

City of Fort Lauderdale

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

6:00 PM

City Commission Chambers

City Commission Regular Meeting

FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION

***DEAN J. TRANTALIS Mayor - Commissioner
HEATHER MORAITIS Commissioner - District I
STEVEN GLASSMAN Commissioner - District II
ROBERT L. McKINZIE Commissioner - District III
BEN SORENSEN Commissioner - District IV***

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

Invocation

Chaplain Ron Perkins, City of Fort Lauderdale Public Safety

Pledge of Allegiance - Florida Crushers**ROLL CALL**

Present: 5 - Commissioner Ben Sorensen, Commissioner Heather Moraitis, Commissioner Steven Glassman, Commissioner Robert L. McKinzie and Mayor Dean J. Trantalis

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

No e-comments were submitted for this meeting.

CALL TO ORDER**AGENDA ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Trantalis announced the following updates to the Agenda:

Deferred - PRES-5 - Police Officer of the Month

Revision to item CR-1 - Revised Resolution

Walk-On Item - Broward Pioneer Days appointment of William Gundlach as Honored Pioneer

Approval of MINUTES and Agenda

[18-0323](#)

Minutes for February 20, 2018 Commission Conference Meeting and February 20, 2018 Commission Regular Meeting

Commissioner McKinzie made a motion to approve the noted Minutes and Agenda which was seconded by Commissioner Sorensen.

APPROVED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

PRESENTATIONS

PRES- [18-0324](#)

1

Proclamation declaring March 20, 2018 as Florida Crushers Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale for 2018 U.S. Youth Futsal National Champions

Commissioner Sorensen requested Lori Franke, Representative for the U9 Florida Crushers, join him at the podium. Commissioner Sorensen presented the Proclamation declaring March 20, 2018 as U9 Florida Crushers Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale, recognizing the U9 Florida Crushers as the 2018 U.S. Youth Futsal National Champions and read the Proclamation in its entirety. Ms. Franke accepted the Proclamation on behalf of the U9 Florida Crushers, thanking Mayor Trantalis and the Commission.

PRESENTED

PRES- [18-0325](#)

2

Proclamation declaring March 31, 2018 as National Stop the Bleed Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner McKinzie requested Firefighter Jaime Waskowiak join him at the podium. Commissioner McKinzie thanked all first responders, presenting the Proclamation declaring March 31, 2018 as National Stop the Bleed Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale and reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Firefighter Waskowiak acknowledged the emergency management, hospitals and Police Department partners who are working together to promote the lifesaving Stop the Bleed Training Program (Training Program) throughout the City. He introduced, Dr. Benny Menendez, Fire-Rescue Medical Director, who expounded on the details involved in the Training Program and the community effort to save lives. Firefighter Waskowiak and Dr. Menendez thanked Mayor Trantalis and the Commission for recognizing this important community service.

PRESENTED

PRES- [18-0260](#)

3

Proclamation declaring the Month of March 2018 as Florida Bike Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Glassman introduced Christine Fanchi, Transportation and Mobility Engineering and Design Manager, and Jeff Torkelson, Founder and President of Recycled Bike Exchange Program. Commissioner Glassman presented the Proclamation declaring March 2018 as Florida Bike Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Mr. Torkelson thanked Mayor Trantalis and the Commission. He expounded on details of the Recycled Bike

Exchange Program, thanking all stakeholders for their contributions.

PRESENTED

PRES- [18-0307](#)
4

Proclamation declaring the Month of March, 2018 as Women in Aviation Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Moraitis requested Lynda Zur, owner of Sano Jet Center FBO at Florida Executive Airport, and Carlton Harrison, Assistant Manager Florida Executive Airport, join her at the podium.

Commissioner Moraitis presented the Proclamation declaring the Month of March, 2018 as Women in Aviation Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Mr. Harrison thanked Mayor Trantalis and the Commission for this recognition.

Mr. Harrison expounded on Florida Executive Airport's 8th Annual Aviation Safety Expo (Expo) held on Saturday March 17, 2018 in honor of Women in Aviation Month. He introduced Ms. Zur, noting her participation on the panel of safety experts at the Expo and noting her as the female owner of Sano Jet FBO. Mr. Harrison showed a short video highlighting the Expo, expounding on the details.

PRESENTED

PRES- [18-0322](#)
5

Police Officer of the Month

DEFERRED

CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Trantalis confirmed that no Consent Agenda items had been pulled for separate discussion.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Charles King, 105 N. Victoria Park Road. Mr. King requested the review of off-duty Police Officers working at local establishments, recommending a random selection process. In response to Mayor Trantalis' inquiry about insurance concerns, City Manager Feldman explained that the City is self-insured, commenting on insurance coverage for Police Officers working off-duty.

CONSENT AGENDA

CONSENT MOTION

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Commissioner McKinzie made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda

and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.

Approve the Consent Agenda

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

CM-1 [18-0261](#)

Motion to Approve Event Agreements: One World Family Interfaith Prayer Gathering and Gayle Freedom Group Community Easter

APPROVED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

CM-2 [18-0170](#)

Motion Approving an Interlocal Agreement with Broward County renewing the "Original" Local Option Gas Tax for a period of 29 years and 4 months

APPROVED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

CONSENT RESOLUTION

CR-1 [18-0278](#)

Resolution Approving the Notice of Award and Sale of City Owned Property Located at 17XX NW 7th Court, Fort Lauderdale, FL to C&S Developer & Building More, LLC

ADOPTED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

CR-2 [18-0312](#)

Resolution Extending City Provided Workers' Compensation and Limited Liability Coverage for Employees Working City-approved Large Special Events and Provide for the Administration of Payment through the City's Payroll System

ADOPTED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

RESOLUTIONS

R-1 [18-0279](#)

Appointment of Board and Committee Members

City Clerk Jeffrey Modarelli read the Resolution appointing Board and

Committee Members as amended, adding the appointment of Mary Fertig to the Planning and Zoning Board, into the record.

A copy of the Board and Committee appointments as amended is attached to these minutes.

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

ADOPTED AS AMENDED - Mary Fertig appointed to Planning and Zoning Board

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

R-2 [18-0248](#)

Resolution Approving the Submittal of a Grant Application for \$10,032,648 to the Florida Inland Navigation District for Dredging and Redevelopment of the Las Olas Marina

In response to Commissioner Glassman's inquiry, City Manager Feldman confirmed all costs relating to this item are the responsibility of the operator of the Las Olas Marina, Las Olas SMI (Suntex Marina Investors), LLC.

Commissioner Glassman commented that this project has been a good example of neighbor and stakeholder involvement and transparency.

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

ADOPTED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

R-3 [18-0328](#)

Quasi-Judicial - Villa Medici Association, Inc. - Resolution Denying an Amendment to a Site Plan Level II Development Permit -1033 NE 17th Way - Case No. A17011 - Requesting Deferment to April 17, 2018

City Manager Feldman requested this item be deferred until April 17, 2018.

Commissioner McKinzie made a motion to defer this item until April 17, 2018 and was seconded by Commissioner Sorensen.

DEFERRED - Motion to Defer to April 17, 2018

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

18-0338

WALK-ON - Motion to appoint William Gundlach as Honored Pioneer for Broward Pioneer Days

Commissioner Glassman thanked Patricia Coyle Zeiler, Executive Director of the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society, for her involvement with the submission of nominees for Honored Pioneer.

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

APPROVED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

Commissioner Glassman announced that next Tuesday, March 27, 2018 is the City's 107th Birthday, congratulating the City on this milestone.

Commissioner Sorensen requested City Auditor Herbst conduct a financial analysis of The Wave, including what funds have been expended and what remains to be funded by the Federal, State, County and City. He explained that this financial data will assist in gathering relevant information to make informed decisions. Mayor Trantalis said there is a tentatively scheduled Commission Workshop on The Wave for April 30, 2018. City Auditor Herbst commented that with the cooperation of all stakeholders, this information could be prepared for the Commission Workshop on The Wave. Further discussions ensued on this issue.

City Auditor Herbst explained procedural issues relating to the Office of City Auditor, expounding on accommodating these types of Commission requests.

18-0339

WALK-ON - Motion to Terminate City Attorney - 60 days notice and placed on administrative leave with pay during those 60 days.

Commissioner Sorensen discussed the performance of City Attorney Cynthia Everett. He commented on the importance of the City's Charter Offices to move the City forward. Commissioner Sorensen discussed his concerns with the City Attorney's performance, expounding on specifics. Commissioner Glassman concurred on the need for a discussion. Mayor Trantalis discussed his position on this issue, commenting on specific concerns.

City Attorney Everett responded. Commissioner McKinzie

recommended delaying a decision. Commissioner Moraitis had no comment. Commissioner Glassman discussed his concerns, commenting on the importance of Mayor Trantalis and the Commission having full confidence in all Charter Offices.

Commissioner Sorensen made a motion to terminate the City Attorney Everett, providing sixty-day notice and placing the City Attorney on paid administrative leave. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.

APPROVED

Aye: 3 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Glassman and Mayor Trantalis

Nay: 2 - Commissioner Moraitis and Commissioner McKinzie

As discussed earlier in today's Commission Conference Meeting, Mayor Trantalis raised The Gun and Knife Show (The Gun Show) item. He asked the Commission for input about moving forward. Commissioner Glassman questioned the need to wait until the License Agreement (Agreement) expires in November 2018.

Mayor Trantalis announced that an interim City Attorney needs to be appointed, requesting recommendations from the Commission. Commissioner Sorensen suggested Assistant City Attorney Alain Boileau. Commissioner McKinzie commented on the duration of this appointment. Mayor Trantalis asked Assistant City Attorney Alain Boileau to sit on the Dais.

Discussions ensued on the attorney assigned to The Gun Show's Agreement with War Memorial Auditorium. Assistant City Attorney Boileau said the Agreement could be terminated for good cause, commenting on determining what constitutes good cause. Mayor Trantalis noted it could be terminated for public safety. Mr. Boileau noted that this would be subject to interpretation, reconfirming the Agreement expires in November 2018. Discussions ensued on the litigious nature of terminating the Agreement for good cause prior to November 2018. Mayor Trantalis commented on previous discussions with the operator of The Gun Show and past Commission policy to continue the Agreement with The Gun Show. Mayor Trantalis commented about a consensus to not continue The Gun Show following the expiration of the Agreement in November 2018.

Commissioner Glassman questioned how many Gun Shows remain prior

to the expiration of the Agreement in November 2018. There was a consensus for the Office of City Attorney to gather all pertinent information to analyze this issue and determine what opportunity the Commission has to terminate the Agreement.

There was a consensus to make a decision about The Wave following receipt of the revised budget numbers expected in late April 2018 and the Commission Workshop on The Wave.

18-0340

WALK-ON Motion to Appoint Alain Boileau as Interim City Attorney from March 20, 2018 up to and including April 3, 2018

Mayor Trantalis commented on the need to appoint an interim City Attorney for the next two weeks. There was a consensus to appoint Alain Boileau as Interim City Attorney through the April 3, 2018 Commission Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Sorensen made a motion to appoint Alain Boileau as Interim City Attorney through the April 3, 2018 Commission Regular Meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.

APPROVED

Aye: 5 - Commissioner Sorensen, Commissioner Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner McKinzie and Mayor Trantalis

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trantalis adjourned the Commission Regular Meeting of March 20, 2018 at 7:20 p.m.

Dean J. Trantalis
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeffrey A. Modarelli
City Clerk