MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
DANIA BEACH CITY COMMISSION
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2023 – 7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Ryan called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Present:

Mayor:	A. J. Ryan IV
Vice-Mayor:	Lori Lewellen
Commissioners:	Joyce L. Davis
	Tamara James
	Marco A. Salvino, Sr.
City Manager:	Ana M. Garcia, ICMA-CM
City Attorney:	Eve Boutsis
City Clerk:	Elora Riera, MMC

2. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ryan called for a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

3. PRESENTATIONS AND SPECIAL EVENT APPROVALS

Certificate of Appreciation to Eric Walton. – *This item was added on by Mayor Ryan.*

Mayor Ryan presented Code Compliance Manager, Eric Walton with a certificate of appreciation for exemplary customer service to the Dania Beach community.

Recognition to Dania Dolphins 6U champs – *This item was added on by Mayor Ryan.*

Mayor Ryan thanked the Parks & Recreation team at C.W. Thomas Park for handling the Dania Beach Dolphins and Dania Beach Cheerleading team. He congratulated the 6U team of the Dania Beach Dolphins for their Super Bowl win over the weekend and also congratulated the 12U and 14U teams.

3.1 Fiscal Year 2022-23 Investment Portfolio Update by Public Trust Advisors - *Finance*

Deputy Finance Director, Yeimy Guzman introduced John Grady and Rob Bettini of Public Trust Advisors. Mr. Grady and Mr. Bettini provided a presentation on the City's Economic Update and Investment Strategy Review.

3.2 Presentation of Awards to Breast Cancer Survivors - *Sponsored by Commissioner James*

This item was heard before item 3.1

Commissioner James presented awards to the breast cancer survivors.

3.3 Special Event Request - Blue Ridge Tree Farm - *Parks and Recreation*

City Manager Garcia introduced the item.

Vice Mayor Lewellen made a motion to approve. Commissioner James seconded the motion which carried unanimously on voice vote.

3.4 Landscape Master Plan - Griffin Road Design/East of I-95 by Public Services Director, Fernando J. Rodriguez - *Public Services*

Public Services Director, Fernando J. Rodriguez provided a presentation on landscape master plan for Griffin Road and answered questions from the Commission.

3.5 Video of Presentation to Mirabella Bove - Make A Wish Southern Florida – *Sponsored by Commissioner Salvino*

Commissioner Salvino introduced the item, and a video was presented of Mayor Ryan presenting a proclamation to Mirabella Bove.

3.6 Approval of Posthumous Proclamation to City of Miami Gardens Mayor Shirley Gibson - *Sponsored by Commissioner James*

There was consensus to approve the proclamation.

3.7 Approval of Proclamation to BSO Deputy Wilson - *Sponsored by Mayor Ryan*

There was consensus to approve the proclamation.

4. PROCLAMATIONS

4.1 Posthumous Proclamation to City of Miami Gardens Mayor Shirley Gibson – *Sponsored by Commissioner James*

Commissioner James introduced the item and read the proclamation.

4.2 Proclamation to BSO Deputy Wilson - *Sponsored by Mayor Ryan*

Mayor Ryan took this item with item #6 with Chief Tarala's public safety report.

Mayor Ryan read the proclamation.

Commissioner James and Commissioner Davis thanked Deputy Wilson for his hard work and dedication to the city.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

5.1 City Manager

City Manager Garcia thanked the Parks and Recreation team for putting together the breast cancer event. She thanked Parks and Recreation, Public Services and the Marketing Department for the Dania After Dark Oktoberfest event. There was over 2000 people in attendance. She thanked Captain Tarala and Lieutenant Cooper for keeping the City safe through all of the events. The City is looking forward to the next Dania After Dark event on November 11, 2023. She spoke about the second annual Leadership Summit for senior leaders and said the City is committed to outstanding customer service and being better leaders and service providers each and every day. The City will be holding the Fall Festival on October 27th at C.W. Thomas Park and the entire community is invited to come out. She reported on the second phase of the beautification and landscaping project for the City and a partnership with Nova Southeastern to bring Women's Crew and Rowing to Dania Beach. She reminded everyone of the State of the City event to be held on November 9, 2023, at the Le Meridien Hotel and the Light Up Dania Beach celebration scheduled for November 30, 2023.

5.2 City Attorney

City Attorney Boutsis commented that the social media policy workshop has been moved to January 23rd at 5:00 p.m. and asked for consensus from the Commission. Consensus was received.

5.3 City Clerk - Reminders

City Clerk Riera reminded the Commission of their upcoming CRA and Regular meetings on
- November 14, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

6. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Captain Tarala reported on recent arrests and criminal activity within the City. He gave an update on the speed measurement system placed at SE 2nd Avenue and reported that the data shows there is not a speeding issue in front of Dania Beach Elementary School. He said the homeless gentleman they had previously spoken about is in a 90-day treatment facility. The department will be holding an Active Shooter presentation at Le Meridien; they held Stop the Bleed training for all of the C.O.P.'s and tonight they were at PJ Meli Park for the Halloween event. He said in reference to the ongoing security issues, he is in constant contact with Homeland Security, and they have a detailed incident action plan in place; the plan will be continuing, and the increased patrols will continue.

Fire Chief Pellecer reported on the bi-annual cleaning of the fire gear. He said the department has participated in pre-incident planning where they prepare for structural firefighting; this helps the young firefighters understand the hazards that are associated with each structure. He thanked the Commission for the Safe Air System that was installed and gave an overview of the system and how it works. He commented that seventeen of the fire recruits participated in the Dania Pointe 5k run. The firefighters have continued visiting the schools in the City discussing fire safety with the children.

7. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

The following spoke under public comments:

- Hunter Adak – 101 SE 1st Avenue
- Joanna Granett – 450 SE 7th Street

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner James made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Lewellen which carried unanimously on voice vote.

8.1 Minutes: October 10, 2023, City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

Approved under consent agenda.

8.2 Travel Requests: None.

8.3 RESOLUTION NO. 2023-____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR THE RECEIPT OF GRANTS FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF FIFTY-SIX THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED NINETEEN DOLLARS SIXTY CENTS ($56,319.60), TO PROVIDE FOR FUNDING FOR SARGASSUM REMOVAL; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.*(Public Services)*

Approved under consent agenda.

8.4 RESOLUTION NO. 2023-____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, RETROACTIVELY APPROVING THE WAIVER OF THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENT FOR CITYWIDE EMERGENCY PUMPING SERVICES WITH KAILAS CORP. IN AN AMOUNT OF SEVENTY- FIVE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTY-SIX DOLLARS ($75,336.00); PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.*(Public Services)*

Approved under consent agenda.

8.5 RESOLUTION NO. 2023-____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR MONTHLY SERVER MONITORING AND SUPPORT SERVICES, INCLUDING ADDITIONAL CONTRACTED SUPPORT FROM LAN INFOTECH, FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24, THAT EXCEED AN ANNUAL VENDOR TOTAL AMOUNT OF FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($50,000.00); PROCEEDING WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND AUTHORIZING PURCHASES FROM THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUND APPROVED ANNUAL BUDGET APPROPRIATIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Finance)*

Approved under consent agenda.

8.6 RESOLUTION NO. 2023-____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF NINE FORD VEHICLES AND TWO PIECES OF HEAVY EQUIPMENT FOR PUBLIC SERVICES, PARKS AND RECREATION, AND THE CODE ENFORCEMENT DIVISION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SIX HUNDRED FIFTY SIX THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED TWENTY SIX DOLLARS AND TWENTY CENTS ($656,426.20) FROM BACHRODT FT (DBA PALMETTO FORD) AND DOBBS EQUIPMENT, WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND WITHOUT ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS, BY UTILIZING THE PRICING UNDER THE FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION ("FSA") CONTRACT FSA23-VEL31.0 AND FSA23-EQU21.0; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.*(Public Services)*

Approved under consent agenda.

8.7 RESOLUTION NO. 2023-____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION TO THE BROWARD METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION AS PART OF THE COMPLETE STREETS AND OTHER LOCALIZED INITIATIVE PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH'S APPLICATION TO SECURE FUNDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF WEST 1ST AVENUE-COMPLETE STREET PROJECT ALONG WEST 1ST AVENUE FROM OLD GRIFFIN ROAD TO STIRLING ROAD. *(Community Development)*

Approved under consent agenda.

9. BIDS AND REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS:

9.1 RESOLUTION NO. 2023-____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF INVITATION TO BID NO. 23-011 "LIME SLUDGE HAULING AND REMOVAL" AND TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GOVEA TRUCKING INC. FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT LIME SLUDGE REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT THAT MAY EXCEED THE ANNUAL VENDOR THRESHOLD AMOUNT OF FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($50,000.00) FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR THE CONTRACT IS IN PLACE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.*(Public Services)*

City Attorney Boutsis read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Public Services Director, Fernando Rodriguez, introduced the item.

Commissioner James made a motion to approve the item. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Lewellen which carried unanimously on voice vote.

9.2 RESOLUTION NO. 2023-____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF BID ITB NO. 2023-007, ENTITLED, "STORM SEWER AND SEWER MAIN CLEANING SERVICES" AND TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH KAILAS CORP. AND HINTERLAND GROUP INC. IN AN AMOUNT THAT MAY EXCEED THE ANNUAL VENDOR THRESHOLD AMOUNT OF FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($50,0000.00) FOR EACH FISCAL YEAR THAT THE CONTRACT IS IN PLACE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Public Services)*

City Attorney Boutsis read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Deputy Public Services Director, Dincer Ozaydin, introduced the item.

Commissioner James made a motion to approve the item. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Lewellen which carried unanimously on voice vote.

10. **QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARINGS:**

10.1 RESOLUTION NO. 2023-____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE TOWNHOMES COMPLEX SITE PLAN (SP-091-22) AND DESIGN VARIATIONS (OT-78-23, OT-79-23, OT-80-23) APPLICATION FOR PROPERTY OWNER, STARLIFE GROUP, LLC, WHOSE PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 20 SW 15TH STREET IN THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AS LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A," A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED TO AND INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE INTO THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Community Development)*

City Attorney Boutsis read the title of the ordinance into the record and swore in anyone who may be speaking on the item. She also asked for any disclosures as to the application and there were none.

Deputy Director of Community Development, Corinne Lajoie, introduced the item.

Applicant Gevorg Shahbazyan presented a PowerPoint on their proposal.

Mayor Ryan opened the floor to public comments, there being none, public hearing was closed.

Commissioner James made a motion to approve the item.

Mayor Ryan asked about the location of the balconies. The applicant responded that they thought the residents would prefer overlooking greenery as opposed to vehicles on US-1.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Salvino which carried unanimously on voice vote.

10.2 RESOLUTION NO. 2023-____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, INVOKING ZONING IN PROGRESS; DECLARING THAT THE CITY IS CONSIDERING AN AMENDMENT TO ITS LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE TO ESTABLISH CRITERIA TO IMPLEMENT LIVE LOCAL, FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF REGULATIONS RELATING TO FLORIDA STATUTES 420.50872, WHICH ZONING IN PROGRESS SHALL BE APPLIED TO THE CITY'S COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL OR MIXED USE ZONING DISTRICTS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Community Development)*

City Attorney Boutsis read the title of the resolution into the record.

Deputy Director of Community Development, Corinne Lajoie, introduced the item.

Mayor Ryan opened the floor to public comments, there being none, public hearing was closed.

Vice Mayor Lewellen made a motion to approve the item. The motion was seconded by Commissioner James which carried unanimously on voice vote.

11. FIRST READING ORDINANCES

11.1 ORDINANCE NO. 2023-____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF CITY FUNDS EXCEEDING ONE MILLION DOLLARS ($1,000,000.00), WHICH EXPENDITURE IS NOT TO EXCEED THE PROJECT ESTIMATE OF SIXTEEN MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED FIFTEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED FIVE DOLLARS AND TWENTY-FOUR CENTS ($16,815,805.24) AS

APPROVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION, TO FUND THE SOUTHEAST DRAINAGE RETROFIT PROJECT, PHASE I; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Public Services)*

City Attorney Boutsis read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Deputy Public Services Director, Dincer Ozaydin, introduced the item.

Commissioner James asked how long the project will take and Deputy Public Services Director, Dincer Ozaydin responded that it would take approximately 18 months.

Mayor Ryan opened the floor to public comments, there being none, public hearing was closed.

Commissioner James made a motion to approve the ordinance on first reading. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Lewellen which carried unanimously on voice vote.

12. **SECOND READING ORDINANCES**

12.1 ORDINANCE NO. 2023-_____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF CITY FUNDS EXCEEDING ONE MILLION DOLLARS ($1,000,000.00), WHICH EXPENDITURE S NOT TO EXCEED ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS ($1,600,000.00) FOR THE PURCHASE OF 148 NORTH FEDERAL HIGHWAY, DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(City Manager)*

City Attorney Boutsis read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Mayor Ryan opened the floor to public comments, there being none, public hearing was closed.

Vice Mayor Lewellen made a motion to approve the ordinance on second reading. The motion was seconded by Commissioner James which carried unanimously on voice vote.

12.2 ORDINANCE NO. 2023-_____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE REQUEST MADE BY THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 100 NW 8 AVENUE, DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AS LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A"; CHANGING THE CURRENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY FROM NEIGHBORHOOD RESIDENTIAL (NBHD-RES) TO OPEN SPACE (OS) (APPLICATION NO. RZ-074-23), SUBJECT TO CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS; AND AMENDING THE CITY'S ZONING MAP TO REFLECT THE REZONING OF THE PARCEL, AS REFLECTED IN EXHIBIT "B"; PROVIDING FOR

CODIFICATION, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Community Development)*

City Attorney Boutsis read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Deputy Director of Community Development, Corinne Lajoie, introduced the item.

Mayor Ryan opened the floor to public comments, there being none, public hearing was closed.

Commissioner James made a motion to approve the ordinance on second reading. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Lewellen which carried unanimously on voice vote.

13. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

13.1 Discussion Regarding New Location for Totor Art Sculpture - *Sponsored by Commissioner Salvino*

Commissioner Salvino introduced the item.

Vice Mayor Lewellen commented that she believes it looks great in its current location, however it's not city property. She would prefer it be on city property and is in favor of it being at City Hall.

Commissioner Davis stated that she is in favor of the sculpture being relocated to City Hall.

Mayor Ryan asked if the dog park would receive any kind of artwork in that area and Commissioner Davis responded that the Public Art Advisory Board will be recommending a program where there will be a rolling roster of artists that could submit art for the Board to consider.

City Manager Garcia said she wanted to ensure the location does not interfere with the Veteran's Park.

Mayor Ryan recommended placing it at the beach or by Tootie Adler Park in a location where it will be visible.

Discussion ensued regarding the possible location of the sculpture.

Commissioner Salvino suggested moving the sculpture to City Hall and purchasing more artwork for the other areas such as the dog park and beach.

There was majority consensus to move the sculpture to City Hall.

14. APPOINTMENTS

None.

15. COMMISSION COMMENTS

15.1 Commissioner Davis

Commissioner Davis thanked Commissioner James and the Parks & Recreation staff for the breast cancer event this evening at City Hall; she acknowledged Carolyn Jones for her presence and contribution to the event. She commented that the Dania After Dark Oktoberfest was a huge success and the Dania Pointe 5k run was phenomenal. She spoke about the graffiti at the beach and said that she would like to have it thoroughly investigated. She had a great time with Mayor Ryan and Commissioner Salvino at the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance event.

15.2 Commissioner James

Commissioner James spoke about the Dania Pointe 5k run and the breast cancer event. She commented that she is hoping that the City will continue with the event in the future as it was here before her and it is very meaningful to so many in the community.

15.3 Commissioner Salvino

Commissioner Salvino spoke about the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance event; he wished a happy birthday to City Manager Garcia and Maxine Singh. He commented on the employee picnic, Dania After Dark Oktoberfest and the breast cancer event.

15.4 Vice-Mayor Lewellen

Vice Mayor Lewellen thanked the City team for making the Commission and City continuously look good, she is looking forward to the Fall Festival at C.W. Thomas Park and wished a happy birthday to City Manager Garcia.

15.5 Mayor Ryan

Mayor Ryan wished a happy birthday to City Manager Garcia, Maxine Singh, and Elora Riera. He reminded everyone of the Fall Festival at C.W. Thomas Park where he will be honoring the Super Bowl and Cheerleading Champions with the Dania Beach Dolphins and encouraged everyone to attend the State of the City event on November 9th. He wished everyone a happy and safe Halloween.

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Ryan adjourned the meeting at 9:27 p.m.

ATTEST:

ELORA RIERA, MMC
CITY CLERK

CITY OF DANIA BEACH

ARCHIBALD J. RYAN IV
MAYOR

Approved: November 14, 2023