

**MINUTES
CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH
UTILITY CITY COMMISSION MEETING
CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBER
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2023 - 6:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Resch on the above date at 06:02 PM in the City Commission Chamber located at City Hall, 7 North Dixie Highway, Lake Worth Beach, Florida.

ROLL CALL: (0:43)

Present were Mayor Betty Resch, Vice Mayor Christopher McVoy, Commissioners Sarah Malega (via Zoom), Kimberly Stokes and Reinaldo Diaz. Also present were City Manager Carmen Davis, City Attorney Christy L. Goddeau and City Clerk Melissa Ann Coyne.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: (1:04) led by Vice Mayor Christopher McVoy.

AGENDA - Additions/Deletions/Reordering: (1:25)

Presentations A and B were reordered so that Mr. Liberty's update would be first. New Business item C, In-City Community Solar Update, was reordered to New Business A. New Business items A and B were reordered to B and C.

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

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

PRESENTATIONS: (2:09) (there is no public comment on Presentation items)

- A. (reordered from A) Brief Electric Utility Update by Ed Liberty, Electric Utility Director (2:13)
- B. (reordered from B) Presentation regarding Community Solar brought forward by Vice Mayor McVoy (18:18)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OF NON-AGENDAED ITEMS AND CONSENT AGENDA: (29:30)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: (39:41)

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

- A. January 31, 2023

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

NEW BUSINESS: (39:52)

A. (reordered from New Business item C) In-City Community Solar Update (39:54)

Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor McVoy and seconded by Commissioner Stokes to revise the RFP taking into consideration the Inflation Reduction Act and Infrastructure Act, reevaluating the criteria with the city's consultants and expert advice (including outside counsel), bringing the RFP back to the Commission for approval and requiring community outreach to all of the affected neighbors..

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

B. (reordered from A) Conversion of Part-Time Meter Reader position to Full-Time Meter Service Worker position (1:52:22)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Malega and seconded by Vice Mayor McVoy to approve Conversion of Part-Time Meter Reader position to Full-Time Meter Service Worker position.

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

C. (reordered from B) Third Amendment to Professional Services Agreement with WSP USA Inc (1:52:42)

Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor McVoy and seconded by Commissioner Diaz to approve the Third Amendment to Professional Services Agreement with WSP USA Inc.

D. Purchased Power Cost Adjustment (1:53:47)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Malega and seconded by Commissioner Diaz to keep the rates the same this month and review the PCA on a monthly basis.

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

The meeting recessed at 8:18 PM and reconvened at 8:34 PM.

E. Resolution No. 05-2023 – committing to achieving net-zero carbon emissions for its Electric Utility (2:46:20)

Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor McVoy and seconded by Commissioner Diaz to approve Resolution No. 05-2023, committing to achieving net-zero carbon emissions for its Electric Utility, removing the words and our neighbors from Section 4.

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

ADJOURNMENT: (3:036:53)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Malega and seconded by Vice Mayor McVoy to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 PM.

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

ATTEST:

Betty Resch, Mayor

Melissa Ann Coyne, City Clerk

Minutes Approved: March 28, 2023

Item time stamps correspond to the meeting recording on YouTube.