

# City of Hollywood

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## Meeting Minutes

**Wednesday, January 21, 2026**

**1:00 PM**

**Commission Chambers Room 219**

### **Regular City Commission Meeting**

#### **CITY COMMISSION**

**Josh Levy, Mayor**

**Traci Callari, Vice Mayor - District 3**

**Caryl Shuham, Commissioner - District 1**

**Peter D. Hernandez, Commissioner - District 2**

**Adam Gruber, Commissioner - District 4**

**Kevin Biederman, Commissioner - District 5**

**Idelma Quintana, Commissioner - District 6**

**George R. Keller, Jr., CPPT, City Manager**

**Damaris Henlon, City Attorney**

**Patricia A. Cerny, City Clerk**

The Regular City Commission Meeting of the City of Hollywood, Florida, was called to order by Mayor Levy on Wednesday, January 21, 2026 at 1:09 PM in the City Commission Room, Room 219, 2600 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood, Florida.

1. **Moment of Silence**

Vice Mayor Callari announced the passing of Karen Caputo.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Recognition of Veterans, Active Service Personnel & Their Families**

4. **Roll Call**

**Present:** Commissioner Caryl Shuham, Commissioner Peter Hernandez, Vice Mayor Traci Callari, Commissioner Adam Gruber, Commissioner Kevin D. Biederman, Commissioner Idelma Quintana and Mayor Josh Levy

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

5. [R-2026-001](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Amending The Fiscal Year 2026 Operating Budgets Of Various Funds As Adopted And Approved By Resolution R-2025-335; Amending The Fiscal Year 2026 Capital Improvement Plan As Adopted And Approved By Resolution R-2025-336.

**ACTION:** This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

6. [R-2026-002](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Calling For The General Election To Be Held On November 3, 2026; Authorizing And Directing The City Clerk To Take Certain Actions In Connection Therewith; Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute An Agreement With The Broward County Supervisor Of

Elections Regarding The Election.

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

7. [R-2026-003](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving The Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes Of April 2, 2025.
- ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**
8. [R-2026-004](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving The Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes Of April 16, 2025.
- ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**
9. [R-2026-005](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute An Amendment To The Employment Agreement Between The City Attorney And The City.
- ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**
10. [R-2026-006](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute An Interlocal Agreement With The Hollywood Community Redevelopment Agency ("CRA") For Reimbursement To The CRA In An Amount Up To \$750,000.00 For The Florida Department Of Environmental Protection Land And Water Conservation Fund Grant For The Keating Park Project.
- ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**
11. [R-2026-007](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute A Fourth Amendment To The Employment Agreement Between The City Manager And The City.

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

12. [R-2026-008](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Implement A Settlement With Emmett Kater For A Workers' Compensation Claim In The Amount Of \$329,612.00.

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

13. [R-2026-009](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute An Agreement With The Highest Ranked Firm, Civitas, LLC, To Provide State And Federal Grant Technical Assistance Consulting Services In The Amount Of \$300,000 Over A Five-Year Term.

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

14. [R-2026-010](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Issue A Purchase Order To Empire Office, Inc. For Office Furniture And Installation Services For The City Hall Space Planning Project, In An Amount Up To \$239,238.38, Based On The State Of Florida Alternative Source Contract 56120000-24-NY-ACS Agreement, In Accordance With Section 38.41(C)(5) Of The Procurement Code. (Piggyback)

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

15. [R-2026-011](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute A Site Access Agreement With Broward County For Light Pole Maintenance Adjacent To Hollywood North Beach Park.

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

17. [R-2026-013](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Exercise

The First Of Four Optional One-Year Renewal Periods For The Blanket Purchase Agreement With GovForce, Inc. For Professional Consultant Services In An Amount Up To \$300,000.00 Over A One-Year Period From February 21, 2026, To February 20, 2027.

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

18. [R-2026-014](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Exercise The First Of Four Renewals To The Blanket Purchase Agreement With PointTech Business Solutions, LLC D/B/A OnPointe Government Solutions, LLC For Professional Consultant Services In An Annual Amount Up To \$410,000.00 Over A One-Year Period From January 15, 2026, To January 14, 2027.

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

19. [R-2026-015](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Issue A Blanket Purchase Agreement To Calvin, Giordano, & Associates, Inc. For General Planning Consulting Services In The Amount Of \$500,000.00 From February 13, 2026, Through December 12, 2026, Based Upon The City Of Wilton Manors RFP No. 2022-05 In Accordance With Section 38.41(C)(5) Of The Procurement Code. (Piggyback)

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

20. [R-2026-016](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute The Agreement For Uniform Collection Of Non-Ad Valorem Special Assessments With The Broward County Tax Collector.

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

21. [R-2026-017](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Accept, If Awarded, The 2026 - 2027 Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program Grant In The Amount Of \$200,000.00 For Improvements To Carlton Montayne

Park; Authorizing The Required 1:1 Matching Funds To Be Paid From Parks, Recreation And Cultural Arts Capital Improvement Project Funds; Further Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute All Applicable Grant Documents And Agreements; Amending The Fiscal Year 2026 Adopted Operating Budget And Capital Improvement Plan.

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

22. [R-2026-018](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Accept, If Awarded The 2026 - 2027 Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program Grant In The Amount Of \$200,000.00 For Improvements To Oak Lake Park; Authorizing The Required 1:1 Matching Funds To Be Paid From Parks, Recreation And Cultural Arts Capital Improvement Project Funds; Further Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute All Applicable Grant Documents And Agreements; Amending The Fiscal Year 2026 Adopted Operating Budget.

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

23. [R-2026-019](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Accept, If Awarded, The Florida Department Of State 2026 -2027 General Program Support Grant In The Amount Of \$75,000.00 For The ArtsPark Concert Series; Authorizing The Required 1:1 Matching Funds To Be Paid From Department Of Parks, Recreation And Cultural Arts Special Events Budget; Further Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute All Applicable Grant Documents And Agreements; Amending The Fiscal Year 2026 Adopted Operating Budget.

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

24. [R-2026-020](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Issue A Purchase Order With Wells Fargo Financial Leasing, Inc. Paying The Last Term Of The Equipment Lease Agreement For The Lease And Purchase Of 120 2022 New E-Z-Go RXV Elite Electric Golf Carts For Use At Orangebrook Golf And Country Club In An Amount Of \$360,000.00 Based Upon The Executed Master Agreement Number 603-0220834.

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

25. [R-2026-021](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Issue A Purchase Order To Centurion Partners Health And Fitness LLC D/B/A Fitnessmith For Police Headquarters Gym Equipment In An Amount Up To \$200,000.00, Based Upon Contract #FY22-128 For Gym Equipment, In Accordance With Section 38.41(C)(5) Of The Procurement Code. (Piggyback)

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

26. [R-2026-022](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute Change Order Number 33 With Moss & Associates, LLC For Additional Construction Management At Risk Services Related To The New Police Headquarters Project, A General Obligation Bond Project, In An Amount Up To \$200,000.00.

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

27. [R-2026-023](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Issue A Blanket Purchase Agreement To Razorback LLC For General Construction & Construction Management At Risk In An Annual Amount Up To \$300,000.00 From January 21, 2026, Through July 13, 2028, Based Upon Agreement No: 41-25-14 In Accordance With Section 38.41(C)(5) Of The Procurement Code. (Piggyback)

**ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

28. [R-2026-024](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute An Authorization To Proceed For Work Order Number CDM 26-01 With CDM Smith, Inc. For On-Call Engineering Support Services, On An As-Needed Basis, In An Annual Amount Up To \$225,000.00 Over A Two-Year Period.

**ACTION:** This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

16. [R-2026-012](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute An Easement Agreement With Florida Power & Light Company For The Purpose Of Installing And Maintaining New Power Services Related To The Hollywood Beach Clubhouse/Community Center Project, A General Obligation Bond Project.

**ACTION:** The City Manager withdrew the item from the agenda.

33. **PO-2026-002**

An Ordinance Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Amending Chapter 72 The Code Of Ordinances Entitled "Parking"; Amending The Definitions Of And Regulations Concerning Commercial Vehicles; Providing For A Severability Clause And A Repealer Provision.

**ACTION:** The City Manager withdrew the item from the agenda.

29. [P-2026-001](#)

A Proclamation In Recognition Of National Certified Registered Nurse (CRNA) Anesthetists' Week, January 18 - January 24, 2026.

Vice Mayor Callari read the proclamation in recognition of National Certified Registered Nurse (CRNA) Anesthetists' Week, January 18 -January 24, 2026.

Dr. Tony Umadhay, Barry University Program Director, and Stephanie Taylor SRNA, Barry University, accepted the proclamation and thanked the Commission for the recognition.

30. [P-2026-002](#)

Presentation By Jeffrey Devlin, Police Chief, Recognizing Recipients Of Hollywood Police Department Awards For August 2025, September 2025, And October 2025.

Jeffrey Devlin, Police Chief, announced the Police Department Awards for August 2025, September 2025, and October 2025.

Deanna Bettineschi, Public Information Manager, read the commendation that resulted in Raymond Esquilin, Police Officer and Ricardo Sainpaulin, Police Officer, being recognized as Officer of the Month of August 2025.

Deanna Bettineschi, Public Information Manager, read the commendation that resulted in Aimee Zeidell, Crime Scene Technician,

being recognized as Employee of the Month of August 2025.

Deanna Bettineschi, Public Information Manager, read the commendation that resulted in Raymond Esquilin, Police Officer, Ricardo Sainpaulin, Police Officer and Ramon Barros Navarro, Police Officer, being recognized for the Lifesaving Award August 2025.

Deanna Bettineschi, Public Information Manager, read the commendation that resulted in Kameron Beckford, Police Officer being recognized as Officer of the Month September 2025.

Deanna Bettineschi, Public Information Manager, read the commendation that resulted in Mari Ann Valenzuela, and Amber Mitchell, Crime/Intelligence Analyst, Crime/Intelligence Analyst, being recognized as Employee of the Month September 2025.

Deanna Bettineschi, Public Information Manager, read the commendation that resulted in Mark Robbins, Police Officer, being recognized as Officer of the Month October 2025.

31. [PO-2024-19](#)

An Ordinance Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Amending The City's Adopted Comprehensive Plan By Amending The Land Use Element To Create The Commercial Recreation Land Use Category. (24-L-58b)

Andria Wingett, Director of Development Services, explained the intent of the Ordinance.

The Mayor announced the Ordinance was advertised in conformance with Florida Statutes and City Codes. The public hearing was opened; there being no one present who wished to speak, the public hearing was declared closed.

The City Attorney read the Ordinance title on second (second) and final reading.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Biederman, to adopt on second (second) and final reading the Ordinance. The motion on roll call vote carried:**

**Aye:** Commissioner Shuham  
Commissioner Hernandez  
Vice Mayor Callari  
Commissioner Gruber  
Commissioner Biederman  
Commissioner Quintana  
Mayor Levy

Enactment No: O-2025-11

**32. PO-2026-001**

An Ordinance Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Amending Title VII Of The Code Of Ordinances Entitled "Traffic Code"; Regulating The Operation Of Motorized Scooters And Micromobility Devices, Prohibiting The Rental Of Motorized Scooters And Micromobility Devices, And Clarifying Motorcycle Operator Permit Requirements; Providing For A Severability Clause And A Repealer Provision.

Jeff Devlin, Police Chief, explained the intent of the Ordinance.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

The City Attorney read the Ordinance title on first reading.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez, to adopt on first reading the Ordinance. The motion on roll call vote carried:**

- Aye:** Commissioner Shuham
- Commissioner Hernandez
- Vice Mayor Callari
- Commissioner Gruber
- Commissioner Biederman
- Commissioner Quintana
- Mayor Levy

**34. [R-2026-025](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing the Appropriate City Officials to Execute A Supplemental Grant Participation And Reimbursement Agreement With Brightline Trains Florida, LLC For The Implementation Of The Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant Program "Broward County Sealed Corridor" Improvements At The Garfield Street Crossing Of The Florida East Coast Railway.

Andria Wingett, Director of Development Services, explained the intent of the Resolution.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Gruber, to adopt the Resolution. On a voice vote the motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

**35. [R-2026-026](#)**

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Issue A Blanket Purchase Agreement To Florida East Coast Railway, LLC For Railroad Crossing Maintenance And Associated Signal Maintenance At Various Florida East Coast Crossings In An Amount Not To Exceed \$4,000,000.00 Over A Five-Year Term In Accordance With Section 38.38 Of The Procurement Code. (Approval Authority)

Andria Wingett, Director of Development Services, explained the intent of the Resolution.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Shuham, to adopt the Resolution. On a voice vote the motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

36. [R-2026-027](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Execution Of A Letter Agreement Between The City Of Hollywood, Florida East Coast Railway, LLC, And Brightline Trains Florida LLC, Modifying Existing Crossing Agreements For The Garfield Street, Johnson Street, And Washington Street Crossings Participating In The Broward County Sealed Corridor Project Funded Through The Federal Railroad Crossing Elimination Program Grant Administered By The Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Andria Wingett, Director of Development Services, explained the intent of the Resolution.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Biederman, which was seconded by Vice Mayor Callari, to adopt the Resolution. On a voice vote the motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

37. [R-2026-028](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute An Amendment To The Agreement With Waste Pro Of Florida, Inc., For Solid Waste Collection, Recyclables Collection, And Yard/Bulk Waste Collection Services And To Authorize A Rate Adjustment From \$25.18 To \$26.06 Per Single Family Residence Per Month.

Joseph Kroll, Director of Public Works, explained the intent of the Resolution.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

Jovan Douglas, Assistant City Manager, provided additional information.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

Damaris Henlon, City Attorney, responded to concerns raised by the Commission.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Shuham to adopt the Resolution with no cap on cost recovery fees. Motion failed for lack of a second.**

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

Ken Rivera, Waste Pro, responded to concerns raised by the Commission.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Hernandez, which was seconded by Vice Mayor Callari, to adopt the Resolution. On a voice vote the motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

Commissioner Callari left the meeting at 2:10 PM and returned at 2:12 PM.

38. [R-2026-029](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Apply For And, If Awarded, Accept The 2026 - 2029 Children Service Council Of Broward County "Maximizing Out Of School Time" Grant To Conduct Youth After School And Summer Camp Programs In The Approximate Amount Of \$1,000,000.00; Authorizing The Required Five Percent Matching Funds To Be Paid From In-Kind Staff Salaries; Further Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute All Applicable Grant Documents And Agreements; Amending The Fiscal Year 2026 Adopted Operating Budget.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Quintana, to adopt the Resolution. On a voice vote the motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

39. [R-2026-030](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute The Contract For Consulting/Professional Services With Miller Legg & Associates, Inc. To Provide Architectural And Engineering Services For The Sunset Park Master Plan Implementation Project In An Amount Up To \$2,493,230.00.

Elisa Iglesias, Deputy Director Design and Construction Management, explained the intent of the Resolution.

Commissioner Gruber left the meeting at 2:17 PM and returned at 2:19 PM.

The following individuals expressed personal opinions/concerns:

1. Michael Seltzer, 956 Hollywood Blvd.
2. Patricia Antrican, 2534 Fillmore Street

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

Adam Reichbach, Assistant City Manager, responded to questions raised by the Commission.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

George R. Keller Jr., City Manager, provided additional information and responded to concerns raised by the Commission.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

Mike Kroll, Miller Leg Consultant, provided additional information and responded to questions raised by the Commission.

Ricky Engle, Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts, provided additional information and responded to questions raised by the Commission.

Extensive discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

Raelin Storey, Assistant City Manager, provided additional information.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Hernandez, which was seconded by Vice Mayor Callari, to adopt the Resolution. On a voice vote the motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**

**41. Commissioner Biederman, District 5**

Commissioner Biederman had no further comments.

**42. Commissioner Quintana, District 6**

Park Improvements

Commissioner Quintana stated there needs to be improvements to the community centers in District 6, Washington Park Community Center and the Kay Gaither Community Center, where there are some restrictions on

when it can be used. She knows staff has made efforts to hire people, so Washington Park can be open on the weekends. She requested attention to the Park's condition such as bathrooms and updates on the inside. Commissioner Quintana requested Commission support to allocate funds for more improvements.

Mayor Levy and Commissioner Gruber supported the idea.

#### Greek Festival

Commissioner Quintana announced the Annual Greek Festival at Saint George Greek Orthodox Church during this Friday, Saturday and Sunday, and invited everyone to come and have fun and food.

#### Party on the J

Commissioner Quintana announced on February 1, 2026, the Party on the J will be held on Johnson Street between 441 and 56th Avenue from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM. The Johnson Street Business District has been working together to be part of the neighborhood. She invited everyone to come and have fun and food.

#### Civic Associations

Commissioner Quintana stated she contacted all the Civic Associations to help educate residents about property tax bills. She stated District 6 does not have a civic association, west of Park Road. She requested Commission support to have a community forum for residents.

Adam Reichbach, Assistant City Manager, stated that ballot language is needed to clarify the potential impacts once the bills are finalized. He emphasized the importance of continuing to educate residents on possible scenarios.

### **43. Commissioner Shuham, District 1**

#### Congratulations

Commissioner Shuham congratulated Russell Long, Chief Building Official, as he was named Building Official of the Year for Broward County.

#### Parking

Commissioner Shuham stated that half price parking for Hollywood residents has been extended until the fall, and it is City wide. She announced residents can sign up online and take advantage of the parking fees.

Thank you

Commissioner Shuham extended her gratitude to Kassandra Myers, Assistant Director of Public Utilities, for meeting with residents about a canal area in the City.

#### Sheridan Street

Commissioner Shuham announced Sheridan Street will be closed for seventy-two hours starting at night on January 20, 2026, from Federal Highway to A1A. She stated local traffic can get through at 14th Avenue and not cross at the bridge.

#### New Dunes Project

Commissioner Shuham announced the Broward County Project in building new dunes has commenced, they are all ready to go and it is an incredible project. She thanked Broward County for their help.

#### City Ordinances

Commissioner Shuham requested Commission support to have the staff look into the County and City Ordinances seawalls on private residences and the need to be raised, as required by Broward County. She stated the staff looked at incentives to use concrete, to put in a living sea wall instead. Staff can contact Fort Lauderdale to what actions they have taken to incentivize living seawalls. Commissioner Quintana supported the idea. Commissioner Quintana and Mayor Levy supported for information only.

#### Bike Share Initiatives

Commissioner Shuham stated in a previous meeting there was a discussion about a bike share program, which has now disappeared. She explained the type of bike share program where people rented a bike in a city had to return it where they got it from. Commissioner Shuham requested Commission support for staff to contact other cities to see if there is an opportunity for a regional bike share program.

Mayor Levy, Commissioner Callari and Commissioner Quintana supported the idea for information only.

Commissioner Gruber left the meeting at 3:28 PM and returned at 3:30 PM.

#### Potholes in Hollywood Blvd.

Commissioner Shuham stated Bob Glickman mentioned the potholes west bound to the Hollywood Bridge. She asked staff to get with the Florida Department of Transportation to address the issue.

#### Community Center

Commissioner Shuham requested the status on the Commission having approved a survey of the City community centers.

Raelin Storey, Assistant City Manager, responded they met with staff and hired a consultant to view the community centers, to look at the conditions and work with the staff.

Thank you

Commissioner Shuham extended her appreciation to the staff for their efforts on the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday event. She stated that the event was beautiful but not well attended.

#### **44. Commissioner Hernandez, District 2**

##### Parking Issues

Commissioner Hernandez stated parking in the Downtown is a work in process, there will be complaints which will be addressed as are in progress. Commissioner Hernandez stated staff will try the pilot program in nearby areas to help with parking.

##### Fine Forgiveness

Commissioner Hernandez stated the Find Forgiveness Program has been extended for six months. He recommended bringing property into compliance within the time frame.

##### PEN Program

Commissioner Hernandez stated the PEN Program has some language issues that need to be addressed. Commissioner Hernandez requested to look for civic associations applying for the PEN grant; they must submit their board member's name, address on application and all members must be in the City. Commissioner Beiderman, Commissioner Gruber and Mayor Levy supported the request.

Commissioner Biederman suggested term limits among presidents of the associations and add it to the requirements to receive the PEN funds since it is not giving opportunities to become leaders in the community.

Discussion ensued among members of the Commission regarding the requirement for living in the City.

##### Implementing Letter

Commissioner Hernandez requested Commission support for the CRA to look for another consulting firm for what they need Downtown. He requested permission to draft a letter to new residents to fill out a survey. Commissioner Callari, Mayor Levy and Commissioner Gruber supported

the request.

**45. Vice Mayor Callari, District 3**

**Vanilla & Pastry**

Vice Mayor Callari announced she attended the Vanilla & Pastry ribbon cutting event on Hollywood Boulevard. She stated their pastries are amazing if any resident wants to try them.

**Italian American**

Vice Mayor Callari stated she attended the Italian American events on Saturday night and wished she could have stayed longer. Vice Mayor Callari stated they were excited to be recognized with a proclamation.

**Stan Goldman Park**

Vice Mayor Callari thanked staff for getting the Stan Goldman Park pavilion ready. Vice Mayor Callari reported parking was still an issue. She announced Stan Goldman Park was the best place to go for pickleball based on the survey results; however, they need to fix the parking issue. Vice Mayor Callari stated there are plenty of opportunities, some of them more expensive than others, but as time goes by, costs keep rising. She acknowledged the cost of creating parking spaces is high, but it is necessary to do it.

**Karen Captuo**

Vice Mayor Callari announced the meeting of the Central Civic Association at the Armory on Tuesday, January 27, 2026, at 7:00 PM to memorialize Karen Captuo. She mentioned the Commission will be up in the capital.

**New Citizen Appointee**

Vice Mayor Callari stated a letter was submitted to the Commission regarding a vacancy on MPO as the City's resident representative. She stated that Tom Lander recommended Alex Riccio to take his spot. Commissioner Shuham stated Tom Lander stepped down.

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Biederman, to appoint Alex Riccio to take Tom Lander's position as a citizen appointee of the City Commission for the Broward MPO citizen committee. On voice vote the motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

**46. Commissioner Gruber, District 4**

**Battle of Badges**

Commissioner Gruber announced the Battle of Badges is on Saturday, February 21, 2026, at 9:00 AM at the Calvary Chapel in Fort Lauderdale. He announced the Police and Fire Department will be competing.

#### Sunset and Orangebrook

Commissioner Gruber stated Sunset and Orangebrook, it is all about perspective, about taking money away. He stated if there was no P3, nothing would be happening.

#### Mara Giulanti Park

Commissioner Gruber stated residents contacted him about Mara Giulanti Park, and if it was possible to have a dog park installed at the one end. He questioned staff about the status of the splash pad if the water meter is an issue.

Elisa Iglesias, Deputy Director of Design and Construction Management, gave an update on the splash pad, due to the contractor, it will take another two to three weeks for water to be turned on.

#### Salsa Fest West

Commissioner Gruber stated he attended Salsa Fest West at the Boulevard Heights Community Center, and it was one of the best.

#### Party on the J

Commissioner Gruber stated he is looking forward to the Party on the J as it will be a good time and expects it to be better than last year on Sunday, February 1, 2026, between 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

#### 46th Avenue

Commissioner Gruber stated if it is possible for the median on 46th Avenue, the low end, to be fixed, which is the curbing could be fixed.

## **47. Mayor Levy**

#### Skateboard Amenities

Mayor Levy stated a local teacher approached him about installing skateboard amenities in the City Parks. He stated he will forward the information to staff. He suggested using Boulevard Heights skate park, but it is having improvements. He asked staff to look at their master plan to see what is available for skate amenities.

#### Request for Updates

Mayor Levy stated he was excited to see the flyer in the lobby for beginning the street lighting improvement by Memorial Regional heading east. He requested George R., Keller, Jr., City Manager, provide an

update on the project.

#### Hollywood Pride Event

Mayor Levy announced the Hollywood Pride on Saturday, January 24, 2026, between 1:00 PM to 10:00 PM at ArtsPark.

#### State of the City

Mayor Levy invited anyone for the State of the City presentation on Thursday, January 22, 2026, at 6:00 PM about the future of Hollywood at the Development Services Building. He stated it is a presentation for the public. He will also present State of City presentation at the Chamber of Commerce luncheon on Thursday, January 22, 2026, at 12:00 PM. He stated he is excited for the opportunity and eager to see participation.

#### 8-Week Fitness program

Mayor Levy announced the 8-week fitness program which is a way the City can create fitness opportunities for residents with a minimal cost. It will be at Charrow Park on the sand on Saturdays at 10:00 AM.

### **48. City Attorney**

#### New Deputy City Attorney

Damaris Henlon, City Attorney, announced Kim Phan as the new Deputy City Attorney. She stated Kim worked for other cities before and has wealth of government knowledge.

Kim Phan, Deputy City Attorney, thanked the Commission.

### **49. City Manager**

#### Waste Pro Contract

George R., Keller, Jr., City Manager, stated what a difference a year makes regarding the waste pro contract. He recognized Jovan Douglas Assistant City Manager; Joseph Kroll, Director of Public Works; Tony Tiru, Environmental Services Manager; for their excellent job on the contract.

#### Resignation

George R., Keller, Jr., City Manager, stated he sent his resignation letter to the City Commission with an effective date of March 31, 2026.

The Commission recessed at 4:23 PM and reconvened at 5:02 PM with all members of the Commission present.

40. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

The following individuals expressed personal opinions/concerns:

1. Michael Seltzer, 956 Hollywood Blvd
2. Elaine Kooser, 1924 Pierce Street

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Hernandez, which was seconded by Vice Mayor Callari, to waive wind storm insurance for a driveway. On a voice vote the motion passed 5-2. Commissioner Shuham and Commissioner Quintana were opposed.

3. Chris Albertelli, 1029 S 28 Avenue
4. Ann Ralston, 326 S 14th Ave
5. Cat Uden, 1120 Lyon Tree Street

50. The meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.

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Patricia A. Cerny, MMC  
City Clerk  
Hollywood, Florida

Approved on:

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