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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

6:00 PM

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

City Commission Regular Meeting

FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION

DEAN J. TRANTALIS Mayor

JOHN C. HERBST Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District 1

STEVEN GLASSMAN Commissioner - District 2

PAM BEASLEY-PITTMAN Commissioner - District 3

BEN SORENSEN Commissioner - District 4

RICHELLE WILLIAMS, 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 6:32 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mahogany Tilman - Dillard High School Senior

MOMENT OF SILENCE**ROLL CALL**

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

COMMISSION QUORUM ESTABLISHED

Also Present: City Manager Rickelle Williams, City Clerk David R. Soloman, Interim City Attorney D'Wayne M. Spence, and City Auditor Patrick Reilly

EMPLOYEE RETIREMENTS

Mayor Trantalis announced the following Staff member retirements and thanked them for their service:

Daniel Rissone, Police Department Officer - 17.5 years of service; Joseph Georgianna, Parks and Recreation Department HVAC Technician - 20 years of service; Al Battle, Department of Development Services Director - 20 years of service; David Bourgouin, Fire-Rescue Department Firefighter/Paramedic - 25 years of service; Robert Kisarewich, Fire Rescue Department Captain - 29 years of service; and Avis Wilkinson, Department of Development Services Assistant Housing and Community Development Manager - 12 years of service.

AGENDA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Trantalis announced the following updates to the Agenda:

REMOVED:

PH-5 Removed from the Agenda

REVISED:

CR-4 CAM and Exhibit 1 revised - Item J removed
from Budget Amendment

OSR-2 Exhibit 7 was revised to add Exhibit B

A copy of the revisions are attached to these Meeting Minutes.

Approval of MINUTES and Agenda

[25-0450](#)

Minutes for February 18, 2025, Commission Regular Meeting, March 4, 2025, Commission Conference Meeting, March 4, 2025, Commission Regular Meeting, March 18, 2025, Commission Conference Meeting and March 18, 2025, Commission Regular Meeting - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

APPROVED AS AMENDED - Agenda Amended

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

PRESENTATIONS

PRES- [25-0484](#)

1

Mayor Trantalis to present a Proclamation recognizing May 1, 2025, as Israel's Independence Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Mayor Trantalis presented a Proclamation recognizing *May 1, 2025, as Israel's Independence Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Ayellet Black, Deputy Consul General of Israel in Miami, accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Commission.

PRESENTED

PRES- [25-0483](#)

3

Commissioner Glassman to present a Proclamation declaring May 2025, as Jewish American Heritage Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Glassman presented a Proclamation declaring *May 2025, as Jewish American Heritage Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Randy Coolman, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Goodman Jewish Family Services of Broward County, accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Commission.

PRESENTED

PRES- [25-0510](#)
2

Vice Mayor Herbst to present a Proclamation declaring May 11-17, 2025, as Economic Development Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Vice Mayor Herbst presented a Proclamation declaring *May 11-17, 2025, as Economic Development Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Daphnee Sainvil, Public Affairs Division Manager, accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Commission.

PRESENTED

PRES- [25-0482](#)
4

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman to present a Proclamation declaring May 2025 as Mental Health Awareness Month

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman presented a Proclamation declaring *May 2025 as Mental Health Awareness Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Dr. Joe Oravec, Chief Executive Officer, National Alliance of Mental Illness Broward County accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Commission.

PRESENTED

PRES- [25-0485](#)
5

Commissioner Sorensen to present a Proclamation declaring May 17, 2025, as Honor Flight South Florida Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Sorensen presented a Proclamation declaring *May 17, 2025, as Honor Flight South Florida Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Len Abrams, Honor Flight South Florida, accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Commission.

PRESENTED**CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT****CM-6:**

Mayor Trantalis recognized Barbra Stern, 1929 NE 1st Avenue. Ms. Stern discussed her viewpoint regarding this Agenda item.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions, Anthony Fajardo, Assistant City Manager, explained that this Agenda item relates to construction administration for technical services at the new Police Headquarters. Mr. Fajardo clarified this Agenda item does not relate to Phase One or Phase Two Peer Review Reports (Reports).

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman: CR-1

Commissioner Glassman: CM-9

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Commissioner Sorensen made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.

Approve the Consent Agenda

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

CONSENT MOTIONS

CM-1 [25-0346](#) Motion Approving an Outdoor Event Agreement and Request for Road Closures with Vegan Ventures LLC for Vegan Block Party on July 5, 2025, at Esplanade Park - (Commission District 2)

APPROVED

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

CM-2 [25-0348](#) Motion Approving an Outdoor Event Agreement with Fort Lauderdale Hurricanes Corp for the Fort Lauderdale Hurricanes Big Zip Tournament to be held July 11-13, 2025, at Mills Pond Park - (Commission District 3)

APPROVED

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

CM-3 [25-0349](#) Motion Approving an Outdoor Event Agreement with Fort Lauderdale Hurricanes Corp for the Fort Lauderdale Hurricanes to be held August 30-31, 2025, at Mills Pond Park - (Commission District 3)

APPROVED

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

CM-4 [25-0317](#) Motion Approving a Temporary Beach License and Outdoor Event

Agreement with FlockFest Events Inc. for FlockFest 2025 on July 12, 2025, at Fort Lauderdale Beach Park - (Commission Districts 2 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-5 [25-0310](#)

Motion Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Revocable License with Stiles Pirtle Joint Venture, for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on SE 6th Street in Association with the Broward County Courthouse Demolition of the Existing Central and West Wing Courthouse Towers and Construction of a New 6 Story, 495 Car Parking Garage Located at 201 SE 6th Street - (Commission District 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-6 [25-0474](#)

Motion Approving Change Order No. 6 to Task Order No. 6 for Construction Administration Services for the New Police Headquarters - AECOM Technical Services, Inc. - \$63,696 - (Commission Districts 1,2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-7 [25-0495](#)

Motion Approving a First Amendment to an Interlocal Agreement with Broward County to Construct a Redundant Effluent Force Main - (Commission District 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-8 [25-0492](#)

Motion Approving a Second Amendment to a Lease Agreement Between Broward County and the City of Fort Lauderdale for Lake Lauderdale, Joint Park Site, also known as Mills Pond Park - (Commission District 3)

APPROVED

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

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

- CR-2** [25-0321](#) Resolution Approving an Interlocal Agreement Between Broward County and the City of Fort Lauderdale for Film Permitting - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

- CR-3** [25-0380](#) Resolution Imposing Special Assessment Liens for Lot Clearing - (Commission Districts 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

- CR-4** [25-0094](#) Resolution Approving the Consolidated Budget Amendment to Fiscal Year 2025 - Appropriation - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

- CR-5** [25-0489](#) Resolution Approving a Ground Lease with the United States of America, through the General Services Administration, for the Purpose of Constructing, Operating, and Maintaining a Multi-Story Public Parking Garage for the Fort Lauderdale Federal Courthouse Located at 1000 SE 3rd Avenue; Delegating Authority to the City Manager to Execute the Ground Lease and Ancillary Documents; and Amending Resolution No. 23-225 - (Commission District 4)

ADOPTED

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

CONSENT PURCHASE

- CP-1** [25-0122](#) Motion Approving an Agreement for Backflow Prevention and Plumbing Services - Pipeline Plumbing Services of Broward, Inc. - \$213,304 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

- CP-2** [25-0322](#) Motion Approving an Agreement for the Galt North and South Parking Lot Improvements - Contractors Services Unlimited Inc. - \$524,896.98 - (Commission District 1)

APPROVED

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

- CP-3** [25-0381](#) Motion Approving an Agreement for the Venice and Pelican Parking Lot Improvements - Sagaris Corp. - \$151,838.50 - (Commission District 4)

APPROVED

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

- CP-4** [25-0385](#) Motion Approving an Agreement for the NE 4th Avenue Lighting Project - R & D Electric, Inc. - \$165,144 - (Commission District 2)

APPROVED

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

- CP-5** [25-0395](#) Motion Approving a Piggyback Agreement with Centurion Partners Health and Fitness, LLC d/b/a Fitnessmith Utilizing the Broward County Public Schools Contract No. FY22-128 for Gym Equipment - \$172,216.20 - (Commission District 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

- CP-6** [25-0410](#) Motion Approving an Agreement for Meeting Minutes Services - Citywide - Prototype, Inc. - \$211,954 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

- CR-1** [25-0314](#) Resolution Approving the Naming of New City Park, Located at 501 SW 12th Avenue, Abiaka Park - (Commission District 4)

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman discussed her support of this Agenda item.

Commissioner Sorensen remarked on his support of this Agenda item and the involvement and support of the Riverside Park Residents Association. He discussed the purchase of this waterside property using previous park bond funding and naming the park. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Carl Williams, Parks and Recreation Department Director, provided background information included in the backup.

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

ADOPTED

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

CM-9 [25-0356](#)

Motion Approving a Third Amendment to the Lease Agreement between Camelot of Ft. Lauderdale, LLC and the City of Fort Lauderdale for the Wellness Center at 4750 North Federal Highway, Suite 300, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308 - Total 60-Month Rent: \$436,834 - (Commission District 1)

Commissioner Glassman discussed neighbor feedback received during the District 2 Pre-Agenda Meeting suggesting building a new City Wellness Center on property located in the Poinsettia Heights neighborhood (Property), which was given to the City by the Fire Union, versus extending this lease.

City Manager Rickelle Williams said Staff would consider that option, remarked that the ultimate intent is to include the Wellness Center in the new City Hall. Commissioner Glassman remarked on his perspective about future use of the Property.

Vice Mayor Herbst remarked on discussions with the Fire Union President who indicated costs to renovate the Property were excessive and expounded on related information.

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

APPROVED

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

MOTIONS

- M-1** [25-0102](#) Motion Approving an Award of State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Funding to Oasis of Hope Community Development Corporation Inc. for New Construction-Homeownership - \$700,000 - (Commission District 3)

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

APPROVED

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

- M-2** [25-0426](#) Motion Approving an Agreement for the Butler Building Upgrade at George T. Lohmeyer Wastewater Treatment Plant - Walker Design & Construction Co. - \$2,705,087.82 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

APPROVED

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

- M-3** [25-0339](#) Motion Approving Change Order No. 24 for Construction Management at Risk Services for New Police Headquarters - Moss & Associates, LLC - \$1,284,060.50 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Barbra Stern, 1929 NE 1st Avenue. Ms. Stern commented on concerns regarding this Agenda item.

Commissioner Glassman shared his viewpoint that such comments regarding the safety of the new Police Headquarters contribute to a negative public perception. In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions, Anthony Fajardo, Assistant City Manager, discussed the involvement of the engineering consultant, Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc. (WJE), and their peer review of the deflection issues. Mr. Fajardo remarked on findings from the Phase One and Phase Two Reports (Reports) and noted additional information.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions, Mr. Fajardo confirmed that the new Police Headquarters construction would be discussed at the May 20, 2025, Conference Meeting, and noted that

responses to questions raised in the Phase Two Report would be available by that date. Mr. Fajardo acknowledged the importance of ensuring the building is fully functional and safe. City Manager Williams concurred. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Fajardo explained that this Change Order addresses two (2) items related to the deflection issue and said that he would provide a list of the remaining items. Mayor Trantalis commented on the building's appearance. Mr. Fajardo explained that it relates to the need for refabricated glass for proper window installation. Further comment and discussion ensued regarding ongoing construction and monitoring. Mr. Fajardo confirmed that the City intends to seek reimbursement for costs tied to construction defects through an errors and omissions claim.

Vice Mayor Herbst raised concerns about life/safety issues identified in WJE's Phase Two Report, noting they were separate from the deflection issues. He questioned continuing construction until those concerns were addressed. Vice Mayor Herbst remarked on the need to identify related funding sources for remediation and commented on the Commission's position that the structure must be thoroughly reviewed.

Mayor Trantalis agreed on the importance of addressing the issues raised by Vice Mayor Herbst and confirmed that staff would present this topic at the May 20, 2025, Conference Meeting. Vice Mayor Herbst said that he would be unable to attend that Commission Meeting and requested that the presentation be moved to the June 3, 2025, Conference Meeting. Mayor Trantalis agreed, and City Manager Williams confirmed. Mayor Trantalis emphasized the need for solutions and assurances that outstanding issues could be resolved and discussed his viewpoint. Further comment and discussion ensued.

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

APPROVED

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

Nay: 1 - Vice Mayor Herbst

RESOLUTIONS

R-1 [25-0477](#) Appointment of Board and Committee Members - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

City Clerk David Soloman read the names of nominees for appointment and/or reappointment to Advisory Boards and Advisory Committees (Boards and Committees) at the May 20, 2025, Commission Regular Meeting.

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

City Clerk Soloman announced two (2) additional nominees for tonight's Resolution that were received after Agenda publishing.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Judith Stern, 929 SE 12th Court. Ms. Stern discussed concerns related to this Agenda item and Commission Member input regarding other District Commission Member nominees to Boards and Committees, cited examples, and submitted related documentation.

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

Mayor Trantalis recognized Barbra Stern, 1929 NE 1st Avenue. Ms. Stern discussed concerns regarding this Agenda item and Commission Member objections to other Commission Member nominees to Boards and Committees, cited examples, and submitted related documentation.

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

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

Vice Mayor Herbst voiced his concern regarding the importance of discussing this topic. Vice Mayor Herbst cited previous Commission Member statements regarding respecting and supporting other Commission Member nominees to Boards and Committees, remarking on their reversal of that position and their objections to other Commission Member nominees. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Glassman remarked on the need to have all Board and Committee nominees included in the Resolution prior to publishing the Agenda and explained his reasoning. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman remarked on her objection to a nominee. Further comment and discussion ensued. Interim City Attorney Spence remarked on parliamentary procedure and noted that the roll call

had started.

Commissioner Glassman read a text message regarding statements made by members of the public speaking on this Agenda item.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED

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

Nay: 1 - Commissioner Beasley-Pittman

R-2 [25-0382](#)

Resolution Declaring Notice of Intent to Lease a Portion of City-Owned Property Located at Holiday Park to Young Men's Christian Association of South Florida, Inc. (YMCA), Providing Notice of Intent to Terminate a Lease Dated November 14, 2016, and Setting a Public Hearing for June 17, 2025, Pursuant to Section 8.13 of the City Charter - (Commission District 2)

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

ADOPTED

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

R-3 [25-0461](#)

Resolution Approving a Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for the Construction of the Breakers Avenue Resiliency and Pedestrian Traffic Improvements Project in the Amount of \$3,000,000 - (Commission District 2)

Commissioner Glassman remarked on the lengthy timeline for the Breakers Avenue Resiliency and Pedestrian Traffic Improvements Project (Project) and discussed related funding needs. In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions, Milos Majstorovic, Transportation and Mobility Department Acting Director, provided an update on the Project design, additional funding opportunities, and the related surtax funding agreement with Broward County (County). Further comment and discussion ensued regarding funding opportunities.

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman noted that District 3 projects anticipate surtax funding from the County. Further comment and discussion ensued. City Manager Williams confirmed that Staff would prioritize projects through the budget development process and identify resources to fill project funding gaps.

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

ADOPTED

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

R-4 [25-0360](#)

Quasi-Judicial Resolution Approving the Vacation of a Ten-Foot-Wide by Approximately Three Hundred and Seventy-One-Foot-Long Sanitary Sewer Easement Located at 1055 N. Federal Highway - Case No. UDP-EV24008 - (Commission District 2)

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

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

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

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

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

ADOPTED

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

R-5 [25-0454](#)

Quasi-Judicial Resolution Amending a Site Plan Level II Development Permit for an Alternative Design Deviation Request - Fort Lauderdale 8th Avenue Hotel LLC - Canopy Hotel - Case No. UDP-A24053 - (Commission District 4)

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

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

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

Commissioner Sorensen discussed a recent communication from Al Hubring, Venezia Las Olas Condominium (Venezia) President. Mr. Hubring voiced concerns regarding the developer not meeting with Venezia residents and modifications to the project that could shade their pool area.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Robert Lochrie, Esq., Lochrie and Chakas, P.A., on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Lochrie confirmed that the applicant met with the Beverly Heights Civic Association and residents of the Venezia were present. Mr. Lochrie explained details of the amended site plan, which would provide more light and air around the Venezia. In response to Commissioner Sorensen's request, Mr. Lochrie confirmed he would contact Mr. Hubring.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Lochrie confirmed the development is south of the Cumberland Building.

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

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

ADOPTED - Approving

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PH-1 [25-0281](#)

Public Hearing - Quasi-Judicial Ordinance Approving a Public Purpose Use and Structure - 845 NW 3rd Avenue - City of Fort Lauderdale - Progreso Village Stormwater Pump Station - Case No. UDP-S24042 - (Commission District 2)

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

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

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

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

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

PASSED FIRST READING

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

Mayor Trantalis recessed the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Mayor Trantalis reconvened the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

PH-2 [25-0455](#)

Public Hearing - Quasi-Judicial Resolution Approving a Waiver of Limitations at 501 Hendricks Isle ("Hendricks West") for Installation and Use of a 100' +/- long x 5' +/- Wide Wood Marginal Dock where Hendricks West Lacks a Principal Building - (Commission District 2)

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

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

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Andrew Schein, Esq., Lochrie and Chakas, P.A., on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Schein commented on input from the Planning and Zoning Board, the neighborhood, and the unanimous approval of the dock waiver request (waiver) by the Marine Advisory Board.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Schein showed an aerial view of the area.

A copy of the aerial view is attached to the Meeting Minutes.

Mr. Schein noted the fourteen (14) conditions of approval related to this waiver and said that two (2) of those conditions relate to live-aboard vessels and short-term rentals. Mr. Schein requested that the short-term

rental condition mirror the Code of Ordinances.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Schein explained two (2) condominium owners across the street would use the parallel docks. In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, Mr. Schein remarked on including the ban of short-term rentals in the condominium documents. Commissioner Glassman requested consistency with the condominium documents and remarked on examples of related concerns. Mr. Schein confirmed that if the Commission approves this waiver with that condition, the condominium will include the ban of short-term rentals into their condominium documents. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Schein confirmed the sale of these docks to condominium owners would be on a first-come, first-serve basis. Further comment and discussion ensued.

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

Commissioner Glassman introduced this Resolution for approval as amended to include the ban of short-term rentals as required under the Code of Ordinances which was read by title only.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED - Approving

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

PH-3 [25-0456](#)

Public Hearing - Quasi-Judicial Resolution Approving a Waiver of Limitations at 155 Isle of Venice #501 for an existing 16'L x 16'W four (4) post boat lift extending a maximum of 33.57'+/- into the adjacent Rio Grande Canal - (Commission District 2)

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

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

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman made a motion to close the public hearing and was

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

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

ADOPTED - Approving

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

PH-4 [25-0457](#)

Public Hearing - Quasi-Judicial Resolution Approving a Waiver of
Limitations at 629 Idlewyld Drive for Five (5) Dock Piles and Two (2)
Triple Mooring Pile Clusters - (Commission District 2)

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

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

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

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

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

ADOPTED - Approving

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

PH-5 [25-0480](#)

Public Hearing - Quasi-Judicial Resolution Approving a Waiver of
Limitations at 1500 SE 12th Street, Unit #1A Slip 21 for One (1) Boat
Lift - (Commission District 4)

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

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

ORDINANCE FIRST READING**OFR-1** [25-0209](#)

First Reading - Ordinance Amending Maximum Daily Penalties for Code Violations to Align with Chapter 162 of the Florida State Statutes - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Glassman noted that he did not oppose this Ordinance but discussed concerns regarding enforcement and the collection of small percentages of fines for properties not in compliance. He noted examples of concerning properties in District 2 and expounded on his perspective.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Porshia Garcia, Development Services Department Acting Director. In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, Ms. Garcia explained aspects of Code Enforcement's Lien Amnesty Program (LAP). Ms. Garcia said that staff will present on the LAP and compare the City's efforts to other local municipalities' methods to address and collect code violations.

Commissioner Glassman remarked on the need for the City to be more aggressive.

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman introduced this Ordinance on the First Reading which was read by title only.

PASSED FIRST READING

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

OFR-2 [25-0475](#)

First Reading - Ordinance Amending the City of Fort Lauderdale Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) Section 47-13.20, Section 47-13.50, and Section 47-28 to Permit Allocation of Residential Dwelling Units from a Sending Site to a Receiving Site Utilizing the Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) Program - Case No. UDP-T25006 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

PASSED FIRST READING

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

ORDINANCE SECOND READING**OSR-1** [25-0472](#)

Second Reading - Quasi-Judicial Ordinance Rezoning from

Residential Single Family/Low Medium Density (RS-8) District to Northwest Regional Activity Center-Mixed-Use West (NWRAC-MUw) District - 539 NW 13th Avenue - Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency - Case No. UDP-Z24011 - (Commission District 3)

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

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

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

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

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman introduced this Ordinance on the Second Reading which was read by title only.

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING

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

OSR-2 [25-0491](#)

Second Reading - Quasi-Judicial Ordinance Approving the Vacation of Right-of-Way for a 40-foot Wide by 525-foot Long Portion of NE 6th Terrace Right-of-Way - YMCA/Broward Health - Case No. UDP-V24001 - (Commission District 2)

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

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

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

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

Vice Mayor Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

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

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING

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

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trantalis adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Dean J. Trantalis
Mayor

ATTEST:

David R. Soloman
City Clerk