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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

6:00 PM

Broward Center for the Performing Arts - Abdo Room - 201 SW 5th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312

City Commission Regular Meeting

FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION

DEAN J. TRANTALIS Mayor
BEN SORENSEN Vice Mayor - Commissioner - District 4
JOHN C. HERBST Commissioner - District 1
STEVEN GLASSMAN Commissioner - District 2
PAM BEASLEY-PITTMAN Commissioner - District 3

RICKELLE WILLIAMS, City Manager
SHARI L. McCARTNEY, City Attorney
PATRICK REILLY, City Auditor
DAVID R. SOLOMAN, City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Trantalis called the meeting to order at 6:23 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Shawna Roberts - Mirror Lake Elementary
Zuri Williams - Walker Elementary
Zoey Williams - Walker Elementary

MOMENT OF SILENCE

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Commissioner John C. Herbst, Commissioner Steven Glassman, Commissioner Pam Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Ben Sorensen and Mayor Dean J. Trantalis

COMMISSION QUORUM ESTABLISHED

Also Present: City Manager Rickelle Williams, City Clerk David R. Soloman, City Attorney Shari L. McCartney, and City Auditor Patrick Reilly

EMPLOYEE RETIREMENTS

Mayor Trantalis announced the following employee retirements and thanked them for their service to the City:

Alain Lecusay, Police Department Records Clerk - 20 years of service; Lana Ragoonanan, Police Department Court Liaison Specialist - 23 years of service; and Robert Dunckel Office of the City Attorney Assistant City Attorney III - 38 years of service.

AGENDA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Trantalis announced the following Agenda updates:

REVISION:
CM-3 Agreement (Exhibit 1) was revised with a minor change to the confidentiality section

REMOVED:
CR-3 Remove from Agenda at the request of the City Manager
M-5 Remove from Agenda at the request of the City Manager
R-5 Remove from Agenda at the request of the City Manager

WALK-ON AGENDA ITEMS:
WALK ON - Resolution Appointing an Alternate Representative to the Solid Waste Disposal and Recyclable Materials Processing Authority of Broward County Governing Board - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4)

WALK-ON Ordinance Amending the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale by Establishing the Charter Position of Police Chief - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

WALK-ON Ordinance Amending the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale by Establishing the Charter Position of Fire Chief - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

A copy of the revision and the Walk-On items are attached to these Meeting Minutes.

Approval of MINUTES and Agenda

26-0485 Minutes for March 19, 2026, Commission Conference Meeting and March 19, 2026, Commission Regular Meeting - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Vice Mayor Sorensen made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes and the Agenda, as amended, and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman.

APPROVED AS AMENDED - Agenda Amended

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

PRESENTATIONS

PRES-1 26-0513 Commissioner Beasley-Pittman to present a Proclamation declaring May 19, 2026, as Dillard High School Lady Panthers Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman presented a Proclamation declaring *May 19, 2026, as Dillard High School Lady Panthers Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale,* reading the Proclamation in its entirety and presented certificates to each team member.

The Proclamation was accepted by Dillard High School Lady Panthers Head Coach George Adams and Senior Gabrielle King who thanked the Commission for this recognition.

PRESENTED

PRES-2 26-0515

Commissioner Glassman to present a Proclamation declaring May 2026, as Jewish American Heritage Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Glassman presented a Proclamation declaring *May 2026, as Jewish American Heritage Month in the City of Fort Lauderdale,* reading the Proclamation in its entirety.

Sandy Ala, Chief Operating and Program Officer of Goodman Jewish Family Services, accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Commission for this recognition.

PRESENTED

PRES-3 26-0442

Commissioner Herbst to present a Proclamation declaring May 15, 2026, as National Law Enforcement Officer Memorial Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Commissioner Herbst presented a Proclamation declaring *May 15, 2026, as National Peace Officers Memorial Day in the City of Fort Lauderdale,* reading the Proclamation in its entirety.

Police Department Chief William Schultz and members of Fort Lauderdale Police Department accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Commission for this recognition.

PRESENTED

PRES-4 26-0443

Mayor Trantalis to present a Proclamation declaring May 18-25, 2026, as National Beach Safety Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale

Mayor Trantalis presented a Proclamation declaring *May 18-25, 2026, as National Beach Safety Week in the City of Fort Lauderdale*, reading the Proclamation in its entirety.

Fire-Rescue Department Ocean Rescue Chief Alexandre Bagwell, accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Commission for this recognition.

PRESENTED

CONSENT AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Commissioner Glassman requested Consent Agenda item CM-3 be pulled for separate discussion.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Vice Mayor Sorensen made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and was seconded by Commissioner Beasley-Pittman.

Approve the Consent Agenda

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

CONSENT MOTIONS

CM-1 26-0358 Motion Approving Fiscal Year 2026 Beach Business Improvement District Grant Participation Agreement with Swim Fort Lauderdale Booster Club, Inc. for the SFTL Speedo Summer Classic - $6,000 - (Commission District 2)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

CM-2 26-0380 Motion Approving Grant Application - FY 2025 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program - $92,232 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

CM-4 26-0344 Motion Approving a Retroactive Agreement and Change Order No. 4 for the South Ocean Drive Bridge Replacement Project - Interstate Construction, LLC - 365 Day Extension and $58,359.16 - (Commission District 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS

CR-1 26-0060 Resolution Approving a Construction Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for the Construction of Street Light Improvements within the Right-of-Way of State Road 811 (NE 4 Avenue) Associated with the NE 4 Avenue Streetscape Improvement Project - (Commission District 2)

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

CR-2 26-0336 Resolution Delegating the City Manager the Authority to Execute a State-Funded Grant Agreement with the Florida Department of Transportation for a Grant in the Amount of $500,000 for the Construction Phase of the Galt Mile Street Safety Improvements Project - (Commission District 1)

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

CR-3 26-0411 Resolution Amending Resolution No. 23-123, as Amended by Resolution 25-38, Providing for an Extension for the Homeless Advisory Committee (HAC) through June 20, 2027 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

CR-4 26-0425 Resolution Approving the Renaming of the Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport Administration Building at 6000 NW 21st Avenue to “William H. Crouch Jr. Airport Administration Building" - (Commission District 1)

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

CONSENT PURCHASE

CP-1 26-0014 Motion Approving an Agreement for Invitation to Bid (ITB) No. 572-1 for Pole Setting, Removal and Disposal Services - Imperial Electric Incorporated - $250,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

CP-2 26-0293 Motion Approving an Agreement for Invitation to Bid (ITB) No. 581 for Special Event Clean-Up Services - SFM Janitorial Services, LLC - $516,100 (initial two (2)-year term contract amount) - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

CP-3 26-0377 Motion Approving an Agreement for Invitation to Bid (ITB) No. 584-3 for Fireworks - Island Outdoor Management DBA North Florida Pyrotechnics - $851,689.24 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

CP-4 26-0315 Motion Approving Awards of Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 526-3, Pre-Qualification of General and Specialty Trade Contractors (Citywide) Qualified Vendor List (QVL) - Various Pre-Qualified Pool of Contractors - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

CP-5 26-0352 Motion Approving the Final Ranking of Firms, Negotiated Fee Schedules, and Agreements for Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 501-2, Environmental Engineering Consulting Services - GHD Services, Inc. and RES Florida Consulting, LLC - $750,000 (three (3)-year estimated aggregate amount) - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

CP-6 26-0422 Motion Approving an Agreement for Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 410-2, Capital Improvement Master Plan for the Central City Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) - Alta Planning + Designs, Inc. - $200,000 - (Commission Districts 2 and 3)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Troy Liggett, Middle River Terrace Neighborhood Association President. Mr. Liggett discussed his opposition to this Agenda item because the proposed streetscape project bypassed review by the Central City Community Redevelopment Advisory Board (CCRAB) review, and explained related details, history and context.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Liggett explained that the CCRAB had previously directed the consultant to use the existing, community-developed list of prioritized streetscape projects rather than restarting the planning process that caused extensive delays.

Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Chris Cooper, Deputy City Manager. In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Mr. Cooper acknowledged the concerns raised by Mr. Liggett and recommended a two (2) week deferral to allow staff to evaluate the issues and provide the Commission with additional information.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding community outreach listed in the backup information, Mr. Cooper explained that outreach is intended to develop and prioritize capital improvement projects. In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding whether the CCRAB had voted to recommend hiring a consultant to perform the planning work, Mr. Cooper said that he did not have that information available and would research and update the Commission. Further comment and discussion ensued. Commissioner Glassman and Mayor Trantalis suggested deferral of this Agenda item.

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

CM-3 26-0378 Motion Approving Execution of a Contract with The Research Foundation of the City University of New York for Services Related to Group Violence Intervention - $218,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding measurable deliverables and performance data for the Group Violence Intervention (GVI) Program before approving additional funding, Chief Schultz said the Program is still in its initial pilot phase. The requested funding is intended to provide expert training and implementation support from John Jay College while continuing to build community outreach and volunteer development. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman expressed support for the collaborative efforts supporting the Program, noting that the City, particularly District 3, has been working closely with the Police Department. She described the Program as a promising opportunity to address group violence through intervention strategies, encouraging positive change, and improving public safety. Commissioner Beasley-Pittman encouraged continued collaboration and said that she believes the initiative has the potential to be transformative for the City.

Commissioner Glassman made a motion to approve this Agenda item and was seconded by Commissioner Beasley-Pittman.

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

MOTIONS

M-1 26-0331 Motion Approving an Agreement for Invitation to Bid (ITB) No. 550-2 - Sebastian and Seville Seawall Replacement - YC Group, LLC - $1,696,276.03 - (Commission District 2)

In response to Vice Mayor Sorensen's question regarding whether a living seawall had been considered for the seawall replacement, Brad Kaine, Public Works Department Director, said that staff's still evaluating the feasibility of incorporating a living seawall and expects to have a determination within the next thirty (30) to sixty (60) days.

Vice Mayor Sorensen reiterated his preference that living seawalls be incorporated into future seawall replacement projects whenever feasible and requested an update on the evaluation.

Commissioner Glassman noted that the Sebastian seawall location presents unique challenges because of water taxi operations and docking activity. Mr. Kaine acknowledged that staff had considered those operational constraints and advised that, while preliminary findings indicate a living seawall may be difficult to implement at that location, the evaluation and due diligence process has not yet been completed.

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

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

M-2 26-0421 Motion Approving an Increase in Contract Cost Capacity to the Invitation to Bid (ITB) No. 154-9, Annual Sewer Repairs and Replacement Agreements - Southern Underground Industries, Inc. and David Mancini & Sons, Inc. - $1,500,000 (per annual renewal aggregate amount) - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

M-3 26-0367 Motion Approving First Amendment to Incorporate Voluntary Price Reduction (VPR) to Unit Prices and Cost Capacity Increase to the Agreement related to Invitation to Bid (ITB) Event No. 266 - Annual Asphalt Mill and Resurfacing Agreement - M & M Asphalt Maintenance Inc. - $16,100,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

M-4 26-0330 Motion Approving First Amendment to Incorporate Voluntary Price Reduction (VPR) to Unit Prices and Cost Capacity Increase to the Agreement Related to Invitation to Bid (ITB) No. 269-3, for Annual Concrete and Paver Stones - Team Contracting, Inc. - $11,800,000 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

M-5 26-0423 Appeal of the Chief Procurement Officer's Denial of Protest Submitted by Communications International, Inc. on the Recommendation to Award Request for Proposals (RFP) No. 549, P25 Radio Communication System Refresh-Replacement - Rebid - Motorola Solutions, Inc. - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

RESOLUTIONS

R-1 26-0478 Appointment of Board and Committee Members - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

City Clerk Soloman read the names of nominees for appointment and/or reappointment to Advisory Boards and Committees at the June 2, 2026, Commission Regular Meeting.

City Clerk Soloman read the names of Board and Committee appointments and/or reappointments for Agenda item R-1 into the record and noted the additional nomination of Dadly Filius to the Education Advisory Board following Agenda publishing.

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman introduced this Resolution as amended which was read by title only.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

R-2 26-0164 Resolution Accepting the Sidewalk Master Plan - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis explained that Agenda item R-2 relates to today's BUS-3 Conference Agenda item - Sidewalk Master Plan Update, which could not be addressed due to time constraints. Both BUS-3 and R-2 would be discussed together.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Milos Majstorovic, Transportation and Mobility Department Director. Mr. Majstorovic provided an overview of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Karen Warfel, Transportation and Mobility Department Division Manager. Ms. Warfel narrated a presentation entitled *Sidewalk Master Plan 2025 (Plan).*

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

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding how much of the Plan could be completed with the available funding, Mr. Majstorovic estimated sidewalk construction costs at approximately $500,000 to $600,000 per mile, subject to project scope and complexity, and indicated that the available funding should allow the City to complete a significant portion of the prioritized improvements. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Vice Mayor Sorensen's question, Ms. Warfel confirmed that the Harbordale 15th Street pedestrian walkway in District 4 is included in Tier One.

Vice Mayor Sorensen introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

R-3 26-0445 Resolution Approving a Maintenance Memorandum of Agreement for State Road 811 (NE 4 Avenue) with the Florida Department of Transportation for Lighting Improvements within the Right-of-Way of State Road 811 - (Commission District 2)

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

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

R-4 26-0415 Resolution Approving an Application for a Dock Permit for Usage of Public Property by Robert L. Gallagher, adjacent to 1101 Cordova Road, for a Proposed Wood Marginal Dock and Authorizing Execution of a Declaration of Restrictive Covenants - (Commission District 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Steve Witten, 33 S. Gordon Road, Marine Advisory Board (MAB) Member. Mr. Witten confirmed his retirement from the MAB. Commission Members thanked Mr. Witten for his years of volunteerism serving the City.

Vice Mayor Sorensen introduced this Resolution for approval which was read by title only.

ADOPTED for Approval

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

R-5 26-0455 Resolution Conceptually Supporting Broward County's Proposed Colors and Design Sequences for the Art Lighting System and Lighting Project for the E. Clay Shaw Jr. Bridge - (Commission District 4)

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

R-6 26-0469 Resolution Declaring Notice of Intent to Convey City-Owned Property Located at 1306 NW 6 Street in the Northwest-Progresso-Flagler Heights Community Redevelopment Area to the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency and Setting a Public Hearing for July 2, 2026, Pursuant to Section 8.02 of the City Charter - (Commission District 3)

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

R-7 26-0537 Resolution Approving the First Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Fort Lauderdale and the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency, to add the Capital Improvement Master Plan Project for the Central City Community Redevelopment Area - (Commission Districts 2 and 3)

REMOVED FROM AGENDA

R-8 26-0388 Quasi-Judicial Resolution Approving the Vacation of a Five (5) Foot-wide by Fifty (50) Foot-long Storm Drainage Easement - Four Ten Properties LLC - 221 SE 12 Avenue and 1117 East Las Olas Blvd - Case No. UDP-EV25006 - (Commission District 4)

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

Each Commission Member disclosed verbal communications, written communications, site visits, and expert opinions received.

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Vice Mayor Sorensen made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman. Roll call showed AYES: Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen, and Mayor Trantalis

Vice Mayor Sorensen introduced this Resolution which was read by title only.

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PH-1 26-0384 Public Hearing - Quasi-Judicial Ordinance Approving a Rezoning Located at 221 SE 12 Avenue from Residential Multifamily Low Rise/Medium Density (RM-15) District to Community Business (CB) District with Allocation of 0.14 Acres of Commercial Flex and Approval of an Associated Site Plan Level IV Development Permit for a Waterway Use with Landscaped Yard Reduction for 20,337

Square Feet of Retail Use and 11,816 Square Feet of Office Use with an Associated Parking Reduction - Four Ten Properties LLC - Case No. UDP-RS25001 - (Commission District 4)

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

Each Commission Member disclosed verbal communications, written communications, site visits, and expert opinions received.

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Ed Dykes, 3133 Lake Ridge Lane, Weston, Weston Jewelers (Applicant). Mr. Dykes spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Stephanie Toothaker, Esq., 901 Ponce de Leon Drive, on behalf of the Applicant. Ms. Toothaker narrated a presentation entitled *Weston Jewelers, 1117 E. Las Olas Blvd, in the heart of the Las Olas Commercial District, Agenda items R-8 and PH-1.*

A copy of the presentation is attached to these Meeting Minutes.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions regarding the proposed height and parking of the project, Ms. Toothaker explained that the requested rezoning is consistent with the area's adopted land-use framework and that City Code requires one hundred twenty-nine (129) parking spaces, which was reduced to one hundred nineteen (119) spaces after applying a shared-use parking analysis. The applicant has secured one hundred (100) off-site parking spaces and is continuing to identify additional parking opportunities.

In response to Vice Mayor Sorensen's questions regarding the Letter of Intent for Off-Site Parking Agreements (LOI), Ms. Toothaker explained that the LOI parking agreements have varying terms. One agreement has a twenty-five (25) year term, while the remaining agreements are for five (5) years with renewal options based on the individual property owners' requirements. Ms. Toothaker said that this approach is consistent with prior City approvals granting substantial parking reductions for comparable developments.

In response to Vice Mayor Sorensen's request for clarification on the Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) requirements for off-site parking, Ms. Toothaker confirmed that required parking must be provided on-site, and off-site parking must be within seven hundred feet (700') of the development and connected by a safe pedestrian path. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Vice Mayor Sorensen's question regarding whether other projects in the area had entered into similar LOIs, Ms. Toothaker said that she was not aware of any. Vice Mayor Sorensen said that he was unaware of the dramatic parking reductions. Mayor Trantalis noted parking reduction precedents set by the Planning and Zoning Board. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding the anticipated daily customer volume, Mr. Dykes stated that the Weston Jewelers location in Weston averages approximately thirty-five (35) customer visits per day.

Commissioner Herbst expressed concern that increased parking demand could negatively affect residents in the nearby Colee Hammock neighborhood and remarked on employee parking. Further comment and discussion ensued regarding stronger enforcement of the residential parking permit program, including towing unauthorized vehicles.

In response to Commissioner Herbst's question, Milos Majstorovic, Transportation and Mobility Department Director, explained reporting aspects of illegal parking such as blocked driveways in the Colee Hammock neighborhood. Police Chief William Schultz clarified that towing vehicles from private property or blocked driveways is the responsibility of the property owner or resident, not the Police Department. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Beasley-Pittman expressed concern that approving a significant parking reduction will result in overflow parking in nearby residential neighborhoods and cited examples in District 3 where reduced on-site parking has led to vehicles parking along swales, blocking churches, and creating ongoing enforcement challenges.

In response to Commissioner Beasley-Pittman's question regarding what commitments the applicant would be willing to make to assure neighboring residents that parking impacts would be addressed, Ms. Toothaker discussed available options to enforce illegal parking in the surrounding neighborhood. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Vice Mayor Sorensen discussed his efforts with the Colee Hammock residential parking permit program as an effective model for managing neighborhood parking impacts and noted that it has been refined over time to better protect residents. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Commissioner Herbst's questions regarding future conditional use of the property, Ms. Toothaker explained that, as negotiated with the Beverly Heights neighborhood, the applicant has agreed to restrict the development to the specific site plan presented. Ms. Toothaker confirmed that a future owner of this property could apply to amend these approved uses and would have to begin a new approval process and obtain approval from the Commission.

In response to Vice Mayor Sorensen's question regarding the enforceability of the conditional use language included in the presentation, City Attorney McCartney confirmed staff would review and verify between First and Second Readings. Commissioner Herbst requested Ms. Toothaker provide information regarding conditional approval to the City Attorney prior to Agenda item discussion. Ms. Toothaker confirmed and reviewed Beverly Heights' conditions of approval.

Mayor Trantalis noted that many resident emails and public comments received by the Commission focused on the parking reduction request, which was addressed in the presentation and included the applicant's commitment to provide more than one hundred (100) off-site parking spaces.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Kristin LaFleur, 110 SE 10th Avenue, Beverly Heights Association. Ms. LaFleur remarked on support for the project, stating that the applicant had worked collaboratively with the neighborhood to address concerns regarding land use, parking, and neighborhood compatibility through negotiated project modifications.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Lesley Mitchell Jones, 17 SE 10th Avenue. Ms. Mitchell Jones commented on support for the proposed redevelopment while emphasizing the need for safeguards to ensure the zoning approval does not create an adverse precedent for future encroachment into Beverly Heights.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Eric Katz, 111 SE 8th Avenue, Beverly Heights Association. Mr. Katz expressed support for the project, stating that the applicant had worked collaboratively with the neighborhood and discussed related information.

Mayor Trantalis recognized LaDonna Vieweg, 1304 SE 2nd Street. Ms. Vieweg discussed her perspective regarding this Agenda item, stated that she supports the proposed development in concept but continues to have concerns, cited examples, and requested additional assurances before supporting the application.

Commissioner Glassman commented on the applicant's outreach to Beverly Heights and Colee Hammock neighborhoods. Ms. Vieweg said that she could not explain why Colee Hammock had not experienced the same level of engagement as the Beverly Heights neighborhood. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Anthony Abbate, 1222 SE 1st Street. Mr. Abbate spoke in opposition to the zoning change and remarked on concerns regarding precedent, parking issues, and neighborhood impact.

Vice Mayor Sorensen committed to working with the Colee Hammock neighborhood and staff to strengthen the residential parking permit program.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Steve Nudelberg, 1550 SE 2nd Court. Mr. Nudelberg spoke in support of this Agenda item, stating that it would revitalize the underperforming area and that the applicant had demonstrated a willingness to address community concerns.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Christine Demaro, 1315 Miami Road. Ms. Demaro spoke in opposition to this Agenda item and discussed concerns related to building heights and parking.

Mayor Trantalis emphasized that the City's objective is to encourage a mix of commercial development along Las Olas Boulevard rather than uniform building heights. He noted that having a lower percentage of tall buildings is desirable because the goal is to achieve a diverse streetscape with varying scales of development. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Andrea Cioara, 2933 Birch Terrance, Davie, on behalf of the applicant. Ms. Cioara spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized J.K. McCrea, 111 E. Las Olas Boulevard. Ms. McCrea discussed concerns related to the project's scale and expansion into residential neighborhoods.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Doug Cohen, 449 NE 17th Way. Mr. Cohen spoke in support of this project, noting it strikes an appropriate balance between protecting neighborhoods and promoting economic growth.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jeff Ostrow, 411 N. New River Drive, 401 Properties, Weston Jewelers. Mr. Ostrow spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Sam Terkiel, 500 E. Las Olas Boulevard, Weston Jewelers. Mr. Terkiel spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Dr. Gerald Glass, 3480 Derby Lane, Weston, on behalf of Weston Jewelers. Dr. Glass spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Heath Eskalyo, 3470 Windmill Ranch Road, Weston. Mr. Eskalyo spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Marc Falsetto, 73 Isle of Venice. Mr. Falsetto spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jim Brady, 228 SE 17th Avenue. Mr. Brady spoke in opposition to this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Gary Wasserman, 101 S. Fort Lauderdale Beach Boulevard, on behalf of the Applicant. Mr. Wasserman spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Daniel McDermott, 117 SE 12th Avenue. Mr. McDermott spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jeff Olefson 333 Las Olas Way. Mr. Olefson spoke in support of this Agenda item and questioned the possible impact project construction would have on the surrounding community.

Vice Mayor Sorensen explained that the alleyway next to the Whitfield is expected to reopen within weeks after final traffic flow and design work is completed.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding what actions would be taken to ensure project timelines and other construction related concerns, including ensuring that the Himmarshee Canal remains open during construction, Jay Weaver, Moss & Associates Construction Director, said they anticipate completing the project by December 2027, commits to ongoing communication with residents throughout construction and confirmed plans for minimizing traffic impacts.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Larry Moskowitz, 188 Fiesta Way. Mr.

Moskowitz spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Jack Jackintelle, 20 SE 19th Avenue. Mr. Jackintelle spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Elena Herskowitz, 705 Poinciana Drive. Ms. Herskowitz spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Dan McNulty, 1111 E. Las Olas Boulevard. Mr. McNulty discussed his viewpoint and concerns related to this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Patty Bloom, 1111 E. Las Olas Boulevard. Ms. Bloom spoke in opposition to this Agenda item. Mayor Trantalis remarked on his recollection of prior objections related to development in this area. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Michelle Spencer Young, 221 SW 1st Avenue. Ms. Young spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Viorica Neagu, 1111 E. Las Olas Boulevard. Ms. Neagu spoke in opposition to this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Walt McCrory, 415 SE 17th Avenue. Mr. McCrory discussed his opposition to the current design of this project.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Anthony Santiago, 1201 River Reach Drive. Mr. Santiago spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Mary Fertig, 511 Poinciana Drive, on behalf of the Idlewyld Improvement Association. Ms. Fertig requested more accurate and consistent staff reports associated with this Agenda item and urged the City to complete a comprehensive parking study before approving further parking reductions.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Michael Schneider, 139 Fiesta Way. Mr. Schneider discussed project design concerns and compatibility with adjacent properties.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Anthony Battista, 1111 E. Las Olas Boulevard. Mr. Battista spoke in opposition to the project design and recommended it comply with existing zoning to preserve the character of the surrounding neighborhood.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' request, Vice Mayor Sorensen made a motion to extend the meeting to 11:00 p.m. and was seconded by

Commissioner Glassman.

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sorensen, Vice Mayor Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

There being no one else wishing to speak on this item, Vice Mayor Sorensen made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Commissioner Glassman. Roll call showed AYES: Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen, and Mayor Trantalis

Vice Mayor Sorensen expressed support for this Agenda item, contingent upon incorporating the applicant's commitments into enforceable conditions of approval. He noted additional work with City Attorney McCartney would be necessary to ensure the commitments and representations made during the meeting were properly incorporated into this amended Ordinance. Vice Mayor Sorensen said that he believes planned parking improvements will adequately address neighborhood concerns.

Commissioner Glassman discussed the importance of basing the Commission's decision on ULDR criteria, noting that many of the concerns raised during the public hearing, including parking, building height, and rezoning, should be evaluated against that criteria.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding whether the proposed rezoning was consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan, Ella Parker, Development Services Department Deputy Director, confirmed and explained that the property's Commercial Flex land use designation supports the proposed rezoning.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding whether the proposed rezoning would adversely impact the character of the surrounding area, Ms. Parker said that staff found the proposal to be consistent with the character of development and uses along the East Las Olas Boulevard corridor.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding meeting utility service adequacy and neighborhood compatibility criteria, Ms. Parker confirmed and explained related information including the Capacity Letter included in the backup information. Commissioner Glassman noted the importance of adequate utility capacity, citing significant infrastructure investments.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding the importance of the project's architectural design features, Ms. Parker explained that the design helps reduce the perceived scale and mass of the building and is consistent with the surrounding urban context.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding the project's compliance with the ULDR waterway use criteria, Ms. Parker explained that while no setback is provided along the canal frontage, the remaining property lines meet or exceed the required setbacks, and the configuration is consistent with other developments along the west side of the canal and is not unusual for the area. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Glassman noted that the ULDR allows parking reductions when a public parking facility is located within seven hundred (700) feet of the project, is connected by a safe pedestrian path, and referenced the parking study included in the agenda backup. Ms. Parker confirmed that the applicant demonstrated sufficient parking and that the shared parking analysis showed available parking during peak demand periods.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's question regarding whether the project satisfied the ULDR flexibility criteria permitting commercial uses through the allocation of non-residential flex acreage and whether the project was consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, Ms. Parker confirmed.

In response to Commissioner Glassman's questions regarding whether the applicant had satisfied the public participation requirements, Ms. Parker confirmed that the applicant conducted the required public participation meeting and exceeded minimum outreach requirements through additional meetings with surrounding property owners and neighborhood representatives.

Commissioner Glassman noted that the Commission is legally obligated to evaluate development applications based on the Comprehensive Plan and ULDR, that approval of this Agenda item is warranted, and expounded on his viewpoint.

Commissioner Herbst confirmed his support for the project is contingent upon City Attorney McCartney's review of the conditions and commitments discussed during the meeting and incorporated into approval of this Agenda item before the Second Reading.

Vice Mayor Sorensen introduced this Ordinance on First Reading which was read by title only.

PASSED FIRST READING

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

Mayor Trantalis recessed the meeting at 10:13 p.m.

Mayor Trantalis reconvened the meeting at 10:26 p.m.

PH-2 26-0349 Public Hearing - Quasi-Judicial Ordinance Approving a Rezoning from Heavy Commercial/Light Industrial Business (B-3) District to Uptown Urban Village Southeast (UUV-SE) District - 500 NW 62 Street - Pinnacle Corporate Park, LLC - Case No. UDP-Z26001 - (Commission District 1)

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

Each Commission Member disclosed verbal communications, written communications, site visits, and expert opinions received.

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Herbst made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Vice Mayor Sorensen. Roll call showed AYES: Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen, and Mayor Trantalis

Commissioner Herbst introduced this Ordinance on First Reading which was read by title only.

PASSED FIRST READING

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

PH-3 26-0389 Public Hearing Second Reading - Quasi-Judicial Ordinance Approving the Vacation of a 127-Foot-Long and Forty (40) -Foot-Wide Portion of NE 8 Street and NE 15 Avenue - GO-3 Development, Inc. - Case No. UDP-V25001 - (Commission District 2)

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

Each Commission Member disclosed verbal communications, written communications, site visits, and expert opinions received.

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Herbst made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Vice Mayor Sorensen. Roll call showed AYES: Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen, and Mayor Trantalis

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

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

PH-4 26-0390 Public Hearing Second Reading - Quasi-Judicial Ordinance Approving the Vacation of a 719 Square Foot Right-of-Way and Road Easement within a Ten (10)-Foot-wide by Sixty-Five (65) -Foot-long Portion of NE 15 Avenue - GO-3 Development, Inc. - Case No. UDP-V25002 - (Commission District 2)

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

Each Commission Member disclosed verbal communications, written communications, site visits, and expert opinions received.

Mayor Trantalis opened the public hearing.

There being no one wishing to speak on this item, Commissioner Glassman made a motion to close the public hearing and was seconded by Vice Mayor Sorensen. Roll call showed AYES: Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen, and Mayor Trantalis

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

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

ORDINANCE FIRST READING

OFR-1 26-0102 First Reading - Ordinance Amending Chapter 24 - Solid Waste, Article II - Municipal Collection and Disposal Services, Section 24-27(b), to Eliminate the Fee for Relocation of Solid Waste Containers and Establish Improper Container Placement as a Citable Offense Enforced Pursuant to Chapter 11 - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Commissioner Herbst supported a more reasonable enforcement standard, recommending that residents be given more than one (1) night to remove trash containers before Code enforcement action is taken.

Mayor Trantalis agreed and stated that he had raised the issue with staff during a meeting earlier in the week. He expressed hope that Code Compliance would exercise discretion and avoid aggressive enforcement for isolated incidents.

Vice Mayor Sorensen introduced this Ordinance on First Reading which was read by title only.

PASSED FIRST READING

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

OFR-2 26-0452 First Reading - Ordinance Amending Chapter 11 - Code Enforcement, Section 11-25, Chart of Civil Penalties, to Establish Civil Penalties for Improper Solid Waste Container Placement as defined in Section 24-27(b) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Vice Mayor Sorensen introduced this Ordinance on First Reading which was read by title only.

PASSED FIRST READING

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

OFR-3 26-0526 First Reading - Ordinances Amending Various Sections of the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, City Attorney McCartney explained that the proposed Charter amendments were reorganized into separate, simplified Ordinances in response to Commission direction, improving clarity and ease of review and would be explained by staff.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Paul Bangel, Senior Assistant City

Attorney. Mr. Bangel requested Commission direction on the order in which the proposed charter amendments should appear on the ballot. In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding how many Charter amendments were anticipated, Mr. Bangel said there would be seven (7) or nine (9) based upon Commission feedback. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' questions regarding which proposed Charter amendments were included in this Agenda item and how they corresponded to the exhibits in Agenda backup information, Mr. Bangel reviewed the Charter amendments and explained that the agenda item consists of five (5) ordinances containing six (6) proposed Charter amendment questions that would appear on the November 2026 ballot. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding the proposed Civil Service Board (CSB) Charter amendment, Gabrielle Bush, Assistant City Attorney, explained that amendment would not only establish a method for resolving tie votes in CSB nominations but would also make substantive changes by modifying the composition of the election board responsible for certifying election results and removing the CSB's responsibility for reviewing job classifications. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Vice Mayor Sorensen suggested that the proposed Charter amendments appear on the ballot in the same sequence as they are listed in the Agenda materials. Mayor Trantalis concurred.

Vice Mayor Sorensen introduced this Ordinance on First Reading which was read by title only.

PASSED FIRST READING

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

OFR-4 26-0527 First Reading - Ordinances Amending the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Article VIII, Public Property - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis recognized Gabrielle Bush, Assistant City Attorney. Ms. Bush reviewed details of this Agenda item.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' request for clarification relating to City property transactions, Ms. Bush reviewed and explained the provisions contained in the first Charter amendment. Ms. Bush said that, consistent with prior Commission direction, the previously proposed unanimous Commission vote requirement for agreements exceeding fifty (50) years had been removed and now requires a supermajority.

Ms. Bush explained provisions of the second proposed Charter amendment included in this Agenda item which addresses the sale of City-owned park land and the related ballot question appears on page two (2) of this Ordinance. This Charter amendment applies specifically to property that is owned by the City and designated as park land.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question, Ms. Bush confirmed that the proposed Charter amendment governing the sale of park land is separate and distinct from the first Charter amendment. She reiterated that the second Charter amendment applies only to City owned property that has been designated as park land. Mayor Trantalis confirmed his understanding.

Ms. Bush noted that, consistent with prior Commission direction, the proposed Second Charter amendment requires a supermajority Commission vote for agreements associated with the use of public park land. Ms. Bush confirmed that the sale of City-owned park land would remain subject to voter approval by referendum.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' request, Vice Mayor Sorensen made a motion to extend the meeting to 11:30 p.m. and was seconded by Commissioner Herbst.

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sorensen, Vice Mayor Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

Mayor Trantalis recognized Mary Fertig, 511 Poinciana Drive, on behalf of *Lauderdale Tomorrow.* Ms. Fertig discussed Charter amendment recommendations associated with this Agenda item, reading from a prepared statement.

A copy of the statement is attached to the Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Marilyn Mammano, 1819 SE 17th Street. Ms. Mammano explained and suggested a Charter amendment revision.

Ms. Mammano confirmed that the Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Associations and the Central Beach Alliance support stronger protections for public land. Further comment and discussion ensued.

In response to Mayor Trantalis' question regarding whether a fifty (50) year cap would limit long-term redevelopment projects such as Bahia

Mar, Ms. Mammano clarified that the Bahia Mar development is governed by a separate Charter provision and should not be used as the basis for evaluating the proposed Charter amendment revisions. Further comment and discussion ensued. Mayor Trantalis commented on the need for redevelopment flexibility.

Mayor Trantalis said that the Commission must also consider State law, explaining that Florida statutes do not permit condominium development on land subject to a fifty (50) year lease, making longer lease terms necessary for certain redevelopment projects.

Commissioner Herbst observed that the discussion raised a potential compromise regarding long-term leases of City-owned property. He recalled previously suggesting that, if the City were to relocate City Hall and redevelop the existing site, a 99-year land lease could provide a mechanism to generate long-term revenue while retaining City ownership. Commissioner Herbst noted that such flexibility could be valuable for future redevelopment opportunities, and suggested that, rather than imposing a fifty (50) year cap, the Charter could permit ninety-nine (99) year agreements if they received unanimous Commission approval that would provide an additional safeguard for exceptionally long-term commitments while preserving the City's redevelopment options.

Commissioner Herbst confirmed his support of a compromise that would retain a four (4) vote supermajority for leases up to fifty (50) years and requiring unanimous Commission approval for public land lease terms exceeding fifty (50) years, preserving the City's flexibility to redevelop public property. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Mayor Trantalis noted there is merit to requiring unanimous Commission approval for exceptionally long-term agreements. Commissioner Glassman concurred with the Charter amendment recommendations discussed.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Dr. Trudy Jermanovich, 1220 SW 13th Circle. Dr. Jermanovich discussed the need to complete Sunrise Middle School improvements before matching funds expire, advocated for stronger protections for park land, and submitted photographs of Snyder Park.

A copy of the photographs is attached to these Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Vicki Mowrey, One Las Olas Circle. Ms. Mowrey spoke in support of *Lauderdale Tomorrow's* recommendations regarding this Agenda item and expounded on her viewpoint.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Nancy Thomas, 1924 Admirals Way. Ms. Thomas spoke in support of this Agenda item.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Michael Schneider, 139 Fiesta Way. Mr. Schneider spoke in support of protecting public lands, reading from a prepared statement.

Mayor Trantalis recognized Barbra Stern, 1929 NE 1st Avenue. Ms. Stern discussed her support of this Agenda item and concurred with Ms. Fertig and Ms. Mammano's recommendations.

Further comment and discussion ensued regarding retaining stronger Commission voting requirements for actions involving City park land. Mayor Trantalis confirmed a consensus to require a unanimous Commission vote for both the disposition and rezoning of park land and the long-term leases of park land.

Vice Mayor Sorensen remarked on his understanding regarding requiring a four (4) vote supermajority for park land leases of up to fifty (50) years and requiring a unanimous Commission vote for park land leases exceeding fifty (50) years. Mr. Bangel confirmed.

Mr. Bangel pointed out that, under the proposed Charter amendment, the sale of City-owned park land would require approval by the voters through a referendum conducted at a special election. Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis confirmed that should be removed.

In response to Ms. Bush's question, Mayor Trantalis summarized the Commission's consensus regarding the proposed Charter amendments affecting park land. Mayor Trantalis stated that any sale, lease, license, concession, use agreement, or rezoning of park land should require a unanimous vote of the City Commission, for those use agreements exceeding one (1) year, consistent with the existing Charter. The Commission agreed that agreements for one (1) year or less could continue to be approved under the existing authority. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Vice Mayor Sorensen noted that the revised unanimous approval requirement for long-term park land agreements rendered the proposed renewal and extension language unnecessary. Mayor Trantalis confirmed.

In response to City Clerk Soloman's question, Mayor Trantalis confirmed that the ordinances would be introduced as amended, with the additional revisions discussed during this meeting to be incorporated before Second Reading.

Vice Mayor Sorensen introduced this Ordinance on First Reading as amended which was read by title only.

PASSED FIRST READING AS AMENDED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

In response to Mayor Trantalis' request, Commissioner Herbst made a motion to extend the meeting to 11:45 p.m. and was seconded by Vice Mayor Sorensen.

APPROVED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Commissioner Sorensen, Vice Mayor Herbst, and Mayor Trantalis

26-0572 WALK-ON Ordinance Amending the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale by Establishing the Charter Position of Police Chief - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Vice Mayor Sorensen said that the proposed Charter amendments regarding Walk-On Agenda items 26-0571 and 26-0572 warrant additional public review and that they be referred to both the Charter Revision Board and the Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Associations for further consideration.

In response to Vice Mayor Sorensen's question regarding why the City Manager is the only Charter officer required to reside within the City, Commissioner Herbst confirmed and provided related context, cited examples, and explained that the residency requirement exists because the City Manager is expected to respond to emergencies twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week.

Vice Mayor Sorensen questioned whether, if the proposed Charter amendments designate the Police Chief and Fire Chief as Charter officers, they should also be subject to the same residency expectations as the City Manager, given their responsibility to respond to emergencies.

City Attorney McCartney noted that such a requirement could be established by ordinance and clarified that the City Manager's residency requirement is contained in the Charter. Further comment and discussion ensued.

Commissioner Herbst acknowledged the emergency responsibilities of the Police Chief and Fire Chief and suggested that any residency requirement should apply to both. Current Police and Fire-Rescue Department Chiefs would not be required to relocate, but future appointees would understand that residency in the City would be a condition of accepting the position.

Commissioner Herbst introduced this Ordinance on First Reading which was read by title only.

PASSED FIRST READING

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman and Mayor Trantalis

Nay: 2 - Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Vice Mayor Sorensen

26-0571 WALK-ON Ordinance Amending the Charter of the City of Fort Lauderdale by Establishing the Charter Position of Fire Chief - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

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

PASSED FIRST READING

Yea: 3 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman and Mayor Trantalis

Nay: 2 - Commissioner Beasley-Pittman and Vice Mayor Sorensen

WALK-ON RESOLUTIONS

26-0569 WALK ON - Resolution Appointing Primary and Alternate Representative to the Solid Waste Disposal and Recyclable Materials Processing Authority of Broward County Governing Board - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Mayor Trantalis confirmed that Commissioner Beasley-Pittman agreed to serve as the Commission's alternate representative to the Solid Waste Disposal and Recyclable Materials Processing Authority of Broward County Governing Board.

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

ADOPTED

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

ORDINANCE SECOND READING

OSR-1 26-0493 Second Reading - Ordinance Amending Chapter 28, Article II of the Code of Ordinances to Clarify Ownership, Maintenance, Repair, Installation, and Cost Responsibility for Sewer Laterals and Related Sewer Infrastructure - (Commission Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Vice Mayor Sorensen introduced this Ordinance on Second Reading which was read by title only.

ADOPTED ON SECOND READING

Yea: 5 - Commissioner Herbst, Commissioner Glassman, Commissioner Beasley-Pittman, Vice Mayor Sorensen and Mayor Trantalis

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Trantalis adjourned the meeting at 11:37 p.m.

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Dean J. Trantalis
Mayor

ATTEST:

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David R. Soloman
City Clerk