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## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, January 24, 2023**

**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***

***WARREN STURMAN Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District IV***

***JOHN C. HERBST Commissioner - District I***

***STEVEN GLASSMAN Commissioner - District II***

***PAM BEASLEY-PITTMAN Commissioner - District III***

***GREG CHAVARRIA, City Manager***

***DAVID R. SOLOMAN, City Clerk***

***D'WAYNE M. SPENCE, Interim City Attorney***

***PATRICK REILLY, City Auditor***

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Trantalis called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Dean J. Trantalis

**ROLL CALL**

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

**QUORUM ESTABLISHED**

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

**AGENDA ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Trantalis announced the following updates to the published Agenda:

CM-7: CAM and Exhibits 1 & 2 were revised to the correct number of hotel rooms and the associated application fee

M-6: Revisions were made to Exhibit 3, pages 4, 16, 18, 20, 22 and 25

M-8: CAM was revised to add additional language to page 1, and Exhibit 1 was revised to remove duplicated pages

PH-3: The Agenda Title should read Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4

***Copies of Revisions are attached to these Meeting Minutes.***

**Approval of MINUTES and Agenda**

[23-0135](#)

Minutes for December 6, 2022, Commission Special Meeting,  
December 6, 2022, Commission Conference Meeting, December 6,

2022, Commission Regular Meeting - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

**APPROVED**

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

**PRESENTATIONS**

**PRES- [23-0140](#)**  
**1**

Vice Mayor Sturman to present District IV Community Appearance Board "WOW" Award

Vice Mayor Sturman requested Frank and Barbie Barfield, and Cabot Edewaard, Chair of the Community Appearance Board, join him for the presentation of the District IV Community Appearance Board "WOW" Award ("WOW" Award).

Vice Mayor Sturman presented the District IV "WOW" Award to Frank and Barbie Barfield, recognizing their Rio Vista Neighborhood home. He expounded on improvements made to the Barfield residence. Mr. Barfield thanked Vice Mayor Sturman, Mayor Trantalis, and the Commission for this recognition.

**PRESENTED**

**CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT**

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

**CM-6:**

Mayor Trantalis recognized James LaBrie, 1514 NE 20th Street. Mr. LaBrie provided his viewpoint and remarked on concerns about the City's pilot program.

In response to Vice Mayor Sturman's question, City Manager Chavarria explained the pilot program runs for one (1) year from the date the Ordinance was adopted.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Trantalis announced that no Consent Agenda items were pulled by Commission Members for separate discussion.

**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

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

**Approve the Consent Agenda**

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

**CONSENT MOTION**

**CM-1**    [23-0040](#)    Motion Accepting a Donation of two (2) Dell Laptops and one (1) Apple 10.2-inch iPad Wi-Fi (9th Generation) and one (1) Apple iPad mini-Wi-Fi (6th Generation) for Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue from the Florida Department of Health, Division of Emergency Preparedness and Community Support in the amount of \$3,130.82 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**APPROVED**

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

**CM-2**    [23-0077](#)    Motion Approving a Parking Enforcement Agreement with 1 East Broward Owner, LLC, Located at 200 NE 2nd Street - (Commission District 2)

**APPROVED**

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

**CM-3**    [23-0082](#)    Motion Approving the Designation of Vice Mayor Warren Sturman to Serve on the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization Board - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**APPROVED**

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

**CM-4**    [23-0098](#)    Motion Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Revocable License with KT Seabreeze Atlantic LLC for Temporary Right-of-Way Closures on Sebastian Street and Alhambra Street in Association with the Selene Development Located at 151 N Seabreeze Boulevard - (Commission District 2)

**APPROVED**

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

**CM-5**    [23-0099](#)

Motion Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Revocable License with PMG-Greybrook Riverfront II LLC for Temporary Right-of-Way Closure on SW 2nd Street in Association with the Society Las Olas (f/k/a X-Las Olas) Phase II Development Located at 221-300 SW 1st Avenue - (Commission District 4)

**APPROVED**

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

**CM-6**    [23-0108](#)

Motion Approving a License and an Agreement for the Sale, Service, and Consumption of Food and Alcoholic Beverages on the Public Beach for the FTLFS Hotel Property LP d/b/a Four Seasons Hotel and Residences Fort Lauderdale - (Commission District 2)

**APPROVED**

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

**CM-7**    [23-0110](#)

Motion Approving a License and an Agreement for the Sale, Service, and Consumption of Food and Alcoholic Beverages on the Public Beach for the Capri Hotel LLC d/b/a W Fort Lauderdale - (Commission District 2)

**APPROVED**

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

**CM-8**    [23-0115](#)

Motion Approving FY 2023 Beach Business Improvement District (BBID) Grant Participation Agreement with Florida Panthers Hockey Club LTD. - \$125,000 - (Commission District 2)

**APPROVED**

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

**CM-9**    [23-0117](#)

Motion Authorizing a Revocable License with the United States Government General Services Administration for Access to Build, Construct, and Operate Pump Station A-16 - (Commission District 4)

**APPROVED**

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

- CM-10**   [23-0145](#)      Motion Approving Third Amendment to the Lease Agreement Between The Harbor Shops, LLC and the City of Fort Lauderdale for Property Located at 1845 Cordova Road, Suite 207, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316 - (Commission District 4)

**APPROVED**

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

**CONSENT RESOLUTION**

- CR-1**   [23-0086](#)      Resolution Approving the Consolidated Budget Amendment to Fiscal Year 2023 - Appropriation - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**ADOPTED**

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

- CR-2**   [23-0173](#)      Resolution Approving Fiscal Year 2023 Not for Profit Contribution Agreement with Florida Panthers Foundation, Inc. - \$50,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**ADOPTED**

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

**CONSENT PURCHASE**

- CP-1**   [23-0005](#)      Motion Approving an Agreement for Grant Management Software - Benevate Inc - \$134,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

**APPROVED**

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

**MOTIONS**

- M-1**   [23-0111](#)      Motion Approving Event Agreements and Related Road Closures for Great American Bash - Burger, Bourbon (Make-A-Wish), Taco and Margarita Fest and The Alpha Conference 2023 - (Commission District 2)

Commissioner Glassman noted backup information for the Great American Bash - Burger, Bourbon (Make-A-Wish), and Taco and Margarita Fest events indicated there would be a fee for these events, but the amounts were not listed.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions regarding event application fees for the Great American Bash - Burger, Bourbon (Make-A-Wish), and Taco and Margarita Fest events, City Manager Chavarria said the Great American Bash - Burger, Bourbon (Make-A-Wish) general admission fee is \$35 and its VIP event admission is \$150. The general admission fee for the Taco and Margarita Fest is \$15 and its VIP event admission fee is \$69.

Commissioner Glassman remarked on the need for event applications to include the cost of admission fees.

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

**APPROVED**

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

**M-2**     [23-0113](#)

Motion Approving an Event Agreement and Request for Music Exemption for St. Jerome Catholic Church and School Fall Festival 2023 - (Commission District 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Evelyn Rodriguez, 2533 SW 9th Avenue, on behalf of St. Jerome Catholic Church. Ms. Rodriguez commented on correspondence from the Project Manager of a stormwater project that is scheduled to begin next week and will block the main entrance to St. Jerome's school and other areas, negatively impacting this significant fundraising event.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Alan Dodd, Public Works Department Director. Mr. Dodd explained the project is part of the River Oaks Stormwater Project, and said Staff will confer with the contractor to determine whether accommodations could be arranged to delay the Project on Thursday and Friday, the first two (2) days of the event. City Manager Chavarria remarked on incurring change order fees. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Ms. Rodriguez noted that the City had previously provided signage directing the public to this event and inquired about the ability of the City to provide. Phil Thornburg, Parks and Recreation Department Director, said the signage was portable electronic billboard and would reach out to the Police Department and determine availability.

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

**APPROVED**

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

**M-3**     [23-0114](#)

Motion Approving an Event Agreement and Extended Road Closure Beyond 10:00am on the Barrier Island for the Las Olas Triathlon - (Commission Districts 1 and 2)

Commissioner Glassman discussed the need for increased traffic mitigation efforts at barrier island events, particularly north of Las Olas Boulevard. He expounded on related details, including having more Police Department personnel stationed in the beach area. City Manager Chavarria confirmed.

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

**APPROVED**

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

**M-4**     [23-0112](#)

Motion Approving an Agreement with Greater Fort Lauderdale Pride, Inc. for Pride of the Americas Parade and Festival 2023 - (Commission District 2)

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

**APPROVED**

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

**M-5**     [23-0024](#)

Motion Authorizing Purchase of Property Insurance - Underwriters at Lloyd's of London, et al. - \$2,981,532 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

**APPROVED**

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

**M-6**     [23-0026](#)

Motion Approving an Agreement with Florida Panthers Hockey Club Enterprises, Inc. for a Three-day 2023 Truly Hard Seltzer NHL All-Star Beach Weekend Event and Music Concert on Fort Lauderdale Beach - (Commission Districts 2 and 4)



Commissioner Glassman noted this event agreement indicates an admission fees but the fee is not listed.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Nicholas Gennarelli, 395 9th Avenue, New York, NY, on behalf of the National Hockey League, said the concert is a private event for corporate sponsors and friends and family of the National Hockey League. There is no charge for other event activities.

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

**APPROVED**

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

**M-7**     [23-0094](#)

Motion Approving a Service Agreement for the Proprietary Purchase of Bulk Waste Processing - Waste Management Inc. of Florida - \$1,405,040 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

**APPROVED**

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

**M-8**     [23-0097](#)

Motion Approving a Service Agreement for the Proprietary Purchase of Recyclable Materials Processing - Waste Management Inc. of Florida - \$11,009,152 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

**APPROVED**

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

**M-9**     [23-0148](#)

Motion Approving Negotiated Fee Schedule and Continuing Agreements for Construction Engineering Inspection Services - Various Consultants - \$3,000,000 (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

**APPROVED**

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

## RESOLUTIONS

**R-1**     [23-0155](#)

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 February 7, 2023, 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 as amended which was read by title only.

**ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

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

**R-2**     [23-0095](#)

Resolution Waiving the Competitive Solicitation and Selection Processes Contained in the Procurement Ordinance and Approving an Agreement for Disposal Services for Construction and Demolition Debris with Waste Management Inc. of Florida - \$563,732 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

**ADOPTED**

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

**R-3**     [23-0146](#)

Resolution Amending Resolution 22-88 to Remove 'Park-Like' in the SE 17th Street Causeway Bridge Use and Occupancy Agreement between the Florida Department of Transportation and the City of Fort Lauderdale - (Commission District 4)

Vice Mayor Sturman requested Agenda items R-3 and R-4 be deferred. In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding the reason, Vice Mayor Sturman explained District 4 residents do not want to eliminate the term "Park-Like".

Ben Rogers, Transportation and Mobility Department Director, explained his understanding. In 2002, the City entered into an agreement for the

use of this space, and the description at that time had the term "Park Like" included in that twenty-year (20) agreement, which expired in 2022. This area is under the jurisdiction of FDOT, and FDOT wishes to ensure this space is available for future transportation needs or projects.

Mayor Trantalis discussed previous community efforts, which sought to ensure a user-friendly amenity underneath the bridge benefiting pedestrians and bicyclists, and expounded on related details.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding what impact FDOT's request would have on the City if the agreement is not executed, Mr. Rogers explained his understanding that this is a clean-up item.

Vice Mayor Sturman remarked on his understanding that this concern stemmed from one (1) email and noted the need for deferment of this item to reach out to FDOT and determine whether this is a requirement.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, City Manager Chavarria noted that Agenda items R-3 and R-4 are not time sensitive.

Vice Mayor Sturman made a motion to defer this Agenda item until February 21, 2023, and was seconded by Commissioner Herbst.

**DEFERRED to February 21, 2023**

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

**R-4**     [23-0147](#)

Resolution Amending Resolution 22-89 to Remove 'Park-Like' in the Riverland Woods Park Use and Occupancy Agreement between the Florida Department of Transportation and the City of Fort Lauderdale - (Commission District 4)

Vice Mayor Sturman made a motion to defer this Agenda item until February 21, 2023, and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.

**DEFERRED to February 21, 2023**

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

**R-5**     [23-0046](#)

Resolution Approving an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Fort Lauderdale and the Fort Lauderdale Downtown Development Authority for Reimagining Huizenga Plaza - \$714,285.71 in Fiscal Year 2023 (\$5,800,000, eight-year total) - (Commission District 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jenni Morejon, President and Chief Executive Officer, Fort Lauderdale Downtown Development Authority (DDA). Ms. Morejon narrated a presentation entitled *Huizenga Park*

*(Park) Reimagined.*

***A copy of the presentation is part of the backup to this Agenda item.***

Mayor Trantalis recognized Debbie Scott-Queenin, 333 Las Olas Way. Ms. Scott-Queenin spoke in opposition to this Agenda item.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Ms. Scott-Queenin explained that some residents, commercial vehicles, and the trash service use SE 1st Avenue to access the Las Olas River House Condominium. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Michelle D'Avolio, 100 East Las Olas Boulevard. Ms. D'Avolio spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Steve Hudson, 1799 SE 9th Street, DDA Board Member. Mr. Hudson spoke in support of this Agenda item.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Hudson confirmed the agreement with the restaurant operator would expressly state there can be no outside music or entertainment at any outdoor eating areas. Mayor Trantalis remarked on the need for the restaurant to be respectful of area neighbors related to plans for low-level decibel ambient music in the outside dining area. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Herbst's question, Mr. Hudson said there would not be rooftop activities with amplified music.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Denise Pont, 100 East Las Olas Boulevard. Ms. Pont spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Kurt Zimmerman, 1801 SE 7th Street. Mr. Zimmerman spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized John Milledge, Esq., 200 SW 1st Avenue, and on behalf of the DDA. Mr. Milledge spoke in support of this Agenda item and discussed related details.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Charlie Ladd, 442 NE 7th Avenue, DDA Board Member. Mr. Ladd spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Dev Motwani, 2415 Delmar Place, DDA Board Member. Mr. Motwani spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized William Barrett, 333 Las Olas Way. Mr. Barrett discussed his viewpoint regarding this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Melinda Bowker, 511 SE 5th Street, Downtown Fort Lauderdale Civic Association President. Ms. Bowker spoke in support of this Agenda item and read from a prepared statement endorsing this Agenda item with stipulations.

Mayor Trantalis confirmed Ms. Bowker's remarks had merit and would be discussed by Commission Members following public comment.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Deborah Steiner, 511 SE 5th Avenue. Ms. Steiner spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Alan Hooper, 2719 NE 37th Drive, DDA Chair. Mr. Hooper spoke in support of this Agenda item.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding City funding for the Project, City Manager Chavarria read from the proposed agreement confirming that City funding would not exceed one-third (1/3) of overall project costs and would not go towards restaurant funding.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Brian Donaldson, 3321 NE 16th Street, Budget Advisory Board (BAB) Chair. Mr. Donaldson spoke in support of this Agenda item and commented on the BAB's input in support of the City's portion of project funding.

In response to Vice Mayor Sturman's question regarding who would be the lessor following the sunseting of the DDA, Mr. Milledge said the City would be the lessor.

Mayor Trantalis thanked Chair Donaldson and the members of the BAB for their efforts to develop the City's funding scenario of one-third (1/3) of the costs for the total project and that none of this funding would fund the planned restaurant. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jim Ellis, 3020 NE 32nd Avenue. Mr. Ellis spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jeffrey Chircus, 333 Las Olas Way, President of the River House Condominium Association. Mr. Chircus spoke in opposition to the planned restaurant associated with this project.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding the City committing

space for parking, City Manager Chavarria said this would be determined at the time of application and commented on related details. Mayor Trantalis remarked on the importance of considering various factors related to committing City parking areas for the proposed restaurant that may impact future downtown development plans. Ms. Morejon remarked on the need for a final site plan to go through the DRC process. The restaurant operator wants to ensure a successful operation and experience for all stakeholders and expounded on related details.

Mayor Trantalis reiterated he was not in favor of any parking arrangement that commits the City in perpetuity to allow the restaurant's use of the City parking garage, which would prevent the City from redeveloping that site.

In response to Commissioner Herbst's question regarding current zoning, Ms. Morejon said the zoning is Regional Activity Center City Center (RACC) and explained related details. Commissioner Herbst noted that another building similar to 100 East Las Olas could be constructed on this site. Ms. Morejon explained aspects of the adjacent public rights-of-way and said ingress and egress from the property would be from area side streets.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Bo Laterveer, 333 Las Olas Way. Mr. Laterveer spoke in opposition to this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Camelia Craciun, 419 SE 2nd Street. Ms. Craciun spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Ron Castille, 411 N. New River Drive East. Mr. Castille provided his input on this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Debi Levy, 333 Las Olas Way. Ms. Levy spoke in opposition to this Agenda item. Ms. Levy submitted documents related to this Agenda item. Mayor Trantalis requested a copy be given to City Clerk David Soloman for distribution to Commission Members.

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

In response to Vice Mayor Sturman's questions, Mr. Milledge explained the City pays the DDA \$100,000 annually in rent, and the City maintains the Park. When this Agenda item moves forward, the City will continue to pay \$100,000 annually dedicated to Park maintenance.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Stan Eichelbaum, 411 N. New River Drive East. Mr. Eichelbaum spoke in opposition to this Agenda item. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jim McGrath, 411 N. New River Drive. Mr. McGrath spoke in opposition to this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Marc Launer, 333 Las Olas Way. Mr. Launer spoke in opposition to this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Ray McElroy, 1808 SW 11th Street. Mr. McElroy spoke in opposition to this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Steven Rifkin, 347 N. New River Drive East. Mr. Rifkin discussed his viewpoint on this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Greg Brewton, 633 SE 3rd Avenue, and DDA Board Vice Chair. Mr. Brewton spoke in support of this Agenda item.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, Mr. Brewton confirmed this project will go through the Development Review Committee (DRC) process and expounded on related details.

Commissioner Glassman clarified that this Agenda item does not pertain to a site plan. It pertains to the City's first payment, and amendments to the lease and the Interlocal Agreement between the City and the DDA. Commissioner Glassman expounded on his viewpoint and noted the public would have the opportunity to participate as the project site plan moves through the DRC process. Further comment and discussion ensued.

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

Vice Mayor Sturman discussed his viewpoint and commented on concerns, including keeping the Park as park space in perpetuity, noise, traffic, and impact on the Riverwalk and the marine community.

In response to Vice Mayor Sturman's questions regarding concerns expressed by the community, Mr. Milledge confirmed that no City funding would go towards the restaurant, and the DDA owns the land. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Vice Mayor Sturman remarked on the project's benefits to the City,

including benefiting from \$15,000,000 in renovations and details related to guaranteeing the Park will remain a park in perpetuity. He reiterated that none of the City's funding would go to the restaurant.

Vice Mayor Sturman recommended the following stipulations be included in the City's Interlocal Agreement with the DDA: 1) there would be a deed restriction that the Park would remain a park in perpetuity; 2) rezoning of this area as a park; 3) performing a traffic study; 4) no outside noise after 10:00 p.m. on weekdays and 11:00 p.m. on weekends; 5) the project be limited to Bubier Park.

Ms. Morejon said the lease would not allow outdoor live amplified music or a deejay, and any outdoor seating music would be ambient.

Mr. Milledge confirmed the DDA will work with Riverwalk, and should an agreement not be reached, the DDA would return to the Commission.

Commissioner Herbst concurred with issues discussed by Vice Mayor Sturman. Commissioner Herbst discussed numerous successful restaurants in parks around the country and said this site is located in a unique environment providing residents, office workers, and students an opportunity to enjoy greenspace and a restaurant. Commissioner Herbst concurred on the restriction of amplified music and the willingness of the DDA to include the restrictive covenant in the Interlocal Agreement. He remarked that all streets are intended to be shared, and through the DRC process, those utilizing SE 1st Avenue will do so in a way that is compatible with everyone. Commissioner Herbst confirmed his support and emphasized the need to memorialize all stipulations in the Interlocal Agreement.

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman concurred with Commissioner Herbst's comments and the need to adhere to the process. Commissioner Beasley-Pittman agreed with Vice Mayor Sturman regarding conditions that should be included in the Interlocal Agreement to ensure the project is successful and commented on the opportunity this project would bring to the City.

Commissioner Glassman concurred with the previous concerns discussed and the recommendations discussed by Commission Members. He noted the crucial aspect of ensuring the Park remains a park in perpetuity and confirmed his support of moving forward with this Agenda item.

Interim City Attorney D'Wayne Spence requested clarification regarding the Interlocal Agreement included with this Agenda item with regard to



incorporating Vice Mayor Sturman's conditions. He noted this would require renegotiation of the Interlocal Agreement with the DDA and returning to the Commission for approval. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mr. Milledge suggested going through each stipulation again. DDA Board Members are present and could voice a concern if necessary.

Vice Mayor Sturman discussed the six (6) stipulations to be incorporated in the Interlocal Agreement:

1. Including a deed restriction.

Mr. Milledge confirmed.

2. Rezone as a park.

Mr. Milledge confirmed the DDA will work with City Staff in good faith to rezone the Park after the project is constructed.

3. City funding excludes any funding associated with the restaurant.

Mr. Milledge confirmed this is contained in the Interlocal Agreement.

4. Performing a traffic study.

Mr. Milledge confirmed.

5. No outside noise from the restaurant after 10:00 p.m. on weekdays and 11:00 p.m. on weekends.

Mr. Milledge confirmed.

6. The project will not infringe on the Riverwalk, limiting the project property line to Bubier Park.

Mr. Milledge confirmed the DDA's desire to meet with Riverwalk. The DDA will return to the Commission if an agreement cannot be reached. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Glassman remarked on Commission discussions prior to new Commissioners taking office regarding their request that the DDA

works with Riverwalk. He explained his viewpoint opposing being absolute concerning a specific boundary, the need to look at things holistically, and recommended a review of the site plan.

Vice Mayor Sturman discussed his concern regarding impeding the Riverwalk pathway. Further comment and discussion ensued. Vice Mayor Sturman noted the need for the DDA and the Riverwalk to work together.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Interim City Attorney Spence explained that the introduction of this Resolution would adopt the Interlocal Agreement with the provision that the six (6) conditions listed on the record would be incorporated into the Interlocal Agreement.

Vice Mayor Sturman introduced this Resolution adopting the Interlocal Agreement with the provision that the six (6) conditions of approval discussed on the record are incorporated into the Interlocal Agreement. The Resolution was read by title only.

**ADOPTED**

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

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**PH-1**    [23-0004](#)

Public Hearing - Resolution (a) Approving an Application for a Dock Permit for Usage of Public Property by Rick J Burgess adjacent to 711 Cordova Road for (i) a 50' +/- long X 8' +/- wide marginal dock and appurtenant steps and (ii) a 14' +/- X 10' +/- four (4) post boatlift and (b) Authorizing Execution of a Declaration of Restrictive Covenants - (Commission District 4)

Interim City Attorney Spence noted a scrivener's error. The name of the applicant listed in this Resolution should be Rick, not Richard.

Vice Mayor Sturman introduced this Resolution for approval which was read by title only.

**ADOPTED - Approving**

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

**PH-2**    [23-0006](#)

Public Hearing - Resolution (a) Approving an Application for a Dock Permit for Usage of Public Property by William Premock and Vivian Alvarez located at 1410 SE 11 Street and (b) Authorizing Execution of a Declaration of Restrictive Covenants - (Commission District 4)

Vice Mayor Sturman introduced this Resolution for approval which was read by title only.

**ADOPTED - Approving**

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

**PH-3**    [23-0071](#)

Public Hearing - Ordinance Amending the City of Fort Lauderdale Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Element to Update the Mixed-Use Land Use Designation and Floor Area Ratio - UDP-L22004 - (Commission District 1)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

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

In response to Vice Mayor Sturman's question, Nectaria Chakas, Esq., Lochrie and Chakas, P.A., on behalf of the applicant, explained the ten percent (10%) commercial provision was eliminated from mixed-use development regulations because it was a detailed provision that belongs in the City's land development regulations and expounded on related details. Further comment and discussion ensued.

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

**PASSED FIRST READING**

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

**PH-4**    [23-0072](#)

Public Hearing - Ordinance Amending City of Fort Lauderdale Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map Designation from Medium-High Residential (25) to Mixed Use for 200 and 400 Corporate Drive - UDP- L22003 - (Commission District 1)

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

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

Commissioner Herbst introduced this Ordinance for the First Reading which was read by title only.

**PASSED FIRST READING**

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

**PH-5**    [23-0007](#)

Public Hearing - Quasi-Judicial Resolution Granting a Waiver of Limitations at 1645 East Lake Drive, for the installation of one (1) boat lift extending a maximum of 30'+/- - (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, Commissioner Herbst made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman. Roll call showed: AYES: Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions regarding the location of this dock, Kyle Martinez, on behalf of American Seawall - Latham Residences, explained this property is located on both the lake and canal area. The dock will protrude into Lake Sylvia, not into the canal.

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

**ADOPTED - Approving**

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

**PH-6**    [23-0018](#)

Public Hearing - Quasi-Judicial Ordinance Approving a Rezoning from Residential Multifamily Mid Rise - Medium High Density (RMM-25) District to Northwest Regional Activity Center-Mixed-Use East (NWRAC-MUe) District - 628 NW 3rd Avenue; East of NW 3rd Avenue, West of NW 2nd Avenue, South of NW 7th Street and North of 610 NW 3rd Avenue - Water Tower Apartments, LLC. - Case No. UDP-Z22016 - (Commission District 2)

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, Commissioner Herbst made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman. Roll call showed: AYES: Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sturman, Commissioner Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

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

**PASSED FIRST READING**

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

**ORDINANCE FIRST READING**

**OFR-1** [23-0027](#)

First Reading - Ordinance - Amending Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR), Sections 47-19.3 Boat slips, docks, boat davits, hoists and similar mooring structures and 47-39 Development Regulations for Annexed Areas and Adding Section 47-19.13 Resiliency Standards for Tidal Flood Protection - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Herbst remarked on discussions with Dr. Nancy Gassman, Assistant Public Works Director - Sustainability, regarding the need for Staff to conduct community outreach regarding this Agenda item to District 1 residents with aging seawalls. He discussed costs associated with this Ordinance to be in compliance with Broward County's new standards for seawall height when a seawall has deteriorated and requires replacement.

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman requested Staff include similar community outreach efforts to District 3 residents.

Commissioner Herbst introduced this Ordinance for the First Reading which was read by title only.

**PASSED FIRST READING**

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

**OFR-2** [23-0161](#)

First Reading - Ordinance Ratifying and Approving the Transfer of the Lauderdale Isle Water Management District into the City of Fort Lauderdale and Providing for the Modification of the District's Charter and Boundary - (Commission District 4) - Requesting Deferment to February 7, 2023.

Commissioner Glassman made a motion to defer this Agenda item to February 7, 2023, and was seconded by Commissioner Beasley-Pittman.

**DEFERRED to February 7, 2023**

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

## **ORDINANCE SECOND READING**

**OSR-1** [23-0132](#)

Second Reading - Ordinance Amending the Non-Bargaining-Unit Classification Table of the Pay Plan of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, by Creating One New Classification - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

**ADOPTED ON SECOND READING**

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

## **DISCUSSION**

City Clerk David Soloman explained that the City's seat on the Central Wastewater Region Large Users Advisory Board (Advisory Board), previously held by former District 1 Commissioner Heather Moraitis, is vacant. There is an upcoming meeting on this Advisory Board on February 8, 2023. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis requested Commission Members consider serving on this Advisory Board.

City Clerk David Soloman noted that the City's Risk Advisory Board has a vacant Commission Member position that was previously held by Commissioner Ben Sorensen.

## ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trantalis adjourned the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

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Dean J. Trantalis  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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David R. Soloman  
City Clerk