

**MINUTES
CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH
SPECIAL CITY COMMISSION MEETING – PBSO PRIORITIES &
CHARTER AMENDMENTS
CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBER
MONDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2025 – 6:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Resch on the above date at 6:08 PM in the City Commission Chamber located at City Hall, 7 North Dixie Highway, Lake Worth Beach, Florida.

ROLL CALL: (0:50) Present were Mayor Betty Resch, Vice Mayor Sarah Malega (via Zoom), and Commissioners Christopher McVoy, Mimi May and Anthony Segrich. Also present were Interim City Manager Jamie Brown, City Attorney Elizabeth Lenihan and City Clerk Melissa Ann Coyne.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: (1:15) led by Mayor Betty Resch.

PRESENTATIONS: (1:44)

- A. Election Overview by Wendy Sartory Link, PBC Supervisor of Elections (22:21)
- B. PBSO Update by Capt. Terrence L. Carn (2:00)

NEW BUSINESS: (47:48)

- A. Discussion regarding prioritizing issues for PBSO

Priorities mentioned from the dais were:

Vice Mayor Malega, District 1

- Develop a plan to protect youth during PBSO immigration enforcement activities, which could include requiring a Department of Children & Families representative to be present, assisting parents with guardianship paperwork, issuing identification for school-age children, and coordinating with embassies to inform citizens of their rights.

Commissioner McVoy, District 2:

- Maintain community-wide protection against part 1 crimes.

Commissioner May, District 3

- Submit a report presenting the statistical data on individuals encountered by PBSO during immigration enforcement activities.
- More proactive policing like increased foot patrols in the downtown area.
- Enforcement of quality-of-life regulations as specified in the city ordinances.

Commissioner Segrich, District 4

- Enhanced engagement between officers and the community.
- Implement more proactive policing strategies, such as increased foot patrols throughout the city.
- Maintenance of enforcement on issues like the unlicensed vendors.

The meeting recessed at 8:12 PM and reconvened at 8:30 PM.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. Potential charter amendments – election certification (2:23:46)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Segrich and seconded by Commissioner May to add the amendment to the March 2026 ballot as long as the ballot does not exceed one page. (2:44:24)

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega, and Commissioners May and Segrich. NAYS: Commissioner McVoy.

B. Potential charter amendments – police & fire departments (2:23:46)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner May and seconded by Commissioner Segrich to add the amendment to the March 2026 ballot as long as the ballot does not exceed one page with the proviso that this amendment would be dropped if the questions would be more than one page. (2:49:56)

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega, and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

C. Potential charter amendments – most votes (2:53:53)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner McVoy and seconded by Commissioner May to not consider this amendment at this time. (3:11:29)

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega, and Commissioners McVoy and May. NAYS: Commissioner Segrich.

D. Potential charter amendments – term limits (3:12:19)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Segrich and seconded by Commissioner May to extend the meeting until 11 PM. (3:34:20)

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega, and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

Action: Motion made by Commissioner McVoy and seconded by Commissioner May to take this amendment off the table. (3:35:57)

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega, and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

The meeting recessed at 9:46 PM and reconvened at 9:52 PM.

Action: Motion made by Commissioner May and seconded by Commissioner Segrich to amend the agenda by combining items E – H into one item. (3:45:29)

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega, and Commissioners May and Segrich. NAYS: Commissioner McVoy.

E. Potential charter amendments – lease terms east of A1A (3:47:30)

Action: Motion made by Mayor Resch (who passed the gavel) and seconded by Commissioner McVoy to not have this amendment on the ballot. **MOTION FAILED.** (4:26:09)

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch and Commissioner McVoy. NAYS: Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners May and Segrich.

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Segrich and seconded by Commissioner May to have an amendment on the ballot with a 99-year maximum lease term carving out all residential and lodging uses.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega, and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

F. Potential charter amendments – lease terms other city properties (4:50:52)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner McVoy to take the amendment off the ballot. **MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND.** (5:17:01)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Segrich and seconded by Commissioner May to consider lease terms of 99-years for other city properties. (5:17:23)

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega, and Commissioners May and Segrich. NAYS: Commissioner McVoy.

G. Potential charter amendments – building heights (5:25:42)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner May and seconded by Commissioner McVoy to pull this amendment. (5:53:25)

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega, and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

H. Potential charter amendments – others not previously discussed (5:56:55)

Vice Mayor Malega left the meeting at 12:07 AM.

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Segrich and seconded by Commissioner May to set a time certain to replace any commission appointed position of 90 days to be added to the charter.

Action: Consensus to add the item to a future agenda. (3 – 1 McVoy No)

ADJOURNMENT: (6:08:29)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner May and seconded by Commissioner McVoy to adjourn the meeting at 12:16 AM.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Vice Mayor Malega.

Betty Resch, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Ann Coyne, MMC, City Clerk

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Item time stamps correspond to the recording on YouTube.