

**MINUTES
CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH
REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING
CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBER
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022 - 6:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Resch on the above date at 6:02 PM in the City Commission Chamber located at City Hall, 7 North Dixie Highway, Lake Worth Beach, Florida.

ROLL CALL: (0:20) Present were Vice Mayor Herman Robinson and Commissioners Sarah Malega, Christopher McVoy and Kimberly Stokes. Also present were City Manager Carmen Davis, City Attorney Glen Torcivia and City Clerk Melissa Ann Coyne. Mayor Betty Resch was absent.

INVOCATION OR MOMENT OF SILENCE: (0:51) There was a moment of silence.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: (1:13) led by Vice Mayor Herman Robinson.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/REORDERING (1:39)

Presentation A, Anti-racism Proclamation and New Business C, Resolution No. 08-2022 – amending the City Commission’s Rules of Procedure were moved to the February 1 meeting and Presentation C, Presentation by School Board Representative Erica Whitfield will be rescheduled.

Action: Motion made by Commissioner McVoy and seconded by Commissioner Stokes to approve the agenda as amended.

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

PRESENTATIONS: (2:47) (there is no public comment on Presentation items)

- A. (moved to February 1, 2022 meeting) Anti-racism Proclamation
- B. Presentation by Jervonte Edmonds, CEO & Founder of Suits for Seniors (3:00)
- C. (deleted) Presentation by School Board Representative Erica Whitfield
- D. PBSO quarterly presentation by Captain Todd Baer (11:40)

Commissioner Malega left the meeting at 6:30 PM and joined via Zoom.

E. Stormwater Flooding Presentation by Brian Shields, Water Utilities Director (41:34)

COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS: (1:02:24)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OF NON-AGENDAED ITEMS AND CONSENT AGENDA: (1:14:08)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: (1:26:55)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Malega and seconded by Commissioner McVoy to approve the following minutes:

- A. Pre-agenda work session – December 22, 2021
- B. Regular Meeting – January 4, 2022

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

CONSENT AGENDA: (1:27:30) (public comment allowed during Public Participation of Non-Agendaed items)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Stokes and seconded by Commissioner McVoy to approve the Consent Agenda:

- A. Confirmation of Chair and Vice Chair to CRA Board
- B. Resolution No. 05-2022 – approving and authorizing the Mayor to execute the FY22 DLIS ARPA Florida grant award 21-ARPA-16 for implementation of the Connecting Our Community program
- C. Resolution 06-2022 – Supporting and Adopting the Palm Beach County League of Cities’ Resolution regarding Lake Okeechobee System Operation Manual
- D. Change Order #2 – final with Foster Marine Contractors, Inc. for District 3, Year 3 outfall project

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

NEW BUSINESS: (1:27:54)

- A. Work Order #8 with The Paving Lady for paving work to be completed on 17th Ave N from N D St to the railroad tracks, 22nd Ave N and Park Street, and 21st Ave N from Park St to the dead end (1:28:03)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner McVoy and seconded by Commissioner Stokes approve/disapprove Work Order #8 with The Paving Lady for paving work to be completed on 17th Ave N from N D St to the railroad tracks, 22nd Ave N and Park Street, and 21st Ave N from Park St to the dead end.

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

Commissioner McVoy left the meeting at 7:32 PM and returned at 7:33 PM.

- B. Resolution No. 07-2022 – approve and authorize the submission of an application to EDA for grant funding under the ARPA Good Jobs Challenge (1:30:42)

City Attorney Torcivia did not read the resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 07-2022 OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE CITY'S APPLICATION TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION FOR GRANT FUNDING UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT GOOD JOBS CHALLENGE TO IMPLEMENT AN APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM FOR PROSPECTIVE LINEMEN FOR THE CITY'S ELECTRIC UTILITY; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Malega and seconded by Commissioner McVoy to approve/disapprove Resolution No. 07-2022 authorizing the submission of an application to EDA for grant funding under the ARPA Good Jobs Challenge.

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

- C. (moved to February 1, 2022 meeting) Resolution No. 08-2022 – amending the City Commission's Rules of Procedure

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: (1:35:41)

City Attorney Torcivia provided the following report:

- Stated that the City would do what it could regarding rental prices; establishing rent control would be a long process.
- Said that he would examine any creative ideas that were put forth regarding rents, including adding criteria to the sustainable bonus program.

City Manager Davis stated that she would contact other cities in Florida to learn how the issue was being dealt with.

- Stated that masks could be mandated in City buildings, but there could not be a vaccination mandate.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: (1:44:02)

City Manager Davis provided the following report:

- Expressed regret that she was unable to attend the MLK events but would watch them online.

- Reported that operations were going remarkably well even with the new COVID outbreak; she asked for patience if there were delays due to illness.
- Stated that the dais would decide about the L&M project and the City was evaluating the condition of the buildings.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS:

January 25 - electric
January 26 - pre-agenda work session @ 9 AM
January 26 - work session (beach complex) @ 4 PM
February 1 – regular meeting

ADJOURNMENT: (1:49:53)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Malega and seconded by Commissioner McVoy to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 PM.

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

Betty Resch, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Ann Coyne, City Clerk

Minutes approved February 1, 2022.

Item time stamps refer to the recording of the meeting which is available on YouTube.