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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

6:00 PM

City Commission Chambers
100 North Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

City Commission Regular Meeting

FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION

DEAN J. TRANTALIS Mayor
HEATHER MORAITIS Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District I
STEVEN GLASSMAN Commissioner - District II
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 6:15 p.m.

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Trantalis announced details regarding the meeting format, including how members of the public can view and participate.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Dean J. Trantalis

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Commissioner Robert L. McKinzie (arrived at 6:48 p.m.)
Commissioner Ben Sorensen, Vice Mayor Heather Moraitis,
Commissioner Steven Glassman 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

AGENDA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Trantalis announced the following revision to the published Agenda:

R-9 - Memo updated to include monument sign installation

A copy is attached to these minutes.

Approval of MINUTES and Agenda

[21-0969](#)

Minutes for September 9, 2021 Commission Conference Meeting, September 9, 2021 Commission Regular Meeting and September 13, 2021 Commission Joint Workshop with Infrastructure Task Force Advisory Committee - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Glassman noted edits.

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

APPROVED AS AMENDED

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Sorensen, Vice Mayor Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman and Mayor Trantalis

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner McKinzie

PRESENTATIONS

PRES- [21-0991](#)
1 Mayor Trantalis will present a proclamation declaring September 15 - October 15, 2021 as National Hispanic Heritage Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Mayor Trantalis presented a proclamation declaring *September 15 - October 15, 2021 as National Hispanic Heritage Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Felipe Pinzon, Executive Director, *Hispanic Unity of Florida*, accepted the Proclamation, thanking Mayor Trantalis and the Commission. Mr. Pinzon spoke about the efforts of the *Hispanic Unity of Florida* family.

PRESENTED

PRES- [21-0986](#)
2 Vice Mayor Moraitis will present a proclamation declaring October 4-8, 2021 as Customer Service Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Vice Mayor Moraitis presented a proclamation declaring *October 4-8, 2021 as Customer Service Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety.

The following Staff members accepted the Proclamation: Gina Pujals Information Technology Services Department - IT Service Desk Manager, Mauricio Baquero, Information Technology Services Department - Virtual Meeting Coordinator, Kimberly Smith, Public Works Department - Senior Administrative Assistant, and Donna McMahon, Public Works Department - Program Manager II.

PRESENTED

PRES- [21-0984](#)
3 Commissioner Glassman will present a proclamation declaring October 7-11, 2021 as 1st Annual Afro Pride Festival in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Glassman presented a proclamation declaring *October 7-11, 2021 as 1st Annual Afro Pride Festival in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Damon Jones, founder and Chief Executive Officer, and Don Gunder, Director of Community Events, *Afro Pride Federation*. Mr. Jones accepted the Proclamation and spoke on the purpose and mission of *Afro Pride*

Federation, thanking Mayor Trantalis and the Commission for this recognition.

PRESENTED

PRES- 21-0985
4

Commissioner Sorensen will present a proclamation declaring October 3-9, 2021 as Fire Prevention Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Sorensen presented a proclamation declaring *October 3-9, 2021 as Fire Prevention Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety. Fire-Rescue Department Battalion Chief (Chief) Oatmeyer, Fire Marshall Jeff Lucas and Fire-Rescue Department Chief (Chief) Kerr accepted the Proclamation, thanking Mayor Trantalis and the Commission for this recognition. Chief Oatmeyer, Fire Marshall Lucas and Chief Kerr explained details associated with checking smoke alarms, providing examples regarding the importance of related fire prevention efforts.

PRESENTED

CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Trantalis announced the following Consent Agenda items had been pulled by Commission Members for separate discussion:

CM-2 Commissioner Glassman
CR-2 Commissioner Glassman

CONSENT MOTION

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

Approve the Consent Agenda

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

CM-1 21-0899

Motion Approving an Event Agreement and Related Road Closures for the Victoria Park Civic Association's Halloween Block Party - (Commission District 2)

APPROVED

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

CM-2 [21-0745](#)

Motion Approving a Five-Year Agreement with TMF Holdco, LLC for a Three-Day Music Event (Tortuga Music Festival) on Fort Lauderdale Beach - (Commission Districts 2 and 4)

Commissioner Glassman noted discussions at the District 2 Pre-Agenda Meeting regarding residents requesting additional attention to traffic direction, especially after beach events.

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

APPROVED

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

CM-3 [21-0708](#)

Motion Accepting Broward County Enhanced Marine Law Enforcement Grant Program Funds - \$184,104 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-4 [21-0887](#)

Motion Authorizing the Execution of a Sovereignty Submerged Land Easement with the Board of Trustees of the Internal Improvement Trust Fund of the State of Florida - Emergency Repairs to 30" Force Main A - Re-Pump to George T. Lohmeyer Wastewater Treatment Plant (GTL) - (Commission Districts 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-5 [21-0587](#)

Motion Approving FY 2022 Beach Business Improvement District (BID) Grant Participation Agreement with Winterfest Inc. - \$25,000 - (Commission District 2)

APPROVED

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

CM-6 [21-0588](#)

Motion Approving FY 2022 Beach Business Improvement District

(BID) Grant Participation Agreement with A & R Enterprises of So. FL Inc. - \$190,500 - (Commission District 2)

APPROVED

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

CM-7 [21-0589](#)

Motion Approving FY 2022-2024 Beach Business Improvement District (BID) Grant Participation Agreement with Audacy Operations, Inc., in the Amounts of \$300,000 in the First Year, \$250,000 in the Second Year, and \$200,000 in the Third Year, for a Total Amount of \$750,000 - (Commission District 2)

APPROVED

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

CM-8 [21-0788](#)

Motion Approving the Acceptance of State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Funds in the Amount of \$1,251,351.00 for 2021-2022 and the Allocation of SHIP Program Income for 2021-2022 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-9 [21-0904](#)

Motion Approving Voluntary Benefits Administration - FBMC Benefits Management, Inc. (FBMC) Second Amendment - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-10 [21-0907](#)

Motion Authorizing Purchase of Basic Employee Life and Accidental Death & Dismemberment Insurance - The Standard Life Insurance Company - \$601,444 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CM-11 [21-0919](#)

Motion Accepting a Donation of a Britto Statue for Hardy Park from Yasmine Reger in the Amount of \$116,050.00 - (Commission District 4)

APPROVED

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

CONSENT RESOLUTION

CR-1 [21-0962](#) Resolution Approving the Appointment of Bond Counsel and Disclosure Counsel for the Issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2022, for Parks and Recreation Projects ("Series 2022 Bonds") - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

CR-2 [21-0980](#) Resolution Approving the Appointment of Bond Counsel and Disclosure Counsel for the Issuance of Stormwater Assessment Bonds, Series 2022, for Stormwater Improvement Projects ("Series 2022 Bonds") - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Glassman discussed an item brought up at the District 2 Pre-Agenda Meeting. Residents are requesting an updated calendar for neighborhood stormwater bond projects. City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed work is moving forward, and Staff would update the calendar.

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

ADOPTED

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

CR-3 [21-0718](#) Resolution Approving Fiscal Year 2022 Not For Profit Service Agreement with Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Inc.; Monthly Go Riverwalk Magazine - \$50,400 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

CR-4 [21-0763](#) Resolution Approving an Economic Development Incentive Award for \$168,750.00 for Project Disembark and Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute an Economic Development Incentive Agreement - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

- CR-5** [21-0853](#) Resolution Authorizing Execution, by the City Manager, of a Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for the Hendricks Isle Seawalls Project in the amount of \$449,718 - (Commission District 2)

ADOPTED

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

- CR-6** [21-0891](#) Resolution Calling for an Election to be held for the Lauderdale Isle Water Management District Governing Board - (Commission District 4)

ADOPTED

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

- CR-7** [21-0832](#) Resolution Approving the Execution and Acceptance of Florida Department of Transportation Grant Funds for the Design and Installation of New Shuttle Stops and Shelters in Compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990- \$196,875 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

- CR-8** [21-0601](#) Resolution Levying the Fiscal Year 2022 Operating Millage Rate of 0.6000 and Debt Service Millage Rate of 0.4755 of the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) of the City of Fort Lauderdale - (Commission Districts 2 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

- CR-9** [21-0602](#) Resolution Approving the Consolidated Budget Amendment to Fiscal Year 2022 - Appropriation - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

ADOPTED

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

CONSENT PURCHASE

- CP-1** [21-0772](#) Motion Approving Agreement for Banking Services - Wells Fargo

Bank N.A. - \$300,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

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

CP-2 [21-0884](#)

Motion Approving Agreement for the Edgewood Neighborhood Storm Water Improvements - David Mancini & Sons, Inc. - \$14,471,533 - (Commission District 4)

APPROVED

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

MOTIONS

M-1 [21-0903](#)

Motion Approving Event Agreements and Extended Road Closures Beyond 10:00am on the Barrier Island for the Red Bull Neymar Jr's 5v5 and the Chanukah Fair on Las Olas - (Commission District 2)

Commissioner Glassman reiterated resident concerns regarding the need to provide additional attention to directing traffic and the number of times Las Olas Boulevard is closed between State Road A1A and Seabreeze Boulevard.

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

APPROVED

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

M-2 [21-0780](#)

Motion Authorizing Execution of a Sixth Amendment to the Revocable License with B-Cycle, LLC. - (Commission District 4)

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

APPROVED

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

M-3 [21-0943](#)

Motion Authorizing Execution of a Revocable License with Lauderdale Harbors Improvement Association, Inc. to Install and Maintain One License Plate Reader Camera in the Cordova Road Right-of-Way - (Commission District 4)

Commissioner Sorensen made a motion to approve this item and was

seconded by Commissioner Glassman.

APPROVED

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

M-4 [21-0992](#)

Motion Approving an Interim Agreement with Hall of Fame Partners, LLC, Pursuant to Florida Statutes Sec. 255.065(6) - (Commission District 2)

City Manager Lagerbloom requested deferral of this Agenda item to October 21, 2021.

Commissioner Sorensen made a motion to defer this item to the October 21, 2021 Regular Commission Meeting at 6:00 p.m. and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.

DEFERRED to October 21, 2021 6pm

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

M-5 [21-0974](#)

Motion Approving City of Fort Lauderdale Voting Delegate and Alternate(s) for National League of Cities 2021 Virtual City Summit and Annual Business Meeting - November 12, 15-19, 2021 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Sorensen confirmed he would represent the Commission at the *National League of Cities 2021 Virtual City Summit and Annual Business Meeting (Summit and Business Meeting) - November 12, 15-19, 2021*.

Vice Mayor Moraitis confirmed November 19, 2021 as the date the *Summit and Business Meeting* vote would take place. City Clerk Jeffrey Modarelli confirmed the Office of the City Clerk would register Commissioner Sorensen for the *Summit and Business Meeting*.

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

APPROVED

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

NEIGHBOR PRESENTATIONS

NP-2 [21-0981](#)

Olivier Cale - Waterway cleanup initiative - October 23, 2021 "Make a Difference Day"

Olivier Cale, 2612 NE 21st Terrace, gave a Neighbor Presentation regarding the waterway cleanup initiative on October 23, 2021 entitled *2021 Make a Difference Day*. Mr. Cale invited everyone to participate and explained how the Commission could support this initiative.

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

RECEIVED

NP-3 [21-0983](#)

Boyd Corbin - Drinking water from the Fiveash water treatment plant

Mayor Trantalis recognized Boyd Corbin, 12 NE 26th Street, Wilton Manors. Mr. Corbin gave a Neighbor Presentation regarding water quality from *Fiveash Water Treatment Plant*.

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

Commissioner Sorensen commented on Staff addressing Mr. Corbin's concerns. Mayor Trantalis confirmed Staff is moving forward with plans for a new water treatment plant. City Manager Lagerbloom said Staff would present something to the Commission next month.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's questions, City Manager Lagerbloom discussed details related to drinking water safety and confirmed drinking water is within regulated safety level guidelines. City Manager Lagerbloom explained Public Record Requests are disclosed under the State Statute. The *Carollo Engineers, Inc. Report (Carollo Report)* was accepted by the Commission and recommendations are being followed.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's question regarding membrane filtration being a preferred filtration method, City Manager Lagerbloom said it is different from the current filtration that will meet certain levels of clarity and taste.

RECEIVED

NP-1 [21-0932](#)

Mary Fertig - Public lands

Mary Fertig, 511 Poinciana Drive, explained she attended a meeting earlier today at *Lockhart Stadium* addressing the need for additional spectator seating at the high school athletic field.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding *Inter Miami* being responsive, Ms. Fertig explained this was the start of addressing solutions and expounded on details. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mary Fertig gave a Neighbor Presentation on public lands detailing concerns and recommendations related to processes and procedures.

Mayor Trantalis requested a copy of Ms. Fertig's presentation for the record.

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

In response to Vice Mayor Moraitis' request for a copy of the related ordinance passed by Miami-Dade County, City Attorney Boileau confirmed he would provide her with a copy.

RECEIVED

RESOLUTIONS

R-1 [21-0956](#)

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 reappointment at the October 21, 2021 Commission Regular Meeting.

City Clerk Modarelli explained amending this Resolution with the appointment of Jacquelyn Scott and Mike Penrod to the Noise Control Advisory Committee (NCAC) would provide an NCAC quorum.

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

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

ADOPTED AS AMENDED

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

R-2 [21-0813](#)

Resolution Approving the Transfer of Six City-Owned Properties Located Along NW 22 Road in Northwest-Progresso-Flagler Heights Community Redevelopment Area to the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency, Pursuant to Section 8.02 of the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale - (Commission District 3)

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

ADOPTED

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

- R-3** [21-0814](#) Resolution Approving the Transfer of Seven (7) City-Owned Properties Located in the Northwest-Progresso-Flagler Heights and Central City Community Redevelopment Area to the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency for Affordable Housing, Pursuant to Section 8.02 of the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale - (Commission Districts 2 and 3)

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

ADOPTED

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

- R-4** [21-0835](#) Resolution Accepting the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee's (AHAC) 2021 Affordable Housing Incentive Report and Authorizing the Submission to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

ADOPTED

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

- R-5** [21-0880](#) Resolution Amending the 2019-2022 State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) Local Housing Assistance Plan (LHAP) - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

ADOPTED

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

- R-6** [21-0938](#) Resolution to Award City-Owned Surplus Property Located at 4590 Peters Road, Unincorporated, FL 33317 to the Housing Authority of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Pursuant to Section 8.02 of the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale - (Unincorporated Broward)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Juan Vazquez, 4828 SW 19th Street. Mr. Vazquez voiced concerns regarding this item that included density and proposed Broadview Park ingress and egress. He concurred with Ms.

Fertig's comments regarding adequate notice to the public and noted this meeting conflicting with the Broadview Park Civic Association Meeting, which was unaware of this project until recently.

Mayor Trantalis explained this item only addresses the transfer of ownership. The community will have an opportunity to review and provide input on the proposed site plan. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner McKinzie commented on his perspective regarding affordable housing and low-income housing in District 3. He recommended Mr. Vazquez meet with Tam English, *Housing Authority of the City of Fort Lauderdale (HACFL)*, and Robert Lochrie, Esq., Lochrie and Chakas, P.A., to express neighborhood concerns related to the proposed project on this site.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Yasmirel Reynoso, 1349 SW 48th Avenue. Ms. Reynoso echoed Mr. Vazquez's comments related to the sale of this property. She explained her viewpoint and concerns regarding the impact of this project on the community.

Mayor Trantalis encouraged Ms. Reynoso to participate in neighbor outreach in the weeks ahead.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Robert Lochrie, Esq., on behalf of the *HACFL*. Mr. Lochrie explained this Agenda item begins the process and confirmed there would be public outreach. The community will have the opportunity to provide input and feedback regarding plans and concerns during public outreach.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's inquiries, Mr. Lochrie confirmed the City had owned this property for approximately forty (40) to fifty (50) years. Mr. Lochrie explained the relationship between the City and *HACFL*. Mr. Lochrie discussed his work experience with *HACFL* and the commented on the process associated with the conveyance of City land to *HACFL*.

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

ADOPTED

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

Unsolicited Proposal Submitted by The Boring Company for the Design, Construction, Operation, and Maintenance of A Proposed Subsurface Tunnel System from Downtown Fort Lauderdale to Fort Lauderdale Beach, and Authorizing Negotiations of a Proposed Interim and/or Comprehensive Agreement, in Accordance with Section 255.065, Florida Statutes (2021) - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Boyd Corbin, 12 NE 26th Street, Wilton Manors. Mr. Corbin commented on his support of a public-private partnership (P3) with the Boring Company and opposition to the P3 with Ridgewood Infrastructure to replace the Fiveash Water Treatment Plant. Mr. Corbin expounded on his viewpoint regarding infrastructure inflow and infiltration (I&I) concerns. Mayor Trantalis commended Staff for its efforts addressing infrastructure needs.

In response to Vice Mayor Moraitis' question regarding having an interim agreement, City Attorney Boileau explained this Agenda item allows negotiations to begin with the option of an interim agreement. Vice Mayor Moraitis explained her preference to include an interim agreement.

City Attorney Boileau discussed the anticipated lengthy process associated with this project. Staff will return to the Commission for briefings as the process moves forward.

Vice Mayor Moraitis remarked on her preference for additional time to digest unsolicited proposals.

In response to Commissioner Sorensen's request for a high-level overview of the process moving forward should this Agenda item be approved, City Attorney Boileau explained how negotiations would proceed. Negotiations with *The Boring Company* would ensue regarding logistics along with extensive regulatory and engineering work.

City Attorney Boileau explained possible associated financial commitments. The City is not fully committed until a comprehensive agreement has been fully executed.

City Manager Lagerbloom explained this Agenda item allows the process to move forward.

Commissioner Glassman commented on the need for extensive vetting and outside expertise. He inquired whether the City has this type of expertise and questioned who would pay for outside consultants. City

Manager Lagerbloom explained the need to make those determinations as the process moves forward.

Mayor Trantalis explained this Agenda item makes a good-faith representation that the City would like to move forward. Commissioner Sorensen concurred and confirmed the desire to move forward with due diligence.

City Manager Lagerbloom noted good interactions and continued interest from *The Boring Company* and its perspective that the tunnel project is viable.

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

ADOPTED

Aye: 4 - Commissioner Sorensen, Vice Mayor Moraitis, Commissioner Glassman and Mayor Trantalis

Nay: 1 - Commissioner McKinzie

R-8 [21-0955](#)

Quasi-Judicial Resolution - Regarding a Modified Site Plan as a Proposed Settlement in a Florida Land Use and Environmental Dispute Resolution Act Process and a Site Plan Level IV Development Permit for 115 Multifamily Residential Units, 168 Hotel Rooms, 3,600 Square Feet Restaurant Use, and 3,156 Square Feet Retail Use - Bayshore Hotel LLC and 3030 Bayshore Properties - 3016 and 3030 Bayshore Drive - Case No. R18058 - (Commission District 2)

Anyone wishing to speak must be sworn in. Commission will announce any site visits, communications or expert opinions received and make them part of the record.

City Manager Lagerbloom confirmed a request to defer this item until October 21, 2021.

Commissioner Glassman made a motion to defer this Resolution to the October 21, 2021 Commission Regular Meeting at 6:00 p.m. and was seconded by Commissioner McKinzie.

DEFERRED to October 21, 2021 6pm

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

R-9 [21-0696](#)

Resolution Approving the Naming of a Portion of the Riverwalk

Walking Trail, along the North Side of the New River, between SW 4th Ave and SW 2nd Ave, partially located in the H-1 Historic Preservation Zoning District of Fort Lauderdale, as the "Edward D. Stone Jr. Trail at Riverwalk" - (Commission District 2)

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions, City Manager Lagerbloom explained the genesis of this Resolution and the related process. The *Historic Preservation Board (HPB)* and the *Parks, Recreation and Beaches Board (PRBB)* unanimously suggested approval of this naming. Mr. Stone was the founder of EDSA, the design firm instrumental in design and creation of the *Riverwalk*. EDSA colleagues of Mr. Stone submitted an application.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Douglas Smith, 1701 NE 19th Street, and EDSA Principal. Mr. Smith explained details associated with this application and confirmed unanimous approval from the *HPB* and the *PRBB*. Genia Ellis, President and CEO of *Riverwalk Fort Lauderdale, Inc.* is also in support.

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

ADOPTED

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

ORDINANCE FIRST READING

OFR-1 [21-0870](#)

First Reading - Ordinance Amending the City of Fort Lauderdale Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) Section 47-2.2, Measurements to Redefine the Term Grade - Case No. UDP-T21008 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Anthony Fajardo, Department of Sustainable Development Director, explained details of this Agenda item. Code requires that for accessory structures built on a raised property to meet Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) flood elevations, the overall height limitation must be measured from the neighboring property.

Mr. Fajardo cited an example in *Riverside Park*, which went through the *Board of Adjustment (BOA)*. The *BOA* requested Staff look into an adjustment of the definition of grade. This Agenda item requires any accessory structure be measured from the grade of the development site, not the neighboring parcel.

In response to Vice Mayor Moraitis' question, Mr. Fajardo explained

Agenda item OFR-2 addresses fence heights in the front yard of a property.

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

PASSED FIRST READING

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

OFR-2 [21-0871](#)

First Reading - Ordinance Amending the Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) Section 47-19.5, Fence, Walls and Hedges, Height and Transparency Requirements- Case No. UDP-T21009 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

In response to Vice Mayor Moraitis' question, Anthony Fajardo, Department of Sustainable Development Director, explained the background of this Agenda item was based upon Commission discussion. Staff efforts resulted in lowering fence heights from six feet six inches (6' 6") to forty-two inches (42") except for properties in areas that have a lot depth under one hundred feet (100'). Mr. Fajardo noted this exception was based on properties in District 1.

Mr. Fajardo explained details included in this Agenda item incentivizes fence transparency and expounded on details related to property lines and placement of fences. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Glassman discussed the position of the *Planning and Zoning Board (P&Z Board)* that voted unanimously to not move forward with the proposed change included in this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis remarked on his viewpoint regarding opaque fencing being installed in neighborhoods, which takes away from curb appeal. He concurred on the recommendation to allow an exception for property owners with a lot depth of less than one hundred feet (100'). Mayor Trantalis commented on allowing visual connectivity of properties.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question, Mr. Fajardo confirmed this Agenda item includes hedges and fences. Commissioner Glassman reviewed *P&Z Board* objections noted in *Exhibit 2* of the *August 18, 2021 P&Z Board Meeting Minutes*.

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

Commissioner Glassman commented on his opposition to this Agenda item.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions, Mr. Fajardo said enforcement would be addressed through the permitting process, and any existing fences would be legal non-conforming. Commissioner Glassman noted the need to understand how many residents would be impacted. Mr. Fajardo said was not aware of this topic coming before the *Board of Adjustment*. A fence height of six feet six inches (6' 6") is currently allowed for anyone. The *Sailboat Bend Historic District* does not have its own criteria, but there is a preference for lower fences with pickets in a related document adopted in 2013. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis commented on related fence patterns developing in neighborhoods and his viewpoint.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions, Mr. Fajardo explained how properties located on a corner are addressed in the proposed ordinance, and Staff does not know the number of residents with pools in their front yards.

Commissioner Glassman commented on his viewpoint and recommended not moving forward with this Agenda item. Further comment and discussion ensued on what is currently permissible.

In response to Vice Mayor Moraitis' question, Mr. Fajardo explained an existing fence runs with the land when a property changes ownership. Should this proposed ordinance be adopted, existing legal non-conforming fences are *grandfathered* and explained details related to the ability to repair existing fences. New fences would need to adhere to this proposed ordinance should it be adopted. Further comment and discussion ensued.

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

DEFEATED

Aye: 1 - Mayor Trantalis

Nay: 4 - Commissioner McKinzie, Commissioner Sorensen, Vice Mayor Moraitis and Commissioner Glassman

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

OSR-1 [21-0958](#)

Second Reading - Ordinance Amending the City of Fort Lauderdale Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR); Section 47-24, Development Permit and Procedures, Providing for Approval Process

for Development Utilizing Flexibility Rules; and Amending Section 47-28, Density and Flexibility Rules, Establishing Intent and Purpose, Amending Definitions, and Amending Applicability - Case No. UDP-T21003 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING

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

Additional Discussion

Commissioner McKinzie inquired about the ability to prevent distribution of community coupon publications on District 3 resident properties. City Attorney Boileau confirmed he would review and advise.

REQUEST FOR AN EXECUTIVE CLOSED-DOOR SESSION

Pursuant to Florida Statute, Section 286.011(8), City Attorney Alain Boileau requested a *Commission Executive Closed-Door Session (Closed-Door Session)* on November 5, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. or shortly thereafter to seek Commission counsel on the following matter related to panhandling:

Mark Messina, et al., vs. The City of Fort Lauderdale - CACE 21-60168 (U.S. District Judge Altman)

The *Closed-Door Session* is expected to take approximately twenty (20) minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trantalis adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

Dean J. Trantalis
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeffrey A. Modarelli
City Clerk



**CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING**

#21-0696

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Chris Lagerbloom, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: October 5, 2021

TITLE: **REVISED R-9** - Resolution Approving the Naming of a Portion of the Riverwalk Walking Trail, along the North Side of the New River, between SW 4th Ave and SW 2nd Ave, partially located in the H-1 Historic Preservation Zoning District of Fort Lauderdale, as the "Edward D. Stone Jr. Trail at Riverwalk" and Authorizing the Installation of Two Monument Signs within Specified Boundaries Approved by the Historic Preservation Board- (Commission District 2)

Recommendation

Staff recommends the City Commission adopt a resolution approving the naming of a portion of the Walking Trail, along the North Side of the New River, between SW 4th Ave and SW 2nd Ave, located in the Historic District Edward D. Stone Jr. Trail at Riverwalk Historic District and authorizing the installation of two monument signs within specified boundaries approved by the Historic Preservation Board.

Background

In May 2021, the Parks and Recreation Department was contacted by Edward D. Stone, Associates (EDSA) with a proposal to name a portion of the walking trail, along the North Side of the New River, between SW 4th Ave and SW 2nd Ave, located in the in the Historic District, Edward D. Stone Jr. Trail at Riverwalk Historic District. In addition, EDSA proposed the financing and placement of two monuments on the Riverwalk, one at the east end, close to the railroad tracks and the other on the west end.

In compliance with the Guidelines for Naming Parks, Recreation Areas and Facilities (Exhibit 2), Parks and Recreation staff notified the surrounding homeowners associations of the suggested name (Exhibit 3). In addition, two public advisory notices were placed at the property to notice that the proposed naming would be on the August 17, 2021, City Commission Meeting for approval. The item was discussed at the June 23, 2021, Parks, Recreation and Beaches Board. After reviewing the item, a motion was made by Joann Smith, seconded by Deborah Rosenbaum, to accept the naming of a portion of the Historic District along the Fort Lauderdale Riverwalk, the Edward D. Stone Jr. Trail at

Riverwalk Historic District and to add two monument signs on the east and west end of the Riverwalk. The motion was approved unanimously. A site map marking the location of the trail is attached as Exhibit 9.

On September 1, 2020, this item was presented to the Historic Preservation Board for review and approval. This item was approved unanimously 8 to 0 (Exhibit 8).

Resource Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

Strategic Connections

This item is a 2021 Top Commission Priority, advancing Parks and Public Places initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024 Strategic Plan*, specifically advancing:

- The Public Places Focus Area
- Goal 3: Building a healthy and engaging community
- Objective: Improve access to and enjoyment of our beach, waterways, parks, and open spaces for everyone.

This item advances the *Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Here*.

Attachments

Exhibit 1 – Naming Proposal

Exhibit 2 – Guidelines for Naming a Park

Exhibit 3 – Letter to HOA #1

Exhibit 4 – Letter to HOA #2

Exhibit 5 – Letter to HOA #3

Exhibit 6 – Letter to HOA #4

Exhibit 7 – Parks, Recreation and Beaches Board Minutes 06/23/2021

Exhibit 8 – Historic Preservation Board Draft Minutes 09/01/2021

Exhibit 9 – Site Plan

Exhibit 10 – Resolution

Prepared by: Carolyn Bean, Parks and Recreation

Department Director: Phil Thornburg, Parks and Recreation