



CITY OF COCONUT CREEK CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

Government Center
4800 W. Copans Road
Coconut Creek, Florida

Date: November 14, 2024
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Meeting No. 2024-1114R

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Sandra L. Welch called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. She advised that Agenda Item 17 had been postponed to the December 12, 2024, Commission meeting at the request of the applicant and would not be heard on the agenda.

PRESENT UPON ROLL CALL:

Mayor Sandra L. Welch
Vice Mayor Jacqueline Railey
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 led by Chief of Police Fred Hofer and Fire Chief Brian Blizzard.

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. **24-176** A SWEARING-IN CEREMONY FOR FIRE CHIEF BRIAN BLIZZARD.

City Manager Rose introduced Fire Chief Brian Blizzard, providing a brief overview of his background and experience. City Clerk Kavanagh administered the Oath of Office, followed by the badge pinning ceremony.

Fire Chief Blizzard recognized guests, family members, the City Commission, City staff, and members of the Fire Department present, and shared brief comments.

2. **24-177** A SWEARING-IN CEREMONY FOR DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF MICHAEL RODRIGUEZ.

Fire Chief Blizzard introduced Deputy Fire Chief Michael Rodriguez, providing a brief overview of his background and experience. City Clerk Kavanagh administered the Oath of Office, followed by the badge pinning ceremony.

3. **24-186** A PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING COCONUT CREEK FIRE RESCUE FOR ACHIEVING ELITE COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF AMBULANCE SERVICES (CAAS) ACCREDITATION.

Fire Chief Blizzard recognized Coconut Creek Fire Rescue on achieving accreditation status from the Commission on Accreditation of Ambulance Services (CAAS), commenting that the accreditation was a testament to the City's commitment to superior emergency services.

4. **24-185** A CEREMONY RECOGNIZING THE PROMOTION OF ACTING CAPTAIN HENRY CABRERA TO DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE.

Chief of Police Fred Hofer introduced Deputy Chief of Police Henry Cabrera, providing a brief overview of his background, followed by the badge pinning ceremony.

5. **24-178** A PRESENTATION BY JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT OF SOUTH FLORIDA REGARDING THEIR WORKFORCE EDUCATION, ENTREPRENEURSHIP, AND FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAMS.

Laurie Sallarulo, Junior Achievement of South Florida President and CEO, made a presentation regarding the organization's workforce education, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy programs for students in Broward County. She highlighted the 15th anniversary of JA World and thanked the City for their support.

6. **24-180** A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER 30, 2024, AS "SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY."

Mayor Welch read the proclamation into the record.

INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC

City Clerk Kavanagh advised that no one had signed in to speak on Non-agenda or Consent Agenda Items.

CONSENT AGENDA (*Items 7 through 15*)

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

Agenda Items 9 and 10 were pulled by Commissioner Rydell and heard before the Regular Agenda.

7. **24-175** A MOTION APPROVING THE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS CITY COMMISSION MEETING(S). (2024-1010WS AND 2024-1010R)
8. **RES
2024-151** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AN UPDATED RETAINER AGREEMENT WITH BRETT J. SCHNEIDER, ESQUIRE OF THE LAW FIRM OF WEISS SEROTA HELFMAN COLE & BIERMAN TO PROVIDE OUTSIDE LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT LAW SERVICES.
11. **RES
2024-172** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE AN UPDATED INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT WITH THE PANAMA CITY BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT (PCBPD) FOR LICENSE PLATE READER (LPR) EXTRACT FILES.

12. **RES 2024-170** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) FISCAL YEAR 2025 (FY25) IMPAIRED DRIVING GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF THIRTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$35,000); AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH FDOT FOR IMPAIRED DRIVING PUBLIC EDUCATION AND ENFORCEMENT.
13. **RES 2024-175** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) FISCAL YEAR 2025 (FY25) OCCUPANT PROTECTION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$60,000); AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH FDOT FOR SEAT BELT AND CHILD SAFETY SEAT PUBLIC EDUCATION AND ENFORCEMENT.
14. **RES 2024-176** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) FISCAL YEAR 2025 (FY25) WORK ZONE SAFETY ENFORCEMENT GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$75,000); AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH FDOT FOR WORK ZONE SAFETY PUBLIC EDUCATION AND ENFORCEMENT.
15. **RES 2024-182** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEES, TO EXECUTE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH BROWARD COUNTY FOR BROWARD COUNTY STAFF SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH HEARINGS BEFORE THE UNSAFE STRUCTURES BOARD TO PROVIDE FOR HEARING AND DISPOSITION OF CASES TO ENFORCE MINIMUM STANDARDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FLORIDA BUILDING CODE.

MOTION: Railey/Rydell – To approve Consent Agenda Items 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15.

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

Police Department

9. **RES 2024-174** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF TWENTY-NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$29,700) FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE FLOCK SAFETY LICENSE PLATE READER (LPR) SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE FIRST YEAR OF THE FIVE (5) YEAR RENEWAL TERM.

MOTION: Rydell/Wasserman – To approve Resolution No. 2024-174.

Commissioner Rydell asked that Chief of Police Hofer provide a brief overview of the funds requested. Chief Hofer explained the proposal was to use \$29,700 in Federal Law Enforcement Trust Funds to fund the first year of a five (5) year agreement for LPR subscription services, which was scheduled to commence in January 2025. He noted future years would be included in the annual department budget.

Commissioner Rydell commented that Flock had been an integral partner in the Real Time Crime Center, and Chief Hofer confirmed, noting that the new police in-car cameras would to be tied into the Flock system.

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

10. **RES 2024-171** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE A SOLE SOURCE AGREEMENT WITH FLOCK GROUP, INC. (FLOCK) TO PROVIDE FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE FLOCK LICENSE PLATE READER (LPR) SUBSCRIPTION FOR A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM.

MOTION: Rydell/Wasserman – To approve Resolution No. 2024-171.

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

REGULAR AGENDA

Public Works Department

16. **RES 2024-178** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE THE ATTACHED AGREEMENTS WITH U.S. ECOLOGY TAMPA, INC., AN AFFILIATE OF REPUBLIC SERVICES OF FLORIDA, LP, TO PROVIDE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL SERVICES AND CLIFF BERRY, INC. TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL SERVICES PURSUANT TO RFP NO. 08-07-24-11.

Mayor Welch read the Resolution title into the record.

MOTION: Wasserman/Railey – To approve Resolution No. 2024-178.

Michael Heimbach, Project Manager-Solid Waste, presented the item, noting that Coconut Creek was the lead agency on the agreement for the Southeast Florida Governmental Purchasing Cooperative. He noted all extensions of the previous agreement had been exhausted and outlined the Request for Proposals (RFP) process followed to identify a vendor. He advised that the vendor, U.S. Ecology Tampa, Inc., was a leader in providing household hazardous waste collection services in Florida and in the United States and was a subsidiary of the City's current solid waste hauler.

Commissioner Rydell inquired as to why the service was not included in the general waste hauling contract. Mr. Heimbach explained some cities did include the service, but Coconut Creek had not done so historically. Commissioner Rydell asked that the service be considered when reviewing future solid waste contract renewals.

Vice Mayor Railey asked if Coconut Creek residents could bring their hazardous waste to partner city events, and Mr. Heimbach confirmed.

Mayor Welch acknowledged the work done by staff to lower the contract rate.

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

Sustainable Development

Agenda Item 17 was postponed to the December 12, 2024, Commission Agenda at the request of the applicant and not heard on the agenda.

- ~~17. RES 2024-164 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SITE PLAN REQUEST OF DAVID AULD OF JOHNS FAMILY PARTNERS, LLLP TO CONSTRUCT ROADWAYS, INFRASTRUCTURE, ON STREET PARKING, AND OTHER HARDSCAPE AND STREETScape ELEMENTS FOR THE PROPERTY LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A," ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF, GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS THE MAINSTREET AT COCONUT CREEK DEVELOPMENT. (QUASI-JUDICIAL)(PUBLIC HEARING)~~

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Rose shared that Battalion Chief Paul Phillips had been put in charge of revamping the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program and noted that a proposed outline would be distributed in the coming weeks. She stated the site plan application for Fifth Third Bank in Coconut Creek Plaza was being reviewed by the Development Review Committee (DRC), and the demolition of Lorenzo's Trattoria was going forward. She advised that she and Mayor Welch, along with City Attorney Pyburn and other staff, attended State Representative Christine Hunschofsky's transportation town hall with Florida's Turnpike and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) in Coral Springs the previous evening and used the opportunity to remind the entities of the City's passion for the proposed reduction of the main line alternative. Continuing, City Manager Rose commented that the MainStreet development had been on a pause. She stated the City had exchanged information with the applicant on economic development and other topics, but they had not resubmitted the Community Development District (CDD) or site plan modifications. She noted there were currently no items scheduled for the December 5, 2024, Special Commission meeting. Discussion ensued as to whether to cancel the meeting, and consensus was to maintain the date as a placeholder for anything that may come forward.

City Manager Rose advised that a Reimagining Our Schools meeting was scheduled for November 20 at Coconut Creek Elementary School, and staff would be in attendance. She stated plans were underway to transition the annual Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School memorial ceremony into a Day of Love and Service. She noted that a program was under development, which would provide for staff volunteer time in schools.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

City Attorney Pyburn shared that she had been appointed as the state representative for the State of Florida to the International Municipal Lawyers Association. She summarized a recent amendment to the Broward County Code of Ethics. She noted staff would be traveling to Ocoee on December 3 to meet with Florida's Turnpike Executive Director and staff to discuss the Turnpike expansion project.

COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Rydell shared an idea for a city versus city toy drive and exhibition basketball game with the City of Margate. He suggested that information being shared with the community regarding the Charter Review Board appointments include additional background information on the purpose of the board. City Manager Rose advised that a video was in production.

Commissioner Wasserman asked for clarification on the selection of Charter Review Board members. City Attorney Pyburn clarified that each Commissioner would select a board member from their own district, with no alternate board member, and advised that the same would be true for the Redistricting Board scheduled to convene in 2026.

Commissioner Rydell recognized City Clerk Kavanagh for the unparalleled outreach efforts conducted throughout the Referendum Election and noted he looked forward to a continuation of outreach efforts for future elections. City Clerk Kavanagh commented on the work of the City Attorney's Office and Community Relations Department, in addition to his team.

Commissioner Brodie commented on the success of the Never Forget Cultural Series held on November 7 honoring Veteran's. He expressed his appreciation to all who spoke at the Veteran's Day Ceremony on November 11 and those who put on the event, noting he was very proud. He commented that he was happy to see over nine (9) tons of glass recycled and stated he would like to see continued growth and promotion of the program. Discussion ensued briefly regarding recycling. Commissioner Brodie asked for an update on compost collection. Public Works Director Harry Mautte stated the program was collecting an average of approximately 50 pounds per week. Commissioner Brodie asked that the data be added to the report on collection since the program started, in addition to weekly numbers as provided.

Vice Mayor Railey stated she was pleased to see the turnout at the Broward County Commission meeting on Tuesday. She noted it was a long and arduous meeting regarding Waste Management's request to expand the Monarch Hill landfill, and she was proud of the residents voicing their opposition. She commended staff for the upgrades to Veteran's Park. She shared that Wynmoor had a machine that crushed fluorescent tube lighting for many years and suggested staff look into it as part of its recycling program. Vice Mayor Railey advised that she had attended a chaplaincy program put on by the Rotary Club of Broward, and a number of cities and first responders were in attendance. She stated she thought it would be great for Coconut Creek to become a part of the program. She expressed her pride in the Police and Fire promotions and recognitions at the beginning of the meeting.

Mayor Welch shared that there was a meeting scheduled for Saturday, November 16, from 9 a.m. to noon at Lakewood Park regarding parking in the Lakewood East neighborhood. She recognized the eight (8) Police Department promotions as a result of the internal promotion of Chief of Police Hofer. She shared that she had visited the new dispensary at the inquiry of some residents, and she commended Commissioner Brodie for his recommendation on the automatic door opener. She shared that she attended the meeting of the Coral Springs/Coconut Creek Regional Chamber of Commerce Education Committee, noting they increased funding to the schools for their DECA and BPA programs, and she attended the Broward Pioneer Day awards ceremony where resident Dan Hobby and State Representative Hunschofsky were recognized. She commended Commissioner Brodie for his work on the Veteran's Never Forget Culture Series and wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Joseph J. Kavanagh, MMC
City Clerk

Date