

City of Fort Lauderdale

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 21, 2017

6:00 PM

City Commission Chambers

City Commission Regular Meeting

FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION

***JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER Mayor - Commissioner
BRUCE G. ROBERTS Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District I
DEAN J. TRANTALIS Commissioner - District II
ROBERT L. McKINZIE Commissioner - District III
ROMNEY ROGERS Commissioner - District IV***

***LEE R. FELDMAN, City Manager
JOHN HERBST, City Auditor
JEFFREY A. MODARELLI, City Clerk
CYNTHIA A. EVERETT, City Attorney***

Invocation

Pastor Crevier, First Baptist Church

Pledge of Allegiance

Unique and Shade Myers

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Commissioner Romney Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Bruce G. Roberts, Commissioner - District II Dean J. Trantalis, Commissioner Robert L. McKinzie and Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler

QUORUM ESTABLISHED

Also Present: City Manager Lee R. Feldman, City Clerk Jeffrey A. Modarelli, City Attorney Cynthia A. Everett, City Auditor John Herbst, and Sergeant at Arms Matthew Bucella

No public e-comments were submitted for this meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Seiler called the meeting to order at 6:13 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - CHANGES TO AGENDA

Mayor Seiler announced the following item had been removed from the Agenda:

R-4

Vice Mayor Trantalis requested a WALK-ON Motion to Reconsider - CR-5 Resolution Creating the Infrastructure Task Force voted on at the March 7, 2017 Regular City Commission Meeting be added to the next Regular Commission Meeting as an agenda item. He stated he heard from many of his rental constituents and wishes to include the option of renters being appointed to the Infrastructure Task Force.

It was confirmed that this motion to reconsider would not impact the Commission's ability to make assignments to the Infrastructure Task Force.

R-4 [17-0383](#) Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or an Assistant City

Manager to Sign Certain Applications Permitting the Development of City-Owned Property

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

WALK-ON

Mayor Seiler announced the Commission would vote on the following WALK-ON Motion to add to Agenda:

[17-0437](#)

Motion to Reconsider - CR-5 Resolution Creating the Infrastructure Task Force - March 7, 2017 Regular City Commission Meeting

Vice Mayor Trantalis made a motion to approve this item and was seconded by Commissioner Roberts.

APPROVED - Motion to Reconsider

Aye: 3 - Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis and Commissioner McKinzie

Nay: 2 - Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

Approval of MINUTES and Agenda

[17-0391](#)

Minutes for February 21, 2017 City Commission Conference Meeting and February 21, 2017 City Commission Regular Meeting

Commissioner Roberts made motion to approve this item and was seconded by Vice Mayor Trantalis.

APPROVED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

PRESENTATIONS

PRES- [17-0355](#)

1

City of Fort Lauderdale - Recipient of 2017 State Surgeon General Healthy Weight Community Champion Award

Dr. Paula Thaqi, Director of the Florida Department of Health in Broward County, presented the City with the 2017 State Surgeon General Healthy Weight Community Champion Award for achieving numerous health criteria. Guy Hine, Risk Management Department of Human Resources, and Tina Patregnani, Risk Management Department of Human Resources, accepted the award on behalf of

the City.

PRESENTED

PRES- [17-0356](#)
2

Proclamation declaring April, 2017 as Special Olympics Florida - Law Enforcement Torch Run Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner McKinzie presented the Proclamation declaring April, 2017 as Special Olympics Florida - Law Enforcement Torch Run Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. The Proclamation was accepted by Michele Leonardo, Special Olympics, Fort Lauderdale Police Lieutenant Charles Studder, and Special Olympics Athlete Keith Rebaber. Special Olympian Athlete Keith Rebaber addressed the Commission commenting on his participation and thanking them for their acknowledgement and support.

Mayor Seiler confirmed the date of the Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run as April 20, 2017.

PRESENTED

PRES- [17-0357](#)
3

Presentation by the Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport and Pirtle Construction for the New Customs Facility

Jeffrey Zalkin, Pirtle Construction, awarded the City and the U.S. Border Protection Service with the GalaVerde 2016 LEEDership and Green Award for the Most Outstanding LEED New Construction Project - Public from the U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) South Florida Region in 2016. Pirtle Construction submitted the project for an Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) Excellence in Construction Award.

The Excellence in Construction Awards honors the nation's most innovative and high-quality construction projects, safety programs and diversity programs. The Customs project won an Eagle Award (top honors) in the institutional project under \$10 million category. And, given the project won on a local/regional level, it has been submitted for a national award.

Mr. Zalkin expounded on the features of the new state-of-the-art building, noting it is well-equipped to meet current volume and future demands, provide travelers with an enhanced level of customer service, and continue to strengthen Executive Airport's position as an international gateway for our region. The building has numerous

sustainability features, including effective use of natural day lighting; highly efficient lighting fixtures and controls; ultra high-efficiency mechanical equipment; use of systems to recycle rainwater; solar responsive lighting; native landscaping; and a high-performance thermal envelope to minimize energy usage.

Commissioner Roberts accepted the GalaVerde 2016 LEEDership and Green Award on behalf of the City. Stephen Balog, Chief Officer, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, accepted the award on behalf of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Service.

PRESENTED

PRES- [17-0358](#)
4

Proclamation declaring March 11, 2017 as Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport's 70th Anniversary Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Roberts presented the City Proclamation declaring March 11, 2017 as Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport's 70th Anniversary Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale to Rufus James, Manager of the Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport (Airport), and Diana Alarcon, Director of Transportation and Mobility. Commissioner Roberts read the Proclamation in its entirety. Commissioner Roberts thanked Mr. James and Ms. Alarcon for their outstanding work at the Airport, noting the businesses and jobs the Airport brings to the community.

Mr. James acknowledged and thanked the 23 members of his staff including those present, thanking the Commission. Mr. James shared with the audience a video of the Airport's history from its inception to where it is today.

A copy of this video is included on the City website with the Regular Meeting Minutes.

PRESENTED

PRES- [17-0400](#)
5

Police Officer of the Month for March, 2017

Chief Maglione presented the Police Officer of the Month Award to Officer Andrew Dunn and Officer Kimberly Shushman. Chief Maglione described the incident that occurred during Officer Dunn's Field Training Program with Officer Kimberly Shushman. Chief Maglione described the incident that appeared to be a sexual assault in progress occurring on January 2, 2017 in the area of 1207 West Broward Boulevard. Officer Dunn and Officer Shushman pursued the

fleeing suspect, apprehending him and taking him into custody. Further investigation confirmed the suspect had committed a robbery and was positively identified by the victim as her attacker. The suspect was charged accordingly.

Officers Dunn and Shushman's dedication to duty, keen observations skills, and immediate action disrupted a robbery and removed a violent felon from the streets of the City. They are commended for a job well done.

PRESENTED

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Seiler announced the procedure for consent items.

Commissioner Rogers requested CR-3 be pulled from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion.

Vice Mayor Trantalis requested CR-1 be pulled from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion made by Vice Mayor Trantalis and seconded by Commissioner Roberts that Consent Agenda Items CR-1 and CR-3 be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately, and that all remaining Consent Agenda items be approved as recommended.

Approve the Consent Agenda

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Seiler recognized Asa Shaw, who discussed the Federal Legislative Priorities regarding recidivism and seeking crime reduction with juvenile justice. He recommended addressing these issues in a radical way by getting to the root of the crime, noting its cause is due to socio-economic status. He recommended a YMCA not be put in this area and to put something that would generate additional opportunities for economic development in the community to allow residents socio-economic status improvements in the Sistrunk Corridor area. Mr. Shaw further expounded on his recommendations for the Sistrunk Corridor to benefit the community.

Vice Mayor Trantalis asked Mr. Shaw what the African-American community is doing to invest in the area. Mr. Shaw noted the reason

for the African-American community not being included in the Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights Community Redevelopment Agency (NWPFH CRA) is due to historic inequities such as capital and know how. He recommended giving the community a leg up to begin to build equity.

Due to his knowledge, initiative and willingness to pursue this topic, Vice Mayor Trantalis requested Mr. Shaw to come back to the Commission at a future date to discuss this issue further. Mayor Seiler confirmed this would be on a future agenda as a topic for discussion.

CONSENT MOTION

- CM-1** [17-0315](#) Motion to Approve Event Agreements: Heal the Planet Day, Fort Lauderdale Pizza Festival, Victoria Park Easter Egg Hunt, South Florida Boat Show, Symphony of the Americas Family Pops Concert, Take Steps for Crohn's & Colitis and One World Family
- APPROVED**
- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler
- CM-2** [17-0317](#) Motion to Approve an Event Agreement and Related Road Closing with Tarpon Bend Food & Tackle Riverwalk, LTD for the Tarpon Bend Corn Hole Tournament
- APPROVED**
- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler
- CM-3** [17-0204](#) Motion to Execute a Third Restrictive Covenant for Museum of Discovery and Science
- APPROVED**
- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler
- CM-4** [17-0316](#) Motion Authorizing Professional Services for Las Olas Boulevard Corridor Improvement Materials Testing and Threshold Inspections - AMEC Foster Wheeler Environment & Infrastructure, Inc. - \$199,997.50
- APPROVED**
- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

- CM-5** [17-0402](#) Motion Authorizing Settlement of Liability Claim in the Matter of Blake Wakeman v. City of Fort Lauderdale, Case No. CACE 15-007786 (09) - \$50,000.00
- APPROVED**
- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler
- CM-6** [17-0250](#) Motion to Approve Professional Engineering Services for the George T. Lohmeyer Wastewater Treatment Plant (GTL) Renewal and Replacement Report Update - CDM Smith, Inc. - \$28,410 Task Order
- APPROVED**
- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler
- CM-7** [17-0266](#) Motion to Approve Professional Engineering Services for the George T. Lohmeyer Wastewater Treatment Plant (GTL) 2017 Capacity Analysis Report Update - CDM Smith, Inc. - \$15,220 Task Order
- APPROVED**
- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler
- CM-8** [17-0321](#) Motion Authorizing Execution of a Revocable License with FLL Land Holdings LLC, for Temporary Right-of-Way Closure along Sistrunk Boulevard (NE 6th Street), NE 1st Avenue and NE 2nd Avenue Associated with the Sistrunk Townhomes Development
- APPROVED**
- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler
- CM-9** [17-0350](#) Motion Approving Leasehold Site Plan for Project Discovery, Inc. at 400 W Broward Boulevard
- APPROVED**
- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

CONSENT RESOLUTION

- CR-1** [17-0203](#) Resolution Amending Agreement between Broward County and the City of Fort Lauderdale related to Annexation of the Riverland Area
- Vice Mayor Trantalis asked City Manager Feldman about the flooding

issues in the Riverland Road area. City Manager Feldman stated he is not aware of any specific flooding issues, commenting on work that has been done in the Riverland Road area.

Mayor Seiler recognized Charles King, 105 N. Victoria Park Road, who stated infrastructure needs in this area should be addressed with this item's funds rather than purchasing land for a park.

Commissioner Roberts noted this was an item that has been discussed for several months, noting the Tiger Grant award will address additional issues. Mayor Seiler commented on his history of involvement in this area's annexation and providing a park for the Riverland Road area. He thanked those residents who worked to accomplish this task.

At the recommendation of the City Attorney's Office, City Manager Feldman noted in paragraph four of the agreement, there is a blank date which will be filled in when the County adopts this resolution.

Commissioner Rogers introduced this item that was read by title only.

ADOPTED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

CR-2 [17-0295](#)

Resolution Adopting the FY 2017 Federal Legislative Priorities and Funding Requests for the City of Fort Lauderdale

ADOPTED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

CR-3 [17-0378](#)

Resolution Declaring the City of Fort Lauderdale a Broward Reads City

Commissioner Rogers stated he pulled this item to recognize the efforts and hard work of Jorg Hruschka, Chief Service Officer in the Division of Neighbor Support, who has worked diligently to assist elementary schools and the education system as a whole to come up with the City partnership program entitled *Broward Reads*.

Commissioner Rogers thanked Mr. Hruschka for a job well done.

Mayor Seiler recognized Lori Canning, Broward County Schools and Broward League of Cities on behalf of the Broward Reads Campaign for Grade-Level Reading, who commented on the outstanding contributions of many organizations towards this national initiative. She welcomed the City to this campaign, commenting on its many outstanding programs already in place to address reading at the

elementary level. Ms. Canning noted Mr. Hruschka's continued involvement with the additional goals of school readiness, family engagement, promoting attendance, and summer break reading goals. Ms. Canning thanked Mr. Hruschka for his hard work and diligence in addressing the needs of the children for both the City and Broward County.

Commissioner Rogers introduced this item that was read by title only.

ADOPTED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

CR-4 [17-0187](#)

Resolution Authorizing Grant Application to the Florida Inland Navigation District FY2017 Waterways Assistance Program - \$16,021.90

ADOPTED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

CR-5 [17-0271](#)

Resolution to Support Revisions to the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization's Multimodal Surface Transportation Priorities for Fiscal Year 2017/18 and Amend the 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan

ADOPTED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

CR-6 [17-0345](#)

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the State of Florida to Access Driver and Vehicle Information Database System

ADOPTED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

CR-7 [17-0136](#)

Resolution Approving the Submittal of a Grant Application for \$2,024,578 to the Florida Inland Navigation District for Dredging Access from the Intracoastal Waterway to the Bahia Mar Yachting Center

ADOPTED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

CR-8 [17-0209](#)

Resolution to Approve a Third Amendment to the Lease Agreement

with FTL Waterresort, LLC

ADOPTED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

CR-9 [17-0348](#)

Resolution to Approve an Imagination Playground Agreement with KaBOOM!

ADOPTED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

PURCHASING AGENDA

PUR-1 [17-0285](#)

Motion to Approve Contract for Purchase of Turf Grass and Landscaping Maintenance Services - NE Quadrant - C & M Landscaping, Inc. - \$147,488

APPROVED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

PUR-2 [17-0288](#)

Motion to Approve Additional Expenditures for Rental Vehicles and Use of Law Enforcement Trust Funds - Enterprise Leasing Company of Florida, LLC - \$16,050

APPROVED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

PUR-3 [17-0305](#)

Motion to Approve Purchase of Unleaded Gasoline and Diesel Fuel via Southeast Florida Governmental Purchasing Cooperative Contract - Port Consolidated, Inc. - \$11,172,700 (estimated three-year total)

APPROVED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

PUR-4 [17-0306](#)

Motion to Approve Contract for Purchase of Curbside Recycling Collection Services - Gold Medal Services of FL, LLC - \$4,487,455 (three-year total)

APPROVED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

PUR-5 [17-0310](#)

Motion to Approve Contract for Purchase of Pole Setting and Removal Services - Imperial Electrical Incorporated - \$129,340

APPROVED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

PUR-6 [17-0337](#)

Motion to Approve Final Ranking and Commencement of Contract Negotiations for Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport Master Drainage/Conceptual Environmental Resources Permit Project

APPROVED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

PUR-7 [17-0339](#)

Motion to Approve Increase in Expenditures for Water Meter Reading Services Contract - Bermex, Inc. - \$123,269.30

APPROVED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

MOTIONS**M-1** [17-0318](#)

Motion to Approve an Event Agreement and Related Road Closing with American Lung Association of the Southeast, Inc. for the 22nd Annual Las Olas Wine & Food Festival

Commissioner Roberts made a motion to approve this item and stipulated to the extra half hour of sound for this event and was seconded by Commissioner McKinzie.

APPROVED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

RESOLUTIONS**R-1** [17-0352](#)

Appointment of Board and Committee Members

City Clerk Modarelli stated he had reached out to the Council of Civic Association and the Chamber of Commerce for their recommendations for appointees to the Infrastructure Task Force and is awaiting their reply.

City Clerk Modarelli read the board and committee member appointments for Resolution R-1 as noted below:

COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

Scott Kjelson and Gary Jackson are appointed to the Community Services Board for one-year terms beginning March 21, 2017 and ending March 20, 2018 or until their successors have been appointed.

EDUCATION ADVISORY BOARD

Aniva Lumpkins is appointed to the Education Advisory Board for a one-year term beginning March 21, 2017 and ending March 20, 2018 or until her successor has been appointed.

Austin Edward Scott is appointed to the Education Advisory Board for a one-year term beginning April 16, 2017 and ending April 15, 2018 or until his successor has been appointed.

INFRASTRUCTURE TASK FORCE COMMITTEE

Roosevelt Walters (*Category: District 3*), Fred Stresau (*Category: District 4*), Ralph Zeltman (*Category: District 1, Background in Civil Engineering*), Vincent Ang (*Category: District 2*) Keith Cobb (*Category: Mayoral appointee, Background in Finance*) Leo Hansen (*Category: Chairperson of the Planning and Zoning Board*) and June Page (*Chairperson of the Budget Advisory Board*) have been appointed to the Infrastructure Task Force Committee for a one-year term beginning March 21, 2017 and ending August 20, 2018 or until their successors have been appointed.

MARINE ADVISORY BOARD

James Batchelor and John Holmes are appointed to the Marine Advisory Board for one-year terms beginning April 16, 2017 and ending April 15, 2018 or until their successors have been appointed.

Roy Sea is appointed to the Marine Advisory Board to complete an unexpired term ending April 15, 2017 or until his successor has been appointed.

Roy Sea is appointed to the Marine Advisory Board for a one-year term beginning April 16, 2017 and ending April 15, 2018 or until his successor has been appointed.

NORTHWEST PROGRESSO FLAGLER HEIGHTS REDEVELOPMENT BOARD

Tina Teague is appointed to the Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights Redevelopment Board to complete an unexpired term ending May 21, 2018 or until her successor has been appointed.

SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD

Douglas Meade is appointed to the Sustainability Advisory Board for a

one-year term beginning April 16, 2017 and ending April 15, 2018 or until his successor has been appointed.

Mayor Seiler recognized Count Rosenthal, 1237 NW 4th Avenue, who commented on those on the Infrastructure Task Force and the importance of having residency requirements for its members due to the many short-term renters, citing examples from his personal knowledge.

Mayor Seiler recognized Charles King, 105 N. Victoria Park Road, who commented on allowing renters to be members of the Infrastructure Task Force, noting that there may be the possibility of funding for infrastructure needs may be derived from another source other than property taxes.

Vice Mayor Trantalis introduced this item as amended and was read by title only.

APPROVED AS AMENDED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

R-2 [17-0398](#)

Appointment of Director, Alternate and Second Alternate to Broward League of Cities Board of Directors

Commissioner Roberts introduced this item and was read by title only.

ADOPTED

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis and Mayor Seiler

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner McKinzie

R-3 [17-0322](#)

Resolution Approving the Transfer of City Parcels in the Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights Community Redevelopment Area to the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency

Commissioner Roberts introduced this item and was read by title only.

ADOPTED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

ORDINANCE FIRST READING

OFR-1 [17-0239](#)

Ordinance Creating Section 28-174, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Authorizing the City Manager or the City Manager's Designee to Grant a One-Time Billing Adjustment for

Unexplained Water Consumption on an Account with Water, Wastewater, or Sprinkling Service

Mayor Seiler recognized Charlotte Rodstrom, 66 Nurmi Drive, who asked the Commission about the details of this Ordinance. Mayor Seiler explained this is a one-time discretionary adjustment for the lifetime of a water bill account to address unexplainable high-water meter readings. City Manager Feldman stated this is a general change to the Code of Ordinances. Ms. Rodstrom discussed a water audit at a condominium meeting on Galt Ocean Mile. City Manager Feldman stated this does not relate to that issue, which has been addressed and resolved. Commissioner Roberts stated he is working with Staff to examine and address other aspects of water issues not related to this item.

Commissioner Roberts stated this is a one-time adjustment for the lifetime of an account based on the average usage over the previous 12 months. He requested this language be reconsidered. Vice Mayor Trantalis concurred. Mayor Seiler recommended this be passed now and it could be readdressed should an account experience a second instance of unexplainable spikes in water usage.

Vice Mayor Trantalis commented on the requirement that the customer is not delinquent in the previous 12 months, suggesting the language state the account be current at the time of application.

City Attorney Everett explained that there are tiers of certain categories of water usage and this item addresses a category that has no relief for a one-time, unexplained high water meter usage and stating the language is different for this modification. Mayor Seiler recommended all aspects of the Ordinance categories should be consistent.

Mayor Seiler confirmed for Assistant City Attorney Paul Bangel that the Ordinance should be modified to read that the account must be current at the time of application, except for the month in question, to be would be entitled to apply for relief.

Mayor Seiler recognized Kirk Buffington, Director of Finance, who explained the reasoning for the delinquency language, stating the Finance Department has no issue modifying the language. Further discussions continued.

Mayor Seiler confirmed that a change in ownership would constitute a new account.

Vice Mayor Trantalis Commissioner Roberts introduced this item as

amended and was read by title only.

PASSED FIRST READING AS AMENDED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

OFR-2 [17-0313](#)

Ordinance Amending Chapter 14, "Floodplain Management," of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale to Revise the Definition for Substantial Improvement

Commissioner Roberts introduced this item and was read by title only.

PASSED FIRST READING

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

OSR-1 [17-0366](#)

Ordinance Amending Section 2-232 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, to Modify the Composition of the Charter Revision Board by Deleting Ex Officio Nonvoting Members, Modifying the Roles of the City Manager, the City Clerk, and the City Attorney, and Substituting the City Auditor for the Director of Finance for Stating Recommendations

Commissioner Roberts introduced this item and was read by title only.

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Rogers, Vice Mayor- District I Roberts, Commissioner - District II Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Seiler

EXECUTIVE CLOSED DOOR REQUEST

Mayor Seiler recognized City Attorney Everett who requested, pursuant to Florida Statute, Section 286.011(8)(a), she will be seeking advice on the matters of:

Arnold P. Abbott, et al. v. City of Fort Lauderdale, Case No. CACE 99-03583 (05) and CACE 14-024037 (21)

Reverend Canon Mark Sims v. City of Fort Lauderdale, Case No. CACE 14-22297 (08)

Gail Tapscott v. City of Fort Lauderdale, case No. CACE 14-023713 (25)

During the City Commission Meeting on April 4, 2017 at a time to

be determined.

Present at the attorney-client session will be:

Mayor, John P. "Jack" Seiler
Vice Mayor, Dean J. Trantalis
Commissioner, Robert L. McKinzie
Commissioner, Bruce G. Roberts
Commissioner, Romney Rogers
City Manager, Lee R. Feldman
City Attorney, Cynthia A. Everett
Assistant City Attorney, Alain E. Boileau; and a Certified Court Reporter with Daughters Reporting, Inc.

The estimated length of this attorney-client session is approximately forty-five minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Commission at the Regular Meeting of March 21, 2017, Mayor Seiler adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.



John P. "Jack" Seiler
Mayor

ATTEST:



Jeffrey A. Modarelli
City Clerk