress and 1515 W. Cypress.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding no lease agreement in the backup, Mayor Trantalis noted the option of not agreeing to a lease and agreeing to terms.

Commissioner Sturman suggested calendaring a Special Meeting for a Commission decision on this topic in one (1) week to allow the Office of the City Attorney to review the proposed 1515 W. Cypress lease. Interim City Attorney Spence remarked on the need for adequate time for Legal Staff to review the 1515 W. Cypress lease and confirmed his office would make its best efforts to review in a timely manner. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Herbst made a motion as amended for Option B, 1515 W. Cypress, subject to review by the Office of the City Attorney, as presented on page two (2) of the CAM, and all representations made on the record tonight and was seconded by Commissioner Sturman.

Mayor Trantalis noted a final vote would be taken when a final lease is presented, and the motion is giving Commission direction to Staff to move forward with the review of the 1515 W. Cypress lease.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Angela Salmon, Assistant to the City Manager. In response to Ms. Salmon's question regarding the move-in date for 1515 W. Cypress, Mr. Sheldon Gross confirmed occupancy could begin immediately following execution of the lease. Rent would be abated until October 1, 2023, to allow Police Department personnel time to fully assimilate into the facility.

Mr. Sheldon Gross explained that in the interest of expediency, the 1901 W. Cypress lease was redlined and updated with 1515 W. Cypress Creek lease terms, which would be provided to the Office of the City Attorney. Further comment and discussion ensued regarding the lease terms, operating costs, and pass-through costs to the City for leasing 1515 W. Cypress. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Glassman noted the need to fully understand all details related to leasing 1515 W. Cypress. Further comment and discussion ensued.

**APPROVED AS AMENDED - Option B**

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

**Nay:** 1 - Commissioner Glassman

## ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trantalis adjourned the meeting at 11:44 p.m.

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Dean J. Trantalis  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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David R. Soloman  
City Clerk