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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 17, 2022

6:00 PM

**City Hall - City Commission Chambers
100 North Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301**

City Commission Regular Meeting

FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION

DEAN J. TRANTALIS Mayor

BEN SORENSEN Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District IV

HEATHER MORAITIS Commissioner - District I

STEVEN GLASSMAN Commissioner - District II

ROBERT L. McKINZIE Commissioner - District III

CHRIS LAGERBLOOM, City Manager

DAVID R. SOLOMAN, City Clerk

ALAIN E. BOILEAU, City Attorney

PATRICK REILLY, Interim City Auditor

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trantalis called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Dean J. Trantalis

PRESENTATIONS

PRES- [22-0482](#)
1

Presentation - Marty Kiar, Broward County Property Appraiser

Broward County Property Appraiser (BCPA) Marty Kiar discussed the role and responsibilities of the BCPA and expounded on details related to property values, tax rolls and exemptions.

PRESENTED

PRES- [22-0483](#)
2

Mayor Trantalis to present a Proclamation declaring Friday, June 3, 2022, as National Gun Violence Awareness Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Mayor Trantalis presented a Proclamation declaring *Friday, June 3, 2022, as National Gun Violence Awareness Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety.

The Proclamation was accepted by Elizabeth Wiegard, Linda Thompson Gonzalez, Cristina Rodriquez, and Lucy Rowles-Springer, representatives of *Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America (MDA)*. Ms. Wiegard and Ms. Gonzalez commented on the mission of *MDA* and thanked Mayor Trantalis and the Commission for this recognition.

PRESENTED

PRES- [22-0484](#)
3

Vice Mayor Sorensen to present a Proclamation declaring May 8-15, 2022, as Salvation Army Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Glassman presented a Proclamation declaring *May 8-15, 2022, as Salvation Army Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety.

Major Stephen Long and Joshua J. Myers, on behalf of the Salvation Army, accepted the Proclamation and thanked Mayor Trantalis and Commission Members for this recognition.

PRESENTED

PRES- [22-0485](#)
4

Commissioner Glassman to present a Proclamation declaring May 15-21, 2022, as National Public Works Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Glassman presented a Proclamation declaring *May 15-21, 2022, as National Public Works Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale* to Alan Dodd, Public Works Department Director, and Public Works Department Staff, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Mr. Dodd acknowledged the efforts of Public Works Staff and thanked Mayor Trantalis and Commission Members.

Mr. Dodd recognized Public Works Fleet Management Program Manager Sandy Leonard and his Staff for achieving the *2022 North American Fifth Best Public Works Fleet Award*.

PRESENTED

Mayor Trantalis and Commissioner Glassman announced upcoming Memorial Day Events.

Mayor Trantalis remarked the planned absence of Commissioner Moraitis and Commissioner McKinzie and the need for a quorum to begin Agenda item business. He announced a brief break to await the arrival of Vice Mayor Sorensen.

ROLL CALL

Present: 3 - Commissioner Steven Glassman, Vice Mayor Ben Sorensen and Mayor Dean J. Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner Robert L. McKinzie and Commissioner Heather Moraitis

QUORUM ESTABLISHED

Also Present: City Manager Chris Lagerbloom, City Clerk David R. Soloman, City Attorney Alain E. Boileau and Interim City Auditor Patrick Reilly

AGENDA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Trantalis announced the following changes to the published

Agenda:

Agenda Items Removed: CM-2, CM-5, CR-1 and R-5

WALK-ON Agenda Item:

Motion Approving a Music Exemption, Alcohol and Road Closure for Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Inc. to Host the City of Fort Lauderdale/Riverwalk Panther Watch Party - (Commission District 2)

Approval of MINUTES and Agenda

[22-0502](#)

Minutes for February 15, 2022 Commission Conference Meeting, February 15, 2022 Commission Regular Meeting and March 1, 2022 Commission Conference Meeting - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Glassman made a motion to approve the Minutes and Agenda and was seconded by Vice Mayor Sorensen.

APPROVED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Trantalis explained procedures and details regarding how members of the public could speak on Consent Agenda items.

Mayor Trantalis announced that the following Consent Agenda items were pulled for separate discussion:

CM-1 and CR-6: Commissioner Glassman

CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

Approval of Consent Agenda

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

Approve the Consent Agenda

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

CONSENT MOTION

CM-1 [22-0453](#)

Motion Approving an Event Agreement for Fort Lauderdale Live - (Commission District 2)

Commissioner Glassman relayed concerns of District 2 residents and the need for a holistic approach to beach event logistics and calendaring. He expounded on his perspective regarding the impact of the *Las Olas Marina* project on beach events and neighbor concerns regarding closure of the *Festival Street Plaza* between State Road A1A and Seabreeze Boulevard. Commissioner Glassman commented on the impact of multiple events on the same dates.

A representative of *Greater Fort Lauderdale Pride, Inc.*, explained efforts to address Commissioner Glassman's concerns and remarked on this event's plans serving as a model for beach area events going forward. Further comment and discussion ensued.

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

APPROVED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

CM-2 [22-0452](#)

Motion Approving an Event Agreement and Related Road Closures for Juneteenth Celebration/Old Dillard Foundation - (Commission District 3)

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

CM-3 [22-0391](#)

Motion Approving Event Agreements and Related Road Closures for March for Cancer, Triton Expo and Crawfish Festival - (Commission Districts 2 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

CM-4 [22-0448](#)

Motion Approving an Application for Temporary Beach License and Outdoor Event Agreement for Dig the Beach Volleyball Series - (Commission District 2)

APPROVED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

- CM-5** [22-0406](#) Motion Denying an Application for Temporary Beach License and Outdoor Event Agreement by Beats by B Festival on the Beach- (Commission District 4)

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

- CM-6** [22-0346](#) Motion Approving a Revocable License Agreement and Authorizing the Execution of a Revocable License Agreement with Fairfield OFP LLC for Temporary Right-of-Way Closure on SE 2nd Street in Association with the One Financial Plaza Phase III Development Located at 150 SE 3rd Avenue - (Commission District 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

- CM-7** [22-0365](#) Motion Authorizing Acceptance of Drainage Easement Dedication by Harbor Beach Property, LLC to the City of Fort Lauderdale - 3030 Holiday Drive - (Commission District 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

- CM-8** [22-0385](#) Motion Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement with CareerSource Broward for the Summer Youth Employment Program - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

- CM-9** [22-0419](#) Motion Approving an Agreement for Municipal Elections with the Broward County Supervisor of Elections for November 8, 2022, Special Municipal Election for District 1 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

CONSENT RESOLUTION

- CR-1** [22-0414](#) Resolution (a) Approving an Application for a Dock Permit for Usage of Public Property by Nelson & Jasmin Fernandez Located at 1342 Ponce De Leon Drive and (b) Authorizing Execution of a Declaration of Restrictive Covenants - (Commission District 4)

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

- CR-2** [22-0348](#) Resolution Approving Amendments to Two Interlocal Agreements with Broward County for the Distribution of Gas Taxes - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

- CR-3** [22-0396](#) Resolution Amending Resolution No. 21-255 to Revise the Public Purpose for Providing Funds to Three Nonprofit Organizations Receiving \$25,000 or Less in Grant Funding for Fiscal Year 2022 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

- CR-4** [22-0408](#) Resolution Approving NW 4th Street to be also known as Shaw Street between NW 9th Avenue and NW 15th Avenue - (Commission District 3)

ADOPTED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

- CR-5** [22-0449](#) Resolution of Support for Broward County Transportation Department's Application to Federal Transit Administration's FY2022 Low or No Emissions Grant 5339(c) Program - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

CR-6 [22-0460](#)

Resolution Disposing of Two City-Owned Surplus Properties Located at 12XX NE 5 Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304 - (Commission District 2)

Commissioner Glassman remarked on conversations with Troy Liggett, *Middle River Terrace Neighborhood Association* President, related to this Agenda item and requested deferral of this Agenda item to allow neighborhood discussion regarding the possible use of these two (2) parcels as a pocket park or community garden.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions, Commissioner Glassman explained the ability to utilize the two (2) parcels for a pocket park or community garden. Further comment and discussion ensued. Mayor Trantalis expounded on his viewpoint regarding the size of the parcels and the ability for use as a pocket park.

Commissioner Glassman explained his intention to defer this Agenda item is to allow *Middle River Terrace* residents the opportunity to discuss ideas for these two (2) parcels.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Troy Liggett, 707 NE 17th Court, *Middle River Terrace Neighborhood Association* President. Mr. Liggett discussed his viewpoint and commented on benefits of a park in the area south of 13th Street. Small multifamily apartments surround the parcels and would benefit from a community garden. He recommended a month-long deferral to allow neighborhood discussion and planning and commented on adding an adjacent lot that would allow a substantive-sized park positively impacting the neighborhood.

Commissioner Glassman made a motion to defer this item and was seconded by Vice Mayor Sorensen.

DEFERRED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

CONSENT PURCHASE

CP-1 [22-0323](#)

Motion Approving Proprietary Master Services Agreement and First Municipal Amendment for Communication Services - Comcast Cable Communications Management, LLC - \$600,000 (Estimated Annual Total) - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

CP-2 [22-0359](#)

Motion Approving Final Ranking and Agreement for Real Estate Brokerage Services - Collier's International Florida, LLC - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

MOTIONS**M-1** [22-0461](#)

Motion Denying an Application for an Outdoor Event with Related Road Closures and an Agreement with Exotics on Las Olas 5 - (Commission District 4)

In response to Vice Mayor Sorensen's question, City Manager Lagerbloom explained due to Staff's recommendation to deny this application, the applicant requested for a deferral to allow its counsel to be present.

Mayor Trantalis remarked on his perspective regarding the event benefitting Las Olas Boulevard business owners and acknowledged legitimate reasons for application denial, which could be resolved.

Commissioner Glassman requested that when this deferred Agenda item is republished, Staff clarify the last bullet point on the CAM related to the rescheduling of the *Fort Lauderdale Pride Event* which was moved from November 2022 to February 2023. City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed.

Vice Mayor Sorensen made a motion to defer this Agenda item to June 7, 2022 and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.

DEFERRED to June 7, 2022

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

M-2 [22-0454](#)

Motion for Discussion - City Commission Request for Review - Site Plan Level III Development - Waterway Use and Yard Modification -

Seven Multi-Family Residential Units - 500 Hendricks, LLC - Lumiere - 500 Hendricks Isle - Case No. UDP-S21050 - (Commission District 2)

Mayor Trantalis explained Commissioner Glassman's request to set a De Novo Hearing to review the development permit application for 500 Hendricks, LLC - Lumiere - 500 Hendricks Isle - Case No. UDP-S21050 (Project). The applicable hearing dates within the next 60 days are June 21, 2022, and July 5, 2022.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Andrew Schein, Lochrie and Chakas, P.A. 1401 E. Broward Boulevard, on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Schein explained details related to the one hundred eighty (180) day timeline required under Florida Statute for public hearings related to issuing development permits.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Schein explained receipt of a Staff email on November 8, 2021, indicating the Project application criteria had been met and deemed complete. The related Statute's one hundred eighty (180) day timeline was exceeded. Further comment and discussion ensued regarding waiver of the one hundred eighty (180) day requirement and compliance with the Florida Statute.

City Attorney Boileau explained that the Commission could move forward with discussions to set a De Novo Hearing. Staff would research the ability to proceed and other options related to a waiver.

Commissioner Glassman remarked that the Project received Planning and Zoning Board approval and commented on the process.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions regarding additional waiver options related to the process, City Attorney Boileau discussed the impact of continuing this process beyond one hundred eighty (180) days, converting the Project from a Site Plan Level Three to a Site Plan Level Four. Staff would review all possible options. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Vice Mayor Sorensen said he would defer a decision on this topic to Commissioner Glassman.

Commissioner Glassman confirmed his desire to continue this discussion.

City Attorney Boileau noted the need to set the De Novo Hearing due to timeline constraints.

Mr. Schein provided a presentation on the Project.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions, Mr. Schein confirmed the Project's building would be twelve and one-half feet (12½') from the property line adjacent to the north parcel. He noted an additional twenty-five feet (25') from the parcel's property line to the south parcel building for a total of thirty-seven and one-half feet (37½') from building to building on the Project's south side.

Mr. Schein discussed details of the three (3) months of work with the Development Review Committee (DRC), efforts to coordinate meetings with neighbors, and recent conversations and expectations of residents residing in the building to the south.

Mayor Trantalis remarked on the Project's neighborhood improvements. In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Schein confirmed the applicant is looking for compromise. The applicant is requesting setback modifications to accommodate Project improvements in the neighborhood that were not required.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Ellyn Bogdanoff, Becker & Poliakoff, P.A., One East Broward Boulevard, on behalf of *Club at Hendricks*. Ms. Bogdanoff spoke in opposition to the Project. She discussed details of the State Statute related to an appeal to the Commission of the Planning & Zoning Board's decision.

Ms. Bogdanoff explained the position of her client, *Club at Hendricks*, regarding the applicant's request for a thirty-foot (30') modification and presented related details.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions, Ms. Bogdanoff said the distance from the *Club at Hendricks* building to the property line adjacent to the Project is twenty-four feet (24'). The height limitation is five (5) stories, and objections relate to the setback. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Ms. Bogdanoff confirmed a request for a De Novo Hearing to provide an opportunity for her client to address statutory references discussed and to present its case regarding the significance of a thirty-foot (30') setback.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Debby Eisinger, 31 Hendricks Isle, on behalf of *Hendricks Isle/Isle of Venice Neighborhood Association, Inc.* Ms. Eisinger spoke in opposition to the Project. She emphasized the need to work towards ensuring future development is compliant with Code

requirements and compatible with neighborhoods.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Randy Aube, 85 Hendricks Isle, on behalf of *Hendricks Isle/Isle of Venice Neighborhood Association, Inc.* Mr. Aube spoke in opposition to the Project and explained the need for a De Novo Hearing.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Aube explained concerns related to comments made by Mr. Schein about neighbor input during DRC meetings.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding accommodating a developer who invests in the site and improves the street and working towards a compromise, Mr. Aube acknowledged the need to encourage those actions and ensure buildings of proper size. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Vice Mayor Sorensen's question, City Attorney Boileau explained the legal standard the Commission would use to determine whether the new Project is located in an area that, due to the characteristic of the Project and surrounding area, requires additional review to ensure that development standards and criteria have been met and providing the area surrounding the development is protected from the impact of the development.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Greg Lister, 444 Hendricks Isle. Mr. Lister spoke in opposition to the Project. In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Lister explained his building is adjacent to the Project on the north side.

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

Commissioner Glassman discussed concerns regarding the Isles and the call-up of this Agenda item for a De Novo Hearing, including historic preservation, parking, and the need for adequate light, air, and setbacks. He remarked on his viewpoint about previous development on the Isles and the need for the Commission to establish criteria moving forward.

Commissioner Glassman discussed the applicant's substantial request for a side yard reduction from twenty-seven feet and one-half feet (27½') to twelve and one-half feet (12½'). He remarked on the intent of the Code to allow adequate building separation, providing residents with open air,

water, and sky views.

Mayor Trantalis commented on a similar issue associated with the 808 project on Las Olas Boulevard, which the Commission approved, and requested related information. Commissioner Glassman noted differences, which would require an extensive conversation.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions regarding Staff's determination that the Project is generally consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan goals, objectives, and policies listed in the backup, Anthony Fajardo, Development Services Department Director, explained the Comprehensive Plan is an overarching document for a long-term perspective focused on controlling and guiding goals, objectives, and policies related to intensity, density and levels of service. Staff reviews these items to ensure compliance. In some instances, the Plan is not specific as to how this is accomplished. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions regarding an acceptable side setback, Mr. Fajardo said current criteria allow up to a zero setback. Commissioner Glassman noted the criteria are currently too subjective, recommended Commission review the Isles going forward, and confirmed the necessity for a De Novo Hearing.

In response to Vice Mayor Sorensen's questions, Mr. Schein explained neighbor outreach efforts. He remarked on inconsistent neighbor feedback, lack of neighbor demands, and the willingness of the applicant to meet with neighbors.

Ms. Bogdanoff reviewed details of outreach to the applicant's counsel and expounded on additional information related to the Project, including notification to the neighborhood. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Glassman and City Manager Lagerbloom discussed De Novo Hearing dates.

Mayor Trantalis remarked on his perspective against allowing this type of setback modification due to interference with the quiet enjoyment of the neighbors. He discussed the need to be mindful of the applicant's work to mitigate issues in this area. Mayor Trantalis confirmed support for a De Novo Hearing.

Commissioner Glassman made a motion to set a Commission De Novo Hearing on June 21, 2022, for review of the Project and was seconded

by Vice Mayor Sorensen.

APPROVED - Set De Novo Hearing for June 21, 2022

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

RESOLUTIONS

R-1 [22-0475](#)

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

City Clerk David Soloman read the names of Board and Committee nominees for appointment and/or reappointment at the June 7, 2022, 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.

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

ADOPTED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

R-2 [22-0437](#)

Resolution Consenting to a Performance Extension for One Year for the Qualified Target Industry Tax Refund Program for Four Companies: Charter Schools USA, Sixt Rent A Car LLC., Hayes Medical Staffing, and Wash Depot Holdings - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

ADOPTED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

R-3 [22-0415](#)

Resolution Approving the Transfer of Fifteen City-Owned Properties Located in the Northwest-Progresso-Flagler Heights Community Redevelopment Area to the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency for Affordable Housing, Pursuant to Section 8.02 of the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale - (Commission 3)

Commissioner Glassman introduced this Resolution which was read by

title only.

ADOPTED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

R-4 [22-0259](#)

Quasi-Judicial Resolution Regarding a Site Plan Level II Development Permit Application for an Alternative Design Deviating from Minimum Tower Stepback Requirements and Requesting Additional Height through the Northwest Regional Activity Center (NWRAC) Affordable Housing Height Bonus Incentive for a Six-Story Mixed-Income Multifamily Building - Wright Dynasty Development - 1221 Northwest 6th Street - Case No. UDP-S21022 - (Commission District 3)

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

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

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Dennis Wright, 3566 SW 50th Street. Mr. Wright spoke in support of this Agenda item and explained the genesis of the project and related background information.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Wright confirmed the project's commercial space is located on Sistrunk Boulevard and there is one (1) potential tenant.

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

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

ADOPTED - Approving

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

- R-5** [22-0326](#) Quasi-Judicial - Resolution Approving Plat Known as "Landaukaras Plat" - Located at 1555 N. Federal Highway - El Car Wash FL Federal, LLC - Case No. UDP-P21005 - (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.

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

- R-6** [22-0344](#) Quasi-Judicial Resolution Vacating a Six-Foot Wide, 900 Square-Foot, Utility Easement - Mt. Hermon African Methodist Episcopal Church Inc. - 750 NW 4th Street - Case No. UDP-EV21004 - (Commission District 3)

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 Vice Mayor Sorensen made a motion to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Commissioner Glassman. Roll call showed: AYES: Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen, and Mayor Trantalis

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

ADOPTED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

- R-7** [22-0375](#) Quasi-Judicial - Resolution Amending Site Plan Level IV Approval and Approval of an Off-Site Parking Agreement - 1007 E. Las Olas Boulevard - 800 Las Olas, LLC & Mustang Properties, Inc. - Case No. PLN-SITE-20080001- (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 Vice Mayor Sorensen made a motion to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Commissioner Glassman. Roll call showed: AYES: Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen, and Mayor Trantalis

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

ADOPTED - Approving

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PH-1 [22-0386](#)

Public Hearing Evaluating All Comments Received, and Approving an Amendment to the 2021-2022 Housing and Community Development Annual Action Plan to Add the Allocation Plan for the HOME Investment Partnerships, American Rescue Act (HOME-ARP) - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Vice Mayor Sorensen made a motion to approve this amendment and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.

APPROVED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

PH-2 [22-0404](#)

Public Hearing to Consider a Development Agreement Between the City of Fort Lauderdale and 551 Bayshore Concepts, LLC for the Development known as "Olakino House" - Case No, UDP-S20009, Pursuant to Chapter 163.3220-163.3243, Florida Statutes - (Commission District 2)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

City Attorney Boileau explained no Commission action is required beyond setting the next hearing date.

Mayor Trantalis recognized William Brown, 112 N. Birch Road and

Central Beach Alliance (CBA) President. Mr. Brown spoke in support of this Agenda item.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, City Attorney Boileau explained the need for two (2) hearings on this Agenda item and action would be taken at the second hearing. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis said the Second Public Hearing on this Agenda item will be set for June 7, 2022.

Commissioner Glassman made a motion to set a Second Public Hearing for June 7, 2022, and was seconded by Vice Mayor Sorensen.

APPROVED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

PH-3 [22-0474](#)

Public Hearing to Consider a Resolution Approving a Development Agreement Between the City of Fort Lauderdale and the Towers at Las Olas, LLC., for the Towers Planned Development District, Pursuant to Chapter 163.3220-163.3243, Florida Statutes - (Commission District 4)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

In response to Vice Mayor Sorensen's question, Commissioner Glassman confirmed this was the second public hearing on this Agenda Item, and said the first public hearing occurred on May 3, 2022.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, City Attorney Boileau confirmed procedural details.

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

Commissioner Glassman introduced the Resolution approving this Agenda item which was read by title only.

ADOPTED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

ORDINANCE SECOND READING**OSR-1** [22-0369](#)

Second Reading - Ordinance Amending the City of Fort Lauderdale Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) Section 47-12, Central Beach Zoning Districts to Revise the Process and Procedures for Uses in the Central Beach Zoning Districts, Revise and Adopt Dimensional Requirements Including Open Space and Streetscape Design Requirements and Adopt Prescriptive Criteria for the Design and Compatibility Point System - (Commission District 2)

Mayor Trantalis recognized William Brown, 112 N. Birch Road, Central Beach Alliance (CBA) President. Mr. Brown said the CBA agreed to the passage of this Ordinance on the First Reading with the understanding that Staff would address issues discussed and update the CBA. He remarked on subsequent communications with Staff and developers and confirmed Staff presented Ordinance amendments to the CBA.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions, Anthony Fajardo, Development Services Department Director, discussed details of residential density and increased height. Staff addressed zoning districts with existing density caps. Following discussions with stakeholders, Staff proposed amendments to the CBA membership. The CBA agreed to increase density to seventy (70) units per acre, except for the A-1-A Beachfront Area (ABA), which has its own criteria. Staff also proposed a twenty percent (20%) increase in height or one hundred forty-four (144) feet. The floor plate dimension remains at 16,500 square feet. Under the existing Code, should the developer not request an increase in height, they can ask for an increase in the floor plate size.

Mr. Fajardo expounded on details related to items the Development Review Committee agreed to, i.e., additional height increases and setbacks in zoning districts. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mr. Fajardo explained efforts with the Office of the City Attorney related to vetting amendments to this Ordinance. City Attorney Boileau explained details associated with incorporating Ordinance amendments when the Ordinance is adopted.

Commissioner Glassman discussed aspects of hotel density. In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions regarding hotel density, Mr. Fajardo confirmed maintaining the hotel density with the residential density cap.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Courtney Crush, Esq., Crush Law, P.A., on

behalf of multiple property owners. Ms. Crush discussed her perspective regarding these discussions and hotel density.

Mr. Fajardo read the Ordinance amendments into the record. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Fajardo provided a recap of goals associated with this Ordinance towards providing consistency, certainty, and a tangible form-based criteria program for development in the barrier island area. He cited examples of stakeholder collaboration addressing setback requirements, height, floor area ratio (FAR), and density.

Mayor Trantalis recommended approving all of the Staff's recommendations.

Mr. Brown remarked on the CBA's perspective regarding the amendments, including the CBA's comfort with consistency for the numerous zoning areas and differing standards on the barrier island.

Commissioner Glassman commented on the large effort and collaboration of stakeholders towards achieving needed clarity.

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

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING AS AMENDED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

OSR-2 [22-0472](#)

Second Reading - Ordinance Approving an Amendment to the City of Fort Lauderdale Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR); Section 47-22.8, "Special Sign Districts", Adding Subsections 47-22.8.A. Entitled "General Requirements" and 47-22.8.B. Entitled "New River Center Special Sign District", Creating a Special Sign District and Regulations for the New River Center Area Located in Downtown Fort Lauderdale - Case No. UDP-T22003 - (Commission District 4)

Vice Mayor Sorensen introduced this Ordinance for the Second Reading which was read by title only.

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

OSR-3 [22-0497](#)

Second Reading - Ordinance Amending the City of Fort Lauderdale Unified Land Development Regulations Sec. 47-21, Relating to Landscaping and Tree Preservation Requirements - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4) - Requesting Deferment to June 7, 2022

City Manager Lagerbloom requested this Agenda item be deferred to June 7, 2022.

Vice Mayor Sorensen made a motion to defer this Agenda item to June 7, 2022 and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.

DEFERRED to June 7, 2022

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

[22-0517](#)

WALK ON - Motion Approving a Music Exemption, Alcohol and Road Closure for Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Inc. to Host the City of Fort Lauderdale/Riverwalk Panther Watch Party - (Commission District 2)

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

APPROVED

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Glassman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

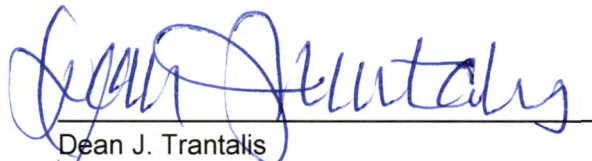
Not Present: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

DISCUSSION

In response to Vice Mayor Sorensen's question, Interim City Auditor Patrick Reilly gave an update on his tenure with the City and explained related details.


ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trantalis adjourned the meeting at 8:52 p.m.



Dean J. Trantalis
Mayor

ATTEST:



David R. Soloman
City Clerk