

# City of Fort Lauderdale

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## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, April 4, 2017**

**6:00 PM**

**City Commission Chambers**

## **City Commission Regular Meeting**

***FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION***

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

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

**Invocation**

Reverend Father Paul J. Schweinler - Fort Lauderdale Police  
Department Chaplain

**Pledge of Allegiance**

City Auditor John Herbst

**ROLL CALL**

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

**Call to Order**

Mayor Seiler called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

**QUORUM ESTABLISHED**

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

**Moment of Silence**

Mayor Seiler requested a Moment of Silence for Brian Dassler, former  
Member of Education Advisory Board and Teacher of Year 2006 at  
Stranahan High School.

**No e-comments were submitted for this meeting.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Seiler announced the following revisions to the agenda item  
and/or back-up material:

- CR-1 - Revised page 2 of Resolution
- CR-5 - Revised paragraph 4 of Exhibit 2
- CR-6 - Revised page 7, Section A of Exhibit 1
- CR-8 - Revised grant amounts and end date in Memo AND

Revised Exhibit 4

- PUR-3 - Revised Contract dollar amount and added paragraph to Memo

Mayor Seiler announced Vice Mayor Trantalis pulled item PUR-2 and Commissioner Rogers pulled item CM-5 from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion.

## Approval of MINUTES and Agenda

[17-0466](#)

Minutes for March 7, 2017 Commission Conference Meeting and March 7, 2017 Regular Commission Meeting

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

### APPROVED

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

## PRESENTATIONS

**PRES-** [17-0459](#)

1

Welcome and Introduction of Consul General Susan Harper, Consul General of Canada to Florida, Puerto Rico and the United States Virgin Islands

Mayor Seiler welcomed and introduced Consul General Susan Harper, Consul General of Canada to Florida, Puerto Rico and the United States Virgin Islands. Mayor Seiler commented on all of the factors that contribute to the positive relationship between Canada and the United States and its contributions to the City and the State of Florida. Consul General Harper addressed the Commission, thanking Mayor Seiler and the Commission, expounding on this important, positive relationship. She showed a short video illustrating Canada's contributions to the U.S. and Florida, a copy of which can be seen on YouTube as noted in the backup to these minutes.

### PRESENTED

**PRES-** [17-0457](#)

2

Proclamation declaring April 9-15, 2017 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Vice Mayor Trantalis presented the Proclamation declaring April 9-15, 2017 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale to Tangila Tucker, Assistant Site Manager,

Regional Communications for the Broward County Sheriff's Office. Vice Mayor Trantalis read the Proclamation in its entirety. Ms. Tucker thanked Mayor Seiler, the Commission, and all of the 911 Telecommunications Operators working at 911 Call Centers in Coconut Creek, Sunrise, and Pembroke Pines. Ms. Tucker also discussed new technology to assist with 911 Emergency Calls.

**PRESENTED**

**PRES-** [17-0458](#)  
**3**

Proclamation declaring April, 2017 as Fair Housing Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Rogers presented the Proclamation declaring April, 2017 as Fair Housing Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale to Rita Scott, HOPE, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Ms. Scott thanked Mayor Seiler and the Commission for their partnership, support and dedication to Fair Housing.

**PRESENTED**

**PRES-** [17-0460](#)  
**4**

Proclamation declaring April 17-22, 2017 as National Community Development Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner McKinzie presented the Proclamation declaring April 17-22, 2017 as National Community Development Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale to Jonathan Brown, Housing and Community Development Manager, reading the Proclamation in its entirety and highlighting his work with the City. Mr. Brown thanked Mayor Seiler and the Commission for the Proclamation. He noted the achievements attained in Housing and Community Development which could not have been realized without their support. He also thanked Staff for their work and support in achieving the department's goals.

**PRESENTED**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Seiler announced the procedures for public comment on items on the Consent Agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Seiler recognized Lee Bacall, 1640 Riverland Road, who spoke about his concerns with the language in Exhibit A for item CR-6. City Manager Feldman stated it was a typographical error and Mayor Seiler had announced the revision earlier.

Mayor Seiler recognized Mark Cantor, 2060 Riverland Road, who also had a concern with the typographical error. Mr. Cantor thanked Diana

Alarcon, Director of Transportation and Mobility, for her dedication and professionalism in her role with the City.

Mayor Seiler recognized Charles King, 105 N. Victoria Park Road, who commented on item CM-3 and read from an article on this topic.

## CONSENT MOTION

### Approval of the Consent Agenda

Commissioner McKinzie made a motion to approve this item and was seconded by Commissioner Rogers.

#### Approve the Consent Agenda

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**CM-1**    [17-0438](#)    Motion Authorizing Settlement of Workers' Compensation Claim of Gail Thomas-Blackmon - \$292,500.00

#### APPROVED

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**CM-2**    [17-0440](#)    Motion Authorizing Settlement of General Liability Claim in the Matter of Horace Smith v. City of Fort Lauderdale, Case No. CACE 15-015707 (09) - \$45,000.00

#### APPROVED

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**CM-3**    [17-0462](#)    Motion Authorizing Settlement of General Liability Claim in the Matter of Albion Staffing Solutions, Inc. v. City of Fort Lauderdale, Case No. CACE 15-018760 (09) - \$93,000.00

#### APPROVED

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**CM-4**    [17-0381](#)    Motion to Approve Event Agreements: The Walls, PawSUP & Surf Competition, Great Strides Fort Lauderdale, and The Most Amazing Race

#### APPROVED

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**CM-5**    [17-0382](#)

Motion Approving an Application for a Temporary Beach License and Outdoor Event Agreement with South East Florida Apartment Association Inc. for a Volleyball Competition

Mayor Seiler recognized Art Seitz, 1905 N. Ocean Boulevard, who discussed his support of this item. Mr. Seitz said he is pleased to see volleyball on the beach and the City should be the volleyball capital of the world as compared to other events such as swimming.

Commissioner Rogers stated he did not have an issue with this volleyball event. He did, however, note his constituents' overall concern with the number events on the beach and the extended usage of the South Beach Parking Lot for event setup and takedown for the recent Tortuga Music Festival. He requested this issue be addressed at the City's Long Range Planning Session scheduled for May 10, 2017. Mayor Seiler confirmed this would be put on that Agenda.

Commissioner Rogers made a motion to approve this item and was seconded by Commissioner McKinzie.

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**CM-6**    [17-0384](#)

Motion to Approve Event Agreements and Related Road Closings: Walk Like MADD & MADD Dash Fort Lauderdale 2017, Covenant House 5K, and Heroes in Recovery 6K- South Florida

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**CM-7**    [17-0340](#)

Motion to Approve Utilization of Law Enforcement Trust Funds to Purchase LeadsOnline - LeadsOnline LLC - \$24,363

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**CM-8**    [17-0324](#)

Motion to Approve First Amendment to Task Order Number 28 for Construction Services - Southeastern Engineering Contractors, Inc.  
- \$33,206.60

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

- CM-9**    [17-0325](#)       Motion to Approve First Amendment to Task Order Number 33 for Construction Services - Southeastern Engineering Contractors, Inc.  
- \$8,982.50  
**APPROVED**  
**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler
- CM-10**   [17-0326](#)       Motion to Approve First Amendment to Task Order Number 35 for Construction Services - Southeastern Engineering Contractors, Inc.  
- \$29,953  
**APPROVED**  
**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

## CONSENT RESOLUTION

- CR-1**    [17-0413](#)       Resolution Authorizing Qualified Target Industry Tax Refund Incentive for Project Bogey  
**ADOPTED**  
**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler
- CR-2**    [17-0414](#)       Resolution Authorizing Qualified Target Industry Tax Refund Incentive for Project Vista  
**ADOPTED**  
**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler
- CR-3**    [17-0257](#)       Resolution Approving the Re-naming of Dolphin Isles Park to Lu Deaner Park  
**ADOPTED**  
**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler
- CR-4**    [17-0303](#)       Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of Grant Funds and Execution of a Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for River Oaks Preserve Project in the amount of \$629,695  
**ADOPTED**  
**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

- CR-5**    [17-0367](#)       Resolution to Approve Execution of Essentially Built-Out Agreement for The New River Center Florida Quality Development
- ADOPTED**
- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler
- CR-6**    [17-0283](#)       Resolution Approving a Locally Funded Agreement and Escrow Agreement with Florida Department of Transportation for Design of Improvements to Riverland Road from SW 31st Avenue to SW 21st Street
- ADOPTED**
- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler
- CR-7**    [17-0112](#)       Resolution Approving the Consolidated Budget Amendment to Fiscal Year 2017 - Appropriation
- ADOPTED**
- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler
- CR-8**    [17-0379](#)       Approval on the Acceptance of a Grant from the United States Department of Homeland Security, Urban Area Security Initiative, State of Florida Division of Emergency Management through the City of Miami, FY2016 Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), in the amount of \$208,615.75
- ADOPTED**
- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

## **PURCHASING AGENDA**

- PUR-1**    [17-0258](#)       Motion to Approve Amendment to Contract for Fleet Maintenance and Management Services - First Vehicle Services, Inc. - \$188,838
- APPROVED**
- Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler
- PUR-2**    [17-0286](#)       Motion to Approve Contract for Central Beach Alliance Pump Station D-41 Replacement - Intercounty Engineering Inc. - \$1,484,890
- Vice Mayor Trantalis asked Staff why this is being done and who, if anyone, is contributing towards its cost.



City Manager Feldman deferred to Alan Dodd, Deputy Director of Public Works. Mr. Dodd stated the pump station is being replaced due to its age, condition, and capacity to maintain the system. In response to Vice Mayor Trantalis's question, Mr. Dodd confirmed the construction of The Gale was a contributing factor regarding capacity. Mr. Dodd deferred to the Department of Sustainable Development regarding the financial contribution from The Gale.

Mayor Seiler recognized Ella Parker, Urban Design and Development Manager, who did not recall if the standard impact fees paid by The Gale related to this pump station. Vice Mayor Trantalis continued discussions on this general topic as it related to the former Bahia Mar project. City Manager Feldman expounded on how Impact Fees are calculated and assessed to developers. City Manager Feldman stated he would provide a breakdown analysis to Vice Mayor Trantalis.

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

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**PUR-3** [17-0336](#)

Motion to Approve Contract for Purchase of General Roadway and Miscellaneous Construction Services - DP Development of the Treasure Coast, LLC - \$1,074,442.74

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**MOTIONS**

**M-1** [17-0380](#)

Motion to Approve an Event Agreement with Fort Taco LTD for Fiesta Fabuloso Cinco De Mayo Celebration

Mayor Seiler recognized Larry O'Neil, General Manager of Fort Taco, Ltd, who confirmed there were no complaints from last year's event for Commissioner Rogers. Mr. O'Neil also stated following discussions with the President of Colee Hammock Homeowners Association, they did not have an issue with the event's duration.

Commissioner Rogers made a motion to approve this item with the extended timeframe of midnight and was seconded by Commissioner McKinzie.

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**M-2**     [17-0416](#)

Motion to Approve an Event Agreement and Related Road Closings with Strictly Local, Inc. for Food in Motion: Flagler Village Green Market

Vice Mayor Trantalis made a motion to approve this item and the extended time until 11:00 p.m. for the event and was seconded by Commissioner McKinzie.

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**M-3**     [17-0449](#)

Motion to Authorize Rahn Bahia Mar, LLC. to Submit Development Permit Applications Relating to the Bahia Mar Property

Mayor Seiler requested City Attorney Cynthia Everett to clarify the Commission's role as to what the Commission can and cannot do with regard to this item. City Attorney Everett explained the following points:

- If approved, this motion will allow the tenant to submit an application and additional associated documents to be reviewed for consistency with City Code and other applicable regulations.
- Should the Commission approve this motion, she provided the Commission the correct language for the motion . ***A copy of this language is attached to these minutes.***
- Submission of the application does not surrender any subsequent approvals by the Commission.
- This would be a ministerial submission to allow Staff to begin its review.
- It is permission to submit a proposal that would be subject to Commission review and approval in their Quasi-Judicial capacity at a later date.

Mayor Seiler stated approving this item should not represent any endorsement of the application.

Vice Mayor Trantalis commented on aspects of the amended and restated lease agreement dated January 3, 1995 in Article 24,

Alterations and Additions, and its compliance with current zoning and building codes. He questioned the Commission's authority to change what is in the current lease, requesting the Commission to take this into consideration. City Attorney Everett gave her opinion, stating Vice Mayor Trantalis's concern is a separate issue. She expounded on her reasoning, stating approving this motion does not give up the rights agreed to in the current lease. Commissioner Rogers commented on his analysis of the current lease. He concurred with Vice Mayor Trantalis that the applicant needs to agree that the approval of this item is not a waiver of approval for any changes or additions.

Mayor Seiler recognized Robert Lochrie, Esq., Lochrie & Chakas, on behalf the applicant, Rahn Bahia Mar, LLC. Mayor Seiler requested Mr. Lochrie's confirmation that he is in agreement with City Attorney Everett's opinion about the applicant's rights and remedies regarding this matter. Mr. Lochrie stated neither tenant nor the City is waiving any of their rights. They are only trying to submit an application to the City. Vice Mayor Trantalis continued discussing his concerns. He requested Mr. Lochrie to confirm that the City reserves the right to withhold consent for any major alterations, changes or additions to the leased property. Mr. Lochrie stated, through this process, neither the City nor the applicant is waiving any of its rights under the lease.

Commissioner Rogers asked City Attorney Everett about her conclusion on the definition of reasonableness and if the application fits within the law. She responded this item does not waive any of the rights of the City under the lease. When using the wording for this motion that she has provided to the Commission, those issues would be addressed separately at a later time. He requested City Attorney Everett research case law on this issue in order for the City to be on firm legal ground.

Mayor Seiler reiterated the process and discussions continued on this process being awkward and the best manner in which to move forward.

Vice Mayor Trantalis voiced his concerns regarding the ability of the Commission having any input on the applicant's submission of a Site Plan Level IV. The only subjective issue in Site Plan Level IV is neighborhood compatibility and none of the previous issues that were part of the I.D. Zoning could be considered by the Commission. He stated his desire is to see Bahia Mar redeveloped but wants to ensure the Commission is not denied the right to give the entire project a comprehensive review at the appropriate time. Mr. Lochrie reiterated that this item is for the right to submit an application to begin the process with the City. Commissioner Rogers emphasized the

importance of this decision tonight. Further discussions continued on the considerations to be addressed.

After consulting with Assistant City Attorney D'Wayne Spence, City Attorney Everett noted the three different approval levels needed. Vice Mayor Trantalis reiterated his concerns about the submission being a Site Plan Level IV. He discussed other ways for the applicant to accomplish its goal, i.e., community outreach and pre-Development Review Committee (DRC) process. He stated this decision should not be based on the need for expediency. Vice Mayor Trantalis said any subsequent Quasi-Judicial item decision would require the Commission to interpret the current law.

Mayor Seiler opened up the floor for public comments.

Mayor Seiler recognized, Jack Malcolm, 1900 Admirals Way, stating the word "vacuum" comes to mind in terms of the vast amount of unknown information, noting the importance of this decision and its effect on residents for decades to come. He concurred with Vice Mayor Trantalis's point about the inability of the Commission to have a large amount of subjective input on a Site Plan Level IV application. Mr. Malcolm urged the Commission to slow down, get answers and defer this item.

Mayor Seiler recognized Anne Hilmer, 621 Idlewyld Drive, who stated her opposition to this item. She discussed the Commission's approval of both public and private development without addressing long term issues regarding their impact on an overburdened and aging infrastructure, failing roads, traffic, and emergency response times. Ms. Hilmer questioned the source of funding to address those issues.

Mayor Seiler recognized Edwina Eichner, 1308 SE 11th Street, who discussed her opposition to this item. She noted her concerns with public land for private use in addition to traffic, aging infrastructure, failing roads, and emergency response times. Ms. Eichner stated this project is not one the residents are ready to accept. She read an excerpt from the book entitled *Checkered Sunshine* and its relation to the applicants proposed development with the City has the owner.

***Ms. Eichner passed out information to the Commission. A copy is attached to these minutes.***

Mayor Seiler recognized Charlotte Rodstrom, 66 Nurmi Drive, who stated her opposition to this item. She noted Bahia Mar is one of the last substantial pieces of public land remaining. Ms. Rodstrom recommended the Commission go back and rewrite the motion and

the agenda item to say the Commission, as representatives of the public land is the applicant, not the developer. Ms. Rodstrom's additional comments expounded on the Commission's duty to represent the public. She noted taxes are not paid on public land, only the improvements, questioning:

- Who would pay taxes on the substantial improvements proposed;
- The process of giving up ownership of the property; and
- What happens to the submerged lands.

She stated this action would be precedent setting and is something the Commission should carefully consider. Ms. Rodstrom concurred with Commissioner Rogers and Vice Mayor Trantalis's positions stated earlier.

In response to Vice Mayor Trantalis's question, City Attorney Everett stated this item would authorize the tenant to be the City's agent and expounded on the reasoning for recommending this. She confirmed the City could be the applicant. She also confirmed for Vice Mayor Trantalis that should the City submit the project's plans as the applicant, they could be withdrawn at any time. Vice Mayor Trantalis emphasized the fact that should the City be the applicant, the City retains the ability to control the process. Further discussions continued on this point.

Mayor Seiler recognized John Roth, 333 Sunset Drive, who discussed the development of the marine industry in the world and the City. He also commented on the importance of the Bahia Mar Yachting Center not being considered a condo or apartment development and future opportunity value to the City as compared to other yachting centers.

Mr. Roth stated the applicant's proposed development has a "D" rating from the marine industry. It does not serve to enhance the marine trade industry that contributes a significant amount of dollars to the local economy. He emphasized the marine industry rating for a project at Bahia Mar needs to be an "A", noting the specific issues relating to the needs of the marine industry and Boat Show.

Mayor Seiler recognized Betty O'Connor, 830 Isle of Palms, who addressed the Commission in opposition to this item. Ms. O'Connor stated the public has not seen any details of the proposed project. She questioned the failing roads and aging infrastructure in the area that needs to be addressed prior to the approval of any further development. Due to the fact this is public land, she emphasized it should never be used for residential development. Ms. O'Connor

stated when the land was originally acquired, it was designated for boating and marine use. Ms. O'Connor questioned if the Boat Show has endorsed this plan. She asked the reasoning behind rushing this decision, recommending it be slowed down.

Mayor Seiler recognized Count Rosenthal, 1237 NW 4th Avenue, who stated his support of this item, discussing the lengthy chain of ownership of the Boat Show that leads back to the leaseholder consortium for this land. Mr. Rosenthal referenced an article he sent to the Commission regarding the Boat Show's lease negotiations for a 20-year lease. He recommended those with an issue about this item make a statement prior to the Commission voting to approve this item.

Mayor Seiler recognized Craig Fisher, 200 S. Birch Road, who discussed his opposition to this item, stating this is a complicated decision that needs to be carefully considered. He spoke about the Commission, as landlords, should consider the large public opposition and negativity regarding this matter. Mr. Fisher commented on the components of a Site Plan Level IV, recommending anything done at Bahia Mar be done correctly, with public acceptance and not for the reason of getting something done. He recommended the Commission take its time and handle this matter in a realistic manner.

Mayor Seiler recognized Mary Fertig, President of Idlewyld Neighborhood Improvement Association, who addressed the Commission in opposition to this item. She discussed what approving this motion would entail and its effect on one of the last public pieces of property on the barrier island, noting the density issues involved in the proposed project. Ms. Fertig raised issues of development impact, the City's liability regarding the proposed rental apartments, revenue, retaining the Boat Show, and degree of financial benefit to the City.

She said the current lease addresses some of these questions and Staff should provide this information to the Commission prior to a vote on this item. Ms. Fertig questioned numerous issues relating to the Boat Show. She discussed the need to prove this proposal is financially beneficial to the City.

Ms. Fertig also discussed the issue raised in the last three lines of the amended and restated lease agreement dated January 3, 1995 in Article 24, Alterations and Additions, and impact on future negotiations. Ms. Fertig recommended the Commission defer this item tonight and get the necessary answers to the questions she raised.

***Ms. Fertig submitted a copy of the current Bahia Mar lease for the record. A copy is attached to these minutes.***

Mayor Seiler recognized Kristen Maus, 1778 SE 25th Avenue, who stated her opposition to this item. She requested that due to the short time involved with the applicant's submission, the Commission should not begin this process tonight. Ms. Maus concurred with Vice Mayor Trantalis's points raised earlier, recommending community outreach by the developers to come up with a compromise. She noted the significance of it being public land, stating it has great value and requesting the Commission appreciate and preserve public land. Ms. Maus also discussed the 1,000 signed and certified petitions submitted to the Commission six months ago that stated they wanted public land preserved without private development.

Mayor Seiler recognized Bruce Cummings, 830 SW 9th Street, who agreed with the previous points raised in opposition to this item. Ms. Cummings asked who has been signing these applications to date. City Manager Feldman stated he has delegated this to the associated departments. Ms. Cummings asked for the results of the appraisal on the Bahia Mar property. Vice Mayor Trantalis stated the appraisal is close to \$100,000,000. Ms. Cummings raised the issue of possibly renegotiating the terms of the current lease to reflect its true value.

Mayor Seiler recognized Art Seitz, 1905 N. Ocean Boulevard, who gave his input on the applicant's proposed development and ideas regarding, bicyclists, pedestrians, and events in the area. He recommended doing something similar to the 20-foot waterfront promenade in Miami Beach in order accommodate events like Art Basel.

Mayor Seiler recognized Paul Chettle, 200 S. Birch Road, who stated his support for public use of public land. Mr. Chettle discussed the high priority and importance of having the Boat Show lease settled and involvement in the process, the impact of the action on the current agenda, and the need for assurance that the use of the property by the tenant will be captured under the rents identified in Article 26 of the lease agreement.

Mr. Chettle stated now is the correct time to be renegotiating the Boat Show lease, stating the longer the lease is delayed, the fewer opportunities that remain.

Mayor Seiler recognized Sonya Burrows, 1600 NW 4th Street, who discussed her opposition to this item. She agreed that the

Commission needs to slow down and listen to the community. Ms. Burrows stated the issues raised on this item reflect the concerns of the community that need to be vetted prior to moving forward. She stated these types of situations are also occurring in District III and they need to stop.

Mayor Seiler recognized John Rodstrom, 66 Nurmi Drive, who discussed his opposition to this item. He said passing this item essentially ends further debate on this matter. He commented on value of the land with the proposed improvements and the low current rent received by the City.

Mayor Seiler recognized Charles King, 105 N. Victoria Park Road, who commented on the results of previous actions by the Commission.

Commissioner Rogers discussed his concerns with the process and the awkwardness of this scenario. He stated his desire for the applicant to meet with each Commission member to discuss this matter, specifically with respect to the Boat Show. Due to lack of known pending deadlines, he recommended the Commission not vote on this tonight.

Vice Mayor Trantalis commented on the need for the Boat Show to continue and that approving this tonight would limit the types of changes needed by the community and the Commission. He emphasized the need for significant community outreach for development of this property, encouraging the applicant to pursue community engagement.

Commissioner Roberts asked Commissioner Rogers what process should be used. Commissioner Rogers stated he needs to know what the process will be, noting the history of the applicant, and would like to see it prior to it going forward.

Commissioner Roberts stated that due to the current 47 year lease, it is not public land and needs to be developed with this in mind. He discussed the need to retain the Boat Show, commented on the lease and addressing public input. He stated there will be ample time to address these issues once a holistic approach to the process begins. He stated the Commission can still call this item up under a Site Plan Level III or a Site Plan Level IV, acknowledging the reduction in Commission control due to not falling under Innovative Development (ID) Zoning. He stated he was willing to support a 60-day deferral.

Discussions continued on the subjective issue of neighborhood compatibility with a Site Plan Level IV. Mayor Seiler stated it is the



Commission's prerogative to determine neighborhood compatibility. Vice Mayor Trantalis disagreed, noting existing case law. Mayor Seiler asked City Attorney Everett who stated it is ultimately up to the Commission, stating there are criteria.

Mayor Seiler recognized Ella Parker, Urban Design and Development Manager, asking her to put on the record the process for a Site Plan Level IV. Ms. Parker stated the steps in the process include approval by:

- DRC for a technical review by Staff;
- Planning and Zoning Board for a recommendation to the City Commission; and
- City Commission.

Ms. Parker stated the standards the City Commission would apply include:

- South Beach Marina District Zoning requirements; and
- Central Beach Zoning requirements (including neighborhood compatibility aspects of the Code).

Mayor Seiler stated the differences between the approvals by the City as landlord and the City Commission in their Quasi-Judicial capacity as the governing body. City Attorney Everett confirmed. Vice Mayor Trantalis asked about who would be the overriding authority. City Attorney Everett stated the reasonableness of the project cannot be determined until the project is fully presented and understood by the landlord. Further discussions and questions continued on the legal interpretation of Article 24 of the lease as the landlord and the restrictions of a Site Plan Level IV, compatibility issues, and the process.

Commissioner Rogers asked City Manager Feldman when Staff will be able to have the first Infrastructure Task Force Meeting. Mayor Seiler requested the meeting take place as soon as possible. Paul Berg, Director of Public Works, confirmed he would work towards having it in the next two weeks.

Commissioner Rogers made a motion to defer this item to the May 2, 2017 Commission Meeting and Vice Mayor Trantalis seconded the motion.

**DEFERRED to May 2, 2017**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**NEIGHBOR PRESENTATIONS****NP-1**    [17-0469](#)            Jay Bruce Bartz - Traffic - Construction

Mayor Seiler recognized Jay Bruce Bartz, 1400 NE 5th Court, who gave a neighbor presentation regarding his viewpoint that the City is in distress as a result of over building and poor advice.

**RECEIVED**

**NP-2**    [17-0470](#)            Charles King - Renters Need Not Apply

Mayor Seiler recognized Charles King, 105 N. Victoria Park Road, who gave a neighbor presentation related to the issue of renters not being allowed to be on the Infrastructure Task Force to address the aging infrastructure. He stated fifty percent of the City's residents are renters, recommending renters in the City be allowed to be on the Infrastructure Task Force.

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**NP-3**    [17-0471](#)            Sonya Burrows, President - Fort Lauderdale Negro Chamber of Commerce, Inc. - Repurposing The Mizell Center on Sistrunk Boulevard

Mayor Seiler recognized Sonya Burrows, 1021 NW 6th Street and on behalf of the Fort Lauderdale Negro Chamber of Commerce, Inc., who discussed the issue of repurposing the Mizell Center at 1409 NW 6th Street. Ms. Burrows comments focused on the need to repurpose the Mizell Center in order to assist the community in creating jobs and training individuals for employment opportunities. Prior to signing a lease with the YMCA, Ms. Burrows requested the Commission give a valid explanation for the rejection of the Minority Builders Association's proposal for Mizell Center. She requested the Commission give reconsideration to their proposal and the proposals of other interested parties who wish to provide residents with opportunities for employment training at Mizell Center. Ms. Burrows discussed the historical importance and the impact of Mizell Center in the black community. Ms. Burrows emphasized the importance of community input on this issue and the goal of job creation. She stated her support of rebuilding the Lalley Branch YMCA at its current site, which the community believes is a more appropriate and safe location for children and senior citizens to attend. Ms. Burrows noted the signed petitions in support of the YMCA building remaining at its current location.

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**RESOLUTIONS****R-1      [17-0433](#)**      Appointment of Board and Committee Members

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

**BEACH BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

William Cunningham (primary member) representing the Bahia Mar, City of Fort Lauderdale, is appointed to the Beach Business Improvement District Advisory Committee, in the category of seven of the ten highest assessed property owners or a representative of such assessed property owners, to complete an unexpired term ending August 31, 2017, or until his successor has been appointed.

**CHARTER REVISION BOARD**

Ron Gunzburger is appointed to the Charter Revision Board for a one year term beginning May 2, 2017 and ending May 1, 2018 or until his successor has been appointed.

**CIVIL SERVICE BOARD**

Bruce Larkin is appointed to the Civil Service Board for a four year term beginning January 4, 2017 and ending January 3, 2021 or until his successor has been appointed.

**COMMUNITY APPEARANCE BOARD**

Marion Cooper is appointed to the Community Appearance Board for a one year term beginning April 4, 2017 and ending April 3, 2018 or until his successor has been appointed.

**EDUCATION ADVISORY BOARD**

Barbara Signer is appointed to the Education Advisory Board for a one year term beginning May 17, 2017 and ending May 16, 2018 or until her successor has been appointed.

Matthew Arbucci is appointed to the Education Advisory Board for a one year term beginning April 4, 2017 and ending April 3, 2018 or until his successor has been appointed.

Heather Munns is appointed to the Education Advisory Board to complete an unexpired term ending April 15, 2017 or until her successor has been appointed.

Heather Munns is appointed to the Education Advisory Board for a one year term beginning April 16, 2017 and ending April 15, 2018 or

until her successor has been appointed.

**NORTHWEST PROGRESSO FLAGLER HEIGHTS  
REDEVELOPMENT BOARD**

John Hooper is appointed to the Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights Redevelopment Board for a three year term beginning May 22, 2017 and ending May 21, 2020 or until his successor has been appointed.

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD**

Donna Mergenhagen, George Figler and Marilyn Mammano are appointed to the Historic Preservation Board for three year terms beginning May 21, 2017 and ending May 20, 2020 or until their successors have been appointed.

**INFRASTRUCTURE TASK FORCE COMMITTEE**

Marilyn Mammano has been appointed to the Infrastructure Task Force Committee (Category: Council of Civic Associations representative) for a one year term beginning April 4, 2017 and ending August 20, 2018 or until her successor has been appointed.

Ed Kwoka has been appointed to the Infrastructure Task Force Committee (Category: Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce representative) for a one year term beginning April 4, 2017 and ending August 20, 2018 or until his successor has been appointed.

**PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD**

Alan Tinter is appointed to the Planning and Zoning Board for a three year term beginning June 1, 2017 and ending May 31, 2020 or until his successor has been appointed.

Discussions on individuals to be appointed and reappointed at the next Commission Meeting continued.

Mayor Seiler confirmed that the fully staffed Infrastructure Task Force was now in place. Commissioner Rogers asked City Manager Feldman when the first meeting of the Infrastructure Task Force would take place. Paul Berg, Director of Public Works, and City Manager Feldman confirmed they would call a meeting within the next few weeks, respectful of the upcoming holidays.

**ADOPTED AS AMENDED**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**R-4**      [17-0385](#)

Quasi-Judicial Review of a Plat Application - Plat Known as "Galleria" Located at 2620 E. Sunrise Blvd - Keystone-Florida Property Holding Corp. - Case Number PL14012

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 City Commission member disclosed their verbal and written communications, site visits, and expert opinions received.

Mayor Seiler noted the email received by the Commission on the request to defer this item.

***A copy of this email is attached to these minutes.***

City Attorney Everett announced the proper procedures to entertain a motion to defer, recommending not to get into the substance of the hearing should it be deferred.

Mayor Seiler stated the Commission has not had an opportunity to discuss the issue of deferral and would hear from the applicant as to the basis for the deferral as well as from those in attendance from the community.

Mayor Seiler recognized Stephen Tillbrook, Esq., Gray Robinson, and on behalf of the applicant Keystone-Florida Property Holding Corp. Mr. Tillbrook gave a brief history of this item to date. He stated there have been ongoing meetings with neighborhoods and they have received additional feedback from those neighborhoods. They are processing the site plan concurrently with Staff and the development is still pending. He is here to request a continuance to allow for both the desires of the Planning and Zoning Board and the Commission to be fulfilled with a concurrent review of the plat and site plan. Mr. Tillbrook stated a 60 day deferral is appropriate, a 30 day deferral would also work, acknowledging the need for a time specific date. Their desire is to bring this project back with community and Staff support. They are here to request a deferral to accomplish these objectives.

Vice Mayor Trantalis stated the City will be getting 3D software to visualize what a buildout of the City would look like based on current conditions and the applied for conditions. He stated in fairness to the applicant, the Commission should have that discussion based on that information, i.e., density issues, prior to considering the applicant's plat application. Vice Mayor Trantalis asked if a 90 day deferral would work for the applicant. Mr. Tillbrook confirmed.

Vice Mayor Trantalis asked City Manager Feldman when Staff would have the new 3D Galleria presentation prepared. City Manager Feldman stated he would have to check with Staff and get

back to the Commission on a specific date. City Manager Feldman expounded on what is involved in the preparation of the presentation.

Vice Mayor Trantalis recommended preparing the necessary data prior to taking the software delivery in order to expedite the process. He also requested the Commission have a preliminary discussion about density in lieu of waiting a year for the software presentation to be prepared. He recommended having a Commission discussion no later than the first meeting in June 2017. Further discussions and comments continued on this topic.

Vice Mayor Trantalis recommended scheduling a lunch meeting with the Planning and Zoning Board to discuss density issues. This would be followed by the applicant coming to the Commission.

Mayor Seiler confirmed the public will be allowed to speak on the deferment of this item.

Mr. Tillbrook reiterated that 30, 60 or 90 days were acceptable to the applicant.

Mayor Seiler recognized Joe Smith, 513 Middle River Drive, who stated the community has been dealing with this for years. Mr. Smith noted his community was not a part of Mr. Tillbrook's recent community outreach.

Mayor Seiler recognized Theo Folz, President of the Corinthian Condominium, who addressed the Commission in opposition to this item. Mr. Folz discussed the previous deferral on this item that was based on the concurrent items of both the site plan and the plat coming before the Commission. Mr. Folz read from his prepared statement, and submitted a copy for the record.

***A copy of Mr. Folz's prepared statement is attached to these minutes.***

Mayor Seiler recognized Joe Slama, 638 Middle River Drive, who stated his agreement with the comments of Mr. Smith and Mr. Folz. Mr. Slama questioned what will be next as a result of the deferral, noting nothing has occurred in six months.

Mayor Seiler recognized Count Rosenthal, 1237 NW 4th Avenue, who suggested the applicant submit a model of the proposal and be available for viewing in the lobby of City Hall. This would allow for a clear visual understanding of the proposed project. Regarding a deferral, he agreed with Vice Mayor Trantalis's recommendations on

the need for a visual model. He recommended the Commission give an adequate answer for deferring this item, noting the confusion generated by the current process and the lack of progress. Mr. Rosenthal recommended a better system for these types of matters.

Mayor Seiler recognized Jim Concannon, President, Sunrise Intracoastal Homeowners Association and the Sunrise Intracoastal Community as a whole, who addressed the Commission in opposition to this item. Mr. Concannon agreed with Mr. Slama and Mr. Folz's comments. He reviewed the previous paths of this matter and questioned the new direction regarding deferral. He agreed with Mayor Seiler's previous comments of having a clear understanding of the project. He noted the applicant had good community outreach but there has been no communication with the community since February 14, 2017, stating the community is "in the dark" as to what was going to happen tonight. Mr. Concannon noted the uncertainty that needs to be cleared up prior to proceeding.

Mayor Seiler recognized Courtney Crush, Esq., on behalf of Keystone-Florida Property Holding Corp., who addressed the Commission in support of this item. She stated the applicant's desire to continue to work with the neighbors, noting the summary of the discussion points from the February 14, 2017 meeting that have been exchanged with the community. On March 23, 2017, the response to those summary points and comments were received by the applicant and representatives of the community were making their comments clearer than what was discussed at the Planning and Zoning (P&Z) Board Meeting and at the Holiday Park Meeting. She stated her desire to make this issue crystal clear and get a site plan with the plat before the Commission concurrently and in a reasonable amount of time.

In response to Mayor Seiler's question, Ms. Crush stated Mr. Folz did not attend the February 14, 2017 meeting. There was a meeting arranged by Vice Mayor Trantalis with Mr. Folz on February 6, 2017. She met with Mr. Concannon on February 14, 2017, reiterating the exchange of communications, focusing on the issues about the height of the building, particularly the S-1 building, and the towers on Sunrise Boulevard.

Commissioner Roberts commented on the exchange of comments between the neighborhood and the developer. He stated they are "so far apart it's like night and day" as it relates to both height and density. He stated he would like to move forward as recommended by Staff to deny the plat application.

Ms. Crush commented on the distance between the community and developer stating the internal team is still digesting the comments received from the community. She stated they would not waste the Commission or the neighbor's time, noting it has only been two weeks since receipt of their comments. She requested additional time to work with the community.

Commissioner Roberts reiterated his position, noting the community's desire to discuss both the plat and the site plan tonight and the wide gulf between the community's desires and developer.

Vice Mayor Trantalis discussed the lack of a deadline, stating no one suffers from a delay to make the project better, commenting on possible improvements.

Commissioner Roberts stated due to density and height issues, the applicant needs to "go back to the drawing board" and begin again.

Commissioner Roberts introduced a motion to deny the application. City Attorney Everett gave Mayor Seiler direction on the appropriate procedures to be followed.

Mr. Tillbrook stated the site plan is still out there and likely to come to the Commission at some point in the future. If the plat is highly controversial, they are willing to withdraw the plat and bring it back at a later date, allowing the site plan to move forward. Mr. Tillbrook stated he is considering removing the plat from the agenda tonight.

Ms. Crush stated they are willing to proceed with having the site plan on a Commission agenda in the near future. Mayor Seiler commented on the need to work with the community, stating he has no problem with a deferral or the plat being withdrawn. This project will not go anywhere until the neighborhood is in agreement. Mayor Seiler stated he is not prepared to vote it down tonight. Further discussions and comments continued from the Commission.

City Attorney Everett stated if they are withdrawing the plat application, there is nothing before the Commission.

Ms. Crush confirmed her desire to bring the site plan before the Commission, noting they have been responding and adjusting to the community's comments. She committed to circling back to the community quickly to address their comments.

The site plan going back to the P&Z Board was discussed. Mayor Seiler clarified that the ***P&Z Board vote on the site plan was 6-2 in***



***opposition. The P&Z Board vote on the plat was 7-1 in favor, with numerous conditions on the allocation of flex units.***

Mayor Seiler suggested deferring this item, noting Commission Roberts consistency in his position.

Commissioner Rogers concurred with Mayor Seiler, that the conversations should continue if both parties are willing, noting his concerns.

Mayor Seiler acknowledged the efforts of all stakeholders involved in this effort. He asked Ms. Crush and Mr. Tillbrook to advise the Commission should an agreement with the community not be reached.

In response to Mayor Seiler's question, Ella Parker, Urban Design and Development Manager, stated a determination by Staff would need to be made as to whether the plat and site plan should go back before P&Z Board. This would depend upon the changes. It would be likely this would go back before the P&Z Board due to the high level of public participation process as part of the ordinance to allow them the opportunity to make a new recommendation.

Commissioner Rogers proposed a deferral. Mayor Seiler asked the community representatives if the dates of June 6, 2017, or June 20, 2017 worked for their schedules. They confirmed.

Mayor Seiler recommended this item be deferred to June 6, 2017, unless Staff determines beforehand and to be confirmed on May 16, 2017 by Staff through the City Manager, as to whether this item must go back before the P&Z Board.

Mayor Seiler reiterated the need for the applicant to sit down with the community to determine if there is any common ground that can be reached on this project.

Mayor Seiler recognized Assistant City D'Wayne Spence who discussed the proper procedure. He stated the plat issue needs to be taken up at the June 6, 2017 meeting if it is deferred tonight. It may be deferred again, noting it is a separate process.

Commissioner Rogers made a motion to defer this item to the June 6, 2017 City Commission Meeting with a report to the Commission by the Department of Sustainable Development through the City Manager at the May 16, 2017 Commission Meeting about the need for this item to go back before the P&Z Board. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Trantalis.

**Deferred to June 6, 2017**

**Aye:** 3 - Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**Nay:** 2 - Vice Mayor Roberts and Commissioner McKinzie

**ORDINANCE FIRST READING****OFR-1 [17-0441](#)**

Ordinance Amending Article X, Vacation Rentals, Chapter 15 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale

Mayor Seiler emphasized that the legislation in Tallahassee would preempt the City regarding its position on vacation issues and the importance of residents contacting their state representatives.

Vice Mayor Trantalis noted this Code amendment reduces the amount of the application fee for owners who maintain occupancy while having vacation rental guests. He questioned how it would be enforced. Mayor Seiler noted neighbors who report non-owner occupied vacation rentals would be the avenue for enforcement.

Mayor Seiler commented on issues experienced by Jerry and Suzee Bailey, 105 Nurmi Drive, due to vacation rentals in their neighborhood. He noted he had spoken with Police Chief Maglione on this incident.

Mayor Seiler recognized Trisha Halliday, who read Suzee Bailey's comments into the record.

***A copy of Ms. Bailey's comments are attached to these minutes.***

Mayor Seiler recognized Charlotte Rodstrom, 66 Nurmi Drive and President of the Nurmi Isles Homeowners Association, who noted they have joined the Lauderdale Beach Group and the Harbor Inlet Group in trying to communicate their opposition to State legislators on Senate Bill 188 and House Bill 125. She commented on the Commission passing a previous Walk-On resolution that does not specifically address vacation rentals, noting their desire for the Commission to pass a resolution in opposition to Senate Bill 188 and House Bill 125 that specifically focuses on vacation rentals.

Mayor Seiler reiterated his communications with State representatives regarding the City's opposition to Senate Bill 188 and House Bill 125.

Mayor Seiler recognized Charles King, 105, N. Victoria Park Road, who questioned State Representative Lauren Book's position on this issue. He commented on his feelings and the history of this matter.

Mayor Seiler recognized Kristen Maus, 1778 SE 25th Avenue, noting this is an exploding issue in her neighborhood, citing examples and requesting the Commission to regulate it as much as possible in order to preserve communities.

Mayor Seiler recognized Count Rosenthal, 1237 NW 4th Avenue, who spoke in support of the Commission acting on this item in order to prevent situations similar to those occurring in Miami Beach. He stated this is an opportunity for the Commission to improve the community.

Mayor Seiler commented there are 334 registered vacation rental homes in the City, noting progress is being made in this area.

Commissioner Rogers introduced the Ordinance on First Reading which the City Clerk read by title only.

**PASSED FIRST READING**

**Aye:** 4 - Commissioner Roberts, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**Nay:** 1 - Vice Mayor Trantalis

**ORDINANCE SECOND READING**

**OSR-1** [17-0417](#)

Ordinance Creating Section 28-174, Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Authorizing the City Manager or the City Manager's Designee to Grant a One-Time Billing Adjustment for Unexplained Water Consumption on an Account with Water, Wastewater, or Sprinkling Service

Vice Mayor Trantalis introduced the Ordinance on Second Reading which the City Clerk read by title only.

**ADOPTED ON SECOND READING**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**OSR-2** [17-0452](#)

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

Mayor Seiler recognized Count Rosenthal, 1237 NW 4th Avenue, who referenced an article in the Sun Sentinel by Brittany Waldman addressing issues regarding improvements made to existing homes in certain price ranges and how this item will remedy the issue.

Mayor Seiler recognized Charles King, 105 N. Victoria Park Road, commented on his support of this item and on other issues in the City.

Commissioner Roberts introduced the Ordinance on Second Reading which the City Clerk read by title only.

**ADOPTED ON SECOND READING**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**RESOLUTIONS CONTINUED**

**R-5      [17-0472](#)      Appointment of Vice Mayor**

Mayor Seiler recognized Charles King, 105 N. Victoria Park Road, who commented on his opposition to this item.

Vice Mayor Trantalis commented on the rotation and next year's vice mayor appointment.

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

**ADOPTED - Appointing Bruce G. Roberts as Vice Mayor**

**Aye:** 5 - Commissioner Roberts, Vice Mayor Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**R-2      [17-0213](#)      Resolution Approving the Disposal of City-Owned Surplus Property Located at 2941 NW 19th Street**

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

**ADOPTED**

**Aye:** 5 - Vice Mayor Roberts, Commissioner Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Rogers and Mayor Seiler

**R-3      [17-0394](#)      Resolution Creating the Infrastructure Task Force**

Mayor Seiler recognized Charles King, 105 N. Victoria Park Road, who spoke in support of allowing renters to be members of the Infrastructure Task Force.

Commissioner Trantalis suggested that residency be a requirement for membership rather than being a property owner.

Mayor Seiler reiterated his position of requiring members of the Infrastructure Task Force be property owners in the City.

Vice Mayor Roberts suggested the Commission discuss all of the Commission's Boards and Committees in a broader scope and defer Commissioner Trantalis's recommendation. Further discussions ensued.

**REMOVED FROM AGENDA**

**EXECUTIVE CLOSED DOOR REQUEST**

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

Perry Wood v. City Of Fort Lauderdale, Dellica Harris, Krystle Smith, Timothy Shields And Matthew Porterfield, Case No. CACE 15-015075 (14)

Christine D'onofrio v. City of Fort Lauderdale, Case No. CACE 16-004368 (12)

**During the City Commission Meeting on April 19, 2017 at a time to be determined.**

Present at the attorney-client session will be:

Mayor, John P. "Jack" Seiler  
Vice Mayor, Dean J. Trantalis  
Commissioner, Robert L. McKinzie  
Commissioner, Bruce G. Roberts  
Commissioner, Romney Rogers  
City Manager, Lee R. Feldman  
City Attorney, Cynthia A. Everett

Re.: Perry Wood v. City Of Fort Lauderdale, et al., Outside Counsel will be Robert H. Schwartz, Esq., of McIntosh Schwartz, P.L.,

Re.: Christine D'onofrio v. City of Fort Lauderdale, Outside Counsel will be Jeffery R. Lawley, Esq. of Billing, Cochran, Lyles, Mauro & Ramsey, P.A.; and a Certified Court Reporter with Daughters Reporting, Inc.

The estimated length of this attorney-client session is approximately thirty (30) minutes.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Commission at the Regular Meeting of April 4, 2017, Mayor Seiler adjourned the meeting at 11:00 p.m.

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John P. "Jack" Seiler  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jeffrey A. Modarelli  
City Clerk