



CITY OF COCONUT CREEK CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

Government Center
4800 W. Copans Road
Coconut Creek, Florida

Date: September 26, 2019
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting No. 2019-0926R

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Welch called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

PRESENT UPON ROLL CALL:

Mayor Sandra L. Welch
Vice Mayor Lou Sarbone
Commissioner Rebecca A. Tooley
Commissioner Mikkie Belvedere
Commissioner Joshua Rydell
City Manager Mary C. Blasi
City Attorney Terrill C. Pyburn
City Clerk Leslie Wallace May

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

Following the Pledge, Mayor Welch received consensus to hear Input from the Public first on the agenda, followed by Agenda Item 10.

PRESENTATION(S)

- 1. 19-194** A SWEARING-IN CEREMONY FOR NEW POLICE OFFICERS JENNIFER LARA, TY MORGAN, MICHAEL PAPA, AND ELIZABETH RAMOS.

Police Captain Fred Hofer recognized Margate Police Chief John Shaw, Margate City Manager Cale Curtis, and Coral Springs City Manager Mike Goodrum, who were in attendance. Captain Hofer introduced each of the police officers and invited them and their families to come forward for the swearing-in. City Clerk May administered the Oath of Office followed by the badge-pinning ceremony.

Captain Hofer introduced Broward College Institute of Public Safety Dean Linda Wood, Associate Dean Wayne Boulter, and Coral Springs Police Officer Chris Crawford. Captain Hofer explained that the new police officers did not have a graduation ceremony due to Hurricane Dorian, and Associate Dean Boulter presented each of the new officers with a graduation certificate. Officer Morgan was recognized for finishing first in his class at the academy.

- 2. 19-198** A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 26, 2019, AS "COCONUT CREEK EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION DAY."

Mayor Welch read the proclamation into the record and thanked all City employees for their hard work.

Mayor Welch read a proclamation into the record, recognizing September 26, 2019, as “Mary Blasi Day” and presented her with a crystal vase in appreciation of City Manager Blasi’s 23 years of service to the City. City Manager Blasi spoke briefly about her time with the City and her retirement. She thanked the Commission and staff for their support over the years.

Vice Mayor Sarbone read a letter of appreciation from U.S. Congressman Ted Deutch congratulating City Manager Blasi on her retirement.

Broward County Mayor Mark Bogen read a proclamation into the record on behalf of the Board of County Commissioners, recognizing September 26, 2019, as “Mary Blasi Day,” and Broward County Administrator Bertha Henry presented City Manager Blasi with a key to the County. City Manager Blasi thanked everyone for honoring her this evening.

The Commission took a recess, and the meeting reconvened at 9 p.m., beginning with the Consent Agenda.

Input from the Public was heard first on the agenda.

INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC

Lauren Linville, 7124 NW 47 Lane, Coconut Creek, reminded the Commission that she previously requested that the City send a letter to Broward County, urging them to use County parks funding for improvements to Saw Palmetto Nature Preserve. She stated that Commissioner Rydell recently advised her that the County would be using those funds for improvements to Tradewinds Park. She asked if the City would fund the improvements to the nature preserve with the County maintaining the improvements. City Manager Blasi commented that the City was finalizing its Parks and Recreation Master Plan and staff would review funding availability. She added that the City would also speak with Broward County Mayor Mark Bogen to request that that the County budget improvements for the park in the future.

Sherri McGlynn, 854 Banks Road, Coconut Creek, spoke about a recent experience she had with Coconut Creek/Margate Fire and Emergency Medical Service (EMS) workers in response to a call she made for emergency assistance. Mayor Welch commented that Assistant to the City Manager Bernadette Hughes would contact her so that the City could investigate the incident further.

The City Manager Report, City Attorney Report and Commission Communications were heard after the Regular Agenda.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Blasi thanked the Commission, City staff, and all who attended this evening.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

City Attorney Pyburn wished City Manager Blasi well in her retirement.

COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Rydell thanked City Manager Blasi for her friendship, leadership, and the culture she created in the City.

Commissioner Tooley thanked City Manager Blasi for her support over the years.

Commissioner Belvedere thanked City Manager Blasi for her service and commended the Parks and Recreation Department and volunteers for their work on the ArtsFest event.

Vice Mayor Sarbone thanked City Manager Blasi for the culture and succession planning that she created during her years of service.

Mayor Welch thanked City Manager Blasi for her service.

CONSENT AGENDA (*Items 3 and 4*)

Mayor Welch read each of the titles of the Consent Agenda items into the record.

3. **19-152** A MOTION TO CANCEL THE NOVEMBER 28, 2019, AND DECEMBER 26, 2019, REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETINGS.

4. **RES** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH BROWARD COUNTY FOR COMMUNITY SHUTTLE SERVICE.
 2019-239

MOTION: Tooley/Sarbone – To approve Consent Agenda Item Nos. 3 and 4.

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

REGULAR AGENDA

Police Department

5. **ORD** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 2, “ADMINISTRATION,” ARTICLE III, “DEPARTMENTS,” DIVISION 2, “POLICE DEPARTMENT,” SECTION 2-57, “USE OF POLICE OFFICERS FOR UNOFFICIAL FUNCTIONS,” TO RENAME THE SECTION CONSISTENT WITH THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS AND TO UPDATE PROCEDURES AND FEES FOR THE USE OF OFF-DUTY POLICE OFFICERS. (SECOND READING) (PUBLIC HEARING)
 2019-030

City Attorney Pyburn read the Ordinance title into the record.

MOTION: Tooley/Belvedere – To adopt Ordinance No. 2019-030.

Police Chief Albert “Butch” Arenal presented the item.

Mayor Welch opened the public hearing, there were no questions or comments from the public, and the public hearing was closed.

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

Sustainable Development

6. **ORD 2019-035** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC, A WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF AT&T MOBILITY CORPORATION, TO LEASE CERTAIN SPACE WITHIN THE CITY'S WINSTON PARK FOR AN INITIAL TERM OF TEN (10) YEARS WITH THE TENANT'S RIGHT TO EXTEND FOR THREE (3) SUCCESSIVE FIVE (5) YEAR PERIODS UNDER SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS. (FIRST READING)

City Attorney Pyburn read the Ordinance title into the record.

MOTION: Belvedere/Rydell – To approve Ordinance No. 2019-035 on First Reading.

Assistant City Attorney Eve Lewis presented the item and introduced Elizabeth Herington-Smith, CityScope Consultants, Inc., who was present to answer questions.

Upon roll call, the Ordinance passed on First Reading by a 5-0 vote.

City Manager

7. **RES 2019-226** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF MARGATE, DATED OCTOBER 1, 2016, PROVIDING FOR DELIVERY OF EMERGENCY MEDICAL AND FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FOR AN INCREASE IN FEES.

Mayor Welch read the Resolution title into the record.

MOTION: Tooley/Sarbone – To approve Resolution No. 2019-226.

City Manager Blasi presented the item and introduced Fire Chief Roberto Lorenzo. Discussion ensued regarding response times reporting requirements, and it was noted that response times were improving.

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

8. **RES 2019-223** A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE SALARIES AND BENEFITS OF THE CITY COMMISSIONERS TO PROVIDE FOR A RETIREMENT HEALTH SAVINGS (RHS) CONTRIBUTION UPON RETIREMENT.

Mayor Welch read the Resolution title into the record.

MOTION: Tooley/Belvedere – To approve Resolution No. 2019-223.

City Manager Blasi presented the item and explained that the benefit would be a one-time contribution to the health savings account at retirement.

Upon roll call, the Resolution passed by a 4-1 vote, with Mayor Welch voting nay.

9. **RES 2019-202** A RESOLUTION AMENDING VANTAGECARE RETIREMENT HEALTH SAVINGS PLAN NUMBER 800800 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE ATTACHED AGREEMENT WITH ICMA-RC.

Mayor Welch read the Resolution title into the record.

MOTION: Tooley/Rydell – To approve Resolution No. 2019-202.

City Manager Blasi presented the item.

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

Agenda Item 10 was heard after Input from the Public.

City Commission

10. **RES 2019-218** A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ONE (1) REGULAR MEMBER TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY BOARD TO FILL THE REMAINDER OF A VACATED TERM.

Mayor Welch read the Resolution title into the record.

Vice Mayor Sarbone made a motion to discuss the item, seconded by Commissioner Tooley.

Mayor Welch noted that Vice Mayor Sarbone's appointment to the Public Safety Advisory Board, Michel Chamberlain, recently passed away and the vacancy was to be filled by a new nomination from Vice Mayor Sarbone. She noted that the next meeting of the board was scheduled for October 17, 2019.

Vice Mayor Sarbone nominated Margaret Lackner.

MOTION: Tooley/Belvedere – To approve Resolution No. 2019-218.

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

11. **RES 2019-242** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF COCONUT CREEK AND KAREN M. BROOKS, AS CITY MANAGER.

Mayor Welch read the Resolution title into the record.

MOTION: Sarbone/Tooley – To approve Resolution No. 2019-242.

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

Deputy City Manager / CFO Karen Brooks thanked City Manager Blasi for her assistance over the years, commended the department directors for their work, announced that Finance and Administrative Services Deputy Director Peta-Gay Lake would serve as the Director of Finance and Administrative Services, and thanked the Commission for their support. City Manager Blasi briefly spoke about Ms. Brooks' accomplishments and wished her well in her new role.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

Transcribed by: Marianne Bowers

Leslie Wallace May, MMC
City Clerk

Date