



CITY OF COCONUT CREEK CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

**Government Center
4800 W. Copans Road
Coconut Creek, Florida**

**Date: June 13, 2024
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Meeting No. 2024-0613R**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sandra L. Welch called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

PRESENT UPON ROLL CALL:

Mayor Sandra L. Welch
Vice Mayor Jacqueline Railey (via Communication Media Technology)
Commissioner Joshua Rydell
Commissioner John A. Brodie
Commissioner Jeffrey R. Wasserman
City Manager Sheila N. Rose
City Attorney Terrill C. Pyburn
City Clerk Joseph J. Kavanagh

Mayor Welch asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Attorney Pyburn noted that the meeting was being conducted live with a quorum physically present and explained the procedures for the meeting.

PRESENTATION(S)

- 1. 24-113 A PRESENTATION OF THE COCONUT CREEK MAYOR'S AWARD FOR THE 2024 BOYS BASKETBALL LEAGUE.**

Parks and Recreation Supervisor Melissa See recognized the following players, who exemplified outstanding sportsmanship and promoted a positive experience for all participants during league play:

- 7U Division – Kaileb Griffin (Heat team)
- 9U Division – Kamden Myrie (Lakers team)
- 11U Division – Chayse Baxter (Raptors team)
- 13U Division – Joseph VanDerVoort (Thunder team)
- 16U Division – Bryan Alvin (Lakers team)

- 2. 24-110 A PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING THIRD QUARTER EMPLOYEE MILESTONE ANNIVERSARIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024.**

Human Resources Director Pamela Kershaw recognized the following employees, who reached a milestone anniversary during the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2024:

Five (5) Year Anniversary

Kathy Mehaffey, Deputy City Attorney, City Attorney's Office
Elizabeth Perez, Senior Accountant, Finance & Administrative Services Department

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Kyle Houston, Police Officer, Police Department
Alexander Lukianov, Police Officer, Police Department
Ty Morgan, Police Officer, Police Department
Emmanuel Torres-Carrasquillo, Police Officer, Police Department
Jeremy Golembiewski, Utility Service Worker II, Utilities & Engineering Department
Joseph Rodriguez, Utility Service Worker II, Utilities & Engineering Department

Ten (10) Year Anniversary

O’Meil Molyneaux, Police Officer, Police Department
Linda Whitman, Sustainability Manager, Sustainable Development Department

Fifteen (15) Year Anniversary

Peta-Gay Lake, Director, Finance & Administrative Services Department
Steven James, Police Officer, Police Department

Twenty-five (25) Year Anniversary

Sheila Rose, City Manager, City Manager’s Office
Ken Brown, GIS Coordinator, Information Technology Department
Danielle DeBarros, Assistant Director, Parks & Recreation Department

INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC

Susan Steinhauser, 5842 Eagle Cay Circle, Coconut Creek, commented on the Constitutional Amendments scheduled to appear on the November ballot and stated she hoped for an amendment in 2026 to preserve the right to clean and healthy waterways. She asked that the City consider passing a resolution in support and stated volunteers were needed to gather signatures on petitions.

Mikkie Belvedere, 3502 Bimini Lane, Coconut Creek, shared regarding the Multicultural Circle and its events and commented that the City’s application for the position of Poet Laureate was too complicated and would not be completed. She suggested all of the poets in the community, published and unpublished, be invited to create a Poets Society. She noted a variety of poets would provide for a range of occasions.

CONSENT AGENDA (*Items 3 and 6*)

Mayor Welch read each of the titles of the Consent Agenda Items into the record. Agenda Items 4 and 5 were pulled by Mayor Welch and heard before the Regular Agenda.

- 3. **24-107** A MOTION APPROVING THE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS CITY COMMISSION MEETING(S). (2024-0509SP AND 2024-0509R)

- 6. **RES**
 2024-095 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SUPERSPORTS OF BROWARD COUNTY, INC. FOR SPORTS OFFICIATING SERVICES PURSUANT TO RFP NO. 04-29-24-11.

MOTION: Rydell/Brodie – To approve Consent Agenda Items 3 and 6.

Upon roll call, the Motion passed by a 5-0 vote.

City Clerk

4. **RES 2024-089** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BROWARD COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS PROVIDING FOR THE ENGAGEMENT, TRAINING, ASSIGNING, AND PAYING OF POLL WORKERS, AS WELL AS THE DELIVERY AND PICK-UP OF ELECTION EQUIPMENT FOR THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024, REFERENDUM ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR ANY AND ALL NECESSARY FUTURE AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENT.

MOTION: Rydell/Wasserman – To approve Resolution No. 2024-089.

Mayor Welch highlighted the difference in election costs between a November election and a March election. City Clerk Kavanagh explained that the cost of a March Municipal Election was approximately \$110,000, and the cost of adding the City’s ballot questions to the November election was between \$23,000 and \$25,000.

Commissioner Rydell asked for clarification as to whether the cost of a November election was contingent upon what was being put on the ballot. City Clerk Kavanagh advised the cost escalates with the number of ballot pages. Discussion continued.

Upon roll call, the Resolution passed by a 5-0 vote.

Public Works

5. **RES 2024-092** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH INFINITY PLUMBING, INC. (PRIMARY CONTRACTOR) AND R&J PLUMBING AND BACKFLOW SERVICES (SECONDARY CONTRACTOR) TO PROVIDE PLUMBING SERVICES ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS PURSUANT TO RFP NO. 04-24-24-11.

Mayor Welch noted the primary contractor selected was a Coconut Creek business. She stated now that there were plumbing certifications available at a technical school in Coconut Creek, this agreement may provide jobs to those students. Public Works Director Harry Mautte stated he had spoken with the owner of Infinity Plumbing, and he noted that he would work with the school in the event of open positions.

MOTION: Wasserman/Rydell – To approve Resolution No. 2024-092.

Upon roll call, the Resolution passed by a 5-0 vote.

REGULAR AGENDA

Sustainable Development

7. **RES 2024-093** A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANTIGUA II CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION APPLICATION FOR MATCHING GRANT FUNDS FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD ENHANCEMENT GRANT PROGRAM FOR SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS.

Mayor Welch read the Resolution title into the record.

MOTION: Rydell/Brodie – To approve Resolution No. 2024-093.

Vice Mayor Railey recused herself from discussion on the item and abstained from the vote due to her position on the Wynmoor Community Council.

Commissioner Rydell sought and received consensus to excuse Vice Mayor Railey's absence due to travel issues and to approve her participation in the meeting electronically.

Assistant City Manager and Sustainable Development Director Scott Stoudenmire advised the Antigua II Condominium Association was seeking matching funds in the amount of \$8,757 from the Neighborhood Enhancement Grant program for security enhancements. He noted this was the fifth and final application for the grant for Fiscal Year 2024.

There were no questions or comments from the public on the item.

Upon roll call, the Resolution passed by a 4-0 vote, with Vice Mayor Railey abstaining, a copy of which Form 8B is attached hereto.

8. **RES 2024-094** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER, OR THEIR DESIGNEES, TO EXECUTE A TRIPARTY AGREEMENT AMONG THE BROWARD METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (BMPO) AND THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COOPERATIVE (MTECC) FOR THE LYONS ROAD MOBILITY SAFETY PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS.

Mayor Welch read the Resolution title into the record.

MOTION: Rydell/Brodie – To approve Resolution No. 2024-094.

Public Works Director Harry Mautte presented the item, explaining the Lyons Road mobility safety project was a 2023 community project provided by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the installation of pedestrian lighting on the west sidewalk of Lyons Road north of Atlantic Boulevard and south of the Sawgrass Expressway. He stated the electrical infrastructure to support the project was installed in 2019 and explained the role of each organization in the tri-party agreement. He noted construction was scheduled to commence in the second half of 2026 with a completion date in 2028.

Commissioner Rydell thanked Mayor Welch and former Mayor Mikkie Belvedere for their long-time involvement with the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (BMPO) and the vision for the project over many years. He highlighted the efforts on the part of staff, which continually resulted in the City's projects ranking well for grant funds.

Upon roll call, the Resolution passed by a 5-0 vote.

9. **24-087** A PRESENTATION TO THE CITY COMMISSION RELATING TO A POSSIBLE ORDINANCE LIMITING PLASTIC IN THE COMMUNITY.

Sustainability Manager Linda Whitman provided a brief background of the City's efforts toward limiting plastics in the community and in City operations, including the addition of a green checklist to the Development Review Committee (DRC) process, launching of a Pass Up Plastics campaign, and an operational green checklist for internal City events. She shared that the City of Gainesville had been a leader in the State in its solid waste ordinances, and residents had expressed that these changes were something they would like to see in Coconut Creek, so staff had conducted a review of the policies, identifying areas where the City was already taking steps

and those areas that may represent opportunities for enhancement.

Solid Waste Project Manager Michael Heimbach discussed the Gainesville ordinance, reviewing the items addressed by the ordinance, as well as those things that worked and did not work, and the lessons learned through the process. He pointed to single-use plastic and polystyrene product restrictions, noting the State had limited the restrictions to events on City property. He advised the Gainesville City Commission had been clear in its direction that enforcement be educational. Mr. Heimbach reviewed the goals of the Coconut Creek single-use plastic ordinance and discussed educational components, compliance, and cost considerations. He discussed the staff recommendations.

Mayor Welch commented on the impact on businesses and stated she would like to focus on events on City property and begin a more stringent application process for permits to participate in those events, as well as focus on the internal departments. She stated the City needed to lead by example. She noted she had suggested incentives to encourage businesses to participate in self-serve areas for condiments and accessories rather than mandating practices.

Commissioner Rydell stated he believed there needed to be a mandate made on businesses, and advised he did not see it as a cost detriment. He read an email from a resident that included concerns with the language related to alternatives and innovations such as polyhydroxyalkanoates (PHA) and suggested a shift in focus to require compost certified products. He noted his previous position had been that this was a tax on business, but he had since learned that appropriate education paired with a more robust ordinance would help the City's businesses.

Mr. Heimbach discussed the home compost designation briefly and noted he planned to bring the idea back to the Gainesville Commission to recommend an associated revision of their ordinance. He commented on PHA briefly, noting it was specifically designed to degrade under certain conditions, noting that the place the single-use plastic would end up needed to be considered. Commissioner Rydell asserted he believed they could be more aggressive, not just in City Hall.

Commissioner Wasserman pointed to progressive improvements in the industry in the 1900s and commented that people want to contribute. He spoke to the City's ability to lead by example and noted the City's environmental consciousness. He asserted the ordinance was important to bring forward and was a small step for the City, the County, and the Earth.

Commissioner Brodie stated he was okay with eliminating single-use plastics but thought further discussion was needed before expanding beyond the City's parks and facilities. He commented that he had a concern with government overreach into how a business was run. He suggested a voluntary partnership with local businesses to help them understand the right thing to do. He highlighted supply chain issues during Covid-19 and the potential for complaints when consumers do not receive forks with their food. He stated the ordinance was a slippery slope, which could lead to litigation.

Mayor Welch commented that no one had suggested a fine for businesses, but more of a focus on educating and incentivizing. Mr. Heimbach shared his experience in Gainesville, noting education had been the priority over Code enforcement.

Vice Mayor Railey stated she was impressed with the email previously read by Commissioner Rydell, pointing out education from a resident can change the direction of the Commission. She applauded those who take the time to do the research and share it with the Commission. She

commented that she believed there should be a plastics campaign, but the City should take baby steps. She suggested an outreach and educational program to discuss the impact of single-use plastics on the Monarch Hill landfill and the waterways. She noted paper bags, bamboo utensils, and other alternatives, and agreed the program should be voluntary.

Commissioner Rydell addressed the potential impacts of an ordinance on local business owners and highlighted examples of the single-use plastics provided by local restaurants, noting cancer concerns. He argued they were talking about greater good arguments, not unfunded mandates. Discussion continued regarding the position of and impact on local businesses.

Commissioner Wasserman pointed out the proposal was not to ban single-use plastics but to make them self-serve or on request. He commented on the proposed inclusion of balloons and confetti in the ordinance and stated he was grateful to be a part of addressing that issue, noting he supported a ban.

Consensus was to direct staff to include language in the ordinance that would restrict single-use plastics, Styrofoam, balloons, and glitter on City property, and to survey local businesses regarding the Pass Up Plastics campaign. Commissioner Brodie stated he supported a restriction on City property but did not support anything that restricted businesses unless it was supported by the business community.

Mayor Welch opened the item to public comment.

Susan Steinhauser, 5842 Eagle Cay Circle, Coconut Creek, agreed there should be an ordinance restricting single-use plastics and Styrofoam on City property. She noted when it comes to businesses, they were asking that they not automatically put the single-use plastic items in the bag, but it would still be available to the consumer. She commented on preemptions and asked that businesses and residents be surveyed separately. She stated if residents did not want the County to increase the height of Monarch Hill, they must reduce the amount of plastic they were producing.

Tammy Lettieri, 3302 Carambola Circle South, Coconut Creek stated she believed the Commission was underestimating the ability of people to change their behavior. She shared examples from her experience as a physical therapist and asserted people's concerns could be met with prepared keywords. She added that it only takes four (4) consecutive days of performing an activity before it becomes habit and stated there were businesses thriving while making the choice to have environmentally-friendly practices. She noted the importance of educating on the issue and highlighted health concerns.

There were no further questions or comments from the public comment.

City Manager Rose summarized the direction to staff and consensus. Commissioner Rydell suggested creation of a program to highlight and incentivize businesses choosing to move to alternatives.

Commissioner Wasserman expressed concern that moving to self-serve would defeat the purpose of what they were trying to accomplish with the ordinance and suggested language related to limitations. City Manager Rose noted the hope was to educate residents to change their habits and stated staff would research options to add to the ordinance language. Discussion ensued regarding enforcement in City parks.

City Attorney Pyburn explained the City's quasi-judicial procedures that would be applied to Agenda Item 10 as follows (verbatim):

Florida courts have determined that there are certain types of matters, including Item 10 on tonight's agenda, that are to be treated differently than other items considered by the Commission. In these quasi-judicial applications, the Commission is applying existing rules and policies to a factual situation and is therefore acting like a Judge and Jury do in a trial held in the courtroom. In such cases, the courts have decided that due process and fundamental fairness require that more formal procedures be followed.

The City Commission's decision must be based on the evidence and information that is presented at the public hearing including the agenda materials, Planning and Zoning Board recommendation, testimony presented at the public hearing, and the deliberations of the City Commission. The quasi-judicial procedures require that the Commission consider the evidence presented to it and base their decision on the applicable law and primarily on credible evidence presented whether by staff, the applicant, or members of the public.

In a quasi-judicial proceeding, the City Commission is not allowed to take into consideration public sentiment or the popularity of a particular development proposal or application. The City Commission may only consider competent substantial evidence. This means testimony or other evidence that a reasonable mind would accept as credible and adequate to support a conclusion. Florida courts have made it clear that mere generalized statements of opposition are to be disregarded, but fact-based testimony can be considered competent and substantial evidence. This can include eyewitness observation testimony about relevant facts and documentary evidence, including photographs, aerials, and maps. Citizens who want to participate in a quasi-judicial hearing can testify as to factual matters and any element of the case that would not require specialized training or specific academic degrees. Their testimony will be considered provided their testimony is backed up by established facts, studies, or evidence that is not conjecture or just based on a feeling. The quasi-judicial hearing process is not a popularity contest. The strict rules of evidence do not apply during the public hearing, but any comments must be relevant to the agenda item.

Everyone who seeks to speak on an item will be given an opportunity to speak. If you intend to provide testimony as to any of the applications to be considered tonight, you will be sworn in before your testimony is taken. Please know if you speak, you may be subject to cross examination; the City Commission may comment or ask questions of persons addressing the Commission at any time. If you refuse to either be cross-examined or to be sworn, your testimony will be considered in that context and given its due weight. The general public will not be permitted to cross examine witnesses but may request that the Commission direct questions on their behalf to the applicant or staff.

City Clerk Kavanagh confirmed the public notice requirements for Item 10 had been met and swore in the witnesses.

- 10. RES 2024-087** A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SITE PLAN REQUEST OF DAVID AULD OF JOHNS FAMILY PARTNERSHIP, LLLP TO PERMIT A MAXIMUM OF 124 CONDOMINIUM UNITS FOR THE PROPERTY LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A," ATTACHED HERETO AND GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS BLOCK 11 OF THE MAINSTREET AT COCONUT CREEK DEVELOPMENT. (QUASI-JUDICIAL)(PUBLIC HEARING)

Mayor Welch read the Resolution title into the record.

Commissioner Wasserman moved Item 10 for discussion, seconded by Commissioner Rydell.

City Attorney Pyburn asked for any disclosures or ex-parte communications, and the following disclosures were made:

- Commissioner Rydell spoke to Scott Backman, Dwayne Dickerson, and Landon Massel.
- Commissioner Wasserman spoke to Dwayne Dickerson, Landon Massel, and Mike Nunziata.
- Commissioner Brodie spoke to Dwayne Dickerson, Landon Massel, and Alex Rosemurgy.
- Vice Mayor Railey spoke to Scott Backman, Dwayne Dickerson, and Landon Massel.
- Mayor Welch spoke to Scott Backman, Dwayne Dickerson, Landon Massel, and Mike Nunziata.

Sustainable Development Assistant Director Justin Proffitt presented the item, noting the applicant was proposing to develop 124 condominiums on Block 11 of the MainStreet Master Plan, at the future southeast corner of Cullum and Banks Roads. He advised that the staff found the site plan, subject to conditions, was in compliance with the site plan application review standards, the Planned MainStreet Development District (PMDD), MainStreet Master Plan, MainStreet Design Standards, the City's Land Development Code, and the City's Comprehensive Plan. He noted the Planning and Zoning Advisory Board recommended approval of the application at their May 8, 2024, meeting.

Dwayne Dickerson, Miskel, and Backman, LLP, representing Johns Family Partners, LLLP, presented on behalf of the applicant. He provided a *PowerPoint* presentation, including an overview of the MainStreet area. He outlined the location of the block on an aerial of the site. He highlighted the allowable and proposed densities and the intent to focus on neighborhood design. He shared elevations and renderings and commented on features of the block briefly, noting a revision had been made to the number of electric vehicle (EV) charging stations and EV-ready parking spaces on the site following conversations with the City's elected officials.

Mayor Welch opened the public hearing.

Susan Steinhauser, 5842 Eagle Cay Circle, Coconut Creek stated she thought the project looked fabulous and highlighted an opportunity to address heat by creating shaded spots such as carports with solar panels for the EV stations.

There were no further questions or comments from the public, and Mayor Welch closed the public hearing.

Mayor Welch asked if there was a visual of the park available for review and for clarification on the location of the dumpsters. Mr. Dickerson explained three (3) dumpster locations were proposed at an average distance of approximately 150 feet. He noted the Condominium Owners Association (COA) could choose to transition to a concierge trash service in the future. Discussion continued regarding pedestrian access to the dumpsters. Mayor Welch asked if there would be rental restrictions. Mr. Dickerson stated the COA would establish guidelines, which would typically include a requirement to own for one (1) year prior to renting, as well as a restriction on short-term rentals. Mayor Welch stated she thought the design was different from anything else on the market.

Commissioner Rydell commented that he had a robust discussion with members of the development team on the open, walkable concept of the block and stated he was more comfortable due to the inclusion of a front door and the limited number of units. He stated this concept was unique and promoted walkability.

Commissioner Wasserman stated he was in full support of Block 11. He asked what kind of traffic calming was planned for the adjacent portion of Banks Road. Jay Hubner, HSQ Group, explained that the proposal included street parking, raised and lighted crosswalks, and a stop sign.

Commissioner Brodie advised that he had driven around to get a feel for how the buildings would fit into the community and thought it fit with the walkability. He stated covered parking would be difficult to clean and maintain, but there was a lot of landscaping to provide coverage.

Vice Mayor Railey stated she was also in full support of Block 11. She asked if the EV charging stations would be single or dual. Mr. Dickerson stated there would be four (4) double stations to accommodate eight (8) vehicles. Vice Mayor Railey asked if the dumpsters would be enclosed or camouflaged in any way. Mr. Dickerson stated the dumpsters would be in enclosures.

Commissioner Rydell inquired as to the projected sale price of the units. Mr. Dickerson advised that if they were sold today, prices would start in the mid to high \$400,000s, but that price would be reevaluated later in the process. Commissioner Rydell stated he believed Coconut Creek residents should be incentivized to reinvest in the community and bring family back by purchasing in MainStreet.

MOTION: Railey/Wasserman – To approve Resolution No. 2024-087.

Upon roll call, the Resolution passed by a 5-0 vote.

City Commission

11. **RES 2024-099** A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ONE (1) DELEGATE AND ONE (1) ALTERNATE DELEGATE TO REPRESENT THE CITY ON THE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AND RECYCLABLE MATERIALS PROCESSING AUTHORITY OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Mayor Welch read the Resolution title into the record.

Commissioner Wasserman moved Item 11 for discussion, seconded by Commissioner Rydell.

City Manager Rose stated this item had been placed on the agenda at the request of a member of the Commission. She advised the current resolution did not provide for a term for the City's delegate to the Solid Waste Disposal and Recyclable Materials Processing Authority of Broward County.

Commissioner Rydell asserted there was a crux issue coming before the City in the next six (6) months in terms of how they would deal with Waste Management and engage with regional partners to respond to related concerns. He commented that the City had found itself being the loudest voice in every room in terms of the landfill for some time, but there may be more sway with the County Commissioners through other means at times. He stated he would like to serve as the Commission delegate to the Authority.

Mayor Welch stated she believes that regardless of who was chosen to serve as the delegate and alternate, it behooved each member of the Commission individually to own a piece of that advocacy.

Commissioner Wasserman asked if Mayor Welch was interested in continuing as delegate.

Mayor Welch discussed her participation on the Authority first as an alternate and later as a delegate and noted she would continue her advocacy whatever the Commission chose.

Commissioner Brodie agreed everyone should be advocating and that everyone has strengths in different areas.

Vice Mayor Railey stated Mayor Welch had done a phenomenal job. She agreed that Commissioner Rydell should take over as delegate at this time and suggested Mayor Welch serve as alternate. Discussion continued.

Commissioner Wasserman nominated Commissioner Rydell to serve as delegate, seconded by Commissioner Brodie.

Commissioner Wasserman nominated Mayor Welch to serve as alternate, seconded by Vice Mayor Railey.

MOTION: Wasserman/Rydell – To approve Resolution No. 2024-099.

Upon roll call, the Resolution passed by a 5-0 vote.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Rose advised that staff anticipated cancelling the Fluffy's Foodie Food Truck Friday event due to the weather. She provided a brief update on development projects and permits. She shared that the City had received one (1) of two (2) budget appropriations from the State of Florida, \$75,000 for a wastewater access structure rehabilitation program. She shared that the City's surtax project was ranked number one (1) by the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for \$14 million toward South Creek neighborhood improvements in Fiscal Year 2028.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

City Attorney Pyburn shared that the Southern District Court of Florida had recently found for the plaintiffs in the lawsuit related to Form 6 disclosures and a preliminary injunction was granted against enforcement by the Commission on Ethics. She stated the Commissioners were now required to file the Form 1 Financial Disclosure by the July 1 deadline. City Attorney Pyburn advised that the Hage vs. Coconut Creek and Greystar appeal was still pending in the court system.

COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Rydell outlined an action of the Broward County Commission scheduled for June 18 related to increasing the height of the landfill and stated he thought Mayor Welch should pen a letter in objection and asking for participation in the ordinance drafting process. He suggested reserving a larger call for attendance for a later time in the process. City Manager Rose agreed. Discussion continued as to the appropriate strategy and consensus was to move forward as proposed. Commissioner Rydell congratulated City Manager Rose on 25 years with the City.

Commissioner Wasserman congratulated Lyons Creek Middle School Principal Vernicca Wynter on her recent promotion. He sought and received consensus to recognize Ms. Wynter with a proclamation. He shared that he looked forward to being at Wrigley Field to celebrate his first Father's Day.

Commissioner Brodie stated he had attended a number of graduations recently and shared stories of students who had been recognized. He noted the DARE program and stated he was proud to see the program still thriving in Coconut Creek. He highlighted the children’s theater production of Beauty and the Beast and recent staff promotions.

Vice Mayor Railey congratulated staff on their promotions and thanked them for stepping up. She congratulated the graduates and stated there were amazing kids in Coconut Creek.

Mayor Welch shared that Juneteenth would be held Saturday at 5:30 p.m., beginning in the Commission Chambers with stories and visuals put together by the Parks and Recreation Department followed by the Valerie Tyson Band later in the evening. She noted she and Vice Mayor Railey had toured Cusano’s Bakery and commented that they were doing bigger and better than ever. She sought and received consensus to recognize the retirement of Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth Green, JROTC Coordinator with Broward County Public Schools for more than 20 years, with a proclamation. Mayor Welch stated the speaker at the Professional Women’s Alliance Luncheon was from the Broward States Attorney Office, who discussed human trafficking and the related QR Campaign. She highlighted the possibility of the Coconut Creek Police Department participating in the program to combat human trafficking. Commissioner Rydell advised that he shared a related ordinance from the City of Deerfield Beach on the topic for the Commission’s discussion. Mayor Welch highlighted two (2) faith leaders in the City, who would be taking up collections for a Monarch High School Campus Monitor in need of assistance during the summer months due to unforeseen hardship. Mayor Welch congratulated City Manager Rose on 25 years of service and the members of staff, who had recently been promoted.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

Joseph J. Kavanagh, MMC
City Clerk

Date