

City of Hollywood

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

11:00 AM

Commission Chambers Room 219

Regular City Commission Meeting

The Regular City Commission Meeting of the City of Hollywood, Florida, was called to order by Mayor Levy on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 11:12 AM in the City Commission Room, Room 219, 2600 Hollywood Blvd., Hollywood, Florida.

1. **Moment of Silence**

Mayor Levy recognized the passing Jill Tracey Folmar.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

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

4. **Roll Call**

Present: Commissioner Caryl Shuham, Vice Mayor Linda Anderson, Commissioner 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 Commissioner Biederman, which was seconded by Vice Mayor Anderson, to adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

5. [R-2024-373](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Amending The Fiscal Year 2024 Adopted Budget, Authorizing Year-End Budgetary Transfers And Adjustments For Fiscal Year 2024.

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

6. [R-2024-374](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Implement A Settlement With Robinson Norelia In The Amount Of \$95,000.00.

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

7. [R-2024-375](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute A Blanket Purchase Agreement With Environmental Products Group, Inc. For Maintenance, Repairs, And Parts For Four Vactor Trucks And A Sewer Inspection Tv Truck In An Annual Amount Up To \$200,000.00 For The Period From November 20, 2024 To September 30, 2026, In Accordance With Section 38.41(C)(2) Of The Procurement Code. (Sole Source)

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

8. [R-2024-376](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Issue A Purchase Order To Fluid Engineering For Two Self-Cleaning Fluid Strainers In An Amount Up To \$125,944.00 In Accordance With Section 38.41(C)(2) Of The Procurement Code. (Sole Source)

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

9. [R-2024-377](#)

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 CTA 25-01 With Craven, Thompson And Associates, Inc. For In-House Engineering Support Services, On An As-Needed Basis, In An Amount Up To \$300,000.00.

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

10. [R-2024-378](#)

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 ARC 25-03 With Arcadis U.S., Inc. For Professional Engineering Services For The Switchgear Replacement Project At The Southern Regional

Wastewater Plant In An Amount Up To \$537,183.00.

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

11. [R-2024-379](#)

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 ARC 25-02 With Arcadis U.S., Inc. For Professional Engineering Services To Conduct A Sewage Pump Station Telemetry Assessment In An Amount Up To \$153,490.00.

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

12. [R-2024-380](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Accepting The Certified Results Of The 2024 Municipal General And Referendum Election Held On November 5, 2024.

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

13. [P-2024-091](#)

Presentation To Vice Mayor Anderson Recognizing Her Service As District 2 Commissioner.

George R Keller Jr., City Manager, recognized Vice Mayor Anderson for her years of service to the City.

Vice Mayor Anderson thanked the Commission and staff and accepted the recognition.

The following individuals expressed their concerns:

1. Laurie Schechter, 4500 Surf Road
2. Pastor Michael Anderson, New Jerusalem First Baptist Church

Discussion ensued among members of the Commission with their well wishes.

14. [R-2024-381](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Issue A Purchase Order To Ten-8 Fire & Safety, LLC, d/b/a Ten-8 Fire Equipment, Inc., For The Purchase Of A Pierce Impel Top Mount Pumper For An Amount Up To \$1,028,229.06 Based Upon The

Florida Sheriff's Association Cooperative Purchasing Program Contract FSA23-VEF17.0 In Accordance With Section 38.41(C)(5) Of The Purchasing Ordinance. (Piggyback)

James Russo, Fire Chief, explained the intent of the Resolution.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

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

15. [R-2024-382](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute A Contract With Lanzo Construction Company For Construction Services Related To The Lift Station A-09 Force Main Replacement Project In An Amount Up To \$1,905,561.00; Approving And Authorizing Appropriate City Officials To Execute An Authorization To Proceed For Work Order Number EAC 25-01 With EAC Consulting, Inc. To Provide Construction Administration Services In An Amount Up To \$148,500.00; Authorizing The City Manager Or Designee To Approve Utilization Of The Contingency Funds Reserved For Undefined Conditions As Set Forth In The Contract, If Necessary And Justified, In An Amount Up To \$250,000.00.

Vincent Morello, Director of Public Utilities, 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 Commissioner Callari, to adopt the Resolution. On a voice vote the motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

16. [P-2024-092](#)

Presentation On All City Ads, LLC For Advertising On City Residential Trash Containers.

Joseph Kroll, Director of Public Works, introduced Shawn Snow, All City Ads.

Shawn Snow, All City Ads, provided a presentation on All City Ads program for advertising on City residential trash containers.

The following individuals expressed their concerns:

1. Terry Cantrell, 745 Harrison Street
2. Abbey Kessman, 4685 Greenway Drive
3. Claire Garrett, 3148 Calle Largo Drive
4. Stephen Welsh, Council of Civic Associations
5. Patricia Antrican ,2534 Fillmore Street

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

17. Commissioner Biederman, District 5

Commissioner Biederman had no further comments.

18. Commissioner Quintana, District 6

Commissioner Quintana had no further comments.

19. Commissioner Shuham, District 1

Commissioner Shuham had no further comments.

20. Vice Mayor Anderson, District 2

Vice Mayor Anderson had no further comments.

21. Commissioner Callari, District 3

Commissioner Callari had no further comments.

22. Commissioner Gruber, District 4

Commissioner Gruber had no further comments.

23. Mayor Levy

Mayor Levy had no further comments.

24. City Attorney

Damaris Henlon, Deputy City Attorney, had no further comments.

25. City Manager

George R. Keller, Jr., City Manager, had no further comments.

26. RECESS

The Commission recessed at 12:53 PM and reconvened at 2:35 PM with all members of the Commission present.

27. SWEARING IN CEREMONY

Patricia Cerny, City Clerk, welcomed the elected officials, Mayor Elect Josh Levy, District 2 Commissioner Elect Peter Hernandez, District 4 Commissioner Elect Adam Gruber, District 6 Commissioner Elect Idelma Quintana.

A. Invocation

Rev Franklin Ekezie, Nativity Catholic Church, provided the invocation.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

Hollywood Police and Fire Departments Honor Guards presented the colors and Patricia Cerny, City Clerk, led the pledge of allegiance.

The McArthur High School Chorus sang the National Anthem.

C. Oaths of Office

Michael Davis, Broward Circuit Court Judge, administered the oath of office to Mayor Josh Levy.

Marina Garcia-Wood, Broward Circuit Court Judge, administered the oath of office to Commissioner Peter Hernandez.

Patricia Cerny, City Clerk, administered the oath of office to Commissioner Adam Gruber.

Catalina Avalos, Broward Circuit Court Judge, administered the oath of office to Commissioner Idelma Quintana.

D. Benediction

Pastor Ben Nistor, Sheridan Hills Baptist Church, provided the benediction.

Patricia Cerny, City Clerk, introduced the new City Commission.

28. Roll Call

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

35. Mayor Levy

Thank You

Mayor Levy thanked everyone who attended the ceremony. He announced the newly elected around the county. Mayor Levy stated he was thankful for the residents who chose to reelect him for another four-year term and stated Hollywood is a resilient City with a tapestry of all types of people. He thanked his colleagues for their support during the election, organizations, and groups that endorsed his campaign, and his family for all their support over the past eight years.

Passing of Mother-In-Law

Mayor Levy memorialized his mother-in-law, Ruth, who passed away ten days before the election.

Future Four Years

Mayor Levy stated he is eager to work with the newly elected members to build a stronger City. He thanked the residents and stated he promised that he would keep listening, learning, leading with purpose, with a spirit of service, and continue a deep commitment to the community. Mayor Levy thanked everyone for trusting him to lead the City and stated he is ready to work to make this the best term yet.

Thank you

Mayor Levy thanked former Vice Mayor Anderson for her hard work and stated her legacy will remain in the City.

30. Commissioner Hernandez, District 2

Thank You

Commissioner Hernandez expressed his gratitude to the residents of District 2 for their support and thanked Judge Marina Garcia Wood for his swearing-in. He expressed this appreciation to his family, particularly his wife, his supporters and Buddy the dog who supported him during the campaign. He stated his commitment to engaging with residents.

Thank you

Commissioner Hernandez thanked Vice Mayor Anderson for her years of dedicated service to the community and stated her legacy will continue to inspire and guide the Commission as the City moves forward.

Tribute to Jill Tracey Folmar

Commissioner Hernandez gave a tribute to Jill Tracey Folmar who recently passed away during the campaign and stated she will be missed.

32. Commissioner Gruber, District 4

Congratulations

Commissioner Gruber congratulated all the elected officials.

Thank you

Commissioner Gruber thanked former Vice Mayor Anderson for all her hard work and stated she was humble, strong, and will be missed. He stated the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., mural is an impressive sight, one of the largest Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s murals in Florida, and the last event the Commissioners attended together. Commissioner Gruber wished former Vice Mayor Anderson well.

Accomplishments and Goals

Commissioner Gruber reviewed the accomplishments during his tenure, and he highlighted issues that he will address during his next four-year term.

Thank You

Commissioner Gruber thanked the residents of District 4 for him being elected unopposed. Commissioner Gruber thanked his family for all their support and City staff for all the hard work. He stated he is looking forward to the next four years.

34. Commissioner Quintana, District 6

Thank You

Commissioner Quintana thanked Judge Catalina Avalos, for swearing her in. She stated she is grateful for the sacrifices her family makes and is thankful for her work family. Commissioner Quintana thanked her family, friends, and constituents for all their support. She stated the people that are in Hollywood are diverse and that is why it is a great community.

29. Commissioner Shuham, District 1

Congratulations

Commissioner Shuham stated it was beautiful to see everyone back on the dais and welcomed Commissioner Hernandez back. She congratulated her colleagues on their win and is looking forward to her

next two years, and thanked Patricia Cerny, City Clerk, and the McArthur High School choir for the swearing in ceremony.

Well wishes

Commissioner Shuham stated it is an emotional day and sent well wishes to former Vice Mayor Anderson on her exit.

Grateful

Commissioner Shuham stated she is grateful that the Commission is well run compared to other cities and thanked Mayor Levy for his leadership. She stated she looks forward to working together for the next four years. Commissioner Shuham stated it is important to have a district representative for the residents to reach out to, however, everyone works together for the success of the City.

Condo Information Event

Commissioner Shuham announced the condo information event is available to residents on December 5, 2024, at the Beach Community Center. She stated the event is put together by staff in response to the changes regarding condos and State legislation. She encouraged all to attend the event and thanked staff for putting this together.

Centennial Committee

Commissioner Shuham requested support to extend the life of the Centennial Committee through the centennial year. Commissioner Quintana and Mayor Levy supported this. Mayor Levy stated the Commission can discuss the issue on December 4, 2024.

31. Commissioner Callari, District 3

Thank You

Commissioner Callari thanked her family, friends, and supporters for all their support, and she looks forward to the next four years. She stated Go Hollywood!

33. Commissioner Biederman, District 5

Congratulations

Commissioner Biederman congratulated his colleagues on their win and welcomed back Commissioner Hernandez. He stated it was great to see a full audience at the ceremony. Commissioner Biederman stated he looks forward to working with everyone and is proud to be a part of the winning team.

Early Voting

Commissioner Biederman stated early voting was an opportunity to

hear from the residents and work on his Spanish.

Hollywood Connect

Commissioner Biederman stated a lot of residents were not aware of the programs and were downloading the Hollywood Connect application while in line at the voting site. Commissioner Biederman suggested at the next election there should be a representative to help residents with the Hollywood Connect application.

38. RECESS

The Commission recessed at 3:38 PM and reconvened at 5:02 PM with Commissioner Quintana absent.

39. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

The following individuals expressed their concerns:

1. Ann Ralston, 326 S 14th Avenue

Commissioner Quintana returned to the meeting at 5:05 PM.

2. Helen Chervin, 2470 Adams Street
3. Jonathan Anderson, 5660 Flagler Street

Commissioner Biederman responded to concerns raised by the public.

36. City Attorney

Congratulations

Damaris Henlon, Deputy City Attorney, congratulated her colleagues on their win and is looking forward to working with everyone.

Executive Session

Damaris Henlon, Deputy City Attorney, announced pursuant to Florida Statutes 286.011(8)(a), an executive session would be held on Thursday, November 21, 2024, at 10:00 AM to discuss preparation for the start of collective bargaining agreement negotiations in the City of Hollywood, with specific focus on defined pension plans. Attending the session will be Mayor, Commissioners, City Manager, Deputy City Attorney, Assistant City Managers Gus Zambrano, Adam Reichbach and Raelin Storey, Director of Public Safety, Director of Budget and Performance Management and Special Projects Administrator David Keller.

37. City Manager

National League of Cities Award

George R. Keller Jr., City Manager, announced the City received a National League of Cities Award for Fifty Years of Service.

Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony

George R. Keller Jr., City Manager, announced the Holiday Tree Lighting ceremony on Friday, November 22, 2024, from 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM, at the ArtsPark. He stated there will be a special appearance by Santa.

Thanksgiving Mobile Food Distribution

George R. Keller Jr., City Manager, announced the 13th Annual Community Thanksgiving Holiday food distribution on Saturday, November 23, 2024, from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM, at Washington Park Community Center. He stated this is sponsored by the Community Enhancement Collaboration (CEC) and the Washington Park Homeowners Association.

Shop Small Businesses on Saturday

George R. Keller Jr., City Manager, announced shop small on Small Businesses Saturday, November 30, 2024, and help support our local businesses during the holiday season and all year long.

Boots on the Boulevard

George R. Keller Jr., City Manager, announced Boots on the Boulevard will take place on Sunday, December 8, 2024, from 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM sponsored by the Downtown Business Association and The New Hibernians. It is a county themed event recognizing recent streetscape improvements. There will be live music, dancing, vendors and family friendly activities.

West Salsa Fest

George R. Keller Jr., City Manager, announced the Hollywood West Salsa Fest will take place on Saturday, January 4, 2025, between 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM celebrating Three Kings Day.

Congratulations

George R. Keller Jr., City Manager, congratulated the newly elected Commissioners and public officials.

Morning Joint/Special Commission & CRA Meeting

George R. Keller Jr., City Manager, thanked the Commission for the morning Joint/Special Commission & CRA meeting and appreciates the comments and opportunity to serve the Commission.

40. The meeting adjourned at 5:17 PM.

Patricia A. Cerny, MMC
City Clerk
Hollywood, Florida

Approved on:
