



CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH
City Hall, Commission Chambers, 2nd Floor
17011 N.E. 19th Avenue
North Miami Beach, FL. 33162
Monday, February 2, 2026

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

Interim City Manager Andrew Plotkin

City Attorney Greenspoon Marder

City Clerk Andrise Bernard, MMC

Special Commission Meeting Minutes

ROLL CALL OF THE CITY OFFICIALS

The Special Commission Meeting was called to order at 6:40pm.

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Mayor and Commission.

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

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

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

1. Natasha Ervin
2. Norman Powell
3. Dacari Griffin
4. Zonya Ray
5. Chris Roberts
6. Audrey Dominguez
7. Brian Dennis
8. Mara Hauck

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

LEGISLATION

Resolution R2026-13 City Manager Contract Agreement (Mayor and Commission)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPOINTING DARVIN WILLIAMS TO SERVE AS THE NEXT CITY MANAGER FOR THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH; APPROVING THE EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN DARVIN WILLIAMS AND THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT “A”; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR 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.

City Attorney Joseph Geller provided an explanation of the resolution and discussed the proposed employment contract agreement between Darvin Williams and the City of North Miami Beach.

Norman Powell appeared before the Mayor and Commission to represent Darvin Williams and discussed the proposed employment contract agreement and expressed that Darvin Williams preferred to receive a car allowance instead of a city vehicle and requested a base salary of \$285,000.00.

Mayor Joseph read a statement regarding the selection of Darvin Williams as City Manager.

The Mayor and Commission discussed the proposed employment contract agreement.

Darvin Williams appeared before the Mayor and Commission and discussed his time as City Manager of the City of Opa-locka.

The Mayor and Commission continued to discuss the proposed employment contract agreement.

Motion to approve the employment contract agreement to include a car allowance in the amount of \$1,000 and remove language regarding getting gas at the city fueling station made by Commissioner Fleurimond, seconded by Commissioner Su.

Voice Vote: MOTION PASSED 6-1 with Mayor Joseph opposed.

Motion to approve the employment contract agreement to include a base salary of \$260,000.00 made by Commissioner Fleurimond, seconded by Commissioner Jean.

Roll Call Vote:

Chernoff - **No**

Su - **No**

Jean - **Yes**

Smukler - **No**

Fleurimond - **Yes**

Smith - **Yes**

Joseph - **Yes**

MOTION PASSED 4-3 with Vice Mayor Smukler, Commissioner Chernoff, and Commissioner Su opposed.

Motion to approve Resolution R2026-13 as amended made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Vice Mayor Smukler.

Roll Call Vote:

Fleurimond - **Yes**

Jean - **Yes**

Smith - **Yes**

Su - **Yes**

Chernoff - **Yes**

Smukler - **Yes**

Joseph - **No**

MOTION PASSED 6-1 with Mayor Joseph opposed.

City Attorney Joseph Geller stated that the employment contract agreement takes effect on February 3, 2026 at 9:00am and the oath of office/swearing-in will be at 12:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT

The Special Commission Meeting was adjourned at 9:10pm.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Andrise Bernard, MMC, City Clerk