

# City of Hollywood

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## Meeting Minutes

**Wednesday, April 3, 2019**

**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 Hernandez, Commissioner - District 2***

***Richard Blattner, Commissioner - District 4***

***Kevin Biederman, Commissioner - District 5***

***Linda Sherwood, Commissioner - District 6***

***Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager***

***Douglas R. Gonzales, 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, April 3, 2019 at 1:10 PM in the City Commission Room, Room 219, Joseph W. Watson Circle, Hollywood, Florida.

1. **Moment of Silence**
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 Richard Blattner, Commissioner Kevin D. Biederman, Commissioner Linda Sherwood and Mayor Josh Levy

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **Approval of the Consent Agenda**

**ACTION:** A motion was made by Commissioner Blattner, seconded by Vice Mayor Callari, to adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

5. [R-2019-069](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute An Agreement With Howard E. Nyhart Company, Incorporated, For Actuarial Services In An Amount Not To Exceed \$45,000.00.  
**ACTION:** This Resolution was moved by Commissioner Blattner, which was seconded by Vice Mayor Callari, and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)
6. [R-2019-070](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Issue Blanket Purchase Orders For The Renewal Of The Existing Agreements With Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc. And C.A.P. Government, Inc. For Inspection And Plan Review Services In An Estimated Annual Cumulative Amount Not To Exceed \$800,000.00.

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

7. [R-2019-071](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Certify And File A Right Of Way Maintenance Map Dedicating And Vesting All Rights, Title, Easement And Appurtenances Of That Portion Of The Constructed SW 66th Ave Road In The City In Accordance With Section 95.361(3), Florida Statutes.

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

8. [R-2019-072](#)

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 Areawide Council On Aging Of Broward County, Inc. Grant, In The Amount Of \$228,000.00, At No Cost To The City, To Provide Enhanced Senior Citizen Recreation Programs; Authorizing The Department Of Financial Services To Amend The Fiscal Year 2019 Operating Budget; Further Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute All Applicable Grant Documents And Agreement(s).

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

9. [R-2019-073](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Issue Purchase Orders To Altec Industries, Inc. And Growers Equipment Company For The Purchase Of Two Vehicles For A Total Amount Of \$317,482.92 For the Public Works Department.

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

10. [R-2019-074](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Issue Purchase Orders To Bobcat Company And Alan Jay Chevrolet, Inc. For The Purchase Of Two Vehicles For A Total Amount Of \$90,046.42.

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

11. [P-2019-15](#) A Proclamation In Recognition Of Paralyzed Veterans Of America Awareness Month - April 2019.
- Commissioner Blattner read the proclamation in recognition of Paralyzed Veterans of America Awareness Month - April 2019.
- Juan Perez, President of the Paralyzed Veterans Association of Florida, Inc., accepted the proclamation and thanked the Commission for the recognition.
12. [P-2019-16](#) A Proclamation In Recognition Of Water Conservation Month - April 2019.
- Commissioner Hernandez read the proclamation in recognition of Water Conservation Month - April 2019.
- Ali Parker, Outreach Coordinator, introduced Lorraine Mayers, South Florida Water Management District, who accepted the proclamation and thanked the Commission for the recognition.
13. [P-2019-17](#) A Proclamation In Recognition Of Relay For Life Month - April 2019.
- Commissioner Biederman read the proclamation in recognition of Relay for Life Month - April 2019.
- Jennifer Solinger, Human Resources Administrator, accepted the proclamation and thanked the Commission for the recognition.
14. [P-2019-18](#) A Proclamation In Recognition Of National Boys & Girls Club Week, April 8 - 13, 2019.
- Vice Mayor Callari read the proclamation in recognition of National Boys and Girls Club Week, April 8-13, 2019.
- Commissioner Blattner left the meeting at 1:26 PM and returned at 1:27 PM.
- Tywon Jones, Boys and Girls Club, Marti Huizenga Unit, accepted the proclamation and thanked the Commission for the recognition.
15. [P-2019-19](#) Presentation By Anne Hotte, Executive Director, Hollywood Chamber Of Commerce, On The Chamber's Recent Activities.
- Marty Shuham, President, Greater Hollywood Chamber of Commerce; Stacey Kotzen, Chair, Governmental Affairs; and Anne Hotte, Executive Director, Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, provided a presentation on

the Chamber's recent activities.

16. [R-2019-075](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Amending Resolution R-2016-179 To Further Amend The Amended And Restated Redevelopment Plan For The Downtown District Of The Hollywood Community Redevelopment Agency (Central City Study Area) In Accordance With Sections 163.346 And 163.361, Florida Statutes, In Order To Incorporate The Requirements Of The Interlocal Agreement Among Broward County, The City Of Hollywood And The City Of Hollywood Community Redevelopment Agency Regarding Funding For Affordable Housing Related To The Term, Funding And Affordable Housing; Providing For A Severability Clause And A Repealer Provision.

Andria Wingett, Assistant Director of Development Services, provided a presentation on the intent of the resolution.

Vice Mayor Callari left the meeting at 1:44 PM and returned at 1:46 PM.

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

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

Douglas Gonzales, City Attorney, responded to questions asked by the Commission.

**ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Blattner, which was seconded by Commissioner Sherwood, to adopt the Resolution.**

Discussion ensued among members of the Commission on the motion to adopt.

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, responded to concerns raised by the Commission.

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Jorge Camejo, CRA Executive Director, provided additional information.

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Commissioner Biederman, which was seconded by Commissioner Hernandez, to continue the Resolution to the April 17, 2019 Regular Commission Meeting. On a voice vote the motion failed 1-6. Commissioner Shuham, Vice Mayor Callari, Commissioner Blattner, Commissioner Biederman, Commissioner Sherwood and Mayor Levy were opposed.

**ACTION:** On voice vote, the motion made by Commissioner Blattner, which was seconded by Commissioner Sherwood, to adopt the Resolution passed 5-2. Vice Mayor Callari and Commissioner Hernandez were opposed.

17. [R-2019-076](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Negotiate And Execute An Agreement With The Highest Ranked Firm For The Creation Of A Parks Master Plan, And If Negotiations Are Not Successful, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Negotiate And Execute An Agreement With The Next Highest Ranked Firm.

David Vazquez, Interim Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts, reviewed the intent of the resolution.

Cris Bentacourt, Barth Associates, Inc., explained the qualifications of their firm and their approach to develop a Parks Master Plan.

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, provided additional information.

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

18. [R-2019-077](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Negotiate And Execute An Agreement With The Highest Ranked Firm To Provide A Parking Access Revenue Control System In An Estimated Amount Of \$672,600.44, And If Negotiations Are Not Successful, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Negotiate And Execute An Agreement With The Next Highest Ranked Firm(s) Until An Agreement Is Reached.

Hal King, Parking Administrator, explained the intent of the resolution.

Commissioner Biederman left the meeting at 2:34 PM and returned at 2:41 PM.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

Commissioner Blattner left the meeting at 3:01 PM and returned at 3:03 PM.

**ACTION:** Motion was made by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Sherwood, to adopt the Resolution. On a voice vote the motion passed 6-1. Mayor Levy was opposed.

#### 19. Vice Mayor Callari, District 3

##### Youth Ambassadors

Vice Mayor Callari recapped the Youth Ambassador trip to Tallahassee to watch the State Legislature in action. She thanked the Police Department for cosponsoring the event.

##### Broward Legislative Days

Vice Mayor Callari recapped the Broward Legislative Days in Tallahassee regarding the meetings with various State representatives and two other Commission members in which various issues were discussed especially HOME Rule and vacation rentals.

##### Hollywood Happy Days

Vice Mayor Callari stated the Youth Ambassador program Hollywood Happy Days was a very successful event.

#### 20. Commissioner Blattner, District 4

##### Condition of Garfield Community Center & Hollywood Blvd. Bridge

Commissioner Blattner stated the jurisdictional issues between the City and the CRA need to be resolved regarding painting of the Garfield Community Center building as it needs to be painted. Also, the Hollywood Blvd. Bridge needs to be pressure cleaned.

##### Branding Opportunity

Commissioner Blatter stated there are opportunities to brand Hollywood Blvd from City Hall to the FEC, and suggested a monument sign.

##### Texting 911 Option

Commissioner Blattner stated he attended a presentation in the City of Sunrise regarding the new texting 911 option. The 911 text option is excellent for people with hearing disabilities, but for people who do not have hearing issues, they need to call first.

##### Upcoming Workshops

Commissioner Blattner stated there are workshops upcoming for solid waste, septic to sewer and community development.

#### Recruit New Staff

Commissioner Blattner stated Hollywood, Fort Lauderdale, and Pompano Beach, the three of the largest cities in Broward County, have all passed GO Bonds, and will have transportation tax projects. Commissioner Blattner expressed his concerns on the difficulty of the City hiring architects and engineers and wants the City Manager to have a plan for these staffing issues. He suggested the City reach out beyond the normal ways for recruiting.

### **21. Commissioner Biederman, District 5**

#### Recruit New Staff

Commissioner Biederman suggest the City use Zip Recruiter.com and also utilize the interims when recruiting new staff.

#### Fire Hydrants

Commissioner Biederman thanked the City Manager for addressing a resident complaint he received regarding the condition of the fire hydrants in his area. In less than a week the City started sprucing up the fire hydrants.

#### Marshmallow Drop

Commissioner Biederman announced the Marshmallow Drop event will be at Boulevard Heights Community Center. He thanked the Boulevard Heights Civic Association for sponsoring baskets for the kids.

#### Mission Possible Workshop

Commissioner Biederman announced the last Mission Possible workshop would be April 27, 2019, this is an excellent event.

#### Broward Days

Commissioner Biederman stated he was also in Tallahassee meeting with the State representatives.

#### Youth Ambassadors

Commissioner Biederman thanked Vice Mayor Callari for dedicating her time to shepherd in the Youth Ambassadors. These Youth Ambassadors will be future City Commissioners.

#### Economic Opportunities

Commissioner Biederman stated he is looking forward to the next several years with all the new economic development opportunities which will be created.



#### Home Rule

Commissioner Biederman asked for Commission support to have a resolution similar to the City of Weston supporting Home Rule. Commissioner Hernandez and Vice Mayor Callari supported the request. Douglas Gonzales, City Attorney, stated he will bring forward a resolution.

### **22. Commissioner Sherwood, District 6**

#### Bicycle Trails

Commissioner Sherwood stated she wants the study for the bicycle trails, as there were cars trying to drive around a bicyclist on Washington Street, it was a dangerous situation.

#### Home Rule

Commissioner Sherwood stated she agrees with Vice Mayor Callari on the State Legislature trying to take away home rule from the Cities.

#### GO Bond

Commissioner Sherwood stated residents are excited about what will happen with the GO Bond. They are asking questions, and she wants the projects for streets, speed bumps and speed tables, started soon, as they are needed.

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

#### Youth Ambassadors.

Commissioner Shuham thanked Vice Mayor Callari for the Hollywood Happy Days program and all the work the Youth Ambassadors did, as it was an excellent event.

#### Beach Maintenance

Commissioner Shuham thanked the Beach Maintenance staff for seaweed clean up.

#### Capital Projects

Commissioner Shuham stated all the capital projects are having an impact on the residents due to street closings, etc. The City needs to have more communication with the residents. This can be accomplished by having the contractors work with neighborhoods by providing information two weeks ahead, so the public and City know what is happening, which should be part of the City's bidding process. Also, the City's webpage on street closures has not been updated and needs to be. She suggested a link on the website for each capital project with the information. Vice Mayor Callari and Mayor Levy supported the request.

#### Vacation Rentals

Commissioner Shuham stated the issue with vacation rentals is affecting everyone as well as the attempts by the State Legislature to reduce cities home rule. She encouraged everyone to contact their State Legislators to oppose any bills taking away home rule from cities.

#### Census Count

Commissioner Shuham stated she forwarded an email to the City Manager containing information that in one year is the census count. The City needs to start preparing for the census, there needs to be a City staff member as the point person. Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, stated it is already happening.

#### Interns

Commissioner Shuham stated she spoke with the Director of Human Resources regarding the City using interns for the elected officials.

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

#### District 2 Town Hall Meeting

Commissioner Hernandez announced on April 8, 2019 is the District 2 Town Hall meeting at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Community Center from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM including discussion on the ILA with the County for affordable housing.

#### Paint Brush

Commissioner Hernandez announced on April 13, 2019 is the paint brush distribution at 600 South Park Road from 8:00 AM to 12 noon.

#### CCTV

Commissioner Hernandez stated he wants an update on the CCTV project on Federal Highway, and if the City can use FDOT poles.

#### Youth Ambassadors

Commissioner Hernandez thanked the Youth Ambassadors who helped him distribute the District 2 Town Hall literature. He also thanked Vice Mayor Callari for her dedication to the Youth Ambassadors.

#### Regional Activity Center Parking Requirements

Commissioner Hernandez stated residents feel the Regional Activity Center parking requirements are a detriment, as they do not provide adequate parking. It only requires one parking space per unit when some units have two bedrooms. He requested Commission support for staff to research this issue. Commissioner Hernandez stated more

people are parking on the street than they ever had before. Code Compliance has increased the parking violations, this shows there is a need for parking. Commissioner Sherwood and Mayor Levy supported the request.

#### Directional Streets

Commissioner Hernandez requested an update on the directional streets for Parkside and Royal Poinciana.

#### Street Parking Program

Commissioner Hernandez stated the residents want a street parking program similar to the Lakes area.

#### Parking Violations

Commissioner Hernandez thanked Code Compliance and the Police Department for keeping the trucks off 21st Avenue by issuing tickets.

#### Quiet Zones

Commissioner Hernandez questioned when the City will have the quiet zones completed, as they were supposed to be completed by April. Commissioner Blattner stated all equipment is delivered, and it should be installed in about two weeks.

## 25. Mayor Levy

#### Youth Ambassadors

Mayor Levy thanked Vice Mayor Callari for the Youth Ambassadors and their Hollywood Happy Days program.

#### Legislative Days

Mayor Levy thanked Vice Mayor Callari, Commissioner Hernandez, Commissioner Biederman and the Youth Ambassadors for going to Tallahassee for Legislative Days.

#### Sidewalk Repairs

Mayor Levy stated he previously received Commission support to have a plan for sidewalk repair throughout the city, he asked how a plan can be established.

#### City Hall Parking

Mayor Levy stated he also previously received Commission support to have staff look at City Hall parking, how spaces can be added on the circle.

#### Hollywood Historical Society

Mayor Levy stated the Hollywood Historical Society has asked for the City to help with reenacting John Fairfax's landing on the beach to commemorate and celebrate the 50th anniversary of the landing. On July 19, 1969 John Fairfax crossed the ocean from the Canary Islands and landed on Hollywood Beach. Vice Mayor Callari, Commissioner Blattner, Commissioner Sherwood and Commissioner Hernandez supported the request.

#### GO Bond

Mayor Levy requested for the next meeting a presentation on the GO Bond, which would include the next steps and timeline. Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, agreed.

## 26. City Attorney

#### Deregulate The Electric Industry

Douglas Gonzales, City Attorney, stated there is a push by the State Legislature to deregulate the electric industry. Florida Power & Light (FPL), who would be affected by the deregulation, has asked for the City to support and sign off on their response to oppose the deregulation. To do this, he is seeking the Commission support, as the City has franchise fees that would be at risk if the deregulation is passed. There was consensus by the Commission to allow the City Attorney to sign.

#### Companies That Boycott Israel

Douglas Gonzales, City Attorney, stated Commissioner Blattner received support for an ordinance for companies that boycott Israel. He stated after he researched the issue it appears the best way to handle this would be a resolution instead of an ordinance, and he would prepare the resolution for Commission consideration.

#### Executive Session

Douglas Gonzales, City Attorney, announced pursuant to Florida Statutes 286.011(8)(a), an executive session would be held on Monday, April 22, 2019, at 12:00 PM regarding Russell Chard, on behalf of himself and similarly situated individuals, and Retired Firefighters Legal Defense Fund, Inc. v. The Board of Trustees of the City of Hollywood Firefighters' Pension System and the City of Hollywood; Lyle Bien, et al. v. City of Hollywood; The Board of Trustees of the City of Hollywood Firefighters Pension System and William Huddleston v. City of Hollywood; City of Hollywood Police Officers Retirement System; Van Szeto v. City of Hollywood and City of Hollywood v. Employees Pension Board, Fire Pension Board and Police Pension Board; and several administrative petitions for informal hearing filed by the City with the Florida Department of Management Services litigation. Attending the session will be the

Mayor, Commissioners, City Manager, City Attorney, Deputy City Attorney and outside counsel, Bob McCormack.

## 27. City Manager

### Text 911

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, stated the text 911 is only in English, no other language.

### Road Closure Announcements

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, responded to Commissioner Shuham's comments regarding road closures on the website, under the spotlight section, there is information on weekly road closure announcements; however, staff will look at it to make it more visible.

### Board Appointments

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, announced the City is looking for good people to volunteer for the upcoming board appointments. He encouraged residents to apply.

### Events

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, announced upcoming events and activities in ArtsPark and at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Community Center, at various times. At the ArtsPark there are Funtastic Fridays, the ArtsPark movie night featuring "The House with a Clock in its Walls" at 8:00 PM. On Saturday is kite flying day from noon to 4:00 PM at the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Community Center, and Hollywood Salsa Fest will be from 3:00 PM to 11:00 PM at the ArtsPark.

### Friends Of The Hollywood Library

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, announced on April 7, 2019 the Friends of the Hollywood Library will have a lecture series on "How Not To Be A Victim" at the Stirling Road Library from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM.

### Spring Marshmallow Drop

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, announced on April 13, 2019 at Boulevard Heights Community Center will be the spring marshmallow drop from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM., with lots of marshmallows.

### Hazardous Waste Drop Off Event

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, announced on Sunday, April 14, 2019 is the Hazardous Waste Drop Off Event at City Hall from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

### Free Tax Preparation

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, announced on April 15, 2019 is tax day. There is a free tax preparation sponsored by VITA Assistance, at the Hispanic Unity, an appointment must be made.

Communication Tower

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, announced the City has been invited by the Broward County Administrator to attend a workshop next Tuesday at 12:30 PM at the County regarding the communication tower issue and the CIRC building, City staff and Commission will be in attendance.

Andria Wingett, Assistant Director of Development Services, provided a status update to the City Commission regarding the issues and the upcoming workshop on Tuesday, she will be offering one on one discussions with the elected officials about the report. She read excerpts from the report, there are concerns but also positive things.

- 28. The meeting adjourned at 3:55 PM.

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Patricia A. Cerny, MMC  
City Clerk  
Hollywood, Florida

Approved on:

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