



CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH
City Hall, Commission Chambers, 2nd Floor
17011 N.E. 19th Avenue
North Miami Beach, FL. 33162
Tuesday, August 25, 2026

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

City Manager Darvin Williams

City Attorney Greenspoon Marder

City Clerk Andrise Bernard, MMC

Budget Workshop Minutes

ROLL CALL OF THE CITY OFFICIALS

The Budget Workshop was called to order at 6:01pm.

Mayor Michael Joseph, Vice Mayor McKenzie Fleurimond, Commissioner Jay Chernoff, Commissioner Phyllis Smith, Commissioner Fortuna Smukler, and Commissioner Lynn Su were present.
Commissioner Daniela Jean was absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Commission.

City Manager Darvin Williams provided updates on items discussed at the previous Budget Workshop.

City Manager Darvin Williams presented the Finance Department and discussed the accomplishments (timely completion of annual reporting, renewed focus on internal controls, and procedures to provide more efficient operations) and goals (move 25% to 50% vendors to ACH payments, update accounting and related policies, and initiate quarterly budget reviews) and provided the staffing and expenditures (compensation and operating expense) that were adopted for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and proposed for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

City Manager Darvin Williams presented the Human Resources Department and discussed the responsibilities (human resources, risk management, and workers compensation) and goals (self-service portals, electronic onboarding, market benchmarking study, middle management training, active case management, standard operating procedures development, and policy modernization) and provided the staffing, funding, and expenditures (compensation and operating expense) that were adopted for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and proposed for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

City Manager Darvin Williams presented the Information Technology (IT) Department and discussed the goals (AI and automation tools, cybersecurity threat detection and response, portal software implementation and electronic plan review, and comprehensive service metrics) and provided the staffing, funding, and expenditures that were adopted for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and proposed for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

City Manager Darvin Williams presented the Procurement Department and discussed the mission of promoting competition, ensuring compliance, maximizing public resources, and supporting city departments and provided the goals (identify opportunities for cost savings, monitor expenditures to ensure alignment with budget appropriations, utilize technology, maximize value, and minimize risk) and the

staffing and expenditures (compensation and operating expense) that were adopted for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and proposed for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

City Manager Darvin Williams presented the Building Department and discussed the services (supervision of construction activities, acceptance and issuance of permit applications, verification of compliance and enforcement of codes by regulatory agencies, and inspection of new and existing structures) and provided accomplishments, ongoing projects and programs, and staffing and expenditures that were adopted for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and proposed for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

City Manager Darvin Williams presented the Community Development Department and discussed the mission of organizing and managing the development and improvement of the city's neighborhoods, engaging in planning to shape, preserve, and enhance the urban fabric of the community, and protecting the public health, safety, and welfare of residents and businesses through enactment of codes, policies, and ordinances and provided accomplishments, goals, and staffing and expenditures (compensation and operating expense) that were adopted for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and proposed for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

City Manager Darvin Williams presented the Code Compliance Department and discussed the role of educating residents and property owners on local ordinances and standards to avoid violations, keep the community safe and beautiful, control blight, reduce criminal opportunities, and maintain property values and provided initiatives and goals and staffing and expenditures (compensation and operating expense) that were adopted for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and proposed for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Chief Communications Officer Greg Williams presented the Communications, Events, and Production Department and discussed the centralized functions of marketing, messaging, branding, and special events and provided key responsibilities, strategic goals and priorities (increasing community engagement and advancing transparency), and staffing and expenditures (compensation and operating expense) that were adopted for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and proposed for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Director of Public Works Hamid Nikvan presented services and programs and fund sources for the Public Works Department and discussed accomplishments, completed and pending projects, challenges and operational inefficiencies, repairs, renovations, and upgrades, and transit ridership performance and provided budget expenditures and staffing that were adopted for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and proposed for Fiscal Year 2026-2027.

Director of Public Utilities Hamid Nikvan presented accomplishments and awards, operational activity, and performance indicators for the Public Utilities Department and discussed water treatment plant chemical usage and cost and budget expenditures and staffing that were adopted for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and proposed for Fiscal Year 2026-2027 and provided completed and pending projects of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP), design, construction, and equipment costs, and grants and funding.

City Manager Darvin Williams announced the dates of the First Public Budget Hearing (September 10, 2026) and the Second Public Budget Hearing (September 24, 2026).

ADJOURNMENT

The Budget Workshop was adjourned at 10:40pm.

ATTEST:

(SEAL)

Andrise Bernard, MMC, City Clerk