

City of Fort Lauderdale



Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 5, 2020

6:00 PM

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City Commission Regular Meeting

FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION

DEAN J. TRANTALIS Mayor

STEVEN GLASSMAN Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District II

HEATHER MORAITIS Commissioner - District I

ROBERT L. McKINZIE Commissioner - District III

BEN SORENSEN Commissioner - District IV

CHRIS LAGERBLOOM, City Manager

JOHN HERBST, City Auditor

JEFFREY A. MODARELLI, City Clerk

ALAIN E. BOILEAU, City Attorney

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trantalis called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Dean J. Trantalis

ROLL CALL

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

QUORUM ESTABLISHED Also **Present:** City Manager Chris Lagerbloom, City Clerk Jeffrey A. Modarelli, City Attorney Alain E. Boileau, and City Auditor John Herbst (participated telephonically)

MOMENT OF SILENCE

In remembrance of former Fort Lauderdale Fire-Rescue Division Chief Don DiPetrillo

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Trantalis announced details regarding the ability to view and participate in this virtual Commission Meeting.

Mayor Trantalis made the following announcements:

Removed from Agenda:

CP-5 - Motion Approving Contract for Annual Asphalt, Sidewalk and Americans with Disabilities Improvements - General Asphalt Co.

Revisions to Agenda Item:

CM-3 - Exhibit-1 added - First Lease Agreement

CM-4 - Revised Title Amount to - \$390,293.13

CR-4 - Revised Memo adding the name of U.S. House of Representative Alcee Hastings to page 4

Approval of MINUTES and Agenda

[20-0372](#)

Minutes for April 15, 2020 Commission Workshop and April 21, 2020

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

Vice Mayor Glassman suggested two corrections to the April 15, 2020 Commission Workshop Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Sorensen made a motion to approve this item as amended and was seconded by Vice Mayor Glassman.

APPROVED AS AMENDED

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

PRESENTATIONS

PRES- [20-0179](#) Senator Gary M. Farmer, Jr. - Post Legislative Session Update
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DEFERRED

CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

CONSENT AGENDA

CONSENT MOTION

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

Approve the Consent Agenda

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

CM-1 [20-0297](#) Motion to call Special Meetings on September 3, 2020 at 5:01 p.m. and September 14, 2020 at 5:01 p.m. for the purpose of City of Fort Lauderdale Budget Hearings - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-2 [20-0343](#) Motion Approving Amendments to Two Interlocal Agreements with Broward County for the Distribution of Gas Taxes - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-3 [20-0361](#)

Motion Approving Second Lease Amendment with Walnut Street Capital, LLC for Property Located 521 NE 4 Avenue - (Commission District 2)

APPROVED

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

CM-4 [20-0362](#)

Motion Approving Second Amendment to the Lease Agreement with Camelot of Ft. Lauderdale, LLC For Property Located at 4750 North Federal Highway, Suite 300 - \$377,114.18 (sixty-two-month gross rent) - (Commission District 1)

APPROVED

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

CM-5 [20-0210](#)

Motion Approving the First Amendment to the Licensed Training Provider Agreement for Red Cross Training Courses- (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-6 [20-0259](#)

Motion Approving an Event Agreement and Related Road Closure with the Las Olas Association, Inc. for Exotics on Las Olas - (Commission Districts 2 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CONSENT RESOLUTION

CR-1 [20-0073](#)

Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Agreement with the Broward County Property Appraiser's Office for Administration and Collection of a Non-Ad Valorem Assessment for the Costs Associated with Stormwater Management - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

- CR-2** [20-0074](#) Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Agreement with Broward County for Administration and Collection of a Non-Ad Valorem Assessment for the Costs Associated with Stormwater Management - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

- CR-3** [20-0090](#) Resolution Approving the Consolidated Budget Amendment to Fiscal Year 2020 - Appropriation - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

- CR-4** [20-0359](#) Resolution in Support of a Direct Stimulus Federal Funding from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

- CR-5** [20-0333](#) Resolution Accepting Grant Funds from the United States Department of Homeland Security (USDHS), Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), State of Florida Division of Emergency Management through the City of Miami, FY 2019 UASI, in the amount of \$192,597 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

CONSENT PURCHASE

- CP-1** [20-0265](#) Motion Approving Contract for the Fiveash Water Treatment Plant Media Filters Rehabilitation Project - Cardinal Contractors, Inc. - \$1,869,000 (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

- CP-2** [20-0299](#) Motion Approving the Ranking of Firms, Negotiated Fee Schedule and Contract for Parks Bond and Parks and Recreation System

Master Plan Design and Implementation Services - AECOM
Technical Services, Inc. - \$4,000,000 (estimated total) -
(Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

In response to Commissioner Moraitis' questions regarding the estimated \$4,000,000 contract with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (AECOM) for Parks Bond Projects over the twenty (20) year life of the Park Bond, City Manager Chris Lagerbloom explained these consulting services are tied to eight (8) different Park Bond project tasks and the balance of the \$200,000,000 Parks Bond. He expounded on addition details, including development and delivery of park items and servicing the bond debt issuance. The eight (8) items are task order driven. AECOM will work until the balance of the Parks Bond is utilized. Further comment ensued

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding AECOM billing, Phil Thornburg, Director of Parks and Recreation, explained park items are on a task order basis and prices have been negotiated, noting steps in the process and associated details.

Commission Moraitis made a motion to approve this item and was seconded by Commissioner Sorensen.

APPROVED

CP-3 [20-0315](#)

Motion Approving Contract for Cryogenic Oxygen Plant Maintenance Turnaround at the George T. Lohmeyer Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant - Solutionwerks, Inc. - \$383,100 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CP-4 [20-0325](#)

Motion Approving Contract for Proprietary Purchase of Continued Stormwater Assessment Services - Fee Finalization and Public Engagement - Stantec Consulting Services Inc. - \$169,890 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CP-5 [20-0332](#)

Motion Approving Contract for Annual Asphalt, Sidewalk and Americans with Disabilities Improvements - General Asphalt Co., Inc. - \$1,000,000 (two-year total) - (Commission Districts 2, 3 and 4)

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS**R-1** [20-0363](#)

Appointment of Board and Committee Members - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

City Clerk Jeffrey Modarelli read the names of the Board and Committee nominees for appointment and/or reappointment at the upcoming May 19, 2020 Commission Regular Meeting.

City Clerk Modarelli read into the record the names of Board and Committee appointments and/or reappointments for Agenda item R-1.

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

ADOPTED

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

R-2 [20-0334](#)

Resolution Accepting the Unified Regional Sea Level Rise Projection 2019 Update of the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4)

In response to Commissioner Moraitis' questions regarding the impact and implications related to Commission acceptance of the Unified Regional Sea Level Rise Projection 2019 Update of the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact (Compact) (2019 Projection), Dr. Nancy Gassman, Assistant Public Works Director - Sustainability, explained details regarding the utilization of information contained in this 2019 Projection related to updating policy moving forward. Plans going forward would change as time progresses. The 2019 Projection allows changes in future infrastructure design, incorporating new modeling work. It will enable the review of policies in the Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) and the existing Code of Ordinances that may be impacted by sea-level rise projections.

In response Commissioner Moraitis' question, Dr. Gassman explained how the 2019 Projection effects the Stormwater Master Plan's infrastructure work for the initial seven neighborhoods (Neighborhoods). A previous projection was used for modeling design work in those Neighborhoods. Plans should be reexamined to determine if the 2019 Projection has significant implications. The guidelines used for Neighborhoods are within the 2019 Projection and any adjustment would be minimal. The 2019 Projection would be used for modeling the next

seven neighborhoods identified for Stormwater Master Plan improvements within the next several years. Further comment ensued on how the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) currently determines maps and future modeling. Dr. Gassman explained the Southeast Region 2019 Projections are being used by local municipalities and Broward County going forward for unified planning adaptation of work.

Mayor Trantalis commented on future building requirements, including renovations to more than fifty (50%) of a building, in relation to the 2019 Projection. Dr. Gassman explained Broward County is part of the Compact. The Compact is incorporating the 2019 Projection into their guidance, which will govern development within the City. The Florida Building Code, Broward County Land Use Code, which includes guidance regarding groundwater levels, and the One Hundred Year Flood Map influence development projects. The update to the Seawall Elevation Ordinance utilized earlier projections. Projections are used to the Flood Plain Management Ordinance.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Dr. Gassman confirmed action on this Resolution accepts data in the 2019 Projection which will be incorporated into future infrastructure planning.

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

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Dr. Gassman confirmed Resolution action accepts data in the 2019 Projection that will be incorporated into future infrastructure planning.

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

ADOPTED

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

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

OSR-1 [20-0335](#)

Ordinance Amending Section 16-31 of the Code of Ordinances Prohibiting Unauthorized Camping on Public Property in Designated Areas - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis commented on the genesis of this Ordinance, explaining related details, goals and current circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic. Mayor Trantalis discussed ongoing Staff efforts

to homeless shelter needs during the pandemic. City Manager Lagerbloom provided an update on those efforts. Mayor Trantalis commented on additional details surrounding this topic, efforts of those opposing this Ordinance and the Commission's desire to make public spaces safe for everyone.

Commissioner Sorensen commended Staff for the creative solutions to address homelessness.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Ebonni Chrispin, 2707 NE 14th Street Causeway and on behalf of the AIDS Healthcare Foundation. Ms. Chrispin spoke in opposition to this item, expounding on details, including having holistic policies surrounding addressing homelessness.

Mayor Trantalis emphasized this Ordinance does not criminalize homelessness, expounding on related details. The goal is to find safe spaces for the homeless and fair sharing of public spaces, i.e., sidewalks.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Dr. Pamela Beasley-Pittman, 500 NW 19th Street, President of the Historic Dorsey-Riverbend Civic Association, Inc. Dr. Beasley-Pittman spoke in support of this item, explaining circumstances surrounding the impact of current policy on the District III community and how this Ordinance addresses those concerns.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Edith Bynes, 416 NW 10th Avenue. Ms. Bynes spoke in support of this item, explaining how homeless actions and current policy in the 33311 zip code negatively impacts the community, expounding on related health concerns during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Alexander Johnson, 729 NE 20th Avenue, on behalf of the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU). Mr. Johnson spoke in opposition to this item, explaining details related to this position, noting this Ordinance is overly broad in scope.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Howard Cunningham, 3047 N. Federal Highway. Dr. Cunningham spoke in support of this item, citing details related to the impact of homeless encampments near his office.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Tangerean Moore, 1001 NW 5th Court, on behalf of Historic Dorsey-Riverbend Civic Association, Inc. Ms. Moore spoke in support of this item, concurring with the comments of Dr. Beasley-Pittman and citing concerns regarding the activities of homeless individuals in District III.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Alexis Butler, 835 SW 4th Street. Ms. Butler spoke in opposition to this item, citing her position regarding homelessness and this Ordinance.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Carla Roundtree, 745 NW 4th Avenue, on behalf of Historic Dorsey-Riverbend Civic Association, Inc. Ms. Roundtree spoke in support of this item, citing her experience with homeless individuals in District III and the proximity of homeless encampments to schools and daycare centers.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Carlos Naranjo, 2741 Polk Street. Mr. Naranjo spoke in opposition to this Ordinance, noting the need to provide alternative forms of shelter, funding and resources to address the needs of the homeless.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jeff Weinberger. Mr. Weinberger spoke in opposition to this Ordinance, commenting on his viewpoint and legal case law on this topic.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Mara Shlackman, 2100 S. Ocean Drive. Ms. Shlackman spoke in opposition to this Ordinance, commenting on previous policy and amendments contained in this Ordinance.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Armen Henderson, 5575 SW 6th Street. Dr. Henderson spoke in opposition to this Ordinance, citing health concerns related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's question, City Manager Lagerbloom commented on procedural details for those calling in for comment.

Commissioner McKinzie commented on Commission policy allowing three (3) minutes for community association representatives to speak on items. Mayor Trantalis confirmed.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Sydney Martin, 932 NE 16th Avenue. Ms. Martin spoke in opposition to this Ordinance, expounding on specific concerns related to homeless individuals losing their support system and homelessness causes in the South Florida area.

Mayor Trantalis explained perspective on this topic, discussing efforts to address the needs of the homeless and expounding on related details.

Mayor Trantalis recognized David Feldman, 1311 NW 2nd Street. Mr.

Feldman spoke in support of this item, discussing his experience and perspective, commenting on the use of other Ordinances in place to address homeless activities.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Eric Tars, 2000 M Street NW on behalf of the National Law Center on Homelessness and Poverty. Mr. Tars spoke in opposition to this Ordinance, citing his experience, efforts and perspective on addressing homelessness. He offered to work with the City to address homelessness.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Kimber Tough, 1229 NW 12th Avenue. Ms. Tough spoke in opposition to this Ordinance, commenting on her work as counsel for the protection of homeless individuals civil rights and addressing homeless encampments during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Mayor Trantalis commented on the initiatives taken to address homeless needs. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Janá Gray-Williams, 512 NW 22nd Avenue, and on behalf of Historic Dorsey-Riverbend Civic Association, Inc. Ms. Gray-Williams spoke in support of this Ordinance, acknowledging her experience with homelessness, efforts to address homelessness needs and expounding on related details.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Dennis A. Ulmer, 1007 NW 11th Place. Mr. Ulmer spoke in support of this Ordinance, expounding on his perspective, confirming City efforts to address homeless needs and thanking the Commission for their efforts.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Andrea Galvan, 1617 N. Federal Highway. Ms. Galvan thanked the Commission for its efforts to find housing for the homeless during the COVID-19 pandemic. She spoke in opposition to this item, expounding on her perspective.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Shana Cartwright, 1100 North Andrews Avenue. Ms. Cartwright spoke in opposition to this Ordinance, explaining her homeless circumstances and perspective. Comment and discussion ensued. Mayor Trantalis noted ongoing efforts to accommodate homeless individuals in hotels.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Janá Gray-Williams. Ms. Gray-Williams read a statement in support of this Ordinance from her mother, Juanita Gray, noting addressing all individual's needs.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Bertisha Combs, 1142 Sunrise Boulevard.

Ms. Combs spoke in opposition to this Ordinance, explaining efforts related to addressing homeless population needs and supporting related County and City work to provide a long-term solution.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Yolanda Francis, 1005 NW 5th Court. Ms. Francis spoke in support of this Ordinance, confirming it is not an effort to criminalize homelessness and acknowledging efforts of Broward County, the City and community to address homeless needs. She expounded on the homeless activities and the negative impact on that segment of the surrounding community.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Burnadette Norris-Weeks, Ms. Norris-Weeks spoke in support of this item, thanking the Commission for its effort to address homelessness in coordination with the business community. She inquired about the area this Ordinance addresses. Mayor Trantalis confirmed this Ordinance would address concerns at the charter school located near her office in the Northwest area.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Makda Majette, 315 NE 3rd Avenue. Mr. Majette spoke in opposition to this Ordinance, commenting on his perspective and the need for homeless representation and input.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Betty Butler, 1812 NW 5th Street. Ms. Butler spoke in support of this Ordinance, commenting on her perspective and experience with homelessness in her neighborhood.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Claudia A. Alvarez, 888 Biscayne Boulevard. Ms. Alvarez spoke in opposition to this item, expounding on her viewpoint and addressing community needs.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Dr. Pamela Beasley-Pittman, 500 NW 19th Street, President, Historic Dorsey-Riverbend Civic Association, Inc. Dr. Beasley-Pittman reiterated that Historic Dorsey-Riverbend Civic Association, Inc. and the community supports this Ordinance. She commented on the need to apportion homeless areas of the City.

Mayor Trantalis recessed the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Mayor Trantalis reconvened the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

Mayor Trantalis requested input from each Commission Member on this item.

Commissioner Moraitis confirmed her support of this Ordinance, expounding on her viewpoint and related details.

In response to Vice Mayor Glassman's questions, City Attorney Alain Boileau confirmed the constitutionality of this Ordinance and explained related case law, expounding on details and citing examples. City Attorney Boileau explained if there is no place for a homeless individual to stay, they cannot be penalized. This Ordinance complies with this directive.

Vice Mayor Glassman explained his concerns regarding his previous deferral of this Ordinance's Second Reading during the COVID-19 pandemic and Center for Disease Control (CDC) Guidelines. He expounded on his perspective and ongoing efforts to house and provide meals for the homeless.

City Attorney Boileau explained this Ordinance provides an additional tool to address a subset of homeless individuals who refuse to accept services, explaining working through the Community Court, expounding on details and citing examples. Homeless individuals will only be moved if there is an available bed. Further comment and discussion ensued on this Ordinance, providing an additional incentive.

In response to Vice Mayor Glassman's questions, City Attorney Boileau said there are approximately twenty-five (25) to thirty (30) homeless individuals in the Dorsey-Riverbend area encampment. The purpose of this Ordinance is to prevent the negative impact on children in other areas of District III. City Attorney Boileau explained other Ordinances in place to address the acts of homeless individuals, expounding on details. Further comment and discussion ensued on this topic and offering homeless individuals housing.

Vice Mayor Glassman expounded on the direction given by CDC Guidelines during the COVID-19 pandemic to refrain from disbanding homeless encampments. City Attorney Boileau concurred, reiterating efforts to provide a homeless shelter location and adhere to CDC Guidelines.

City Manager Lagerbloom explained Staff efforts to provide shelter for individuals at the Dorsey-Riverbend encampment, stating there were no issues when providing the homeless with hotel-shelter vouchers and expounding on related details. He confirmed there are not enough hotel rooms for all homeless individuals. Vice Mayor Glassman commented on expectations regarding this opportunity.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's questions, City Manager Lagerbloom reviewed discussions with Broward County Administrator

Bertha Henry regarding input and financial assistance from the County for homelessness. It is an ongoing discussion and there is no partnership to date.

City Manager Lagerbloom noted there is an increased willingness to accept vouchers when wrap-around services are not included as conditions, explaining related details. Those accepting hotel vouchers for shelter interact with Staff who are crafting a plan for re-emergence into the community, including rapid re-housing. He expounded on local cooperation and regional challenges from hotel companies. At this time, there is no contract for a second hotel. Efforts are ongoing, and in the next few days, a second hotel contract is anticipated. Comment and discussion ensued on this topic, the need for outreach and working towards a partnership with the County and municipalities to address homelessness.

Commissioner McKinzie commented on the public's support of this Ordinance, expounding on his viewpoint and stating that this Ordinance is another tool to address homelessness. He reconfirmed his position and support of this Ordinance, explaining related concerns and details.

Commissioner Moraitis explained her perspective and support of this Ordinance.

Commissioner McKinzie commented on conversations with the Salvation Army representative regarding the behavior of a segment of homeless individuals and the goal of this Ordinance to address these concerns, including the impact on surrounding schools and neighborhoods and homeless individual needs.

Mayor Trantalis commented on his perspective and input from the public. He commented on coordinated efforts to address homelessness and the current COVID-19 pandemic. In the context of the current COVID-19 pandemic, he would not support this Ordinance at this time. He noted the progress Staff is making to find housing for homeless individuals, noting his possible future support of this item.

City Manager Lagerbloom discussed enacting this Ordinance at a future date when the COVID-19 pandemic is over, ensuring homeless encampments are not near schools and confirming ongoing efforts to provide shelter for homeless individuals. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Vice Mayor Glassman requested each individual and organization who spoke in opposition to this Ordinance become involved in efforts to find

solutions. He noted the current housing hotel voucher solution is not a long-term solution, urging Staff to deal with illegal behavior of a segment of the homeless community. Vice Mayor Glassman concurred regarding the need to address neighborhood concerns.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, City Attorney Boileau discussed issuing criminal citations to address unacceptable behavior, explaining and citing related details. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner McKinzie introduced this Ordinance on the Second Reading.

DEFEATED on Second Reading

Aye: 2 - Commissioner McKinzie and Commissioner Moraitis

Nay: 3 - Vice Mayor Glassman, Commissioner Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

COMMISSION REPORTS

Mayor Trantalis provided an overview of the recent meeting with Broward County Mayor Holness and other Broward County municipal mayors. He reviewed the five (5) criteria issued by Paula Thaqi, M.D., M.P.H., Director of the Florida Department of Health in Broward County, that must be completed before a Phase One level reopening, commenting on related details. Mayor Trantalis said four (4) of the five (5) criteria had been met in Broward County, explaining concerns related to the ability to meet the fifth criteria and noting sixty-four (64) other Florida counties have been allowed to reopen by the Governor.

Mayor Trantalis confirmed community support of a phased reopening of businesses, discussing the position of the County and the Governor, commenting on related details. In correspondence to Governor DeSantis, Mayor Trantalis confirmed he recommended June 1, 2020 as the target date for reopening.

City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed City services are continuing, uninterrupted. The Holiday Park COVID-19 Testing Site and food giveaway sites have experienced robust attendance.

Commissioner Moraitis confirmed her support of reopening as soon as the City has the authority. She commented on input from District I businesses in the Uptown area, Galt Ocean Mile and Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport (FXE), noting their desire for a slow reopening in a safe manner and expounding on related details. Commissioner Moraitis confirmed her support of waiting until June 1, 2020 to open beaches in coordination with adjacent cities and counties. She commented on

adhering to CDC guidelines for reopening, citing examples for different types of businesses and noting the responsibility of residents to follow reopening rules in place.

In response to Vice Mayor Glassman's questions, Mayor Trantalis explained a consensus among Broward County mayors for local municipalities to reopen in harmony where appropriate, expounding on details and citing examples. Further comment ensued.

Mayor Trantalis noted the Palm Beach County Commission has voted to separate from Miami-Dade County and Broward County regarding the Governor's Executive Order regarding Southeast Florida Counties, commenting on his perspective.

Mayor Trantalis explained the considerations given to an opening date, citing restaurants as an example.

Vice Mayor Glassman commented on his viewpoint regarding waiting until June 1, 2020 to begin reopening for many businesses, expounding on details related to the Broward County Commission Meeting. He thanked Broward County Commissioners Fisher and Udine for addressing multi-family dwellings' ability to control their amenities.

Vice Mayor Glassman urged a Commission discussion for a planned, gradual reopening in advance of being granted authority, expounding on his perspective regarding reopening private beaches and other beaches in coordination with other coastal cities. He commented on related recommendations, i.e., keeping garages and surface parking lots closed to ensure a slow, gradual reopening. Further comment ensued.

Mayor Trantalis requested Vice Mayor Glassman provide detailed criteria regarding his recommendations to use as a working paper going forward. Vice Mayor Glassman confirmed.

In response to Commissioner McKinzie's questions, Mayor Trantalis confirmed attendees at the Broward County Meeting hosted by Broward County Mayor Holness. He commented on slowly reopen businesses once all five (5) criteria are achieved.

City Attorney Boileau confirmed the City is still under the authority of County Emergency Orders and State Executive Orders. The City can only be more restrictive.

Commissioner McKinzie commented on his understanding and perspective, noting the importance of residents adhering to restrictions

moving forward to not overburden First Responders.

Commissioner McKinzie asked Mayor Trantalis to request input from each Commissioner before meetings with other Broward County mayors.

Commissioner Sorensen thanked Chief Rick Maglione and Fire-Rescue Chief Rhoda Mae Kerr for their work in maintaining the wellbeing of First Responders and families. He also thanked City Manager Lagerbloom and City Attorney Boileau for their work regarding the current COVID-19 pandemic testing site.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's questions, City Manager said the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM) is a sound data source. The major source of data is from the Florida Department of Health (FDH) and reports to the FDEM, confirming his confidence in both. City Manager Lagerbloom explained interpreting this information, expounding on details from the FDH's most recent data. The current data is in the target range and is tracking towards a Phase One reopening. Further comment ensued.

Commissioner Sorensen commented on his support for discussions regarding a slow reopening. He noted his data-related concern illustrating an increased number of people testing positive for COVID-19. He confirmed the need to reopen beaches collectively with county partners to the north and south.

Commissioner Sorensen asked if there would be a Commission Workshop next week on the topic of COVID-19. Comment ensued on a possible date. There was a consensus to hold a Commission Workshop on COVID-19 on Monday, May 11, 2020 at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioner Sorensen asked if there was interest in the City donating \$7,000 - \$10,000 to one (1) Feeding South Florida Event. Comment and discussion ensued. City Manager Lagerbloom expounded on details related to this event.

Mayor Trantalis explained funding efforts for the homeless, noting budget restraints at this time. City Manager Lagerbloom commented on working with the cities of Oakland Park and Wilton Manors to share in this donation request, confirming he would pursue this request.

Commissioner Sorensen requested a child, rotated from each District, lead the Commission Regular Meeting Pledge of Allegiance. Comment and discussion ensued. There was a consensus to pursue this when Commission Meetings resume in Chambers with the public in

attendance.

Motion to Extend Commission Regular Meeting to 11:00 p.m.

Commissioner McKinzie made a motion to extend this meeting until 11:00 p.m. and was seconded by Commissioner Sorensen.

APPROVED

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

Mayor Trantalis recessed the meeting at 9:52 p.m. to convene the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Board Meeting.

Mayor Trantalis reconvened the meeting at 9:54 p.m.

EXECUTIVE CLOSED DOOR SESSION - 6:15 P.M. OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS POSSIBLE

Mayor Trantalis announced the commencement of the Executive Closed-Door Session.

[20-0371](#)

The City Commission will meet privately pursuant to Florida Statute, Section 286.011(8) concerning:

Hinton, Walter, et al. v. City of Fort Lauderdale
Case No.: CACE 07-030358 (26)

Adderly, Ray, et al. v. City of Fort Lauderdale
Case No.: CACE 11-008499 (26)

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trantalis adjourned the meeting at 9:55 p.m.

Dean J. Trantalis
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeffrey A. Modarelli
City Clerk