



MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
DANIA BEACH CITY COMMISSION
TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2025 - 7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Mayor Joyce L. Davis
Vice-Mayor Marco A. Salvino, Sr.
Commissioner Lori Lewellen
Commissioner Luis Rimoli
Commissioner A. J. Ryan IV

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

3. PRESENTATIONS AND SPECIAL EVENT APPROVALS

3.1 Principal Tracy D. Jackson, Collins Elementary School - Appreciation of City of Dania Beach Support - *Sponsored by Mayor Davis*

Principal Jackson spoke and thanked the Commission for their commitment and dedication to Olsen Middle School. She presented them with small gifts of appreciation.

3.2 Reinier Luna - Presentation on Boys State Experience - *Sponsored by Commissioner Ryan*

Commissioner Ryan introduced the item.

Mr. Luna spoke on his experience with Boys State.

3.3 Special Event Application: *Parks & Recreation*

Tri-Rail's Rail Fun Day 2025

City Manager Garcia commented that all departments approved the application.

There was consensus to approve the item.

3.4 Request for Proclamation Approval:

- National Mentoring Month - January 2025 - *Sponsored by Mayor Davis*
- National GovComms Day - February 21, 2025 - *Marketing and Communications*

There was consensus to approve the proclamations.

3.5 Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman-Shultz Award Event - February 19, 2025 - Fee Waiver for I.T. Parker Center Rental

City Manager Garcia and the Commission agreed to sponsor the cost of the fee.

4. PROCLAMATIONS

4.1 National Mentoring Month - January 2025 - *Sponsored by Mayor Davis*

Mayor Davis read the proclamation into the record and presented the proclamation to the President and CEO of Big Brothers Big Sisters.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

5.1 City Manager

City Manager Garcia presented her manager's report and touched on the following topics:

- Congratulations to Sean Schutten on his promotion to Deputy Director of Public Services
- Huddle publication for 2025
- Conference call with Landmark Principal, Francisco Rojo and ribbon cutting ceremony for City Place
- Water projects in the city
- LPR Trailers
- Final stormwater masterplan meeting
- CORE meetings
- Gulfstream project
- Strategic Master Plan update

5.2 City Attorney

City Attorney Boutsis informed the Commission of the passing of Tom Ansboro's wife.

5.3 City Clerk - Reminders

City Clerk Riera reminded the Commission of the following upcoming meetings:

- February 11, 2025 CRA Board Meeting - 5:30 p.m.
- February 11, 2025 City Commission Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- February 25, 2025 City Commission Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

6. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

Captain Tarala reported on recent criminal activity in the city and spoke about a meeting with the state attorney regarding Dania Pointe and protecting the city's visitors. The Vintage Motorcycle show was this weekend and there were no issues. He reported that the two Sky Towers that the city purchased should be delivered in February. He spoke about new BSO staff coming to the city and introduced Sergeant Perricone who will be the patrol supervisor for the midnight shift.

Fire Chief Pellecer reported on Emergency Preparedness and the City's Emergency Management Plan. He urged residents to look out for anyone that may need to register for the Vulnerable Population Registry. He spoke about equipment checks and reported that the Jaws of Life have been recertified for the year, and they are fully prepared for anyone that may need to be rescued out of a vehicle.

7. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

The following spoke under citizens' comments:

- Frank Aiello – 325 SE 11th Terrace

8. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- 8.1 Minutes: January 14, 2025 City Commission Meeting

Approved under consent agenda.

- 8.2 Travel Requests: None.

- 8.3 RESOLUTION NO. 2025-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CITY CONTINGENCY FUNDS FOR CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 RELATING TO REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS ("RFQ") NO. 21-024 "CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AT RISK SERVICES", FOR CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS AT C.W. THOMAS PARK WITH BURKHARDT CONSTRUCTION, INC., FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED TWENTY THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND TWO DOLLARS AND SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS (\$120,702.75), UTILIZING THE APPROVED CONTINGENCY UNDER AUTHORIZED UNDER RESOLUTION 2024-042; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE FUTURE CHANGE ORDERS RELATED TO THE PROJECT PROVIDED THEY ARE WITHIN THE \$1,000,000, APPROVED CONTINGENCY UNDER RESOLUTION 2024-042;

PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Parks & Recreation)

Approved under consent agenda.

8.4 RESOLUTION NO. 2025-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR HARDWARE, SOFTWARE, PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FROM AMC SURVEILLANCE CAMERA AND ELECTRONICS, INC. (AMC), FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-25, 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. *(Information Technology)*

Approved under consent agenda.

8.5 Approval for Use of City Logo:

The Greater Dania Beach Chamber of Commerce:

- Go Red for Heart Health – February 12, 2025 (flyer attached)
- Board Installation Small Business of the Year-May 2025
- Mayor’s Address-August 2025
- Breast Cancer Awareness Luncheon – October 2025
- First Responders Annual Toy Drive Luncheon-December 2025

Approved under consent agenda.

9. **BIDS AND REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS**

9.1 RESOLUTION NO. 2025-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH C.A.P. GOVERNMENT, INC. FOR BUILDING DEPARTMENT SERVICES RELATED TO REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (“RFP”) NO. 24-027; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Community Development)*

City Attorney Boutsis read the title of the resolution.

Director of Community Development Eleanor Norena introduced the item.

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

Item 12.1 was taken after agenda item 9.1

9.2 RESOLUTION NO. 2025-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH BERMELLO AJAMIL & PARTNERS, INC. FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR IMPROVEMENTS RELATED TO NEW CONSTRUCTION AT P.J. MELI AQUATICS COMPLEX, IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED EIGHTY-EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$1,688,500.00); PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Parks and Recreation)*

This item was taken after agenda item 12.1.

City Attorney Boutsis read the title of the resolution.

Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation Franky Lazo introduced the item.

Commissioner Lewellen made a motion to approve the item. Commissioner Ryan seconded the motion which carried unanimously on voice vote.

10. QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARINGS

None.

11. FIRST READING ORDINANCES

None.

12. SECOND READING ORDINANCES

12.1 ORDINANCE NO. 2025-_____

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 FOR DESIGN SERVICES RELATED TO THE PARKS MASTER PLAN – P.J. MELI AQUATICS COMPLEX PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Parks and Recreation)*

This item was taken after agenda item 9.1.

City Attorney Boutsis read the title of the ordinance.

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

Commissioner Lewellen made a motion to approve the ordinance on second reading. Commissioner Rimoli seconded the motion which carried unanimously on voice vote.

12.2 ORDINANCE NO. 2025-_____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 27 OF THE CITY CODE, ENTITLED “WATER AND SEWERS; ARTICLE IV, ENTITLED “WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM IMPACT FEES”, TO ELIMINATE AN ALTERNATIVE FEE CALCULATION PROCESS IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN CONSISTENCY IN FEE CALCULATIONS AND TO ADHERE TO BEST PRACTICES; AND TO ELIMINATE THE TWO YEAR REVIEW REQUIREMENT BY THE CITY COMMISSION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Public Services)*

City Attorney Boutsis read the title of the ordinance.

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

Commissioner Rimoli made a motion to approve the ordinance on second reading. Commissioner Lewellen seconded the motion which carried unanimously on voice vote.

13. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

13.1 RESOLUTION NO. 2025-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO ISSUE A CALL TO ARTISTS “CREATIVE VISION” IN ORDER TO ESTABLISH A LIST OF PREQUALIFIED ARTISTS AND PROPOSED ART CONCEPTS FOR A PUBLIC ART PROJECT WHICH IS PROPOSED TO BE AN INNOVATIVE PUBLIC ART CONCEPT; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Community Development)*

City Attorney Boutsis read the title of the resolution.

Director of Community Development Eleanor Norena introduced the item.

Commissioner Rimoli made a motion to approve the item. Commissioner Lewellen seconded the motion which carried unanimously on voice vote.

13.2 RESOLUTION NO. 2025-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DANIA BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY COMMISSION “COMMUNITY GRANT POLICY” AND “DISCRETIONARY FUNDS USE POLICY”; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *(Commissioner Lewellen/Finance)*

City Attorney Boutsis read the title of the resolution.

Commissioner Lewellen and Chief Financial Officer Frank DiPaolo introduced the item.

Discussion ensued amongst the Commission regarding the policy, timeline and limit on contributions.

Commissioner Lewellen made a motion to approve the item with the amendment for the \$10,000 cap. Commissioner Rimoli seconded the motion which carried 4-1 on roll call vote with Commissioner Lewellen, Commissioner Rimoli, Vice Mayor Salvino and Mayor Davis voting yes and Commissioner Ryan voting no.

13.3 Rescheduling of March 25th City Commission Meeting

There was consensus to approve the rescheduling of the March 25th meeting to the 31st.

14. APPOINTMENTS

14.1 Advisory Board Appointments - City Clerk

Education Advisory Board

1 appointment – Commissioner Rimoli

Commissioner Rimoli appointed Monique Bourgerly and there was consensus by the Commission.

GE Pension

1 appointment – Commission as a whole

Commissioner Lewellen recommended Cathy Davis and there was consensus by the Commission.

Green Advisory Board

1 appointment – Mayor Davis

1 appointment – Vice Mayor Salvino

There were no appointments for this board at this time.

Parks, Recreation & Community Affairs

1 appointment – Vice Mayor Salvino

1 appointment – Commission as a whole

Vice Mayor Salvino re-appointed Rich Aube as a board member and recommended Jeff Hansen as the alternate member and there was consensus for both appointments by the Commission.

Planning & Zoning Board

1 appointment – Vice Mayor Salvino

Vice Mayor Salvino appointed Joanna Granett and there was consensus by the Commission.

15. COMMISSION COMMENTS

15.1 Commissioner Lewellen

Commissioner Lewellen requested that the CORE meetings be held indoors as it was very hot during the summer and asked how many applications were received for City Place. City Manager Garcia responded that the number of applications exceeded the number of units. Commissioner Lewellen spoke about the events she attended this month to include the MLK gala and the Vintage Motorcycle Show. To dispel rumors in the community, she provided the vacancy rates for the various residential buildings in the city.

15.2 Commissioner Rimoli

Commissioner Rimoli spoke about the MLK gala and said he thinks there are things the city could do to elevate the event but overall, it was a very nice event, and it was great to have Debbie Wasserman Schultz and some of the Commissioners from the City of Hollywood in attendance. He attended the Vintage Motorcycle Show and commended Tony Thackham and his staff on the event and said everyone was having a great time. He is happy to hear that the rumors have been dispelled, and this will not be the last year.

15.3 Commissioner Ryan

Commissioner Ryan commented on the MLK gala and the Vintage Motorcycle Show. He said it was unfortunate that the weather was not good enough to hold the parade, but he looks forward to it next year. He noted that the Dania Beach Dolphins had their football banquet over the weekend at the I.T. Parker Center. He encouraged residents to have their children participate in the various youth sports in the community.

15.4 Vice-Mayor Salvino

Vice Mayor Salvino thanked Commissioner Ryan for working with the football team and reiterated the encouragement for participation in youth sports offered in the city. He spoke about attending the Vintage Motorcycle Show and commended the Sheriff's department for their presence and Tony Thackham and his staff on a great job. He requested the Commission to assist with sponsoring the Prestige Club's etiquette program.

There was Commission consensus to use the commission contingency to sponsor all three schools in the amount of \$6,000.00. City Attorney Boutsis commented that Maxine will prepare the item to go on the next agenda.

Vice Mayor Salvino questioned if he needs to attend the next ethics training or if he can attend another session. City Clerk Riera responded that she will investigate alternate dates.

15.5 Mayor Davis

Mayor Davis questioned what happened to the utility box on the corner of Dania Beach Boulevard that had been painted with flamingoes. She commented that the box had been removed, and she would like to have it back and repainted. She is willing to use her contingency funds to cover the cost of \$900 to have the box repainted. City Attorney Boutsis commented that they are owned by the utility company, and they can remove them at any time. City Manager Garcia responded that the city would look into it.

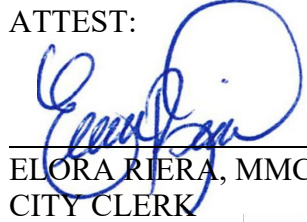
Mayor Davis requested to have the Commission sponsor a table at the annual Broward League of Cities Gala on June 7, 2025. There was Commission consensus to utilize commission contingency funds for the sponsorship. She commented that she was unable to attend the MLK Gala this year as she was at her first US Conference of Mayors in Washington D.C. She spoke about what she learned while there and what she plans to bring back to the city to discuss during strategic planning.

Mayor Davis spoke about the Vintage Motorcycle Show and commented that she would like to see more marketing for the event in the future. She said she met with the State Attorney about the safety of Dania Pointe and commended BSO and City Manager Garcia for being proactive.

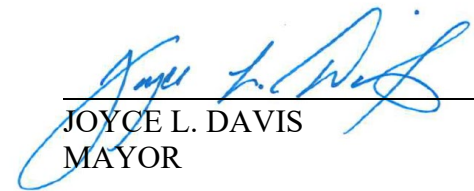
16. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Davis adjourned the meeting at 9:08 p.m.

ATTEST:


ELORA RIERA, MMC
CITY CLERK

CITY OF DANIA BEACH


JOYCE L. DAVIS
MAYOR

Approved: February 11, 2025

