

City of Hollywood

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 16, 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, January 16, 2019 at 1:29 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 Vice Mayor Callari, seconded by Commissioner Sherwood, to adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

5. [R-2019-001](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute An Agreement And Issue A Blanket Purchase Order Between The Highest Ranked Firm And The City Of Hollywood To Provide Occupational Health Services For An Estimated Annual Expenditure Of \$69,440.00.
ACTION: This Resolution was moved by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Sherwood, and adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)
6. [R-2019-002](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Bind A Renewal Policy With Hartford Insurance Company Of The Midwest For Flood Insurance For The Charnow Building, For An Amount Not To Exceed Of 110% Of \$9,011.00.

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

7. [R-2019-003](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute A Series Of Consultant's Authorizations To Proceed With Craven Thompson And Associates Inc. To Provide Professional Engineering Services For The Design Of Marina Improvements In An Amount Not To Exceed \$98,450.00.

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

9. [R-2019-005](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Relating To A Debt Financing To Fund Certain Capital Improvement Projects Contained In The Proposed FY 2019 - FY 2023 Capital Improvement Program; Authorizing A Declaration Of Official Intent Under U.S. Treasury Regulations With Respect To Reimbursements From The Proceeds Of The Debt Financing For Temporary Advances Made For Payment Prior To Issuance, And Related Matters.

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

11. [R-2019-007](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Issue Purchase Orders To Duval Ford, LLC And Alan Jay Chevrolet, Inc. For The Purchase Of Vehicles For Fire Rescue And Beach Safety In The Total Amount Of \$481,406.25.

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

14. [R-2019-010](#)

A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute The Authorization To Proceed For Work Order Number B&V 19-01 With Black & Veatch Corporation To Develop And Implement Automation And SCADA Improvements Phase III For Optimization Of The Influent Screen, Degrit System, Reuse / Non-Potable Water Treatment System, Influent Pump Station, RAS Pump Station Number Three, North Electrical Service Center And Reuse Water Pump Station At The Southern Regional

Wastewater Treatment Plant, In The Lump Sum Amount Of \$693,994.00 (Project Number 18-9416B).

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

15. [P-2019-01](#) Presentation By Joshua Kittinger, Human Resources Officer, Of Employees Hired October 1, 2018 Through December 31, 2018.
- Joshua Kittinger, Human Resources Officer, introduced various employees hired October 1 thru December 31, 2018.
16. [P-2019-02](#) Presentation By Anne Hotte, Executive Director, Hollywood Chamber Of Commerce, On The Chamber Recent Activities.
- Marty Shuham, President of the Greater Hollywood Chamber of Commerce, provided a presentation on the plans and goals of the chamber for 2019.
- Stacey Kotzen, Government Affairs Committee, provided information on the committee activities.
18. [P-2019-03](#) Presentation By Mr. Armbrister, The Chorus Director For McArthur High School, On The Chorus And Their Plans For Appearing At Carnegie Hall In April 2019.
- Todd LaPace, Principal McArthur High School, introduced Mr. Armbrister, The Chorus Director for McArthur High School.
- Mr. Armbrister, McArthur High School, reviewed their plans for appearing at Carnegie Hall in April 2019.
22. [R-2019-011](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Amending Resolution No. R-2018-388 Calling For A Special Election On March 12, 2019 For The Purpose Of Submitting To The Electorate Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, A Single Ballot Question Or Two Ballot Questions Asking Whether The City Shall Be Authorized To Issue General Obligation Bonds, From Time To Time, Not Exceeding \$64,000,000 In Aggregate Principal Amount, Payable From Unlimited Ad Valorem Taxes, Bearing Interest Not Exceeding The Maximum Legal Interest Rate, And Maturing No Later Than 25 Years From Issuance Date, To Improve The City's Parks, Recreation Facilities, Cultural Facilities And Golf Courses, And To Purchase Land For Open Space.
- Gus Zambrano, Assistant City Manager for Sustainable Development, explained the intent of the resolution.

The following individuals expressed personal opinions/concerns:

1. Cliff Germano, 1627 N 28 Court
2. Lynn Smith, 1939 Adams Street
3. Patricia Antrican, 2534 Fillmore Street
4. Shiranie Kikutis, 2919 Arthur Street
5. Karen Caputo, 2631 Garfield Street
6. Max Soren, 318 N 31st Road
7. Richard Petrovich, 3216 Calle Largo Drive
8. Claire Garrett, 3148 Calle Largo Drive
9. Howard Sher, 4223 Van Buren Street
10. Barry Faske, 1357 Van Buren Street

Mayor Levy passed the gavel to Vice Mayor Callari and left the meeting at 2:46 PM, he returned at 2:47 PM.

11. Pam Burgio, 2004 N 31st Avenue
12. Bob Rose, 2734 Johnson Street
13. Susan Berry, 2623 Garfield Street
14. Mitch Anton, 1900 Van Buren Street

Douglas Gonzales, City Attorney, provided additional information.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

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

Commissioner Shuham left the meeting at 3:09 PM and returned at 3:11 PM.

Extensive discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

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

Commissioner Sherwood left the meeting at 3:54 PM and returned at 3:58 PM.

Option 1 with City Attorney revisions:

7 D. Should the City acquire the property known as the former Sunset Golf Course pursuant to the approval of the City's GOB, the City shall dedicate and utilize the property exclusively for a publicly accessible nature preserve, wetlands and stormwater management area to assist the City in resiliency and water retention while providing for trails,

overlooks, passive recreation and supporting amenities.

ACTION: Motion was made by Vice Mayor Callari, which was seconded by Commissioner Sherwood, to adopt the Resolution selecting option one, with an amendment as follows: section 7 D. Should the City acquire the property known as the former Sunset Golf Course pursuant to the approval of the City's GOB, the City shall dedicate and utilize the property exclusively for a publicly accessible nature preserve, wetlands and stormwater management area to assist the City in resiliency and water retention while providing for trails, overlooks, passive recreation and supporting amenities.

Extensive discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

Commissioner Callari left the meeting at 4:07 PM.

ACTION: On voice vote the motion made to adopt the Resolution as amended passed unanimously. (7-0) Note: Commissioner Callari registered an "aye" vote upon her return to the meeting.

The Commission recessed at 4:10 PM and reconvened at 4:29 PM with all members of the Commission present.

Commissioner Callari registered an "aye" vote on item number 22.

17. [PO-2018-23](#)

An Ordinance Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Amending Chapter 74 Of The Code Of Ordinances, Entitled "Railroads", To Clarify The Speed Limit For Passenger Trains; Providing For Severability; Providing For Conflicts.

Lorie Mertens-Black, Chief Civic Affairs Officer, 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 Clerk read the ordinance title on second and final reading.

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

Aye: Commissioner Shuham
Commissioner Hernandez
Vice Mayor Callari
Commissioner Blattner
Commissioner Biederman
Commissioner Sherwood
Mayor Levy

Enactment No: O-2019-01

19. [PO-2019-01](#)

An Ordinance Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Amending Section 33.025 Of The Code Of Ordinances, "Employees' Retirement Fund", Providing Effective Dates For Certain Provisions; Providing For Required Updates Related To Credited Service; Providing For A Definition Of Net Market Rate Of Return For Drop Participants; Providing For Required Updates Related To Direct Rollovers; Providing For Maximum Pension Limitations; Providing For Required Minimum Distributions; Providing For The Preclusion Of Prohibited Transactions; Providing For An Expression Of Intent That The Plan Remain Qualified Under The Internal Revenue Code; Providing For Reemployment After Retirement; Providing For Codification, Severability And Conflict.

Douglas Gonzales, City Attorney, explained the intent of the ordinance.

Commissioner Blattner left the meeting at 4:33 PM and returned at 4:35 PM.

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

The following individuals expressed personal opinions/concerns:

1. Ronald Cohen, Roce Pugatch Robinson Storfer & Cohen
2. Richard Weiner, Richard Weiner, PA

George Keller, Assistant City Manager for Public Safety, responded to questions raised by the Commission.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

The City Clerk read the ordinance title on first reading.

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

Aye: Commissioner Shuham
Commissioner Hernandez
Vice Mayor Callari
Commissioner Blattner
Commissioner Biederman
Commissioner Sherwood
Mayor Levy

23. CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Vice Mayor Callari left the meeting at 5:03 PM and returned at 5:06 PM.

The following individuals expressed personal opinions/concerns:

1. Nancy Fowler, 2616 Coolidge Street
2. Luciano Isla, Dade Waste Haulers Council
3. Carlo Piccinonna, 3051 NW 129 Street, Opa Locka
4. Al Panzarella, 4581 Weston Road, #314
5. Jeff Marano, Florida PBA
6. Maria Jackson, 2305 Fletcher Street
7. Tiffany Burks, Families Against Police Brutality
8. Dara Hill, Families Against Police Brutality
9. Carlos Naranja, 2747 Polk Street
10. Claire Garret, 3148 Calle Largo Drive
11. John Lawson, 4930 Jackson Street
12. Christina Boeri, 431 W 29 Street, Miami Beach
13. Brad Hallock, 431 W 29 Street, Miami Beach
14. Cliff Germano, 1627 N 28 Court
15. Jeff Dorian, 11481 SW 27 Court
16. Catherine Uden, Surfrider Foundation
17. Patricia Antrican, 2534 Fillmore Street
18. Barry Faske, Faske Enterprises
19. Rena Rovere, 211 S. Ocean Drive

20. [PO-2018-22](#)

An Ordinance Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Amending The Zoning And Land Development Regulations By Amending Article 2 Entitled "Definitions" And By Repealing And Replacing Article 8 Entitled "Sign Regulations;" And Providing For Severability, Inclusion In The Code, And For Conflicts. (18-T-02)

Leslie Del Monte, Planning Manager, provided an overview of the ordinance and introduced Susan Trevarthen, Weiss Serota, Special Counsel to the City.

Mayor Levy passed the gavel to Vice Mayor Callari and left the meeting at 6:00 PM, he returned at 6:01 PM.

Susan Trevarthen, Weiss Serota, Special Counsel to the City, explained

the intent of the ordinance.

Commissioner Shuham left the meeting at 6:04 PM and returned at 6:07 PM.

Leslie Del Monte, Planning Manager, provided additional information on the proposed ordinance.

Commissioner Biederman left the meeting at 6:08 PM and returned at 6:12 PM.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

Vice Mayor Callari left the meeting at 6:27 PM and returned at 6:34 PM.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

Commissioner Blattner left the meeting at 6:39 PM and returned at 6:41 PM.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

Jorge Camejo, CRA Executive Director, expressed personal opinions/concerns.

The City Clerk read the ordinance title on first reading.

ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Sherwood, which was seconded by Commissioner Blattner, to adopt on first reading the Ordinance. The motion on roll call vote carried:

Aye: Commissioner Shuham
Commissioner Hernandez
Vice Mayor Callari
Commissioner Blattner
Commissioner Biederman
Commissioner Sherwood
Mayor Levy

21. [P-2019-04](#)

Presentation By Hal King, Parking Administrator, On Consideration Of Regulating City Hall Parking.

Hal King, Parking Administrator, provided a presentation on consideration of regulating City Hall parking.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission.

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

8. [R-2019-004](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Amending The Fiscal Year 2019 Adopted Budget (R-2018-301); Revising Operating Revenues, Authorizing Budgetary Transfers And Adjustments, Reauthorizing And Re-Appropriating Certain Funding; And Providing An Effective Date.
- ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Blattner, which was seconded by Commissioner Sherwood, to adopt the Resolution. On a voice vote the motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**
10. [R-2019-006](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Amending the Number and Type of the Authorized Positions and Adjusting the Assignments Of The Authorized Positions For Each Department For The Fiscal Year 2019 As Previously Established (R-2018-303).
- Discussion ensued among members of the Commission.
- ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Blattner, which was seconded by Vice Mayor Callari, to adopt the Resolution. On a voice vote the motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**
12. [R-2019-008](#) A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Hollywood, Florida, Approving And Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute The Recreation License Agreement With The School Board Of Broward County To Allow The City To Utilize Portions Of Land (Site No.011.1, A/K/A Hollywood Hills Elementary School) For Recreational Purposes.
- Discussion ensued among members of the Commission.
- Renee Richards, Interim Assistant Director of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts, explained the intent of the resolution.
- ACTION: Motion was made by Commissioner Blattner, which was seconded by Commissioner Sherwood, to adopt the Resolution. On a voice vote the motion passed unanimously. (7-0)**
13. [R-2019-009](#) 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 Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Enhanced Marine Law Enforcement And Education Grant In The Approximate Amount Of \$59,304.00 From The Broward County Marine Advisory Committee In Order To Preserve And Promote The Safe And Pleasurable Use Of The Navigable Waterways Within The City Of Hollywood; Authorizing The Appropriate City Officials To Execute All Applicable Grant Documents And Agreements.

Cliff Germano, 1627 N 28 Court, expressed personal opinions/concerns.

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

24. Commissioner Blattner, District 4

New Businesses

Commissioner Blattner stated the City needs to be proactive with new businesses and have City inspectors go thru the property to tell the business owner what they need to address, instead of being reactive.

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, responded stating he does not recommend this process, as it could cause issues if viewing the property, but can sit down and discuss the property.

Property Standards

Commissioner Blattner stated there are 25 used car lots on Dixie Highway, which need to be addressed. The City needs to enforce its property standards, by giving them a timeline and an amnesty timeline to improve their properties.

Commissioner Hernandez discussed the RAC and legal non-conforming uses and having improvement issues.

Mayor Levy suggested how the City can get older properties to spruce up.

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, stated this could be done as Commissioner Blattner is referencing used car lots. Staff will review the various issues to get compliance.

City Staff Structure

Commissioner Blattner stated with all the new projects the City is going to be implementing, he questions if the City Manager's staff structure will be appropriate moving forward.

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, stated he is looking at the issue.

25. Commissioner Biederman, District 5

Dead End Streets

Commissioner Biederman stated on Dixie Highway by Dewey Street there are gates at the street end that do not allow thru traffic anymore; the

businesses are using the dead end for their personal gain as they are parking cars all over the place.

John Chidsey, Code Compliance Manager, responded explaining there are several cases regarding these sites where the businesses have been fined.

Styrofoam Ban

Commissioner Biederman questioned how effective the styrofoam ban is, and requested an email update.

Free Ride Shuttle

Commissioner Biederman question the status of the free ride shuttle for downtown.

Bicentennial Park

Commissioner Biederman stated a resident called him stating what a great job the City is doing at Bicentennial Park.

Business Improvement District

Commissioner Biederman stated all the sidewalks in downtown need to be pressure cleaned and questioned if the City can do the work and assess the downtown property owners once a year, for health and safety, or place the assessment on the tax roll. He requested an opinion from the City Attorney as there is a statutory process.

Douglas Gonzales, City Attorney, stated there is a statutory process along with notification which needs to be followed.

Discussion ensued among Commission members regarding the long term cleaning of the sidewalks, the CRA doing a once a year cleaning and timeliness of cleaning.

Memorial Day

Commissioner Biederman suggested having the McArthur High School Band at Memorial Day events.

Civic Association Training

Commissioner Biederman announced on January 26th is the Boot Camp Leadership Training series for residents to become active in their civic associations.

Open Spaces

Commissioner Biederman stated everyone is talking about Sunset golf course, preserving green space. He stated there is a large amount of

green space in the city already with West Lake Park and the golf courses.

26. Commissioner Sherwood, District 6

Ready To Go Home

Commissioner Sherwood stated it has been a long day and she is ready to go home.

27. Commissioner Shuham, District 1

Tower Site

Commissioner Shuham thanked Mayor Levy and Vice Mayor Callari for their support at the Broward County meeting on the new 911 communications tower to be placed on the Circ building. Commissioner Shuham stated she is willing to work on the issue and asked staff to let her know what needs to be done.

Seaweed Bloom

Commissioner Shuham stated seaweed bloom season is coming and she wants to be proactive. Commissioner Shuham requested support to have \$200K in reserve for seaweed blooms and have contracts in place, in advance, to handle the problem. Commissioner Hernandez, Commissioner Sherwood and Mayor Levy supported the request.

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, stated it is something that can be looked into.

28. Commissioner Hernandez, District 2

Dead End Streets

Commissioner Hernandez provided additional information regarding the dead ends on Dixie Highway, he explained if the vehicles do not have a tag, the City can red tag or tow the vehicle. Commissioner Hernandez suggested maybe the City can close the street ends permanently and landscape the area.

Traffic Speeding

Commissioner Hernandez stated he has received complaints about the traffic speeding on Harrison Street and S 19th Avenue and suggested having foot patrols, with the CRA funding the foot patrols, on Fridays and Saturdays.

United Neighbors Meeting

Commissioner Hernandez invited everyone to come to the United Neighbors meeting tomorrow evening at 7:00 PM.

Happy New Year

Commissioner Hernandez wished everyone a happy New Year.

Thank You

Commissioner Hernandez thanked the Police and Fire Departments for keeping everyone safe.

29. Vice Mayor Callari, District 3

5K Walk on the Beach

Vice Mayor Callari announced a Chris Hickson 5K Walk on the Beach will be held on February 16th, registration starts at 6:00 AM, with the walk starting at 8:00 AM.

Be Mine Dog Show

Vice Mayor Callari announced the Be Mine Dog Show coming up in February, and asked everyone to participate.

Washington Park Area

Vice Mayor Callari stated everyone is focusing on Dixie Highway, but the warehouse area between 441, Washington Street and Pembroke Road also needs attention as the area is horrible.

Tree Beds

Vice Mayor Callari provided clarification on her earlier comment during the CRA meeting when she questioned who was in charge of mulching the tree beds, and was referred to the Director of Public Works. However, she spoke with the Director of Public Works and it is not their responsibility, she asked that the issue be taken care of.

Tower Site

Vice Mayor Callari thanked everyone who attended the Broward County meeting regarding the 911 Communication Tower issue. She stated the City is very much aware the tower is needed, especially the Police Department. There have been seven Police Officers who have been killed to date in the US, as it is a tough job, and everyone needs to thank them.

TY Park Youth Orchestra

Vice Mayor Callari stated she attended the TY Park Youth Orchestra event on Sunday. The event was beautiful and she encouraged everyone to help raise funding for the park.

Pet Palooza

Vice Mayor Callari stated Pet Palooza was a wonderful event on Saturday, there were a lot of adopted animals available.

Yellow Green Market

Vice Mayor Callari stated the Yellow Green Market is still an issue, as she is getting text messages on Sunday afternoon from residents. She explained she went to the market and saw the parking mayhem as swales should not be parked on as it is a safety issue. The market needs to follow the rules and she wants City staff, Code Compliance and the Mayor to address the issues, as there needs to be a good partnership between the market and the City. Commissioner Hernandez supported it.

30. Mayor Levy**Yellow Green Market**

Mayor Levy stated City staff is working with the Yellow Green Market legal counsel, the market purchased lots to the north to provide additional parking. The market needs to re-direct their customers to the Sheridan Street entrance, as the Taft Street entrance is closed, and people are parking on the swale. There needs to be signage for the Sheridan Street entrance and they need to change the GPS address to guide customers to Sheridan Street.

Tower Site

Mayor Levy thanked everyone including County Commissioner Beam Furr and the County Commission for looking at the Circ building rooftop for the 911 tower.

Commission Procedures

Mayor Levy stated at the CRA meeting he talked about looking at City Commission procedures, as he wants better procedures, and suggested a workshop for April. The meeting would help facilitate a discussion on sunshine opportunities, he wants to look at how other cities and the county work. The entire Commission was in agreement.

Announcements

Mayor Levy announced on Saturday there will be the MLK basketball Tournament, the MLK Fun Day, and the Downtown Hollywood Art Walk and at 7:00 PM the tribute concert at the ArtsPark.

31. City Attorney

Special Assessments

Doug Gonzales, City Attorney, questioned the Commission if there was agreement for him to look into have special assessments for downtown. There was no second or third request for the assessments.

Executive Session

Douglas Gonzales, City Attorney, announced pursuant to Florida Statutes 286.011(8)(a), an executive session would be held on January 30, 2019 at 4:00 PM regarding Steven Mancipe vs. City of Hollywood litigation. Attending the session will be the Mayor, Commissioners, City Manager, City Attorney, and Chief Litigation Counsel John Wien.

Executive Session

Douglas Gonzales, City Attorney, announced pursuant to Florida Statutes 286.011(8)(a), an executive session would be held on January 30, 2019 at 4:30 PM regarding Data Management Associates, Inc. vs. City of Hollywood litigation. Attending the session will be the Mayor, Commissioners, City Manager, City Attorney, and outside counsel Daniel Abbott.

32. City Manager

James Leatherwood Case

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, stated during citizens comments speakers mentioned the James Leatherwood case. The case was presented to the Grand Jury in December, and it is estimated to be 4 to 6 months for their decision. The City has reached out and met with the Leatherwood family, and he asked the City Commission to meet with the Police Chief if they have any questions.

Douglas Gonzales, City Attorney, stated it is an active criminal investigation, and the City Commission needs to be careful of their comments on the record.

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, stated the Commission response should be it is an active criminal investigation, it is at the State Attorney level and the State Attorney is reviewing the matter.

Open Spaces & Recreation

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, stated the City has over 2,800 acres today of open space and recreation. The City's Comprehensive Plan requirement is only for 3 acres per 1,000 population, which would calculate to require only 450 acres of open space and recreation. The City has a tremendous amount of open space.

City Employees

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, stated the City has 288 City Employees on any given day at City Hall.

Paddleboards

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, stated the City Commission was sent a presentation on paddle boarding along with staff recommendations.

Discussion ensued among staff and members of the Commission regarding some of the paddle boarding issues. Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, stated the item will be placed on a future agenda for discussion.

Smart Growth Partnership

Dr. Wazir Ishmael, City Manager, announced the Smart Growth Partnership has awarded the City the 2018 Smart Growth Excellence Award for the Regional Activity Center (RAC) Rezoning project.

33. The meeting adjourned at 8:16 PM.

Patricia A. Cerny, MMC
City Clerk
Hollywood, Florida

Approved on:
