



CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH
City Commission Meeting
Julius Littman Performing Arts Theater
17011 N.E. 19th Avenue
North Miami Beach, FL. 33162
Tuesday, May 18, 2021
6:00 p.m.

Mayor Anthony F. DeFillipo
Vice Mayor Paule Villard
Commissioner McKenzie Fleurimond
Commissioner Daniela Jean
Commissioner Michael Joseph
Commissioner Barbara Kramer
Commissioner Fortuna Smukler

City Manager Arthur H. Sorey III
Interim City Attorney Hans Ottinot
Ottinot Law, P.A.
City Clerk Andrise Bernard, CMC

City Commission Meeting Minutes

ROLL CALL OF THE CITY OFFICIALS

The Regular Commission Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

Present at the meeting in the Littman Performing Arts Theater were Mayor Anthony F. DeFillipo, Vice Mayor Paule Villard, Commissioner McKenzie Fleurimond, Commissioner Daniela Jean, Commissioner Michael Joseph, and Commissioner Barbara Kramer.

Commissioner Fortuna Smukler was present at the meeting via Zoom.

City Manager Arthur Sorey, Interim City Attorney Hans Ottinot, and City Clerk Andrise Bernard were also present in the theater.

INVOCATION by Pastor Ginger Medley of Fulford United Methodist Church.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor and Commission.

REQUESTS FOR WITHDRAWALS, DEFERMENTS AND ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

City Clerk Andrise Bernard announced that Resolution R2021-53 will be withdrawn from the agenda per the request of the City Manager and a discussion item regarding the Commission on the Status of Women will be withdrawn from the agenda per the request of Commissioner Smukler.

Motion to **approve** the meeting agenda as amended made by Commissioner Kramer, seconded by Mayor DeFillipo.

MOTION PASSED 7-0.

There were no **PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS**.

Mayor DeFillipo opened the meeting for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

City Clerk Andrise Bernard read the rules of public comment and the following person(s) made comments on the record:

1. Susan Thomas (email read by City Clerk Andrise Bernard)
2. Margie Love (email read by City Clerk Andrise Bernard)
3. Stephanie Kienzle
4. David Zapen

The meeting was closed for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

Tabitha Mompremier sang the Haitian National Anthem in honor of Haitian Flag Day.

CITY COMMISSION REPORTS

Commissioner Jean wished everyone a happy Haitian Flag Day and recognized Jewish American Heritage Month, Asian American Heritage Month, Haitian Heritage American Month, Police Week, Mental Health Awareness Month, and discussed the Young Women of Distinction program.

Commissioner Fleurimond wished everyone a happy Haitian Heritage American Month, Jewish American Heritage Month, and Asian American Heritage Month, congratulated Estate Companies for securing a construction loan regarding a project that will be breaking ground soon, and praised the smart growth and development of the City.

Commissioner Joseph recognized all of the cultures that are being celebrated this month and stated he participated in a recent discussion and presentation about a project involving the Boring Company and Tesla.

Commissioner Kramer thanked the library staff for their involvement in a recent Multi-Cultural Committee event regarding Haitian Heritage Month and announced an upcoming Asian and Pacific Islander Heritage Month event.

Commissioner Smukler stated that she is fully vaccinated and caught Covid-19, announced an upcoming Library Board meeting, discussed a recent Jewish American Heritage Month event at the library, recognized Military Appreciation Month, wished everyone a happy Haitian Flag Day and an upcoming Memorial Day and United States Flag Day, thanked the NMB Police Department, and expressed that she stands for Israel.

Vice Mayor Villard recognized the celebration of Haitian Flag Day and wished everyone a happy Haitian Heritage American Month, Jewish American Heritage Month, and Asian American Heritage Month, announced an upcoming Mental Health Awareness Month event, and expressed the importance of showing respect to each other.

Mayor DeFillipo expressed that he stands with Israel and hopes for peace, discussed a recent Mental Health Awareness Month event, and expressed thoughts about a proposed transportation project.

CONSENT AGENDA

Special Commission Meeting Minutes of April 8, 2021 (Andrise Bernard, City Clerk)

Resolution R2021-47 Purchase and Installation of Access Control System from Miller Electric Company (Gil Sosa, Senior IT Manager)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH MILLER ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF AN ACCESS CONTROL SYSTEM IN AN ESTIMATED BUDGETED AMOUNT OF \$111,765.00.

Resolution R2021-48 Purchase of Library Mobile Vehicle from Farber Specialty Vehicles (Edenia Hernandez, Library Director)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH FARBER SPECIALTY VEHICLES, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A MOBILE LIBRARY VAN IN AN ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$183,500.00 AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Resolution R2021-49 Purchase of Sewer Main Cleaning and Repair Services (Judeen Johnson, Director of Public Works)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH SHENANDOAH GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, LLC FOR STORM SEWER & SEWER MAIN CLEANING AND REPAIRS IN A NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$225,000.00.

Resolution R2021-50 Purchase of City Hall Second Floor Impact Windows from Home Depot USA (Judeen Johnson, Director of Public Works)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH HOME DEPOT U.S.A., INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF IMPACT RATED WINDOWS IN AN ESTIMATED NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$93,555.00.

Resolution R2021-51 Purchase of Sodium Hypochlorite Liquid Chlorine for Swimming Pools (Andrew Plotkin, Director of Parks and Recreation)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING A PURCHASE ORDER AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH ALLIED UNIVERSAL CORPORATION AND THE CITY FOR THE PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXPEND THE BUDGETED, ESTIMATED TWO YEAR EXPENDITURE OF \$62,000.00 AND TO RENEW THE CONTRACT SUBJECT TO APPROVED BUDGET APPROPRIATION AND AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Resolution R2021-52 Purchase of AED Equipment, Routine Maintenance Support and Certified Training (Francisco Rios, Director of Human Resources)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH CINTAS CORPORATION NO. 2. DBA CINTAS FIRST AID & SAFETY, FOR AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS (AED) EQUIPMENT, MAINTENANCE AND TRAINING; IN AN ESTIMATED BUDGETED AMOUNT OF \$69,816.00 AND TO RENEW THE AGREEMENT SUBJECT TO APPROVED BUDGET APPROPRIATION AND AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Resolution R2021-53 Conversion of Eastern Shores 35th Avenue Guardhouse Staffing to Security Officers (Horace McHugh, Assistant City Manager)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CONVERSION OF STAFFING OF THE EASTERN SHORES 35th AVENUE GUARDHOUSE FROM CERTIFIED LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL TO SECURITY GUARDS; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE

TO TAKE APPROPRIATE STEPS TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Resolution R2021-53 was withdrawn from the agenda.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda made by Commissioner Kramer, seconded by Mayor DeFillipo.
MOTION PASSED 7-0.

There were no **QUASI-JUDICIAL** legislative items.

LEGISLATION

Resolution R2021-54 Award of RFQ-20-035-MC Design of Eastern Shores Water Main Rehab Project (Samuel Zamacona, Interim Director of NMB Water)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND HAZEN AND SAWYER, PURSUANT TO REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (“RFQ”) 20-035-MC “DESIGN OF EASTERN SHORES WATER MAIN SYSTEM REHABILITATION PROJECT” IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$627,300.00.

Interim Director of NMB Water Samuel Zamacona provided an explanation of Resolution R2021-54 to award an RFQ regarding the design of the water main system rehabilitation project in the Eastern Shores community and provide the design and development, permitting application preparation, and construction phase engineering services for distribution water line improvements.

Mayor DeFillipo opened the meeting for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

There were no speakers.

The meeting was closed for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

Motion to approve Resolution R2021-54 made by Commissioner Fleurimond, seconded by Mayor DeFillipo.
MOTION PASSED 7-0.

Resolution R2021-55 Award of ITB-21-009-MC Corona Del Mar Phase II Construction (Samuel Zamacona, Interim Director of NMB Water)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE AWARD OF INVITATION TO BID ITB-21-009-MC – “CORONA DEL MAR PHASE II CONSTRUCTION PROJECT”, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH C&W PIPELINE INC., EXPEND A BUDGETED AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,748,270.00; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Interim Director of NMB Water Samuel Zamacona provided an explanation of Resolution R2021-55 to award an ITB regarding the installation of a new sewer line in the Corona Del Mar neighborhood in an effort to eliminate septic tanks within the surrounding residential area. City Manager Arthur Sorey discussed a recent Town Hall Meeting concerning the item and stated that the City will be doing community outreach to inform residents during the construction period and the City will be looking for grant opportunities to conduct more septic to sewer conversions.

Mayor DeFillipo opened the meeting for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

There were no speakers.

The meeting was closed for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

Commissioner Fleurimond thanked City staff for their hard work and efforts regarding the project and Mayor DeFillipo expressed satisfaction that the neighborhood is moving from septic to sewer and looks forward to seeing other areas of the City doing the same.

Motion to approve Resolution R2021-55 made by Commissioner Fleurimond, seconded by Mayor DeFillipo.
MOTION PASSED 7-0.

City Attorney Hans Ottinot announced that Commissioner Smukler has left the meeting.

Resolution R2021-56 Interlocal Agreement for GOB Grant (Judeen Johnson, Public Works Director)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, GRANTING CITY FUNDS FROM THE BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND FOR WASHINGTON PARK COMMUNITY CENTER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT NUMBER 369 IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$750,000.00; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

City Manager Arthur Sorey provided an explanation of Resolution R2021-56 to accompany the interlocal agreement between Miami-Dade County and the City for the construction of the Washington Park Community Center improvement project including a community center, gymnasium, aquatic and pool facility, basketball courts, multi-purpose field, and other park improvements.

Mayor DeFillipo opened the meeting for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

There were no speakers.

The meeting was closed for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

Commissioner Joseph recognized and thanked Miami-Dade County Commissioner Jean Monestime for his efforts and investment in the community regarding the funding of this project. Commissioner Fleurimond stated that Miami-Dade County Commissioner Jean Monestime extended himself to help make the project a reality. Mayor DeFillipo thanked Miami-Dade County Commissioner Jean Monestime for the available funding and enthusiasm regarding the project and recognized Miami-Dade County Commissioner Sally Heyman.

Motion to approve Resolution R2021-56 made by Commissioner Fleurimond, seconded by Mayor DeFillipo.
MOTION PASSED 6-0 with Commissioner Smukler absent.

Resolution R2021-57 Condemning Anti-Asian Bigotry and Violence (Mayor Anthony F. DeFillipo)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, CONDEMNING ANTI-ASIAN BIGOTRY AND VIOLENCE; DENOUNCING HATE SPEECH AND OTHER BIGOTED BEHAVIORS AND ACTIONS; AND MOURNING THE DEATHS OF INDIVIDUALS RECENTLY KILLED OR INJURED IN BIAS OR HATE MOTIVATED VIOLENCE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor DeFillipo sponsored the legislation and provided an explanation of Resolution R2021-57 and expressed the importance of condemning anti-Asian bigotry and violence.

Mayor DeFillipo opened the meeting for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

There were no speakers.

The meeting was closed for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

Commissioner Fleurimond commended Mayor DeFillipo for bringing the item before the Commission and Commissioner Joseph expressed support for the resolution.

Motion to approve Resolution R2021-57 made by Commissioner Fleurimond, seconded by Commissioner Joseph.

MOTION PASSED 6-0 with Commissioner Smukler absent.

Resolution R2021-58 Declaring the Month of May 2021 as Haitian Heritage Month (Commissioner Daniela Jean)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, DECLARING THE MONTH OF MAY 2021 AS HAITIAN HERITAGE MONTH; DESIGNATING TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021 AS HAITIAN FLAG DAY; RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF HAITIAN-AMERICANS TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Jean sponsored the legislation and provided an explanation of Resolution R2021-58 and expressed the importance of declaring the month of May 2021 as Haitian Heritage Month and designating May 18, 2021 as Haitian Flag Day in honor of Haitian culture and contributions and expressed her pride in bringing the item before the Commission.

Mayor DeFillipo opened the meeting for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

1. Stephanie Kienzle

The meeting was closed for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

The Mayor and Commission expressed support for Resolution R2021-58 and congratulated Commissioner Jean for sponsoring her first resolution. Mayor DeFillipo recognized Father Reginald Jean-Mary of the Church of Notre Dame and Commissioner Kramer acknowledged Philippe Derosé for being the first Haitian-American elected to public office in the United States.

Motion to approve Resolution R2021-58 made by Vice Mayor Villard, seconded by Mayor DeFillipo.

MOTION PASSED 6-0 with Commissioner Smukler absent.

Ordinance 2021-02 (First Reading) Relating to Employee Running for Political Office (Vice Mayor Paule Villard)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER V OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ENTITLED "HUMAN RESOURCES (PERSONNEL)" BY SPECIFICALLY CREATING A NEW SECTION ENTITLED "EMPLOYEE RUNNING FOR POLITICAL OFFICE"; PROVIDING FOR THE RESIGNATION FROM CITY EMPLOYMENT IF AN EMPLOYEE QUALIFIES TO RUN FOR MAYOR OR CITY COMMISSIONER OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH; PROVIDING FOR THE RESIGNATION FROM CITY EMPLOYMENT IF AN EMPLOYEE IS ELECTED TO ANY OTHER POLITICAL OFFICE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Interim City Attorney Hans Ottinot provided an explanation of Ordinance 2021-02 sponsored by Vice Mayor Villard and stated that he worked closely and did research with Director of Human Resources Francisco Rios regarding local government employees running for political office.

Mayor DeFillipo opened the meeting for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

There were no speakers.

The meeting was closed for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2021-02 on First Reading made by Vice Mayor Villard, seconded by Commissioner Fleurimond.

Roll Call Vote

Fleurimond - **Yes**, Jean - **Yes**, Joseph - **Yes**, Kramer - **Yes**, Villard - **Yes**, DeFillipo - **No**

MOTION PASSED 5-1 on First Reading with Mayor DeFillipo opposed and Commissioner Smukler absent.

Ordinance 2021-01 (Second and Final Reading) Amending Section 2-1.4 of the City Code to Clarify that a Simple Majority Vote is Required to Call a Vote on a Matter unless a Super Majority Vote is Required under the City Charter (Commissioner Michael Joseph)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER II OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ENTITLED "STRUCTURE OF THE CITY GOVERNMENT" BY SPECIFICALLY AMENDING SECTION 2-1.4 TO CLARIFY THAT A SIMPLE MAJORITY VOTE IS REQUIRED TO CALL A VOTE ON A MATTER UNLESS A SUPER MAJORITY VOTE IS REQUIRED UNDER THE CITY CHARTER; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Interim City Attorney Hans Ottinot provided an explanation of Ordinance 2021-01 sponsored by Commissioner Joseph and stated that the item does not preclude the twenty minute discussion time that each Commissioner has on an item and does not preclude any public comment.

Mayor DeFillipo opened the meeting for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

There were no speakers.

The meeting was closed for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

Mayor DeFillipo expressed opposition to Ordinance 2021-01 and stated that he will always stand for and defend the City Charter and City Code and defend the voice of the people.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2021-01 on Second and Final Reading made by Vice Mayor Villard, seconded by Commissioner Fleurimond.

Roll Call Vote

Jean - **Yes**, Joseph - **Yes**, Kramer - **No**, Fleurimond - **Yes**, Villard - **Yes**, DeFillipo - **No**

MOTION PASSED 4-2 on Second and Final Reading with Mayor DeFillipo and Commissioner Kramer opposed and Commissioner Smukler absent.

Ordinance 2020-12 (Second and Final Reading) Establishing Reimbursement of Officials in Ethics Matters (Commissioner Michael Joseph)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE X, "CODE OF ETHICS," IN CHAPTER II, "STRUCTURE OF CITY GOVERNMENT," OF THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES BY CREATING SECTION 2-80, "DEFENSE OF OFFICIALS IN ETHICS MATTERS"; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEFENSE OF OFFICIALS; ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES AND APPLICABILITY FOR SUCH DEFENSE; RESERVING FOR THE CITY CERTAIN RIGHTS AND IMMUNITIES; ALLOWING FOR THE RECOVERY OF LEGAL COSTS FOR MALICIOUS, FRIVOLOUS OR GROUNDLESS COMPLAINTS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING

FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Interim City Attorney Hans Ottinot provided an explanation of Ordinance 2020-12 sponsored by Commissioner Joseph and stated that the item is consistent with state law and explains the request for reimbursement process and clarifies that the Florida Commission on Ethics or the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics will determine whether or not a complaint is frivolous.

Mayor DeFillipo opened the meeting for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

1. Stephanie Kienzle

The meeting was closed for **PUBLIC COMMENT**.

Commissioner Kramer and Mayor DeFillipo expressed opposition to Ordinance 2020-12.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2020-12 on Second and Final Reading made by Vice Mayor Villard, seconded by Commissioner Joseph.

Roll Call Vote

Joseph - **Yes**, Kramer - **No**, Fleurimond - **Yes**, Jean - **Yes**, Villard - **Yes**, DeFillipo - **No**

MOTION PASSED 4-2 on Second and Final Reading with Mayor DeFillipo and Commissioner Kramer opposed and Commissioner Smukler absent.

There were no **BUSINESS TAX RECEIPTS**.

APPOINTMENTS

Appointing Benjamin Stewart to the Youth Advisory Board (Andrise Bernard, City Clerk)

Motion to approve the appointment of Benjamin Stewart to the Youth Advisory Board made by Commissioner Joseph, seconded by Vice Mayor Villard.

MOTION PASSED 6-0 with Commissioner Smukler absent.

Reappointing Daniel Bakalarz to the Beautification Committee (Andrise Bernard, City Clerk)

Motion to approve the reappointment of Daniel Bakalarz to the Beautification Committee made by Commissioner Kramer, seconded by Commissioner Joseph.

MOTION PASSED 6-0 with Commissioner Smukler absent.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Discussion on Advertising/Promoting City Events in the Name of the Entire Commission

Commissioner Fleurimond started a discussion about members of the Commission supporting, funding, and sponsoring City events. City Manager Arthur Sorey stated that a policy will be developed regarding the advertising and promoting of City events. Commissioner Kramer stated that a member of the Commission and the Committee/Board that put in the work and effort should be recognized when advertising and promoting a City event and anything that is voted on together should include be the entire Commission. Commissioner Joseph suggested having a workshop before a policy is developed. Mayor DeFillipo directed the City Manager to meet individually with each member of the Commission about the proposed policy.

Commission on the Status of Women (COSW) Funding Request

The item was withdrawn from the agenda per the request of Commissioner Smukler.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Arthur Sorey thanked the Mayor and Commission and City staff for meeting and working with him regarding the agenda review, provided a capital improvements projects update, announced an upcoming police swearing-in ceremony and Haitian Heritage Month festival event, stated that he recently met with the union representative, and discussed the upcoming Publix gift card giveaway process.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Hans Ottinot discussed executive orders issued by Governor Ron DeSantis regarding government meetings.

MAYOR'S DISCUSSION

Mayor DeFillipo announced that members of the public are invited to take part in Commission Meetings not only on Zoom and discussed the upcoming Memorial Day holiday.

CITY COMMISSION REPORTS

Commissioner Fleurimond thanked City staff and residents for participating in the Commission Meeting and expressed satisfaction that the meeting went smoothly and told everyone to have a great night.

Commissioner Jean advised everyone to stay safe and have a great night.

Commissioner Joseph thanked Congresswoman Frederica Wilson for supporting the funding of an item regarding infrastructure and advised everyone to stay safe.

Commissioner Kramer told everyone to have a great night.

Vice Mayor Villard thanked Winnie Tang for inviting her to an informative and educational radio show and thanked Tabitha Mompremier for singing the Haitian National Anthem and thanked everyone for a quick meeting.

Mayor DeFillipo announced that the upcoming Memorial Day holiday ceremony event will be at Corporal Howard Hinson Park and advised everyone to be safe and stated that the City is still having food drives.

NEXT REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING is Tuesday, June 15, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the City Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 7:48pm.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Andrise Bernard, CMC, City Clerk