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**INSURANCE ADVISORY BOARD**  
 101 NW 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor  
 Tower 101 City Office  
 FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301  
 REGULAR MEETING  
 WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2024 – 8:00 a.m.

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>CUMULATIVE</b>	
		<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Mark Schwartz, Chair	P	3	0
Joe Piechura, Sr., Vice Chair	A	2	1
Steve Botkin	A	2	1
David Cooley	P	1	2
Tina Gellman	A	0	3
Ted Hess	P	3	0
Jonathan Perrillo	P	2	1

**Staff**

Guy Hine, Risk Manager  
 Paul Dawson, Brown & Brown  
 Bill Wilson, Brown & Brown  
 Gabrielle Bush, Management Analyst  
 Alisha Auth, Senior Claims Adjuster

**Communications to City Commission**

None.

**1. Roll Call (including number of appointed members and quorum)**

Chair Schwartz called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. All members attended in person except for Mark Schwartz and Paul Dawson who attended via Zoom. As of this date, August 7, 2024, there are seven (7) appointed members to the Insurance Advisory Board, which means four (4) would constitute a quorum. Roll was called and it was determined there was a quorum at this time.

**2. Approve Minutes**

None.

**3. Communications to City Commission**

None.

**4. Unfinished Business**

None.

## **5. New Business**

- **Motion to Approve Workers' Compensation Excess Insurance Policy Quote**

Mr. Hine advised the Board that the City's workers' compensation insurance policy would be renewing on October 1, 2024. He advised that Paul Dawson of Brown & Brown would be presenting on the policy.

Mr. Dawson advised that after discussions with the City that Brown & Brown requested a renewal with the current carrier, Safety National Casualty Corp., for the upcoming October 1, 2024 – October 1, 2025 policy renewal period.

Mr. Dawson provided the Board with the results of the renewal quote that resulted in a 12% premium increase for this policy year as compared to last if they reselected the current carrier. He advised that the City's premium rate increased by 5% and the City's payroll had increased by 7% which was the reason for the premium increase. In addition, there has been a 5% - 10% increase to keep up with trends in rising medical costs. The premium for the prior year was \$524,336 and the renewal premium will be \$591,592.

The Board proceeded to discuss this item and asked a few questions regarding the policy. Motion by Ted Hess, seconded by Mr. Perrillo, to approve the workers' compensation insurance policy from Safety National Casualty Corp. for a premium of \$591,592. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

## **6. Open Discussion – Old/New Business**

## **7. Schedule Next Meeting – September 4, 2024**

## **8. Adjourn**

There being no further business before the Board, motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:46 a.m. by Tedd Hess, seconded by Mr. Perrillo.

**Minutes Prepared By:** Alisha Auth