



CITY OF COCONUT CREEK CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

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

**Date: June 22, 2023
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Meeting No. 2023-0622R**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Joshua Rydell called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

PRESENT UPON ROLL CALL:

Mayor Joshua Rydell
Vice Mayor Sandra L. Welch
Commissioner Jacqueline Railey
Commissioner John A. Brodie
Commissioner Jeffrey R. Wasserman
City Manager Karen M. Brooks
City Attorney Terrill C. Pyburn
City Clerk Joseph J. Kavanagh

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

Mayor Rydell noted that the meeting was being conducted live with a quorum physically present, and City Attorney Terrill C. Pyburn explained the procedures for public participation and comment for the meeting.

PRESENTATIONS

- 1. 23-126** A PRESENTATION OF THE COCONUT CREEK MAYOR'S AWARDS FOR THE 2023 BOYS BASKETBALL LEAGUE.

Parks and Recreation Supervisor Melissa See recognized the following two (2) players, who exemplified outstanding sportsmanship and promoted a positive experience for all participants during league play:

- 13U Division (Middle School) – Ryan Marion (Mavericks team)
- 16U Division (High School) – Kayden Williams (Pacers team)

- 2. 23-112** A PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING LIEUTENANT RYAN MARKEN, SERGEANT DANTE TANFULLA, AND OFFICER JUSTIN ABRAM WITH THE FLORIDA POLICE CHIEF'S ASSOCIATION (FPCA) LIFESAVING AWARD.

Police Chief Albert "Butch" Arenal introduced Pembroke Pines Police Chief Kipp Shimpeno, who presented Police Lieutenant Ryan Marken, Sergeant Dante Tanfulla, and Officer Justin Abram with the Florida Police Chief's Association (FPCA) Lifesaving Award for an exceptional lifesaving act that placed their own lives in danger.

Mayor Rydell acknowledged a recent tragedy in the City of Pembroke Pines and shared with Chief Shimpeno that the City of Coconut Creek stands with Pembroke Pines and its police officers.

3. 23-118 A PRESENTATION BY STATE REPRESENTATIVE CHRISTINE HUNSCHOFSKY REGARDING THE 2023 STATE LEGISLATIVE SESSION.

State Representative Christine Hunschofsky outlined updates from the 2023 State Legislative session. She shared that two (2) projects she sponsored for Coconut Creek made it through the budget process and were included in the budget: the Sunshine Drive Park Improvements and Playground Replacement for \$315,000 and the purchase of fire rescue equipment in the amount of \$600,000. She thanked Coconut Creek staff for working closely with her and her staff. Representative Hunschofsky stated that, of 1,828 bills filed, 356 bills had passed both chambers. She briefly discussed nine (9) bills that made it through Committee and to the Governor's desk. She discussed contentious legislation which had been in the news during the session, including permitless carry, abortion, and financial disclosures. She closed by sharing information on legislation related to enforcement of school zone speed limits.

Mayor Rydell stated he would forward information on a company performing speed detection for the enforcement of school zone speed limits to City Manager Brooks for review.

INPUT FROM THE PUBLIC

City Clerk Kavanagh stated that no advanced public comments were received for Non-agenda or Consent Agenda items.

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 4, 5, and 7)

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

Agenda Item 6 was pulled from the Consent Agenda by Vice Mayor Welch and heard before the Regular Agenda.

- 4. 23-123 A MOTION APPROVING THE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS CITY COMMISSION MEETING(S). (2023-0525R)**

- 5. RES 2023-111 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE A CONTRACTOR SERVICES WORK AUTHORIZATION WITH MASTER MECHANICAL SERVICES, INC. TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL A NEW 15-TON HEATING, VENTILATION, AND AIR CONDITIONING (HVAC) LIEBERT SYSTEM IN THE PUBLIC WORKS BUILDING INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVER ROOM.**

- 7. RES 2023-112 A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN INVENTORY LIST OF REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF COCONUT CREEK AND FINDING NO PROPERTY ON SAID LIST IS APPROPRIATE FOR USE AS AFFORDABLE HOUSING, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 166.0451, FLORIDA STATUTES.**

MOTION: Wasserman/Welch – To approve Consent Agenda Items 4, 5, and 7.

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

Fire Rescue Department

6. **RES 2023-116** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE THE ATTACHED CLINICAL AFFILIATION AGREEMENTS WITH THE CITY OF CORAL SPRINGS D/B/A CORAL SPRINGS REGIONAL INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE EMERGENCY EDUCATION INSTITUTE, LLC TO PROVIDE THEIR STUDENTS WITH A COMPREHENSIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCE WITHIN A FIRE-RESCUE SETTING DURING EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY RESPONSES.

MOTION: Welch/Railey – To approve Resolution No. 2023-116.

Vice Mayor Welch asked for additional detail on the item, and Fire Chief Jeffery Gary explained the resolution included two (2) of three (3) agreements the Fire Rescue Department was seeking to enter in conjunction with the current Medical Residency program, which allows medical residents from Northwest Medical to ride along with fire-rescue personnel. He stated once personnel was fully trained, EMT and paramedic students would also be allowed to participate in ride-alongs in order to meet their educational requirements. He noted the program's benefit for both the students and for recruiting.

Vice Mayor Welch stated the students were very fortunate to get to work under this first class organization.

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

REGULAR AGENDA

Sustainable Development

8. **RES 2023-113** A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ROSSMOOR BAHAMA VILLAGE ASSOCIATION, INC. APPLICATION FOR MATCHING GRANT FUNDS FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD ENHANCEMENT GRANT PROGRAM FOR SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS.

Mayor Rydell read the Resolution title into the record.

MOTION: Welch/Wasserman – To approve Resolution No. 2023-113.

Commissioner Railey recused herself from the item and abstained from the vote.

Sustainable Development Director Scott Stoudenmire presented the item, noting the matching funds were requested in the amount of \$10,000 for security enhancements, and this was the third grant request for the program during this fiscal year. He noted staff recommended approval.

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

9. **RES 2023-114** A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE MARTINIQUE IIB NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION APPLICATION FOR MATCHING GRANT FUNDS FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD ENHANCEMENT GRANT PROGRAM FOR SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS.

Mayor Rydell read the title into the record.

MOTION: Welch/Brodie – To approve Resolution No. 2023-114.

Commissioner Railey recused herself from the item and abstained from the vote.

Mr. Stoudenmire stated staff recommended approval. Mayor Rydell inquired as to the remaining balance in the Neighborhood Enhancement Grant fund. Mr. Stoudenmire stated \$170,000 remained. He noted that the Commission had previously directed staff to conduct additional outreach efforts on this program, and as a result there was dialogue with seven (7) communities for grant assistance. Mayor Rydell asked for clarification on how often a community could receive the grant. Mr. Stoudenmire explained the guidelines allowed for once every three (3) years.

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

City Attorney Pyburn explained the City's quasi-judicial procedures that would be applied to Agenda items 10 and 11. City Clerk Kavanagh confirmed the public notice requirements for Agenda items 10 and 11 had been met and swore in the witnesses.

10. **RES 2023-099** A RESOLUTION VACATING A 10-FOOT-WIDE DRAINAGE EASEMENT FOR THE PROJECT KNOWN AS THE PARRISH RESIDENCE GENERALLY LOCATED AT 631 NW 42 AVENUE WITH SAID EASEMENT LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A," ATTACHED HERETO. (QUASI-JUDICIAL) (PUBLIC HEARING)

Mayor Rydell read the Resolution title into the record.

Commissioner Brodie made a motion to move the item for discussion, seconded by Commissioner Railey.

Mayor Rydell asked if there were any applicable ex-parte disclosures from the Commission, and there were none.

Mr. Stoudenmire presented the item, explaining the resolution requested approval for the vacation of a 10-foot-wide drainage easement on one (1) of the original lots in South Creek. He stated it ran underneath the middle of an existing home, and the easement presented a title issue in the sale of the home. He noted there were no utilities in the easement and no objections from any of the utility holders. He stated staff recommended approval and noted the applicant had a presentation if necessary. There were no questions from the Commission or the applicant.

Mayor Rydell opened the public hearing on the item. There were no questions or comments from the public, and Mayor Rydell closed the public hearing.

Neither Staff, nor the applicant, had closing remarks.

Mayor Rydell asked whether the easement issue impacted any neighboring properties, and Mr. Stoudenmire responded that it did not.

MOTION: Welch/Brodie – To approve Resolution No. 2023-099.

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

11. **ORD 2023-014** AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE REZONING APPLICATION FOR THE PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF JOHNSON ROAD AND PARK SCHOOL ROAD, IMMEDIATELY WEST OF TRADEWINDS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND NORTH OF THE EXISTING LAKESIDE PARK, LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT “A,” ATTACHED HERETO AND MADE A PART HEREOF, FROM IO-1 (INDUSTRIAL OFFICE) TO P (PARKS AND RECREATION) TO FACILITATE THE EXPANSION OF THE EXISTING LAKESIDE PARK FACILITY. (QUASI-JUDICIAL)(SECOND READING)(SECOND PUBLIC HEARING)

City Attorney Pyburn read the Ordinance title into the record.

Vice Mayor Welch made a motion to move the item for discussion, seconded by Commissioner Railey.

City Attorney Pyburn asked if there were any applicable ex-parte disclosures from the Commission, and there were none to disclose. She noted the application was for a City property, and stated the procedure allows for waiving of the quasi-judicial proceedings should that be the desire of the Commission. Consensus was to waive the quasi-judicial procedures for the item.

Mayor Rydell opened the public hearing on the item. There were no questions or comments from the public, and Mayor Rydell closed the public hearing.

Vice Mayor Welch asked when community input meetings for the project were expected. Mr. Stoudenmire stated those meetings were being worked on, and one-on-one meetings with the Commission members were also planned. City Manager Brooks stated decisions regarding Lakeside Park would need to be made during the budget process, along with other Capital Improvement Projects (CIP), and meetings would not be scheduled until after those decisions were made.

Staff had no closing remarks.

MOTION: Welch/Wasserman – To adopt Ordinance No. 2023-014.

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

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Brooks followed up on a request for staff to investigate the ownership of properties along Sunshine Drive and whether they were being purchased by companies in anticipation of the proposed Florida’s Turnpike expansion. She noted staff had conducted an analysis and this did not seem to be the case. Continuing, City Manager Brooks followed up on a question regarding the status of the Poet Laureate’s Little Library. She noted a location within the Poet Laureate’s Homeowner’s Association or at Winston Park was being pursued. City Manager Brooks stated the Public Safety Cook-out at Regency Lakes had been rescheduled for July 19, but that was the date of the virtual meeting for the Florida Turnpike expansion, so the date would likely need to be moved. She stated the Niagara Perk Your Park event was scheduled for Saturday at Coco Point Park at 10 a.m., followed by the Sunshine Drive Community Cook-out. City Manager Brooks shared that two (2) Coconut Creek employees, Bernadette Hughes and Kisha Holland, would be presenting at the upcoming Florida Government Finance Association’s conference regarding the City’s Vision 2030 Strategic Planning Process.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT

City Attorney Pyburn stated the City had requested a postponement of the Florida’s Turnpike expansion hearings, but had not yet received a response. She noted she and Assistant City Attorney Eve Lewis would be speaking on the Nuts and Bolts of Contract Drafting at the Florida Municipal Attorneys Association’s Conference on July 7 in Boca Raton.

COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Wasserman noted the MainStreet presentation was great and encouraged residents to check it out. He stated the Juneteenth event was positive despite the thunderstorm and acknowledged Parks and Recreation and the Special Events team for a job well done. Commissioner Wasserman asked Mr. Stoudenmire whether dog waste stations were eligible for the Neighborhood Enhancement Grant, and Mr. Stoudenmire stated he would look at the language of the guidelines and report back.

Commissioner Brodie commented on the Broward League of Cities Gala that was held the previous weekend. He stated the Juneteenth event was great and noted the band was especially fun and would be a draw for future events. He thanked staff for their ongoing efforts.

Commissioner Railey agreed with previous comments regarding the Broward League of Cities Gala and Juneteenth. She stated Broward College had partnered with Diadem Sports to bring pickleball to the Omni Auditorium, and she was blown away by the result. She congratulated all of the members of the Police Department on their recognition at the Police Benevolent Association (PBA) luncheon earlier in the day. Commissioner Railey requested a hard copy of the MainStreet workshop presentation.

Vice Mayor Welch stated, in addition to Officer Shana Conley who was recognized at the PBA luncheon, the officers who were recognized earlier in the meeting showed what outstanding first responders the City of Coconut Creek had both in Police and Fire. She agreed with the compliments on the Juneteenth event, and highlighted the poetry students who were taught by the City’s Poet Laureate.

Mayor Rydell stated he drives Lyons Road each day on his way to work and noted there were always Police Officers in the school zones. He pointed out that the program discussed by State Representative Christine Hunschofsky represented an opportunity for the City to streamline enforcement in school zones and keep people safer. He noted he looked forward to seeing the financial analysis, and discussion ensued regarding traffic enforcement. Mayor Rydell highlighted the need for new sports balls for the recreation leagues, and City Manager Brooks stated the issue was being addressed.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Joseph J. Kavanagh, MMC
City Clerk

Date