#### **City of Fort Lauderdale**

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#### **Meeting Minutes - APPROVED**

Tuesday, May 3, 2016 1:30 PM

**City Commission Conference Room** 

#### **City Commission Conference Meeting**

FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION

JOHN P. "JACK" SEILER Mayor - Commissioner
DEAN J. TRANTALIS Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District II
BRUCE G. ROBERTS Commissioner - District I
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 Mayor Seiler called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL**

Present: 5 - Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler, Vice Mayor Dean J. Trantalis,

Commissioner Robert L. McKinzie, Commissioner Romney Rogers,

and Commissioner Bruce G. Roberts

Also Present: Assistant City Manager Stanley Hawthorne, Assistant City

Manager Chris Lagerbloom, City Auditor John Herbst, City Clerk Jeffrey A. Modarelli, City Attorney Cynthia A. Everett, and

Sergeant at Arms Jeffrey Newman

Not Present: City Manager Lee R. Feldman

No public comments were submitted by email for this meeting.

#### **CITY COMMISSION REPORTS**

#### **Events and Matters of Interest**

The Mayor and members of the Commission announced recent and upcoming events and may raise matters of interest or concern.

#### Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT):

Commissioner Roberts addressed the Commission regarding traffic issues in District One. FDOT will be conducting two public workshops. One will be on May 24, 2016 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Sheraton Suites Ft. Lauderdale at Cypress Creek, regarding SR 9/I-95 from South of SR 870/Commercial Boulevard to North of Cypress Creek Road. FDOT will give an update about the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study for this project. The purpose of the PD&E Study is to evaluate improvements at the interchanges of I-95 and Commercial Boulevard and I-95 and Cypress Creek Road, which will reduce congestion, enhance safety, and achieve an acceptable level-of-service while minimizing potential impacts to the natural and human environments. The meeting will begin at an open house at 5:30pm with a formal presentation at 6pm.

The second FDOT public workshop will be on Wednesday, May 25, 2016 from 4:30-7:30 pm at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts, Riverview Ballroom concerning the Wave Streetcar. This workshop is to help the public learn about the Wave Streetcar Project in Fort Lauderdale. The goal is to provide stakeholders with information about the project and provide an opportunity to ask questions and make comments. It will be an open house format beginning at 4:30pm followed by a presentation at 6:30pm.

#### **Traffic In And Out Of Port Everglades**

Commissioner Rogers attended a meeting with City Manager Feldman and groups from Port Everglades, the County, and the surrounding neighborhoods regarding traffic mitigation in the SE 17<sup>th</sup> Corridor area noting traffic mitigation is still a number one issue in this area. Diana Alarcon, Director of the Department of Transportation and Mobility, confirmed the City has an ongoing traffic study, which is

almost complete. It will be brought to the County to raise concerns addressing traffic issues in this area noting the importance of the City having a plan to address this issue.

Commissioner Roberts stated there was another MPO Traffic Study approved. However, it has not yet started. The traffic study will focus on the traffic in and out of Port Everglades (the "Port") and other items relating to the Port. Commissioner Rogers noted the importance of integrating the MPO's Traffic Study into the City's Traffic Study in the SE 17<sup>th</sup> Corridor area including Interstate 595/Eller Drive and State Road 84 access to the Port and the 17<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor.

Ms. Alarcon stated information is being gathered and will be pulled together for an additional public meeting in early July for the community to prioritize items relating to traffic in the 17<sup>th</sup> Street Corridor. It will be brought to the Commission in August to get approval to move forward. Vice Mayor Trantalis stated this was too late as the County will be moving forward on their proposal and the City's needs to make their recommendations to the County as soon as possible. Ms. Alarcon stated they were working with setting up a meeting with the County later this month to present a Traffic Impact Study with the County and the Convention Center personnel and to work out what the methodology will look like and will include the data, recommendations, and the leading priorities that have come from the community. Commission Rogers asked if Ms. Alarcon has enough information to have an impact on the County. Ms. Alarcon stated the City has a good start. However, the MPO Study will not be done in time to support all of the City's recommendations and methodology. The Convention Center and the County will need to take a hard look as efforts continue to mitigate some of the traffic impacts they have created through the Concurrency Program and the activities of the Port. Commissioner Roberts emphasized the MPO Study needs to include the information relating to the situation with the Port traffic.

Ms. Alarcon stated the Port will be closing the 84<sup>th</sup> Street Port entrance on May 30<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. During this timeframe, traffic will begin forced to use the Interstate 595/Eller Drive entrance for entering and exiting the Port. In addition, FDOT is currently working on the signalizations at U.S. 1 and 17<sup>th</sup> Street to improve traffic flow. Further comments and discussions ensued.

Mayor Seiler commented that using Interstate 595/Eller Drive and closing State Road 84 will encourage people entering the Port to use the 17<sup>th</sup> Street Causeway. Commissioner Rogers requested Ms. Alarcon to schedule a follow-up meeting in 30 days to keep the conversation moving forward. Further discussions ensued.

#### **Code Enforcement and Parks and Recreation Departments**

Commissioner McKinzie discussed ongoing Code issues in District Three noting Code Enforcement was supposed to be at the District Three meeting and were not in attendance.

Commissioner McKinzie gave the Parks and Recreation Department accolades as they will be programming Lincoln Park beginning May 9, 2016, from 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. to assist in mitigating current issues. Mayor Seiler commended the Parks and Recreation Department for going above and beyond in coordinating a successful Track Meet at Carter Park with just one week's notice. Over 6,500 people attended this successful track meet event.

Mayor Seiler noted both Friday Night Tunes at Carter Park as well as Friday Night Sound Waves at the beach were both drawing large crowds.

#### Art Institute's In-House Advertising and Marketing Group

Commissioner Rogers noted attending an event at the Art Institute saying its talented in-house advertising and marketing group will assist non-profit organizations with artwork, advertising and

marketing needs free of charge.

#### **City Water - Water Treatment**

Vice Mayor Trantalis raised the issue of the taste of the City's drinking water. Alan Dodd, Assistant Public Works Director stated he would look into this issue and the flushing of filters may be the cause. Later in the meeting Assistant City Manager Stanley Hawthorne addressed the Commission on Vice Mayor Trantalis' comments regarding the taste of the City's water. Mr. Hawthorne stated City Staff was pretreating before reaching the pre-chlorination stage but is safe to drink.

#### City Fire Stations

Vice Mayor Trantalis requested an update on the status of three of the City's Fire Stations. Commissioner Roberts stated some delays were caused by the need for the City's legal department to address various issues relating to several of the City's Fire Stations' real estate land transactions. Further discussions ensued on options for three fire stations going forward.

#### **Ethics Training**

Vice Mayor Trantalis raised the issue of the County's Ethics Training Ordinance. As part of the ordinance, City Commissioners and others holding a public office cannot do business within their respective City or business in other cities within Broward County. It was noted that some cities within the County have opted out of this ordinance without a problem. Vice Mayor Trantalis requested City Attorney Everett to look into the possibility of opting out of the County's ordinance without comprising the intent of the ethics ordinance. Commissioner Rogers noted his concerns with the possibility of it being misinterpreted and the inability of the Office of Inspector General to address this issue. Further discussions ensued.

#### Annual 2016 Navy Fleet Week/ Broward Navy Days, Port Everglades

Mayor Seiler discussed the Navy being in town for Fleet Week/Broward Navy Days. Mayor Seiler requested all residents and employees of the City to welcome with open doors, hearts and arms these Navy personnel serving our Country. The Naval ships which were scheduled to be in town included *The USS Cole, The USS James E. Williams, The USS Wasp, The USS Bataan,* the Virginia-class submarine *The USS California,* as well as U.S. Coast Guard cutters, *The USCGC Robert Yered and The USCGC Dependable.* Mayor Seiler noted, however, that one of the Coast Guard Cutters was called away to address drug trafficking issues in Panama. Mayor Seiler further elaborated on all of the events scheduled in the City with the Naval personnel.

#### **Parking Permits for Air Show**

Assistant City Manager Chris Lagerbloom gave the Commission an update on parking permits for the Air Show. The 500 parking permits issued by the promoter were not sufficient, and the City requested the promoter to obtain additional parking permits which they were unable to do. On its own today, the City created 200 parking permits the Police Department is currently distributing. The Airshow times are as follows: the Displays and Exhibits open at 9:00 a.m.; the Air Show itself begins at 11:00 a.m. and ends at approximately 3:00 p.m.

#### **Bahia Mar**

Questions that arose regarding the Bahia Mar are currently being answered by City Staff and will be available on a link at the City's website. These answers will also be forwarded to members of the Commission.

#### **CONFERENCE REPORTS**

**CF-1 16-0472** Emergency Purchases - Sewer Force Main Failure at 700 Southwest 6th Avenue - \$60,165.50

Mayor Seiler recognized Charles King, 105 N. Victoria Park Road, who expressed his ideas, thoughts and concerns regarding the funding of these repairs to the water systems in the City.

**CF-2 16-0521** Emergency Purchases - Hydrogen Peroxide Leak Repair - Molloy Bros. Inc. and HD Supply Waterworks - \$150,000

Commissioner Rogers commented on this item stating Molloy Bros. Inc., did this emergency repair work for the City. Commissioner Rogers stated he received a comment from a constituent stating they thought Molloy Bros. had damaged something else while doing this emergency repair. Alan Dodd, Assistant Public Works Department, addressed this issue stating those parts are currently on order, and the job will be completed soon.

**CF-3 16-0543** Emergency Purchase of Fire Suppression System for Data Center - \$32,270

No discussion.

#### **OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

**BUS-1 16-0515** Seawall Ordinance Modification (ULDR Sec 47-19.3)

Mayor Seiler stated the presentation previously given by Dr. Nancy Gassman, Assistant Public Works Director Sustainability Division, had received positive feedback. Dr. Gassman gave the Commission the presentation on the proposed Seawall ordinance. Questions and answers ensued during Ms. Gassman's presentation.

#### A copy of Dr. Gassman's presentation is attached to these minutes.

Mayor Seiler recognized Mark Snead of the Rio Visa Civic Association was recognized by Mayor Seiler who stated he has been involved in this seawall issue since the beginning. He stated Dr. Gassman has done a great job in reaching a reasonably balanced compromise to address concerns while at the same time addressing significant concerns on this matter.

Mayor Seiler recognized Marilyn Mammano, 1501 SE 15<sup>th</sup> Street. Ms. Mammano addressed the Commission with her comments, questions and concerns on this item relating the questions of equity, coordination, and funding. Ms. Mammano stated the solutions to all the open issues have not been crystalized by the Commission and the neighborhoods want this to work.

Mayor Seiler recognized Craig Jungwirth, 3017 Alhambra Street, and S.B. in Mechanical Engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). Mr. Jungwirth appeared at the Commission's

Conference Meeting at the request of Vice Mayor Trantalis to offer his skills and knowledge in offering alternative, cost-effective ways to address the needs of residents and the City in those neighborhoods impacted by the proposed seawall ordinance. Vice Mayor Trantalis introduced Mr. Jungwirth to Dr. Gassman to possibly work together in addressing this important issue.

Mayor Seiler recognized Charles King, 105 N. Victoria Park Road, who expressed his experience with overflowing seawalls owned by the City, his concerns, and suggestions regarding those owners who are not willing or able, i.e., the elderly who do not have the funds, to address their seawall height. Mr. King suggested having more teeth in the ordinance and possibly adding the cost of those not complying with the ordinance to the owner's property tax bill.

Mayor Seiler noted this item will be back on the Commission's June 7, 2016, Agenda. Mayor Seiler noted for the record the many contributions from Dr. Gassman, City residents, the impacted neighborhoods, the City's Boards, and experts who collectively contributed to the revised seawall ordinance.

#### BUS-2 16-0592 Infrastructure Surtax Discussion

Commissioner Roberts stated 65% of other municipalities (by population) have passed the infrastructure sales surtax. Commissioner Roberts requested Greg Stuart from the Metropolitan Planning Organization (the "MPO") to address the Commission with the latest updates.

Mr. Stuart gave the Commission an update on both tracks being looked at, the Broward County Local Transportation Sales Tax and the Infrastructure Surtax. Mr. Stuart noted at a meeting of City Managers held in the City of Sunrise, there was no support from those City Managers present for the County's proposed Transportation Sales Tax. Discussions ensued on this topic.

Ms. Laura Reese, Budget Manager, attended the City Managers Meeting in Sunrise on Mr. Feldman's behalf. Ms. Reese noted the key points that the City Managers were in agreement they did want an oversight board as they believe there are enough mechanisms currently in place. Additionally, they were not interested in negotiating interlocal agreements with the County, and they desire a surtax that is administrated according to State statutes. Ms. Reece noted the vote at that meeting was to move it along for further discussion. Additionally, someone at the City Manager's Meeting pointed out that State statute requires of listing the specific projects that will be addressed should be listed on the ballot. Further discussions ensued on this topic including the business communities' support of the County's proposed transportation sales tax and the communities' support of the proposed infrastructure sales tax.

Vice Mayor Trantalis stated some of the necessities the transportation tax would fund could still come out of the infrastructure sales tax stating the need to look at the broader picture. Commissioner Roberts stated he felt the primary issue preventing the infrastructure sales tax on the November ballot is the timeliness of having the interlocal agreement with the County in place.

Mr. Stuart confirmed for the Commission that many municipalities stated it does not make sense to replace roads without replacing the underlying aging infrastructure below. Mr. Stuart noted the Cities who have passed the Infrastructure Surtax Resolution as: Deerfield Beach, Pompano Beach, Fort Lauderdale, Lauderdale by the Sea, Wilton Manors, Lauderdale Lakes, Tamarac, Sunrise, Plantation, Davie, Weston, Dania Beach, Hollywood, Cooper City, and Pembroke Pines (64.79%). There were only five dissenting votes in all of the municipalities in attendance.

It was estimated the infrastructure sales tax would generate \$11,000,000,000 over thirty years to the municipalities (\$18,000,000 per year for the City of Fort Lauderdale).

Mayor Seiler recognized Mary Fertig, Idlewyld Improvement Association. Ms. Fertig stated the Commission was having a great conversation on this issue. However, to date there is no list of what the City's needs are and it would be something that could help address the seawalls, the Public Works Department's broken water pipes system as well as numerous other infrastructure needs in the City. Ms. Fertig hoped that the Commission will create a committee of citizens working with City Staff to be proactively creating and updating a list of the City's needs. Ms. Fertig asked if the Commission has a defined plan as to what the infrastructure sales tax proceeds will be spent on, will that defined plan carry the City through the next 30 years. She urged the Commission not to waste any more time in comprising a citizen's committee to work with City Staff to come up with the true needs of the City's infrastructure.

Commissioner Roberts stated the MPO has a litany of needs already identified along with the costs associated with those needs. He was not opposed to having a citizen's group work with City Staff to prioritize them. Ms. Fertig stated the more citizens are involved in this process, the more likely the passage of an infrastructure sales tax.

Mayor Seiler recognized Charles King, N. Victoria Park Road, who addressed the Commission noting his concerns, comments, and questions on this topic.

#### BUS-3 16-0470

Draft Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Entitlement Grant Programs through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

Jonathan Brown, Manager, Economic and Business Development, addressed the Commission on this item for discussion and to address the Commission's questions and comments with an opportunity to look at the recommendations for the three HUD funded programs. Those programs include The Home Investment Partnership Program, The Community Development Block Grant Program, and The Housing Opportunities for Persons with HIV/AIDS Program.

The Draft Annual Action Plan includes the following:

- The Home Investment Partnership Program will receive a slight increase from HUD with the total amount being \$471,564.
- The Community Housing Development Set Aside HUD requires at least 15% of the City's funds are allocated.
- There are no recommendations for funds going toward Housing Rehab Replacement through the Home Program. This year the City received an increase in the State's Housing Initiative Program ("SHIP") Funds and over \$700,000 through the SHIP. As a result, the majority of the Rehab Funds will be put into this program as opposed to spreading them out over multiple programs.
- Purchase Assistance Program First Time Home Buyer Program recommending \$353,673.

- Home Program \$47,000 toward administrative funding.
- Community Development Block Program usually receives more requests than funding. This year, there is approximately \$1,900,000 in requests and approximately \$980,000 available after administrative dollars are subtracted. Mr. Brown requested direction from the Commission on which agencies to fund. When they return in June with the final annual action plan, they will list those agencies as recommended.

Questions and comments ensued from the Commission on Mr. Browns Draft Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2016-2017.

Vice Mayor Trantalis recognized Colleen Lockwood, 820 NE 16<sup>th</sup> Place, who began by thanking Mayor Seiler for recognizing Fleet Week/Broward Navy Days in the City stating it is the 26<sup>th</sup> year and noting there are ship tours offered to the public free of charge on a first come, first serve basis.

Ms. Lockwood had questions and concerns on one specific funding request, Grace Community Development Corporation. She stated there is a current entitlement grant request of \$200,000 for accommodation of flood plain changes for building in Middle River Terrace and other required changes. This request follows an initial funding request assistance in 2013 for the total financing requirements of \$350,000 for the purchase, code compliance, and retrofit of the building. It was for the creation of programs for Grace Community Development, a non-profit for the disenfranchised within the Haitian Community. Ms. Lockwood noted is operates like 211 in Broward County but in this case for the Haitian Community.

Ms. Lockwood questioned if these programs are clearly defined enough, is the vision of this organization where it needs to be, and if the City is allocating financial resources appropriately and responsibly on behalf of the community. Ms. Lockwood stated there are several other programs similar to this in the City.

Vice Mayor Trantalis recognized Laura Croscenco, President of Middle River Terrace Neighborhood Association. Ms. Croscenco stated she had appeared before the Commission to request on behalf of the community the ending of the proliferation of social services in the Middle River Terrace neighborhood. Ms. Croscenco stated the neighborhood association was never consulted on the ongoing funding to Grace Community Development. Moreover, Grace Community Development should have known about the FEMA changes regarding the flood plain as it was changed in 2014.

Jonathan Brown addressed Ms. Croscenco's concerns stating they are still analyzing the final project amount and are almost done. Mr. Brown stated he expects the \$100,000 they have for Grace Community Development will not be sufficient. Mr. Brown stated though the target is the Haitian community, the City cannot limit funding to only the Haitian Community.

Vice Mayor Trantalis recognized Reverend Luke Harrington from Grace Community Development who explained the FEMA change. Vice Mayor Trantalis recognized Mr. Frank Jean of Grace Community Development stating the FEMA Code due date for meeting the new flood plain codes went into effect in July although they purchased the building in April and it was not foreseeable.

Mayor Seiler recognized Tim Smith, President of the Central City Alliance, who spoke in favor of Grace Community Development's request. Mr. Smith stated his reasons for supporting this funding request is it will serve the needs of Haitian youth, primarily middle school age, many of whom need a place to go inside with adults that care about them, teach and train them. Many of these at risk youth are from homes generally without support systems. As a result, they are on the streets after school at

approximately 3:00 p.m. This is when the burglary rates, car break-ins, and larcenies rise. He stated Grace Community Church are good community leaders and are the connection between the larger community and the Haitian community. He felt a large portion of this requested funding should go toward programming for these young Haitian youth that are in need of assistance.

Mayor Seiler recognized Charles King, 105 N. Victoria Park Road, addressed the Commission on the funding of this culturally focused item and churches being in the development corporation business rather than funding used to addressing the City-wide infrastructure needs.

Further discussions and comments ensued on the restrictions and parameters allowable under the HUD dollars. Mr. Brown commented if the project is located in the Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") eligible area, there is some flexibility. Additionally, if it is serving a low-income population then the CDBG funds can be utilized.

Mayor Seiler asked Mr. Brown if the Community Services Board had reviewed the requests. Mr. Brown stated since this is a capital funding request, per the Community Services Board ordinance it is not something the Community Service Board would review or recommend as Grace Development's request is a capital request and not a public services request. Further comments and discussions ensued on various options available for funding requests as well as using Community Redevelopment Agency ("CRA") funding.

Commissioner Roberts raised the issue and discussions ensued on performance measurements for all of these funding requests. The Commission requested Mr. Brown to provide them with the year-end reports showing the performance measurements. Mr. Brown noted that in the area of public services, the Community Services Board and City Staff have done thorough reviews.

The Commission requested the capital funding requested be thoroughly vetted and advise the Commission as to the performance measurements.

Maria Myer, Director of Development at Jack and Jill, addressed the Commission and thanked them for considering their proposal request. Ms. Myer stated the \$50,000 funding request is important as it provides scholarships for low-income working families. They have provided the City with these outcomes to the City every year. The scholarships traditionally have been awarded to between 12 and 18 families. The amount varies depending upon the financial stability of the family. Ms. Myer expounded on efforts to expand their programs and building.

Marie Wells, Mount Bethel Human Services, addressed the Commission to clarify the funding and costs they provide for child care for the Commission. Mayor Seiler asked the cost to each parent and Ms. Wells stated it is 25%. Mayor Seiler stated it should be needs based without a 25% cap. Further discussion ensued. Mayor Seiler stated the City is required to monitor these programs and the City is ultimately responsible. Further discussions ensued on the caps and following HUD's guidelines with input from Mr. Brown to address Mayor Seiler and the Commission's concerns. Further discussions and questions ensued on child care costs and the family resources' costs for the Mount Bethel Human Services funding request.

Katharine Barry, President & CEO H.O.M.E.S., Inc., addressed the Commission thanking them for their past support. Ms. Barry gave an overview of H.O.M.E.S.'s funding request to the Commission. Questions and discussions ensued from the Commission as to the use of their funding request and how their programs are being subsidized for those children who are aging out of the foster care system in the City. Ms. Barry stated her organization would give up \$50,000 of her funding request for those others' funding requests the City is considering.

Ms. Ann Hilmer, Board Member of Jack and Jill, addressed the Commission on the various programs the Jack and Jill organization provides. Ms. Hilmer wanted to point out to the Commission that when the Commission is granting funding for scholarships for 12 to 18 children, it is not just those children their Center serves. It is a total wraparound program, i.e., job search assistance, income tax filing assistance, counseling for these children, home inspections to ensure all children have beds and the families are operating well in the homes.

Discussions, comments, and questions among the Commission and Mr. Brown ensued as to the revision of the numbers in Mr. Brown's backup paperwork. Mayor Seiler requested City Attorney Everett to look at the ordinance regarding the Community Service Board to enable them to review, vet, and recommend all of the funding requests from Entitlement Grant Programs through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Further discussions and comments ensued. and the Commission asked Mr. Brown to come back with finalized numbers based on the Commission's input today.

#### BUS-4 16-0276 Transportation and Mobility Department - Informational Presentation

Diana Alarcon, Director of Transportation and Mobility, addressed the Commission with a Transportation and Mobility Department - Informational Presentation. Ms. Alarcon introduced her staff: Karen Mendrala, Senior Planner Transportation and Mobility; Julie Leonard Deputy Director Transportation and Mobility; Starla Shepherd, Business Manager Transportation and Mobility; and, Frank Castro, Parking Services Manager Transportation and Mobility.

Ms. Alarcon began the Transportation and Mobility's Department presentation entitled *Looking Toward the Future of Moving People* portions of which were presented by members of her staff. Ms. Alarcon introduced Debora Griner, Transportation Manager Department of Transportation and Mobility who continued the presentation. Ms. Alracon continued the presentation portion focused on parking issues and concerns. Mr. Castro, Parking Services Manager Department of Transportation and Mobility continued the parking portion of the presentation. Questions and discussions ensued during the presentation.

A copy of this presentation is attached to these minutes.

#### **EXECUTIVE CLOSED DOOR SESSION**

#### <u>16-0587</u>

Mayor Seiler announced the City Commission's Executive Closed Door Session pursuant to Florida Statute, Section 286.011(8) concerning:

Michael Cunniff v. City of Fort Lauderdale, et al. Case No. 15-62281-Civ-Cohn/Seltzer

Mayor Seiler announced those who will be in attendance as:

Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler

May 3, 2016

Vice Mayor and Commissioner Dean J. Trantalis Commissioner Bruce G. Roberts Commissioner Robert L. McKinzie Commissioner Romney Rogers City Manager Lee R. Feldman City Auditor John Herbst City Attorney Cynthia A. Everett

#### **BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

**BD-1 16-0548** Board and Committee Vacancies

See Regular Meeting Item R-1.

**BD-2 16-0549** Communications to the City Commission

See Regular Meeting.

#### **CITY MANAGER REPORTS**

None.

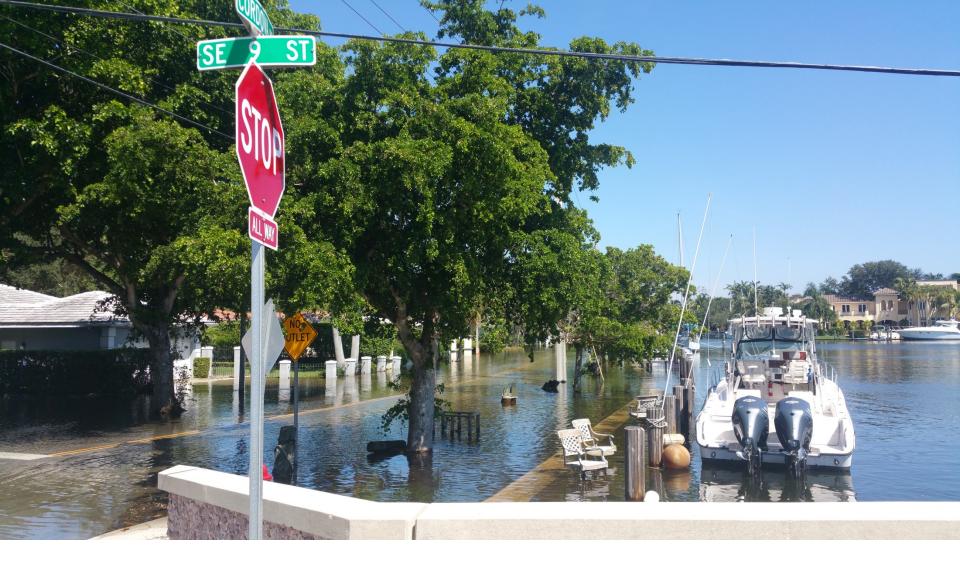
#### **AJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Commission at their Conference Meeting, Mayor Seiler adjourned the meeting at 5:05 p.m.



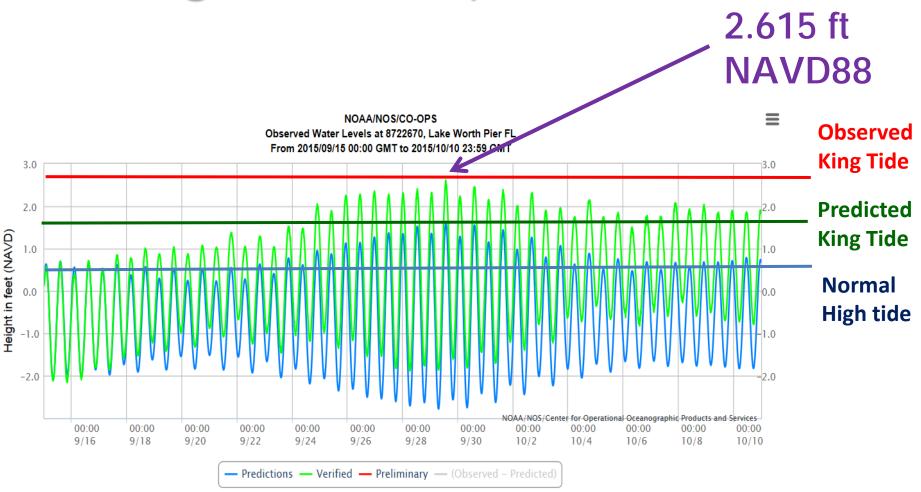
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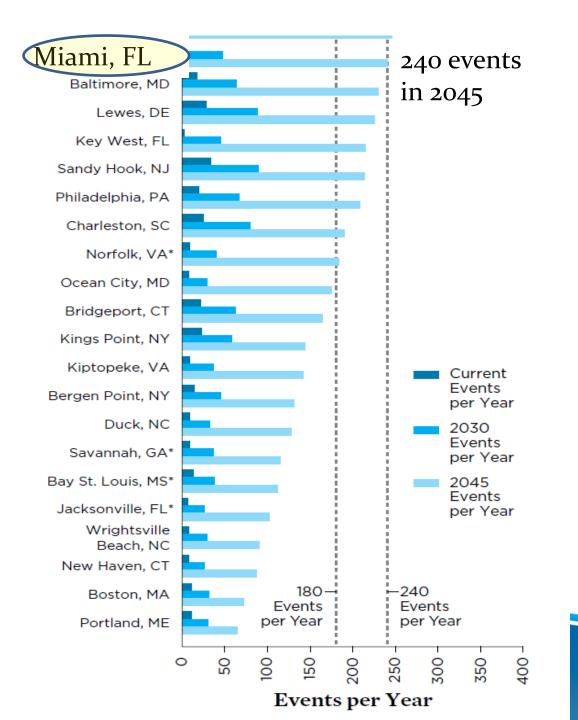
- 1. Why change the ordinance now?
- 2. What issues are addressed?
- 3. What are the key ordinance modifications?
- 4. How have we reached out to stakeholders?
- 5. What are our neighbors saying?
- 6. What is in the proposed ordinance for Commission consideration on June 7?
- 7. When are the public meetings?





## King Tide in September 2015



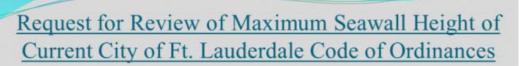


### Tidal Flooding today, in 2030 and in 2045

Southeast Florida will advance from <10 events annually to 240 events in 2045

Seawalls are an important defense against frequent tidal flooding.

## 2014 Marine Advisory Board Request Seawall Ordinance Language

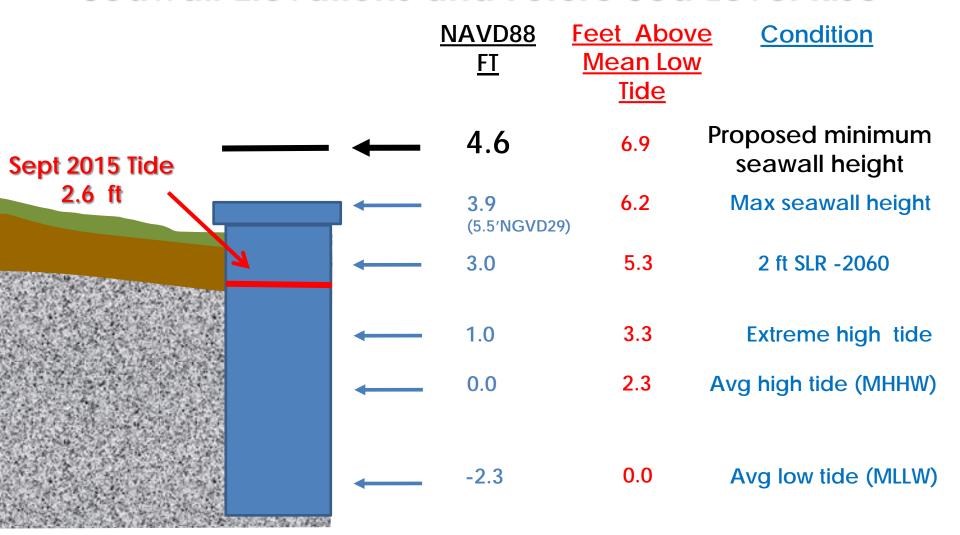


Tyler Chappell, The Chappell Group, Inc. Member, Property and Infrastructure (Built Environment Adaptation) Subcommittee, Broward County Climate Change Task Force



- MAB Request : Increase max height
- Following discussions:
   Maximum determined adequate to address future sea level rise for the useful life of new seawalls.

### Seawall Elevations and Future Sea Level Rise





Existing
Seawall and
dock
inundated



Seawalls in significant disrepair

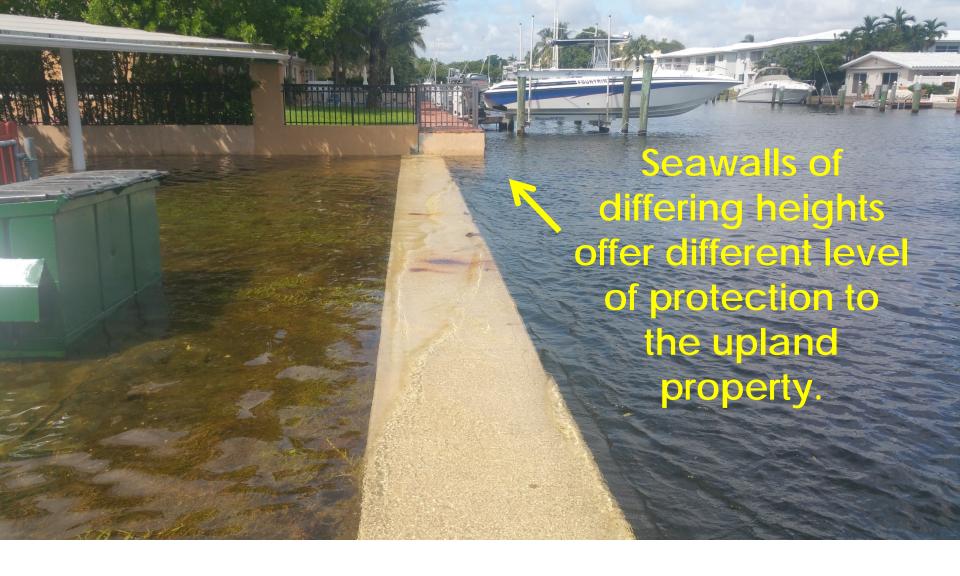














## Key Modifications: Public Discussion Draft of Ordinance

- Adds definitions for seawall and for North American Vertical Datum (NAVD88);
- Sets a minimum seawall elevation at 4.6 feet NAVD88;
- Sets an allowable maximum height of the seawall based on a property's base flood elevation;
- Requires seawall reconstruction to the minimum elevation if the substantial repair threshold is triggered;
- Requires maintaining seawalls in good repair and sets a timeline for completion of repairs;
- Addresses fixed and floating docks; and
- Sets a date by which all seawalls must meet the minimum elevation requirement (March 1, 2035).

## Stakeholder Outreach and Input

March 8 Council of Civic Associations

March 9 Board of Adjustment

April 7 Marine Advisory Board

April 14 Idlewyld Board of Directors

April 17 Las Olas Isles Homeowners Association

April 21 River Oaks Homeowners Association

April 22 Riviera Isles Homeowners Association

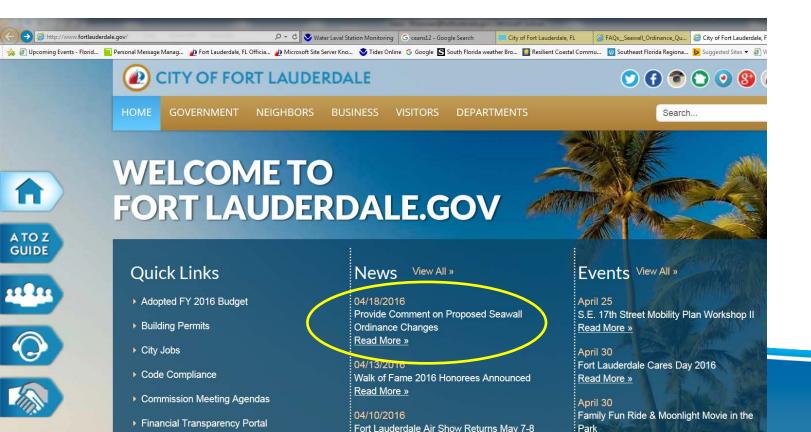
April 25 Council of Civic Association Executive Board

April 27 MIASF

May 2 Rio Vista Civic Association

## Feedback

Written comments by e-mail
Next Door inquiries
Website comment board
Posted Frequently Asked Questions



## **Additional Outreach**

- Distribution of the ordinance through CoCA
- Newspaper, TV and radio articles
- Written responses by e-mail
- Notification of public meetings in utility billing

## Stakeholder Feedback

- Funding: Cost of compliance, source of \$
- Compliance Date:
  - 2035 is too long to wait to address the flooding concerns
  - Areas that aren't flooding should not have to raise their seawalls
  - Unfair burden on owners currently in compliance with the maximum

## Stakeholder Feedback (cont.)

## Timeline for Completion of Repairs

 Does not allow adequate time for permitting and construction

### Exceptions:

- Doesn't address flooding from properties with low seawalls
- Doesn't address properties without seawalls

# Proposed Ordinance for Commission Consideration

- Sets the minimum seawall elevation to 3.9 feet NAVD88 (current allowable maximum)
- Requires design of seawall for future height adjustment up to 5.0 feet NAVD88
- Adjusts the maximum height of a dock above the seawall from 7 to 10 inches
- Extends the time to fix a defective seawall to 365 days
- Requires owners to prevent tidal waters entering their property from impacting others
- Removes the mandate that all seawalls must be raised to the minimum elevation

# List of Stakeholder and Public Meetings

May 4, 6:00 pm Harbor Beach Property Homeowners Association

May 5, 6:00 pm Marine Advisory Board – 8th Floor City Hall

May 9, 6:30 pm District 1 Districtwide Meeting - Beach Community Center

May 10, 7:00pm Council of Civic Association Regular Meeting - 8th Floor City

Hall

May 18, 6:30pm Planning and Zoning Board – Public Hearing- Commission

Chambers

May 23, 6:30pm **Sustainability Advisory Board** - 8<sup>th</sup> Floor City Hall

**JUNE** 

June 7, 6:00pm First Public Reading – City Commission-Commission

Chambers

June 21, 6:00pm Second Public Reading – City Commission- Commission

Chambers



# Questions

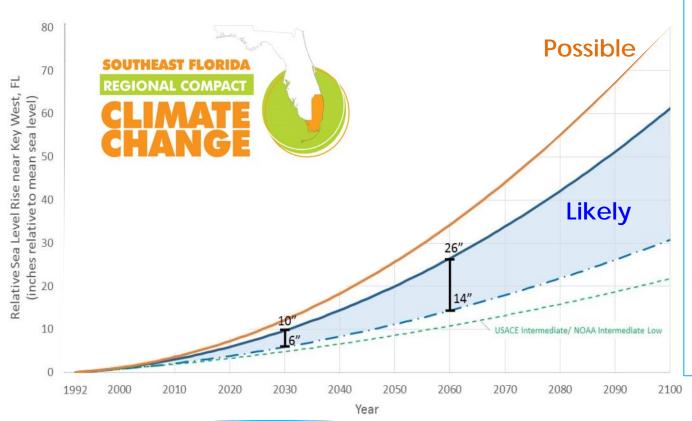


## Key Modifications: Commission Consideration Draft of Ordinance

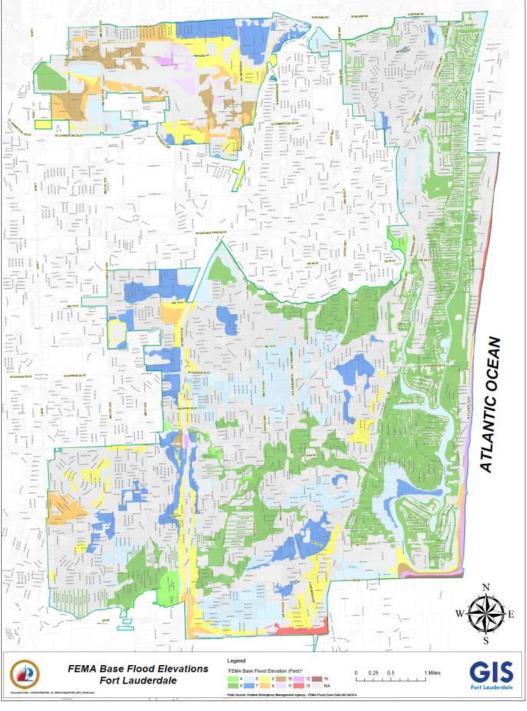
- Adds definitions for seawall and for North American Vertical Datum (NAVD88);
- Sets a minimum seawall elevation at **3.9 feet** NAVD88;
- Requires design of seawall for future height adjustment up to 5.0 feet NAVD88;
- Sets an allowable maximum height of the seawall based on a property's base flood elevation;
- Requires seawall reconstruction to the minimum elevation if the substantial repair threshold is triggered;
- Requires maintaining seawalls in good repair and sets a timeline of 365 days for completion of repairs if cited;
- Requires owners to prevent tidal waters entering their property from impacting others and sets a timeline of 365 days for remedy if cited;
- Allows fixed docks to extend 10 inches above the adjacent seawall; and
- Addresses floating docks.



# 2015 Unified Sea Level Rise (SLR) Projection for SE FL



- 3" SLR since 1992
- 2030: 6-10" SLR
- 2060: 14-26"
- Orange line for long term projects with low risk tolerance (2060: 34")



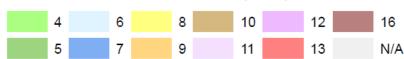
# Seawall Elevation Based on Base Flood Elevation (BFE)

- BFE = 4 or 5 ft NAVD88
  - Min 3.9 ft Max 5.0 ft

- BFE= 6 ft NAVD88
  - Min 3.9 ft Max 6 ft

- Not in a flood plain
  - Min 3.9 ft
  - Max Grade

FEMA Base Flood Elevation (Feet)\*



#### Winners and Losers

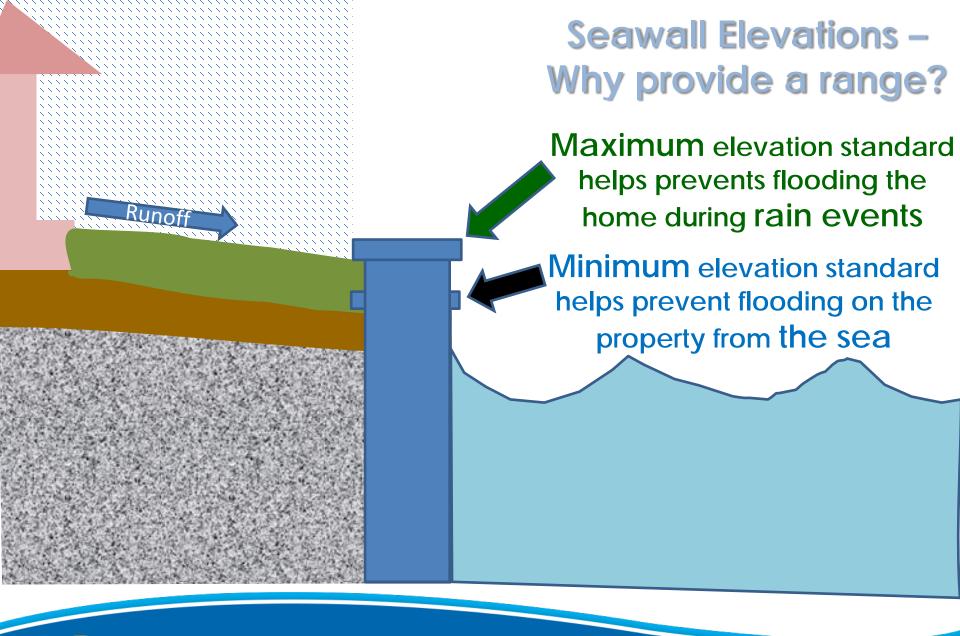
- FEMA flood maps treat all properties the same within designated flood zones
- Different structures in same neighborhood have different "freeboard"
- Coastal Risk identifies and scores "freeboard" on a LIDAR/parcel level
- In same neighborhood, any storm or flooding (except perhaps Cat 3-5) will differentially impact structures
- Coastal Risk provides more accurate prediction of flood impacts





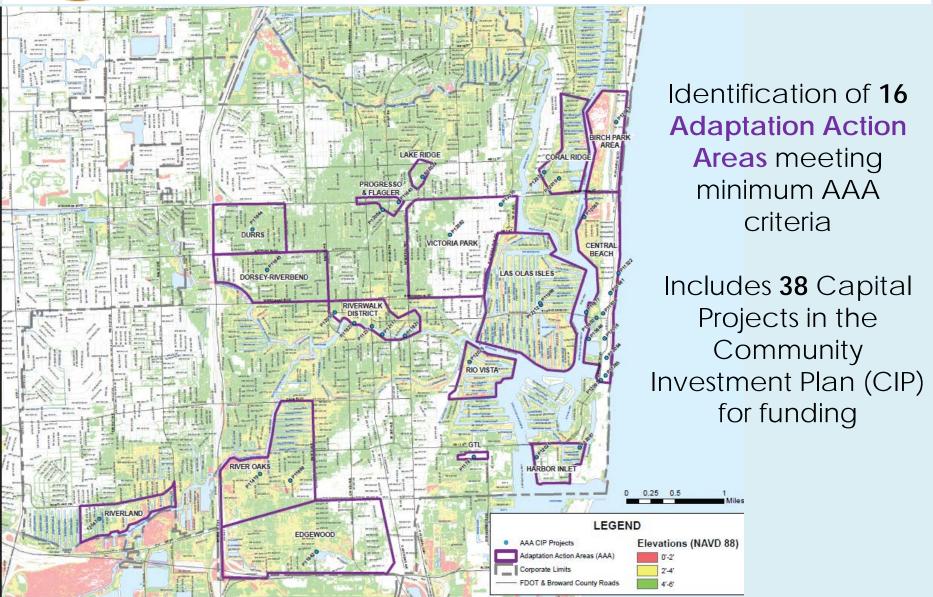








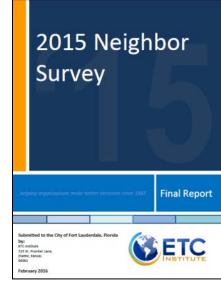
## Designated Adaptation Action Areas and Projects FY 2016-2020



## Neighbor Survey

Level of Agreement with Various Aspects of Sustainability - 2012 to 2015

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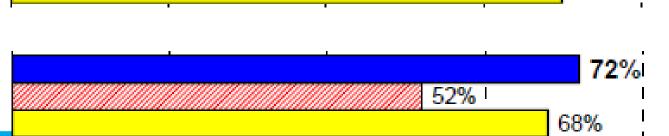
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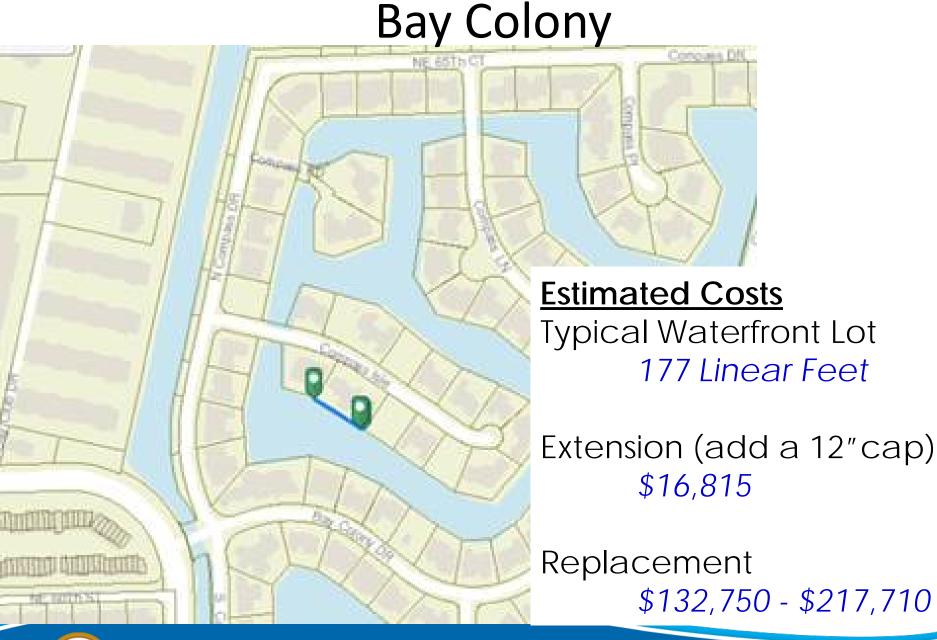




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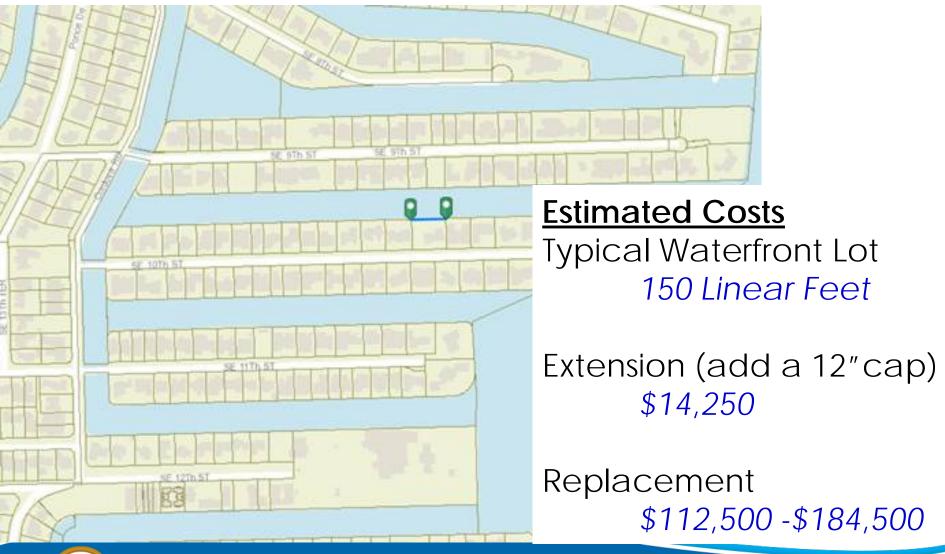




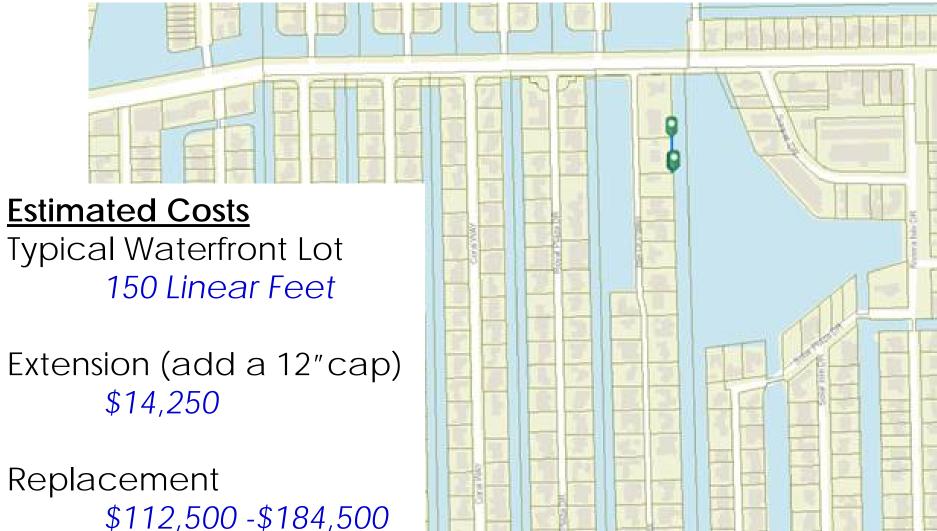




### Rio Vista



## Las Olas



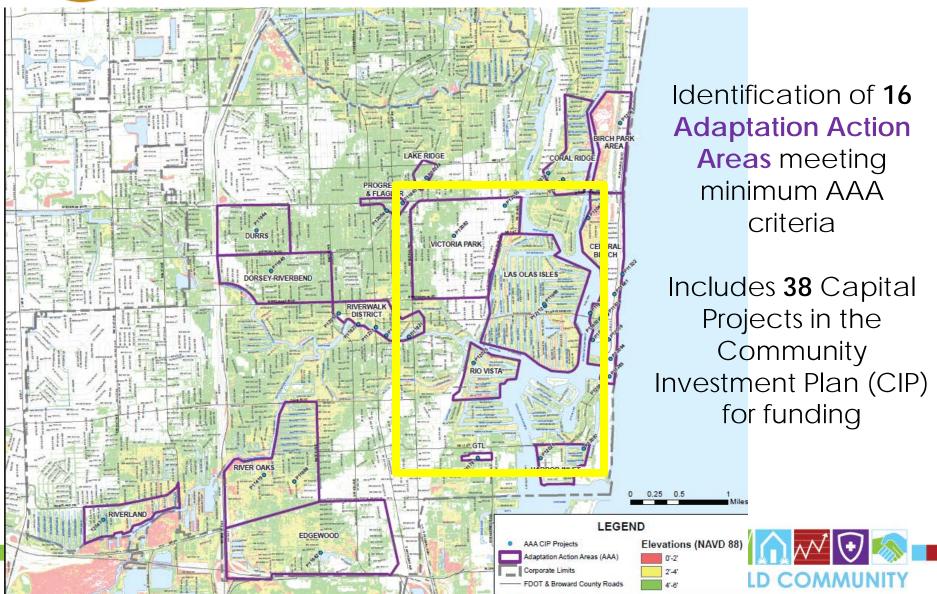
## Minimum and Maximum Elevations

Property's FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map Location	Minimum Seawall Elevation	Maximum Seawall Elevation
In a floodplain, BFE >= 5.0 feet NAVD88		Base Flood elevation of the property
In a floodplain, BFE = 4.0 feet NAVD88	3.9 feet	5 feet NAVD88
In an X zone, not in a floodplain	NAVD88	Meet the definition of grade

# Downtown Fort Lauderdale and Vicinity: 2 Foot Sea Level Rise City Hall Fire Stations Public Schools Inundation Possible



# Designated Adaptation Action Areas and Projects FY 2016-2020





### **Designated Adaptation Action Areas and Projects**

FY 2016-2020



GTL - GEORGE T. LOHMEYER
WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT (see map 4)

P11781 Cryogenic Plant

HARBOR INLET (see map 4)

P12026 2100 SE 18Th Street Stormwater Improvements

P12087 Bridge Replacement At South Ocean Drive

LAS OLAS ISLES (see map 4)

P12112 Del Mar Stormwater Improvements

P11968 Seven Isles Seawall Improvements

RIO VISTA (see map 4)

P12025 1436 Ponce De Leon Drive Stormwater Improvements

VICTORIA PARK (see map 4)

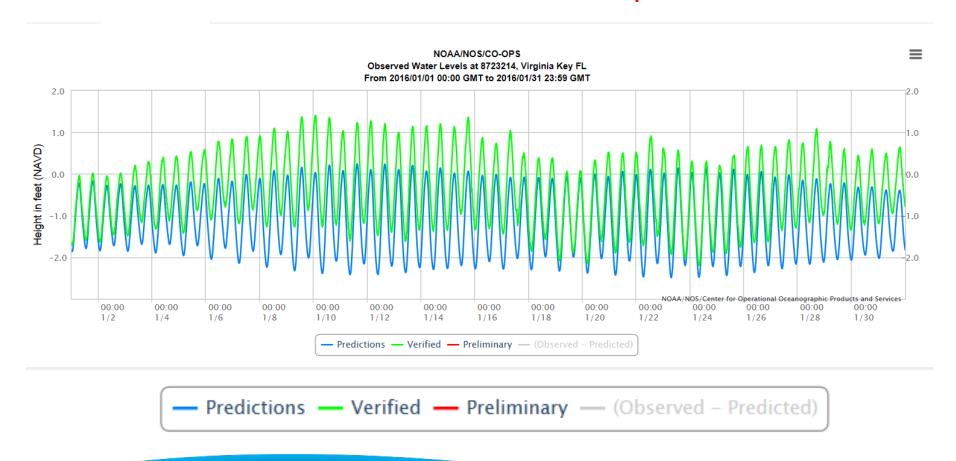
P12082 Victoria Park Tidal And Stormwater Improvements

P12035 1000 NE 17Th Way Stormwater Improvements



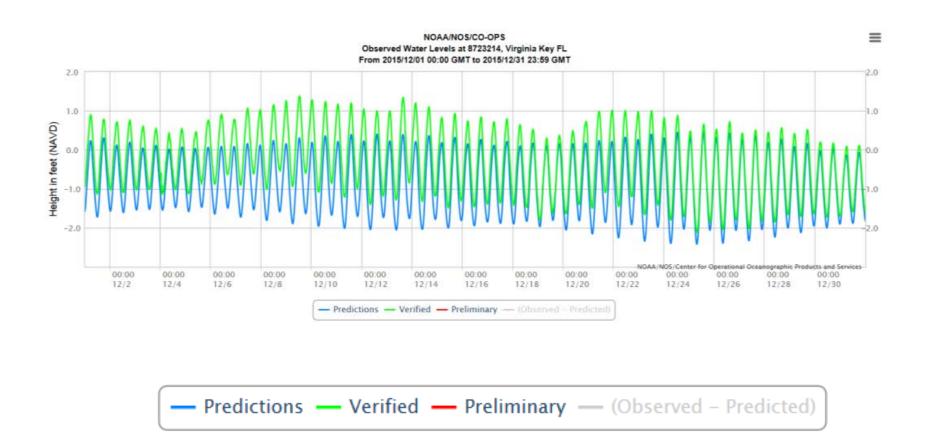
## Virginia Key – January 2016

### Observed tides continue to exceed predicted tides

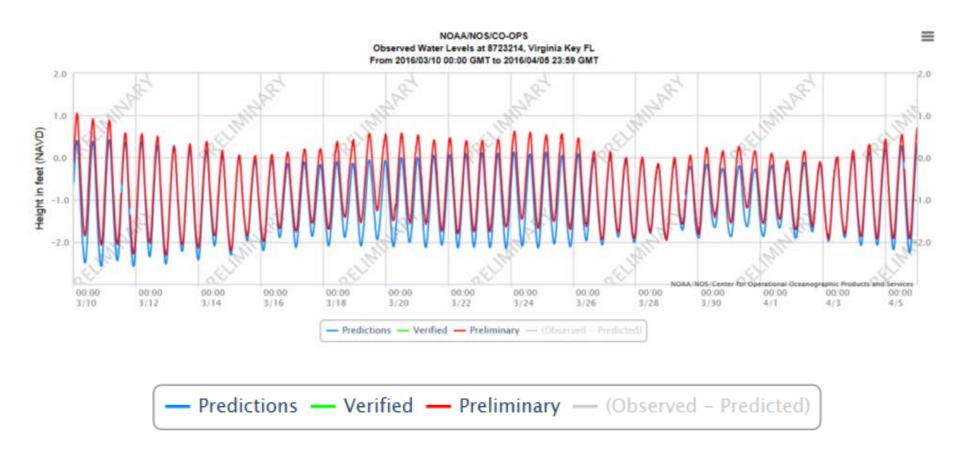




## Virginia Key – December 2015



## Virginia Key – March/April 2016



## The times they are a changin'...







Las Olas Blvd 1917

Las Olas Blvd 1950

Las Olas Blvd 2016

## **Estimated Extent of Seawalls**

- Public Seawalls = 4 miles (21,120 linear feet)
  - Estimated cost for total replacement: \$26 M
  - Estimated cost for adding a 12" cap only: \$2 M

Private Seawalls = 191 miles (1,008,480 linear feet)

## 2016 Current Seawall Ordinance Language

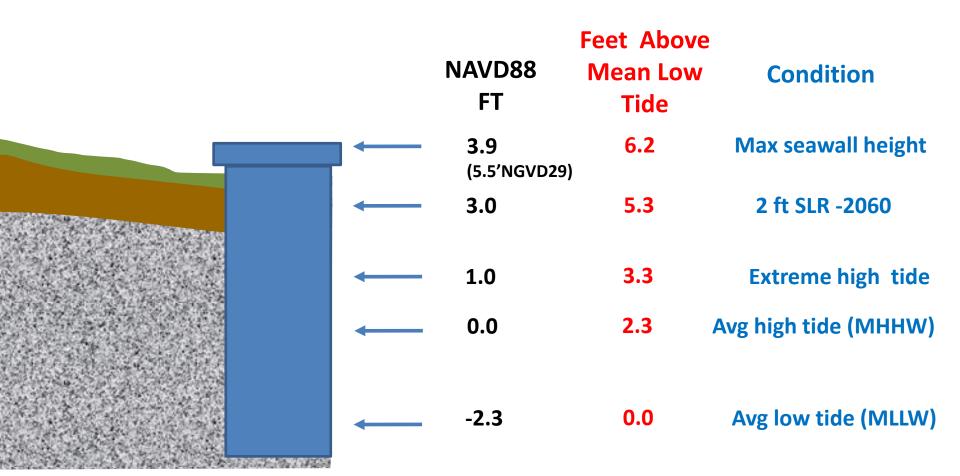
Sec. 47-19.3. - Boat slips, docks, boat davits, hoists and similar mooring devices.

(4)(f) The top surface of a boat slip, seawall or dock shall not exceed five and one-half (5½) feet above NGVD29, except when the adjacent property is higher than five and one-half (5½) feet above the NGVD29. (maximum allowable height: 3.90 feet NAVD88)

When above 5½ feet NGVD29, the top surface may be of the same elevation as the average grade of the upland property abutting the seawall or dock and properties abutting either side of the upland property.

Sets a Maximum Height.

#### Seawall Elevations and Future Sea Level Rise







## **Estimated Costs of Seawalls**

- New Seawall
  - \$750 \$1,230 per linear foot
- Repair -e.g. broken/spalled concrete areas in the cap
  - \$60 per cubic foot of epoxy mortar
- Add a 12" cap to an existing seawall
  - \$95 per linear foot

#### CDBG FUNDING APPLICATION RANKINGS - FY 2016/2017

Rank	ORGANIZATION	Grant Request	CSB Funding Recommendation	<u>Bean</u>	<u>Fillers</u>	<u>Francis</u>	King	<u>Kirk</u>	<u>Lovell</u>	May	<u>Morris</u>	Shirley	<u>Szugajew</u>	Van de Bogart	<u>Total Score</u>	Average <u>Score</u>
5	Broward Partnership for the Homeless	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 31,419.00	79	95	94	98	90	95	95	73	89	88	73	969	88
6	Care Resource	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 10,606.00	83	91	93	95	84	79	92	76	87	93	45	918	83
1 3	Delta Education and Life Development Foundation	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00	95	92	94	95	81	87	99	80	91	93	84	991	90
1	Impact Broward	\$ 25,040.00	\$ 25,040.00	86	100	95	96	100	82	100	80	98	100	100	1037	94
2	Jack and Jill Children's Center	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 45,000.00	93	95	95	89	95	95	95	79	93	93	94	1016	92
4	Junior Achievement	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	84	100	90	93	93	85	100	88	92	85	61	971	88
7	Fort Lauderdale Community Center	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -	78	61	82	82	56	54	94	81	82	96	76	842	77
	TOTAL		\$ 147,065.00													

AGENCIES IN ORDER OF HIGHEST SCORE	AVERAGE
Impact Broward	94
Jack and Jill Children's Center	92
Delta Education and Life Development Foundation	90
Junior Achievement	89
Broward Partnership for the Homeless	88
Care Resource	83
Fort Lauderdale Community Center	77

CDBG Funds Available for F/Y 16/17 \$147,065.00



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### TRANSPORTATION & MOBILITY









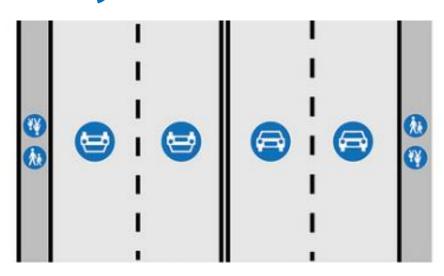




#### **DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION** LOOKING TOWARDS THE FUTURE OF MOVING PEOPLE

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# **A City in Transition**

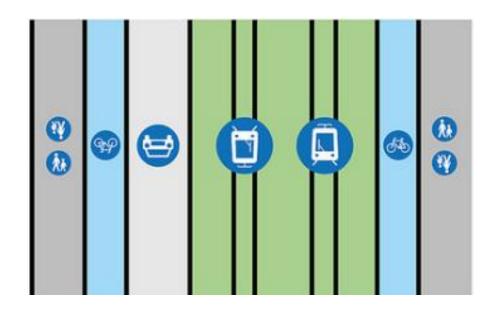








# **From Moving Cars Today**









# **To Moving People Tomorrow**

# **Moving Safely**

#### Engineering

- Neighborhood Mobility Master Plans
- Connecting the Blocks projects

#### Education

- Public Outreach
- Targeted safety campaigns

#### Encouragement

- Open Streets & Family Fun Rides
- Safety gear (bike lights/wrist lights)

#### Enforcement

High Visibility Campaign

#### Evaluation

Pre and Post project studies





# Moving Safely -Neighborhood Mobility Master Plans













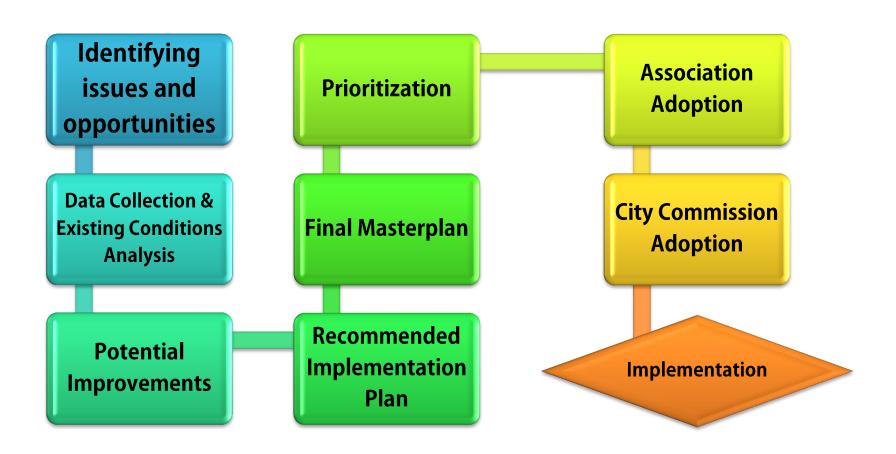


3 In Progress

# Neighborhood Mobility Master Plans Overall Goals

- Comprehensive plan vs. uncoordinated solutions
- To address:
  - Traffic Calming
  - Cut Through Traffic
  - Mobility for all modes
- Implementation strategies will include:
  - All modes (Pedestrian, Bicycle, Car etc.)
  - Co-Benefits
  - Context Appropriate Solutions (Traffic Calming Toolbox)

# Moving Safely -Neighborhood Mobility Master Plans



#### RAISED PED CROSSING + PINCH POINT

#### MINI ROUNDABOUT



The pedestrian crossing is raised to give motorists and pedestrians a better view of the crossing area. Because of the elevation change, traffic is slowed. The raised crossing will be accompanied by a pinch point to reduce the crossing distance for pedestrians and further calm traffic.



A small circular island used in the middle of intersections to force vehicular traffic to slow and negotiate around it. They also increase vehicular safety. It may be landscaped and may have mountable curbs. Raised intersections may be used in place of mini roundabouts, if desired, but may not be as effective at traffic calming.



Installing pedestrian-scale lighting, especially at locations that are not fronted by homes, will create a safer and more comfortable environment for walking. These lights can be solar powered to save energy and promote sustainability

#### ~ CHICANE



A series of fixed objects, usually extensions of the curb, which alter a straight roadway into a zigzag path to slow vehicles. Chicanes reduce the speed of motorists but are still easy to navigate. They facilitate one- or two-way traffic. The exact design will be determined in the design phase based on further input.

#### - MINI MEDIANS



Islands constructed between travel lanes can help narrow the lanes and slow down traffic. They may be landscaped, helping to beautify the neighborhood. Additionally, by locating at the northern entrance to the Village, a gateway feature will be created.

# Traffic Calming Toolbox Examples

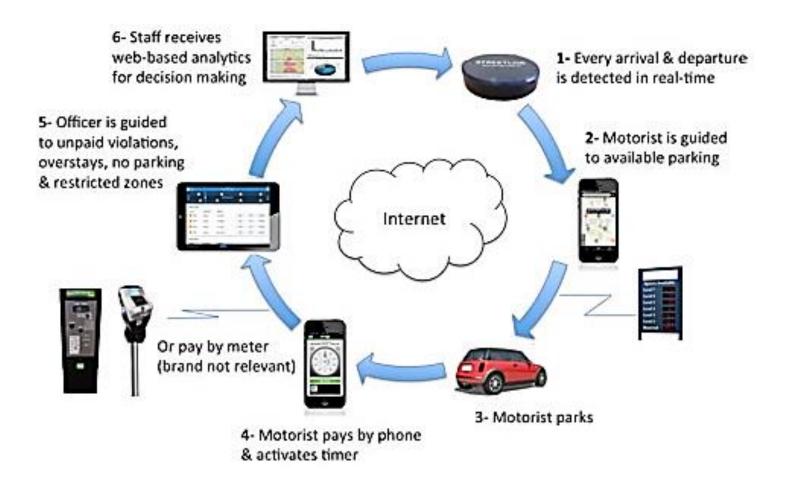
## **Master Plan Map Example**



# Moving Smart-Understanding Parking

- City Wide Parking Study
  - To understand the current usage and parking availability
  - To gather data to support accurate parking rates
  - Collect and analyze parking demand and utilization data
  - Review of parking requirements in ULDR and related parking programs

## Moving Smart-Using Smart Parking Technology



## Moving Smart-Using Smart Parking Technology

Using data to guide drivers to available spaces and accurately enforce rates for all parking spaces and locations.

#### **On-Street and Off-Street**

(Lots and Garages)







#### All Space Types

(Metered, Non-metered, EV spaces, etc.)









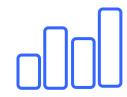
A City-Wide Smart Parking System will enable the city to effectively deliver real-time guidance to residents and visitors and make data-driven decisions about all interconnected areas of the parking ecosystem.











1. GUIDANCE

2. POLICY

3. RATES

4. ENFORCEMENT

5. ASSET
MANAGEMENT

- Guidance throughout the city for residents and visitors
- City- Wide Traffic and emission reductions
- Adjust policy hours to optimize utilization and availability
- Ability to shift long-term parking sessions to underutilized spaces.
- Full-scale
   Demand-based
   pricing
   implementation
- Ability to shift rates to achieve target occupancy citywide
- Optimize enforcement routes
- Maximize officer productivity
- Expand workforce capabilities
- Avoid capital costs of new development by better utilizing existing assets
- Measure impacts of economic, environmental, and transit development





# Thank you and Questions

