



CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH
City Hall, Commission Chambers, 2nd Floor
17011 N.E. 19th Avenue
North Miami Beach, FL. 33162
Tuesday, March 18, 2025

Mayor Michael Joseph
Vice Mayor Lynn Su
Commissioner Jay Chernoff
Commissioner McKenzie Fleurimond
Commissioner Daniela Jean
Commissioner Phyllis S. Smith
Commissioner Fortuna Smukler

City Manager Mario A. Diaz
City Attorney Greenspoon Marder
City Clerk Andrise Bernard, MMC

City Commission Meeting Minutes

ROLL CALL OF THE CITY OFFICIALS

The Regular Commission Meeting was called to order at 6:35pm.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Michael Joseph, Vice Mayor Lynn Su, Commissioner Jay Chernoff, Commissioner McKenzie Fleurimond, Commissioner Daniela Jean, Commissioner Phyllis Smith, and Commissioner Fortuna Smukler.

INVOCATION by Pastor Myriam Vasquez.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by the Mayor and Commission.

REQUESTS FOR WITHDRAWALS, DEFERMENTS AND ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

City Clerk Andrise Bernard announced the following:

- Per the request of Vice Mayor Su, a resolution regarding UMC free clinic will be added to Legislation.
- Per the request of Commissioner Smith, Discussion items regarding City Communications and Texas U-turn will be added.

Motion to approve the agenda made by Commissioner Chernoff, seconded by Commissioner Jean.
Voice Vote: **MOTION PASSED 7-0.**

PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS

Miami-Dade County Property Appraiser Tomas Regalado discussed the services of his office.

Director of Operations for the Miami Parking Authority (MPA) Angel Diaz discussed the mission, vision, and functions of the MPA and explained parking management and enforcement programs and operations.

Dr. Howard Frank of the FIU Jorge M. Perez Metropolitan Center presented a proposed strategic plan for the City including major upgrades to infrastructure, improving decision-making processes particularly in community and economic development, and developing a performance model that communicates the cost, quality, and impact of municipal services relative to investment.

Dr. Ned Murray of the FIU Jorge M. Perez Metropolitan Center presented a proposed economic development strategic plan for the City including realistic, effective, and resilient strategies to guide growth and support strengths, opportunities, initiatives, and challenges.

The Mayor and Commission talked about having a workshop or retreat to discuss important topics and issues.

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

City Clerk Andrise Bernard read the rules of public comment and the pledge of civility into the record.

The following person(s) made comments on the record:

1. Eugenise Mompremier
2. Gary Nelson
3. Josh Gemmi
4. Livens Jean
5. Ketley Joachim
6. David Zapen
7. Dana Smith
8. Hubert Dube
9. Dianne Doolity
10. Daniel Pierre
11. Marc Jeudy
12. Mubarak Kazan

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Communications Manager Jennifer Torna announced the upcoming Farm Share food distribution, Bike Ride in the 305, 3rd annual NMB Water charity golf event, senior luncheon, youth college tour, autism awareness event, 29th annual Florida Tour de Force, National Library Week celebration, Heritage Day event, Jazz Appreciation Month event, 8th annual NMB Police Department PAL charity golf event, Arbor Day tree giveaway, and family story time at the NMB library.

CITY COMMISSION REPORTS

Commissioner Chernoff recognized Woman's History Month and talked about the Bike 305, Farm Share food distribution, community engagement forum at Uleta, and Tour de Force event.

Commissioner Fleurimond expressed interest about having a Commission retreat and recognized several City staff members.

Commissioner Jean expressed appreciation for receiving recent birthday wishes, praised the Career Job Fair, recognized Woman's History Month, inquired about bus shelters and speed bumps, and talked about operational gaps.

Commissioner Smith discussed the trolley and Freebee service, stated that portions of 159th Street will be widened, talked about traffic calming, recognized Woman's History Month, praised the Career Job Fair, and discussed the senior luncheon and Bike 305 events.

Commissioner Smukler talked about the Bike 305 event, recognized Woman's History Month, discussed the condition of the FPL substation wall, expressed condolences to the family of Lincoln Diaz-Balart, wished a happy Passover, praised the Health Heath Walk, and thanked the NMB Police Department.

Vice Mayor Su recognized Woman's History Month, discussed the candlelight tribute event, talked about the recent visit of a delegate brought over by the U.S. Embassy in Beijing, discussed the town hall regarding fluoride, expressed interest to reduce the cost of living and increase grants and loans, and talked about the water plant.

Mayor Joseph discussed attending a National League of Cities event and encouraged his Commission colleagues to meet with the City Manager regarding the water plant.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commission Conference Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2025

Regular Commission Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2025

Resolution No. R2025-33 Approving an Agreement with Multiple Vendors for the Purchase of Police Uniforms and Accessories (Shereece George-Depusoir, Chief Procurement Officer)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A PIGGYBACK CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND MULTIPLE VENDORS FOR POLICE UNIFORMS AND ACCESSORIES FOR AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL BUDGETED AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$60,000.00; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SCRIVENER ERRORS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Resolution No. R2025-34 Approving an Agreement with CAP Government, Inc. for Plans Review, Inspection, & Professional Services (Danny Ozuna, Building Official)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING A PIGGYBACK CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY AND C.A.P. GOVERNMENT, INC. FOR PLANS REVIEW, INSPECTION, AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN AN ESTIMATED ANNUAL BUDGETED AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$60,000.00; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SCRIVENER ERRORS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; SUBJECT TO THE BUDGET APPROPRIATION AND AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Resolution No. R2025-35 Approving Task Order for The Corradino Group for Professional Engineering Services (Zafar Ahmed, Community Development Director)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING A TASK ORDER FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE NORTHEAST CORRIDOR STATION AREA MASTER PLAN DEVELOPMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$145,000.00 WITH THE CORRADINO GROUP UNDER THE “CONTINUING SERVICES AGREEMENT” FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND SUBJECT TO THE BUDGET APPROPRIATION AND AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Resolution No. R2025-36 Approval to Apply for the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) Grant for the Purchase of a New Marine Patrol Vessel for the NMB Police Department (Juan Pinillos, Chief of Police)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR GRANT ASSISTANCE UNDER THE FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT WATERWAYS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO ACQUIRE A MARINE PATROL VESSEL; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Resolution No. R2025-37 Authorizing the City Manager to Sign Milton Littman Park 4(f) De Minimis Finding Letter for the Department of Transportation (Zafar Ahmed, Community Development Director)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE MILTON LITTMAN PARK 4(f) DE MINIMIS FINDING FOR FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL (PD&E) STUDY FOR THE I-95 CORRIDOR FROM SOUTH OF SR 860/MIAMI GARDENS DRIVE TO NORTH OF THE BROWARD COUNTY LINE FINANCIAL PROJECT ID 414964-1-22-01, PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS OF FACT; CONFIRMING EXPIRATION AND LIMITATION OF APPROVAL; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda made by Commissioner Chernoff, seconded by Commissioner Fleurimond.

Voice Vote: **MOTION PASSED 5-0** with Vice Mayor Su and Commissioner Smukler off the dais.

LEGISLATION

Ordinance No. 2025-01 Amending Section 9-35 Entitled "Camping Prohibited" (First Reading) (Juan Pinillos, Chief of Police)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH CODE BY AMENDING CHAPTER IX, ENTITLED "OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS," BY AMENDING SECTION 9-35 ENTITLED "CAMPING PROHIBITED"; TO PROVIDE A UNIFORM PROCEDURE FOR IDENTIFYING CAMPING AND POLICE DEPARTMENT ENFORCEMENT OF THE CAMPING PROHIBITION; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, CONFLICTS, SCRIVENER ERRORS, SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Chief of Police Juan Pinillos provided an explanation of the ordinance.

Mayor Joseph opened the meeting for **PUBLIC COMMENT** and there were no speakers.

Motion to approve Ordinance No. 2025-01 made by Commissioner Chernoff, seconded by Commissioner Smith.

Roll Call Vote: Chernoff - **Yes**, Fleurimond - **Yes**, Jean - **Yes**, Smith - **Yes**, Smukler - **Yes**, Su - **Yes**, Joseph - **Yes**

MOTION PASSED 7-0 on First Reading.

Resolution No. R2025-38 Approving a Change Order with Lhoist North American of Alabama, Inc. for the Furnish, Deliver, and Discharge of Quicklime (Hamid Nikvan, NMB Water Director)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER TO THE CONTRACT WITH LHOIST NORTH AMERICA OF ALABAMA, INC. INCREASING THE CONTRACT BY AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$297,000.00; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SCRIVENER ERRORS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; SUBJECT TO THE BUDGET APPROPRIATION AND AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Chief Procurement Officer Shereece George-Depusoir provided an explanation of the resolution.

Motion to approve Resolution R2025-38 made by Commissioner Chernoff, seconded by Commissioner Smukler.

Voice Vote: **MOTION PASSED 7-0.**

Resolution No. R2025-39 Approving Award of ITB-24-039-SG Raw Water Transmission Mains and Wells (Hamid Nikvan, NMB Water Director)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF INVITATION TO BID NO. ITB-24-039-SG RAW WATER TRANSMISSION MAINS AND WELLS TO SOUTHERN UNDERGROUND INDUSTRIES, INC. IN A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$5,287,717.00; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; AND SUBJECT TO THE BUDGET APPROPRIATION AND AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Chief Procurement Officer Shereece George-Depusoir provided an explanation of the resolution.

Motion to approve Resolution R2025-39 made by Commissioner Chernoff, seconded by Commissioner Jean.

Commissioner Smith stated the resolution should include the source of the funds being used and the amendment was approved unanimously.

Voice Vote: **MOTION PASSED 7-0** as amended.

Resolution No. R2025-40 Memorandum of Understanding with UMC Free Clinic

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING CITY TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH UMC FREE CLINIC TO PROMOTE JOINT HEALTH AND WELLNESS INITIATIVES AND TO ENHANCE SERVICES FOR THE COMMUNITY; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE THE TERMS OF THE MOU FOR APPROVAL BY THE CITY COMMISSION; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SCRIVENER ERRORS, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Vice Mayor Su provided an explanation of the resolution.

The Mayor and Commission discussed the proposed resolution.

Motion to approve Resolution R2025-40 made by Vice Mayor Su, seconded by Commissioner Chernoff.

Voice Vote: **MOTION PASSED 7-0.**

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Vice Mayor Su discussed funding opportunities and possible City involvement and activities regarding the FIFA World Cup in 2026.

City Manager Mario Diaz discussed the criteria and parameters for appointing members to the Centennial Task Force.

Vice Mayor Su discussed energy and sustainability improvements for the City.

Commissioner Smith discussed the trolley service in the City.

Commissioner Smukler discussed the Civil Service Board and tents and tables fees for City events.

Commissioner Smith discussed communication issues regarding residents trying to contact the City and among her colleagues.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Mario Diaz discussed the recent visit to the water plant by the Department of Energy and talked about House Bill 11 and Senate Bill 202 and bus shelters and speed bumps.

Director of Capital Improvement Projects Aurelio Carmenates provided an update on the Washington Park project.

MAYOR'S DISCUSSION

Mayor Joseph discussed Arbor Day and Commissioner Chernoff explained the costs.

Mayor Joseph discussed the position of sergeant at arms and asked City staff to provide information regarding staffing and costs.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:46pm.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Andrise Bernard, MMC, City Clerk