

City of Fort Lauderdale



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

1:30 PM

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City Commission Conference Meeting

FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION

DEAN J. TRANTALIS Mayor

STEVEN GLASSMAN Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District II

HEATHER MORAITIS Commissioner - District I

ROBERT L. McKINZIE Commissioner - District III

BEN SORENSEN Commissioner - District IV

CHRIS LAGERBLOOM, City Manager

JOHN HERBST, City Auditor

JEFFREY A. MODARELLI, City Clerk

ALAIN E. BOILEAU, City Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trantalis called the meeting to order at 1:36 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

ROLL CALL

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

QUORUM ESTABLISHED

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

In response to Mayor Trantalis's inquiry, there was a consensus to begin the Conference Meeting with Commission Reports.

CITY COMMISSION REPORTS

Members of the Commission announced recent and upcoming events and matters of interest.

Commissioner Moraitis commented on ongoing State Legislature Committee Hearings regarding a vacation rental bill and inability of local regulation. Residents opposing State preemption should remain diligent in their efforts. Emails from her office and others will be forthcoming opposing State preemption that does not allow local control of vacation rentals.

Commissioner Moraitis noted positive discussions at the State Legislature regarding efforts to ban smoking on the beach.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions regarding preparing for *Spring*

Break, City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed plans to manage *Spring Break* as normal. If necessary, the Commission could consider a curfew. There has been no discussion on closing the beach.

Mayor Trantalis commented on the *Broward County Mayors' Meeting* discussion regarding *Spring Break*. Commissioner Sorensen noted the need for preparation, monitoring and continued discussions at upcoming Commission Meetings. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Moraitis commented on *Spring Break* discussions at the *District 1 Pre-Agenda Meeting*, noting mixed reactions from residents regarding closing the beach. She noted possible visitor expectations that the City would have a typical *Spring Break* and the need for continued conversations.

Commissioner Moraitis remarked on meeting with the *Galt Mile Community Association* and its new President, Fred Nesbitt. She noted an upcoming Galt area project funded by a neighborhood assessment and presented to the Commission for approval following community outreach.

Commissioner Moraitis provided a brief update on the need to move forward with efforts at *Lockhart Park (Park)*. The *Comprehensive Agreement* with *Inter Miami CF (Inter Miami)* states the *Park* is to be built by summer 2022. *AECOM* is completing its community outreach for the *Park*. *EDSA* has designed *Park* schematics and plans. The *Park* area reserved for the *Community Center* and the *Splash Pad* that will be built by the City can be landscaped with grass until those designs and plans are thoroughly vetted. Commissioner Moraitis confirmed she would share *Park* schematics with the Commission.

Vice Mayor Glassman confirmed attendance with Commission Sorensen at the *Las Olas Mobility Working Group Meeting* on Thursday, February 11, 2021. *The Corradino Group's Conceptual Design for Las Olas Boulevard (Conceptual Design)* will be presented during today's Conference Meeting. Vice Mayor Glassman thanked all stakeholders for their contributions.

Vice Mayor Glassman commented on the upcoming sunsetting of the *Northwest Progresso-Flagler Heights Community Redevelopment Agency (NWPFH CRA)* and the possibility of additional funding from Broward County. He commented on Staff being cognizant of technology companies relocating to the region.

Commissioner Sorensen commented on challenges related to film crews in District 4 neighborhoods. He recommended addressing related neighbor concerns, i.e., duration of filming and the need for coordination to respect neighborhoods. Mayor Trantalis confirmed this topic would be scheduled for a Commission policy discussion at an upcoming Conference Meeting. City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed.

Mayor Trantalis thanked Staff and others involved in commemorating the third anniversary of the tragic February 14, 2018 incident at *Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School*.

Mayor Trantalis commented on recent inquiries and discussions between the developer of Bahia Mar and the *Office of the City Attorney*. Mayor Trantalis said there had been a request to modify the fifty (50) year lease, allowing the developer to sell condominiums and an option to renew for an additional fifty (50) years for private development on this site. Outside counsel has been hired to assist the *Office of the City Attorney* in this matter. Mayor Trantalis requested Commission input.

Commissioner Moraitis recommended continued discussion between the developer and the *Office of the City Attorney*.

Vice Mayor Glassman noted his request at the *January 5, 2021 Commission Conference Meeting* for Staff to provide a *Bahia Mar Update Presentation*, similar to the *Las Olas Marina* presentation. He commented on the importance of process and proper notice regarding this Commission discussion. Vice Mayor Glassman recommended scheduling a discussion on this topic at an upcoming Conference Meeting to allow public input. He confirmed numerous questions on this subject and reiterated his request for a full *Bahia Mar* update from Staff and the *Office of the City Attorney*. Commissioner McKinzie concurred, commenting on the need for this topic to be thoroughly vetted.

Commissioner Sorensen noted concerns with an extension of the lease. He concurred with Vice Mayor's Glassman's comments. Further comment and discussion ensued. City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed a discussion on Bahia Mar at the *March 16, 2021 Commission Conference Meeting*.

Mayor Trantalis discussed barrier island motorcycle safety and related nuisance concerns (nuisance), and requested this subject be scheduled for an upcoming Commission Conference Meeting. City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed. Commissioner McKinzie noted this nuisance

exists throughout the City and expounded on details. City Manager Lagerbloom commented on Police Department Action Plans addressing enforcement.

City Attorney Alain Boileau explained licensed and registered motorcycles could not be banned from roadways. He confirmed the ability to address and enforce related nuisance items such as muffler noise, speed, etc. Further comment and discussion ensued on enforcement actions and addressing non-licensed and non-registered vehicles.

Acting Police Chief (Chief) Luis Alvarez explained Police Department efforts that included three (3) Action Plans on three (3) consecutive Sundays. He noted the need to obtain intelligence, i.e., social media information and reports from other law enforcement agencies to gauge when these groups visit the City. Chief Alvarez explained stationing Police all day is cost-prohibitive but can be examined. The Police Department will continue its diligent efforts to address this nuisance.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

BUS-1 [21-0057](#)

United Way of Broward County, Inc., Overview of Homelessness Efforts for FY 2020 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Danielle Doss, *United Way of Broward County (United Way)* Community Impact Vice President. Ms. Doss reviewed the *United Way's* use of \$750,000 of Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-2020 Commission non-profit funding (funding).

Ms. Doss explained due to circumstances related to COVID-19, approximately sixty-four percent (64%) or \$476,347.21 of funding was utilized. Five (5) community providers were contracted to address the needs of the homeless. Ms. Doss expounded on those details from *Exhibit 1* to this Agenda item.

A copy of Exhibit 1 can be found in the backup to this Agenda Item.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' inquiry regarding funding not being fully utilized, Ms. Doss noted delays were caused by the ramping up of providers' services. Services did not begin until January 2020. There were provider delays in March 2020 due to addressing the continuation of services while adhering to *the Center for Disease Control (CDC) COVID-19 Health and Safety Guidelines* and related protocols. *Rapid Rehousing Services* continued to be provided.

Mayor Trantalis commented on the backlog of homeless individuals and the importance of meeting homeless needs with all allocated funding, expounding on his viewpoint. Ms. Doss reiterated COVID-related challenges associated with contracted service providers. Families continued to be served with housing placement and received other support services.

In response to Commissioner Moraitis' questions, Ms. Doss confirmed *United Way* services were based on reimbursement. The balance of unused funds allocated by the City will remain with the City. The *United Way* evaluates numerous factors of homeless service provider programs, i.e., ability to provide services in the community, costs and their impact.

Ms. Doss clarified that *Broward Housing Solutions (BHS)* focuses on providing mental health services, which increases costs. Mental health services exceed that which the *Salvation Army* can provide. The *Salvation Army* and *BHS* are great community partners.

In response to Vice Mayor Glassman's question, Ms. Doss explained allocated City funding does not involve funding from other area municipalities. Vice Mayor Glassman expounded on his viewpoint and noted a portion of the homeless population in the City came from other municipalities. He discussed the need for outreach to all Broward County municipalities for funding homeless efforts.

Commissioner Moraitis commented on the *Miami-Dade County Affordable Housing Trust Fund* and its financial contribution to homeless efforts in Miami-Dade County. She recommended working with Broward County to address funding for the homeless and Affordable Housing needs.

Commissioner McKinzie commented on his perspective regarding homeless individuals gathering in the City and the need for enforcement. He concurred with Vice Mayor Glassman's comments regarding the need for other municipalities to participate in funding.

Mayor Trantalis explained recent discussions with the Broward County Sheriff Gregory Tony to address *Broward County Jail (BCJ)* discharge of individuals as a source of the homeless population. A meeting is planned to adjust *BCJ* discharge proceedings, i.e., finding immediate housing or returning individuals to the municipality where taken into custody. A willingness on the part of all Broward County municipalities to actively

support and participate in these efforts is needed. He plans to address this at an upcoming *Broward County League of Cities Meeting*.

Mayor Trantalis explained details regarding a recent meeting with the *AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF)* and its willingness to meet homelessness needs. *AHF* has a model to address homelessness, the purchasing of hotels and working with local municipalities to convert them to transitional and permanent housing for homeless individuals. These efforts would be coordinated with City efforts to provide case management and other needs.

Commissioner McKinzie shared a homeless situation in District 3 and noted individuals who are assisted and choose to return to homelessness.

Commissioner Sorensen commented on his perspective and support of *United Way* efforts to address homelessness during COVID. Mayor Trantalis noted the need to maximize allocated funding.

Commissioner Sorensen explained his efforts to address homelessness as a *Broward County Continuum of Care* Board Member and its continued engagement to obtain funding from area municipalities. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Moraitis confirmed her support of *United Way* work. In response to Commissioner Moraitis' question, City Manager Lagerbloom explained future *United Way* funding will require a non-profit allocation fund application. Ms. Doss confirmed \$710,000 had been allocated to the *United Way* for FY 2020-2021 to address the encampment at *Stranahan Park*. The *United Way* has applied for FY 2021-2022 funding to continue its work based upon the scope of work with the City.

In response to Commissioner Moraitis' question, City Manager Lagerbloom explained the involvement of the *Budget Advisory Board (BAB)* addressing entities applying for non-profit funding, expounding on details. The *BAB* and Staff will review and vet the one hundred and nine (109) non-profit funding applications.

Maria Hernandez, LCSW, *United Way of Broward County* Community Impact Chief Program Officer and *Broward County Continuum of Care* Board Member, clarified efforts to reallocate funding when COVID initially caused closing day respite centers. The entire amount of *United Way*

allocated funding was not used because the City did not approve the *United Way* request to reallocate funding.

Ms. Hernandez explained that allocated City funds are only used to address the needs of homeless individuals who resided in the City before becoming homeless as specified in the *United Way's* contract with the City. Mayor Trantalis requested clarification. Ms. Hernandez explained details of the initial interview process. She confirmed private sector funding sources are used for rapid rehousing programs of homeless individuals from other municipalities.

Commissioner McKinzie inquired about the purpose of this item and Mayor Trantalis responded.

BUS-2 [21-0227](#)

Preliminary Schematic Design for the New Fort Lauderdale Police Headquarters - (Commission District 2)

Michael Kerwin, AECOM Design Professional, narrated the *New Fort Lauderdale Police Headquarters* preliminary schematic design presentation.

A copy has been made part of the backup of this Agenda Item.

Vice Mayor Glassman commented on his positive perspective and support of AECOM's design and paying homage to William F. Bigoney Jr., the architect of the existing Police Department Headquarters. He thanked AECOM for its work.

BUS-3 [21-0153](#)

Las Olas Mobility Update - (Commission Districts 2 and 4)

Ben Rogers, Transportation and Mobility (TAM) Department Director, provided a brief historical overview and review of this Agenda item. The Corradino Group, Inc. (Corradino) was contracted for a *Conceptual Streetscape Design of Las Olas Boulevard (Streetscape Design)* and included data analytics, a traffic feasibility analysis and neighbor outreach. The design goal is to balance multimodal needs of the corridor, improve and expand sidewalk conditions, increase pedestrian safety, address crosswalks, lighting, ADA access and connectivity, and landscape, shade and infrastructure.

Joseph M. Corradino, The Corradino Group (Corradino), expounded on developing the *Streetscape Design* and noted it included extensive public engagement.

Mr. Corradino discussed aspects related to the *Streetscape Design*

requiring Commission policy decisions. He recommended not implementing a Commission-approved *Streetscape Design* until an extensive engineering study of drainage infrastructure is completed to address climate change and sea-level rise. Corradino could not engineer deficiencies in Emergency Medical Service (EMS) response times. The *Streetscape Design* video was shown.

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

Commissioner Sorensen thanked all stakeholders involved for contributing to this effort. Mayor Trantalis concurred.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Tom Godart, 330 Isle of Capri Drive. Mr. Godart spoke in support of this *Streetscape Design*, confirming stakeholder's reached a consensus and expounding on his perspective and recommendations.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Neal Kalis, 417 Bontona Avenue. Mr. Kalis spoke in support of the *Streetscape Design*. He commented on traffic-calming recommendations and the need for Las Olas Boulevard to be iconic.

Mayor Trantalis recognized David Maya, 725 Isle of Palms Drive. Mr. Maya commented on residents on the south side of Las Olas Boulevard, noting the preliminary nature of this *Streetscape Design* and revisiting design items, and following the completion of an infrastructure engineering study, citing examples. There is a need to address medians adjacent to *The Isles* to allow safe left-turns onto Las Olas Boulevard and slow *EMS* response times.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Tom Tharrington, 308 Royal Plaza Drive. Mr. Tharrington concurred with previous speakers' remarks. He emphasized safety concerns and the need to slow high-speed vehicle traffic.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Brad Tuckman, 516 Mola Avenue. Mr. Tuckman commented on safety concerns related to narrow sidewalks, excessive vehicle speed along Las Olas Boulevard and the need to address safe left-turns onto Las Olas Boulevard.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Mark Schwartz, 424 Bontona Avenue, and Treasurer of *Las Olas Isles Homeowners Association*. Mr. Scwhartz spoke in support of the *Streetscape Design*, recommending the Commission move forward.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Mary Fertig, 511 Poinciana Drive, and President of the *Idlewyld Improvement Association (Idlewyld)*. Ms. Fertig discussed *Idlewyld's* efforts to address mobility and safety concerns, expounding on details. She expounded on *Idlewyld's* support of Alternative 4, its incorporation into the final *Streetscape Design* and related concerns.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Clifford Cideko, 207 SE 15th Avenue. Mr. Cideko spoke in opposition to the *Streetscape Design* proposal for the Las Olas Boulevard shopping area, suggesting it be pedestrian-only. He confirmed opposition regarding SE 15th Street traffic plans, expounding on traffic sharing that could include one-way pairs for SE 15th Avenue southbound and SE 16th Street northbound.

Mayor Trantalis recognized James Carlson, 1601 SE 1st Street. Mr. Carlson spoke on his general support of the *Streetscape Design*. He commented on concerns regarding Las Olas Boulevard - Broward Boulevard cut-through traffic along SE 16th Avenue related to traffic safety. He requested the northbound turn-off of Las Olas Boulevard onto SE 16th Avenue be closed and making improvements to SE 15th Avenue.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Elizabeth Lowsky, 99 Royal Palm Drive. Ms. Lowsky commented on her overall support of the *Streetscape Design* and noted concerns relates to traffic safety, opposition to closing SE 16th Avenue and medians adjacent to *The Isles* to allow safe left-turns onto Las Olas Boulevard. She noted the need for traffic-calming measures, addressing loitering under the Las Olas Bridge and the *Streetscape Design* increasing EMS response times.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Janet Gualtieri, 106 Nurmi Drive. Ms. Gualtieri explained her perspective regarding the *Streetscape Design* and support of specific aspects. She confirmed the need for more safety precaution components. Ms. Gualtieri opposed the closing of SE 16th Avenue.

Commissioner Sorensen noted progress towards improving EMS response times with an EMS Substation on East Las Olas Boulevard via a possible public/private partnership.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jacquelyn Scott, 1626 SE 16 Avenue. Ms. Scott thanked everyone involved in *Streetscape Design* efforts and confirmed her support. She discussed the aspects of the *Colee Hammock* neighborhood and the *Master Plan*, stating SE 15th Avenue

should remain the primary roadway connector between Las Olas Boulevard and Broward Boulevard and opposition to one-way pairings. Ms. Scott discussed safety concerns regarding traffic speed .

Mayor Trantalis recognized John Burns, One Las Olas Circle. Mr. Burns encouraged curb-less areas in the redesign of the Las Olas Boulevard shops area, relocating parking behind shops, support of increased sidewalk areas and other recommendations in the Streetscape Design. He discussed the need to address SE 15th Avenue, including Street widening of to accommodate two (2) southbound left-turn lanes.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Stephen Tilbrook, Akerman LLP. Mr. Tilbrook thanked Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Sorensen and Corradino for their work on the *Streetscape Design* and confirmed his support.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Michael Weymouth, *The Las Olas Company*. Mr. Weymouth thanked Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Sorensen, Staff members and Corradino. He supported the Las Olas Shops portion of the *Streetscape Design* and recommended traffic-calming curb-less wavy roads and wider sidewalks (without bollards) in the Las Olas Boulevard shops area. Mr. Weymouth requested this phase of the project be piggy-backed with plans for *Tunnel-Top Park*.

Mayor Trantalis commented on concerns regarding the impact of wavy roads causing pinch points and the allowing large shade trees. Mr. Weymouth commented on tree setbacks and his request for instant size 500-gallon trees. He noted wavy roads send traffic into designated areas. He expounded on his perspective regarding the *Streetscape Design*.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Walter Collins, 325 Sunset Drive. Mr. Collins discussed concerns regarding the *Streetscape Design's* extension of the landscape median down to Riviera Isles Drive, which prevents left-hand turns onto Las Olas Boulevard causing dangerous traffic conditions and an increase in Sunset Drive traffic.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Ed Smoker. Mr. Smoker commented on the involvement, cooperation and support of all stakeholders involved with development of the *Streetscape Design* development. He urged the Commission to move forward with the *Streetscape Design*.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Suzee Bailey, President of *Nurmi Isles*

Homeowner's Association. Ms. Bailey confirmed opposition to aspects of the *Streetscape Design*, noting a "less is best" approach, expounding on related details. *Nurmi Isles* residents support addressing current safety needs, including an *EMS Substation*, crosswalks, blind spots and traffic calming measures to address speeding vehicles. A majority of *Nurmi Isles* residents support *Alternative Plan 4*, expounding on details.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Paul Chettle, 200 South Birch Road. Mr. Chettle thanked Vice Mayor Glassman and Commissioner Sorensen for their work on this item. He opposes the closing of SE 16th Avenue. Mr. Chettle discussed the need to address infrastructure concerns and safety issues. Mr. Chettle discussed the need for an *EMS Substation* in the eastern area of Las Olas Boulevard.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Bill Joyner, 646 Flamingo Drive. Mr. Joyner commented on his perspective and his opposition to closing SE 16th Avenue, expounding on details.

Mayor Trantalis Jodi Tanner, 1216 SE 7th Street and Vice President of the *Las Olas Association*. Ms. Tanner discussed the need for a smooth transition for all five (5) Las Olas Boulevard project areas and the need to address infrastructure, safety concerns and calming traffic measures. She thanked everyone involved for their work.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's questions, Edward Ng, The Corradino Group, commented on discussions with the City's Arborist. There would be a variety of trees to achieve an optimal tree canopy in pedestrian areas. Further discussion ensued.

Mr. Corradino confirmed the loss of sixty-eight (68) parallel parking spots due to the elimination of parking lanes with or without a wavy street design.

In response to Vice Mayor Glassman's question, Mr. Ng explained Corradino revisited and reviewed the median extension from Sunset Drive to Riviera Isles Drive to determine if it would fit the space and confirmed it would.

Vice Mayor Glassman noted this Agenda item allows for discussion of the *Streetscape Design* and modifications. A Commission vote to approve the *Streetscape Design* will occur at a future Commission Regular Meeting.

In response to Vice Mayor Glassman's question regarding reconciling

traffic-calming efforts and traffic congestion, Mr. Corradino explained safety efforts include separating bicycle lanes and pedestrian walkway areas from vehicle travel and improving site triangles at the bridges. Narrowing lanes and street-side landscaping will induce reduced vehicle speed. There will be crosswalks at a majority of the Las Olas Boulevard intersections.

Vice Mayor Glassman noted Corradino's scope of work did not include addressing infrastructure drainage concerns or an EMS Substation. Mr. Corradino confirmed, stating he indicated this at early *Working Group* meetings. Vice Mayor Glassman confirmed the Commission is addressing those issues, citing examples and expounding on related efforts.

In response to Vice Mayor Glassman's question, Mr. Corradino clarified there are no plans to remove mangroves or fill in waterway areas along *The Isles*.

Vice Mayor Glassman thanked Mr. Corradino, Commissioner Sorensen and all stakeholders for efforts involved in this project. Mr. Corradino concurred.

Commissioner Moraitis applauded the work of all stakeholders who participated in this project.

Commissioner McKinzie confirmed his support of stakeholder efforts.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's questions, Michael Bradley, *The Corradino Group*, explained the impact of landscaping a wavy street path versus a traditional straight path street. Landscape space decreases with a straight street path. A curved street path allows significant expansion for increased tree canopy cover with larger trees, i.e., Live Oak, Gumbo Limbos and Paradise trees. The goal is to shade primary pedestrian usage areas.

Mayor Trantalis explained his viewpoint and thanked Mr. Corradino and all stakeholders for their efforts.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions regarding closing SE 16th Avenue and the impact of traffic on SE 15th Avenue, Mr. Corradino confirmed recommended improvements listed in the Streetscape Design and said SE 15th Street could adequately address the increase in traffic. Mr. Corradino expounded on aspects of the related *Traffic Study*, i.e., dual left-turn lanes onto Broward Boulevard and improvements to

Broward Boulevard. He did not recommend widening SE 15th Avenue at this time. In the future, one-way pairings are possible to improve traffic flow but could negatively impact neighborhood character. This is a policy decision outside *Corradino's* scope of work. Further comment and discussion ensued on the impact on SE 15th Avenue and the opportunity for operational improvements.

In response to Mayor Trantalis's questions regarding the wavy street design, Mr. Corradino explained aspects of the curb-less wavy street design recommendation. It is more iconic, provides a significant increase in the pedestrian space and more conducive to pedestrian activities. Further comment and discussion ensued. Mr. Corradino confirmed he would give Mayor Trantalis a pocket report of other municipalities having this street design type. *The Working Group's* input did not indicate a concern with parking loss along this portion of Las Olas Boulevard.

Mayor Trantalis questioned the placement of bicycle lanes along streets versus Las Olas Boulevard to address safety concerns. Mr. Corradino said bicycle lanes are along Las Olas Boulevard to maintain its continuity as a central hub and meeting multimodal goals with connection to other bicycle paths. Discussions with the *Downtown Development Authority (DDA)* addressed concerns regarding bicycle lanes taking up pedestrian space and bicycle lanes in the *Streetscape Design* do not.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions regarding the extension of the median and the impact on exiting Sunset Drive, Mr. Corradino explained the goal of continuity and creating an iconic look. The extension of the median is being reviewed for any median operational deficiencies to avoid unintended consequences.

Vice Mayor Glassman commented on the crosswalk needs and the importance of safety items requested by *The Isles* residents. He requested City Manager Lagerbloom address those needs in the near term.

City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed the next steps include a presentation of the *Streetscape Design* to the Commission in the form of a Resolution for adoption at a future Commission Regular Meeting. This would be followed by determining funding sources and a phased plan. He commented on several available funding sources and selecting the correct balance.

[21-0205](#)

Communications to the City Commission - (Commission Districts 1,

2, 3 and 4)

**Historic Preservation Board (HPB)
Monday, February 1, 2021**

Communication to the City Commission

Motion made by Chair Blank, seconded by Ms. Lynes:

To inform the City Commission that we commend Ms. Logan and her fellow staff for their efforts creating, collaborating and keeping the Board informed of the proposed amendments and modifications to the Sailboat Bend Historic District Updates and we would like the City Commission to recognize their efforts. In a voice vote, motion passed 8-0.

Vice Mayor Glassman concurred with the *HPB's* recognition of the work of Historic Preservation Officer Trisha Logan. He encouraged the Commission to read the *February 1, 2021 HPB Meeting Minutes* addressing the outstanding work of Ms. Logan and emails related to modifications to the *HPB Ordinance*. Vice Mayor Glassman expounded on his support of recognizing Ms. Logan.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trantalis adjourned the Commission Conference Meeting at 5:11 p.m.