

**MINUTES
CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH
REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING
CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBER
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2023 – 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: (0:41) Present were Mayor Betty Resch, Vice Mayor Christopher McVoy, Commissioners Kim Stokes and Reinaldo Diaz. Also present were Interim City Manager Jamie Brown, City Attorney Glen Torcivia and City Clerk Melissa Ann Coyne. Commissioner Sarah Malega was absent.

INVOCATION OR MOMENT OF SILENCE: (1:02) was led by Commissioner Reinaldo Diaz.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: (1:44) was led by Vice Mayor Christopher McVoy.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/REORDERING: (2:33)

New Business item E was reordered to New Business item A. The other New Business items were reordered to B - E.

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

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

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

A. Presentation regarding the State of Education by Palm Beach County School Board Member Erica Whitfield (3:59)

B. Presentation by Jason Bagley Partner / Vice President of Strategic Growth for Circuit On Demand, Shared Electric Shuttles (36:09)

COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS: (53:54)

Action: Consensus to look into replacing gas leaf blowers with electric leaf blowers. (1:10:31)

Action: Consensus that debris from leaf blowers be picked up and disposed of rather than being blown into the street. (1:10:55)

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: (1:13:34)

Interim City Manager Brown provided the following report:

- battery operated equipment was in the budget and would be tested as to feasibility of cost and use
- the commission would need to look at lagging projects and how to prioritize them (ARPA, CIP updates, penny sales tax)
- Joan Oliva would be giving a CRA update to the commission at the January 16 meeting which would include the L & M Streets project
- suggested that bi-annual meetings with the commission and CRA board be scheduled
- RFPs were ready for operation of the Casino Ballroom and broker services for the second floor of the Casino building
- the open space and recreation master plan task order would be on the January 16 agenda
- the neighborhood planning initiative, the carbon neutrality/net-zero portion of the comprehensive plan and beautification plan would be presented at the February 6 meeting
- suggested RFQ for an organization to assist with beautification
- PAR process would be updated and discussed with Wil Brown, the Internal Auditor
- process for search for new City Manager would be brought forward by City Attorney Torcivia at the January 16 meeting
- announced that District 3 Public Forum would be held on January 23 at 6:30 PM at North Grade K-8; suggested that the schedule be changed to bi-annually rather than quarterly
- announced that city offices would be closed for Christmas on December 25 and 26, 2023 and January 1, 2024

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT: (1:27:11)

City Attorney Torcivia provided the following report:

- a proposed RFP for search firms to look for a City Manager would be on the January 16, 2024 agenda

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OF NON-AGENDAED ITEMS AND CONSENT AGENDA: (1:31:32)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: (2:47:43)

Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor McVoy and seconded by Commissioner Diaz to approve the following minutes:

- A. December 5, 2023 - Regular Meeting
- B. December 8, 2023 - pre-agenda work session

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

CONSENT AGENDA: (public comment allowed during Public Participation of Non-Agendaed items) (2:48:01)

- A. Accept & Approve Inventory Audit Report
- B. FY 2023-2034 Florida Recreational Development Assistance Program Agreement A24077 for the Bryant Park Playground Improvements Phase 1 project

C. FY 2023-2034 Florida Recreational Development Assistance Program Agreement A24078 for the South Palm Park Playground Improvements project

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

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

There were no Public Hearings on the agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: (1:39:34)

There were no Unfinished Business items on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS: (2:36:13)

A. (reordered from New Business E) Approval of Interim City Manager Contract with Jamie Brown (2:48:13)

Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor McVoy and seconded by Commissioner Stokes to approve the Interim City Manager Contract with Jamie Brown.

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

B. (reordered from New Business A) Resolution No. 56-2023 – Consolidated Utility Revenue Bond Reauthorization (2:56:49)

City Attorney Torcivia did not read the resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 56-2023, A GENERAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, MAKING A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO REALLOCATE 2020 NON-AD VALOREM REVENUE BOND FUNDING AND CONSOLIDATED UTILITY REVENUE BOND FUNDING AMONG BOND FUNDED PROJECTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Diaz and seconded by Commissioner Stokes to approve Resolution No. 56-2023 – Consolidated Utility Revenue Bond Reauthorization.

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

C. (reordered from New Business B) Work Order with Shenandoah General Construction for South N Street Emergency Stormwater Pipe Lining. Dependent on Bond Reauthorization

Resolution 56-2023 approval (3:00:43)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Stokes and seconded by Commissioner Diaz to approve Work Order with Shenandoah General Construction for South N Street Emergency Stormwater Pipe Lining

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

D. (reordered from New Business C) Disaster Debris Removal and Hauloff Emergency Agreements (3:01:07)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Stokes and seconded by Vice Mayor McVoy to approve the Disaster Debris Removal and Hauloff Emergency Agreements with Aftermath Disaster Recovery, Inc., CTC Disaster Response, Inc., TFR Enterprise, Inc. and Cares Environmental Services, Inc.

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

E. (reordered from New Business D) Disaster Debris Management and Support Services Agreements (3:01:21)

Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor McVoy and seconded by Commissioner Diaz to approve the Disaster Debris Management and Support Services Agreements with Debris Tech, LLC and Tetra Tech, Inc.

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

E. (reordered to New Business A) Approval of Interim City Manager Contract with Jamie Brown

F. Resolution No. 57-2023 - Approving the 2024 Agreement with the Supervisor of Elections and establishing the City's Canvassing Board for the March 2024 Election (3:01:35)

City Attorney Torcivia did not read the resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 57-2023 OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024 AGREEMENT FOR VOTE PROCESSING EQUIPMENT USE AND ELECTION SERVICES WITH THE PALM BEACH COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS; DESIGNATING THE CITY'S CANVASSING BOARD FOR THE MARCH 2024 ELECTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Stokes and seconded by Vice Mayor McVoy to approve Resolution No. 57-2023 - Approving the 2024 Agreement with the Supervisor of Elections and establishing the City's Canvassing Board for the March 2024 Election

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

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND WORK SESSIONS:

January 12, 2024 @ 9 AM - pre-agenda work session
January 19, 2024 @ 6 PM - regular meeting
January 23, 2024 @ 6:30 PM – District 3 Public Forum (OPEN TO ALL)

ADJOURNMENT: (3:02:14)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Stokes and seconded by Vice Mayor McVoy to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 PM.

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

Betty Resch, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melissa Ann Coyne, MMC, City Clerk

Minutes approved January 16, 2024
Item time stamps correspond to the recording on YouTube.