



City of Pompano Beach

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Pompano Beach, FL 33060

Detailed Minutes - Final

City Commission

Rex Hardin, Mayor
Alison Fournier, Vice Mayor
Audrey Fesik, Commissioner
Beverly Perkins, Commissioner
Rhonda Sigerson-Eaton, Commissioner
Darlene Smith, Commissioner

Gregory P. Harrison, City Manager
Mark Berman, City Attorney
Kervin Alfred, City Clerk

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

6:00 PM

Commission Chamber

City Commission Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

The Honorable Rex Hardin, Mayor called the Regular City Commission meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Audrey Fesik
Commissioner Beverly Perkins
Commissioner Rhonda Sigerson-Eaton
Commissioner Darlene Smith
Vice Mayor Alison Fournier
Mayor Rex Hardin

INVOCATION

Pastor Sharon Stone-Walker of Dove Ministries International offered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Kervin Alfred, City Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[26-323](#) Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes of April 14, 2026

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Minutes be APPROVED. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Comr. Fesik raised a concern about Agenda Item 17, noting that the Commission had previously directed it to appear on the agenda. She requested clarification as to why the item appeared to be slated for removal without a formal vote and questioned the authority under which such a decision was made.

Mayor Hardin responded that the item had not yet been removed and indicated that a motion would be brought forward.

Comr. Fesik reiterated her objection, emphasizing that the Commission had previously directed the inclusion of Item 17.

Mayor Hardin subsequently stated an intent to strike Items 9, 11, and 17 from the agenda, to which Comr. Sigerson-Eaton seconded the motion.

Comr. Fesik questioned whether staff had the authority to unilaterally remove an item placed on the agenda by Commission action, expressing concern that such action undermines the governing body's authority.

City Manager Harrison explained that the inclusion of Item 17 was a misunderstanding and that it was not required until a future date. He stated that the timing of the agenda placement was premature and therefore recommended its removal.

Comr. Fesik maintained her position, formally objecting to the removal and requesting that the item remain for discussion, citing prior Commission direction and anticipated public interest.

Vice Mayor Fournier expressed broader concerns regarding the situation, noting that a formal solicitation and evaluation process had already occurred. She questioned the need to repeat the process in the future and expressed concern about inefficiencies and the implications of delaying discussion.

Mr. Harrison confirmed that the process would need to be repeated, reiterating that the item was not required at this time due to scheduling considerations.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton stated her understanding that the item had been postponed rather than formally voted onto the agenda, suggesting that its presence resulted from that postponement.

City Attorney Berman clarified that an item postponed to a date certain is automatically placed on the agenda for that meeting. He confirmed that, while properly listed, staff had determined the item was unnecessary and recommended its removal.

Comr. Fesik again requested that Item 17 remain on the agenda, and attempted to make a motion to retain it. However, procedural clarification from Mayor Hardin indicated that a motion to approve the agenda with modifications was already on the floor.

City Clerk Alfred conducted a roll call vote on the approval of the agenda as amended. The motion

failed with a 3-3 vote; Commissioners Fesik, Perkins, and Vice Mayor Fournier voted no, and Commissioners Sigerson-Eaton, Smith, and Mayor Hardin voted yes.

Mayor Hardin introduced a motion to strike Items 9 and 11, seconded by Comr. Perkins.

Vice Mayor Fournier questioned the rationale for removing Item 9, expressing concern about prior indications of urgency regarding an MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization) project and the potential loss of funding or opportunities.

Mr. Harrison explained that, following discussions with MPO and FDOT, the project could not proceed within the current budget cycle due to funding issues and would need to be deferred to the next fiscal year.

Vice Mayor Fournier noted that this information had only recently become available and raised concerns about the timing of the update.

Comr. Perkins provided additional context from recent MPO meetings, emphasizing that community input had not yet been fully incorporated into the project design. She supported delaying the project to ensure that resident feedback is adequately addressed and stressed the importance of transparency and regular updates from MPO representatives.

Comr. Fesik acknowledged the value of the delay but advocated maintaining the agenda item to foster public awareness and discussion, particularly for attendees who may have come to speak on the matter.

Comr. Perkins withdrew her second to allow discussion, but Comr. Sigerson-Eaton later seconded the motion.

Following further discussion, a roll call was conducted to strike Items 9 and 11 from the agenda, which failed 3-3; Commissioners Fesik, Perkins, and Vice Mayor Fournier voted no, and Commissioners Sigerson-Eaton, Smith, and Mayor Hardin voted yes.

Finally, the Mayor introduced a motion to strike Item 11, seconded by Vice Mayor Fournier, which passed unanimously by voice vote, approving the agenda as amended.

CONSENT AGENDA DISCUSSION

The Commission may pull items from the Consent Agenda. During Audience to be Heard, a person may speak on any item on the Consent Agenda, which has not been pulled.

Mayor Hardin announced that Items 2 and 4 would be pulled for City Commission discussion.

A. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

[26-268](#) Teachers of the Year/Employees of the Year Acknowledgement

Mayor Hardin introduced Pastor Brian Campbell, Chair of the Education Advisory Committee,

who gave a special presentation on behalf of the Committee to acknowledge the Broward County Schools Teachers of the Year and Employees of the Year. He then called Mr. Campbell to come forward and proceed with the presentation.

Mr. Campbell invited his fellow committee members to join him in honoring the distinguished educators and school staff from Pompano Beach schools. He highlighted their dedication to nurturing students and supporting the community. He then called up the honorees in attendance to be recognized as Teachers of the Year and Employees of the Year from their respective schools, and they were as follows:

| <u>School</u> | <u>Teacher of the Year</u> | <u>Employee of the Year</u> |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Blanche Ely High School | Connie R. McGirt | Mireya Jean Pierre |
| C. Robert Markham Elementary | Veronica Jackson | Pearletha Lee |
| Charles Drew Elementary | Larissa McDonald | Nerisha Hazarie |
| Cresthaven Elementary | Lavinia Bucsa | Derrick Howard |
| Cross Creek School | Todd Dewey | Donna Ashley Coley |
| Crystal Lake Middle School | Tasia Scott | Alexander Miller III |
| Cypress Elementary | Blair Gray | Jinzir Witt |
| McNab Elementary | Callie Thompson | Marta Escobar |
| Norcrest Elementary | Frances Buchanan | Phyllis Wimbley |
| Palmview Elementary | Katina Elam | Gail Sneed |
| Pompano Beach Elementary | Makeida S. Reed | Irais Ramirez |
| Pompano Beach High School | Cynthia Chevrestt | Rhea Cardinale |
| Pompano Beach Middle School | Leroy Baker | Courtney Bailey |
| Sanders Park Elementary | Ty'Anna Stevenson | Andrea Burney |
| Tedder Elementary | Carmen Conde | Nikita Calvin-Raysor |

The Special Presentation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

B. PROCLAMATIONS

26-280 Teacher Appreciation Week

Mayor Hardin read a proclamation declaring May 4th through May 8th, 2026 as Teacher Appreciation Week in the City of Pompano Beach and encouraged all residents to join in honoring all teachers for their dedication, passion, and invaluable service to our community. He extended his appreciation and gratitude to all of the teachers in Pompano Beach and Broward County. Brian Campbell, Chair of the Education Advisory Committee, accepted the proclamation.

The Proclamation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

26-322 Jewish American Heritage Month

Mayor Hardin read a proclamation declaring May 2026 as Jewish American Heritage Month in

the City of Pompano Beach and encouraged all residents to join in honoring the legacy, achievements, and cultural heritage of Jewish Americans.

The Proclamation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

C. PRESENTATION

26-274 Actuarial Valuation Report

Presentation of the Actuarial Valuation Report for the City of Pompano Beach Police & Firefighters' Retirement System as of October 1, 2025, as prepared by Nyhart Company, Inc and presented by Mr. Lawrence Watts, Board Actuary.

Paul O'Connell, Chair of the Police and Firefighters Retirement System, introduced Lawrence Watts, Board Actuary from Nyhart Company, Inc., to present the annual actuarial valuation report.

Mr. Watts provided an overview of the pension system's financial status, explaining that the valuation measures liabilities against assets to determine the funded ratio and required contributions. He reported that the plan achieved an approximate 11.5% market return for the year; however, due to smoothing of prior losses, the actuarial return was approximately 6.7%, slightly below the 7% assumed rate. He noted that the funded ratio improved to approximately 55%, though a significant unfunded liability remains. The recommended employer contribution was approximately \$28.6 million, reflecting continued pressure from prior benefit enhancements and market volatility.

Mr. Watts further explained that pension costs are largely driven by the amortization of existing debt rather than by current employee accruals. He highlighted demographic shifts, including a reduction in active participants due to retirements following prior collective bargaining changes, and noted potential future cost increases when new employees are hired. He also advised that upcoming changes to state-level mortality assumptions could increase liabilities and contribution requirements.

Vice Mayor Fournier expressed concern regarding the plan's funded ratio and exposure to market volatility, particularly in the event of another downturn. She inquired about the impact of adjusting the discount rate and the sensitivity of contribution requirements. Mr. Watts responded that lowering the discount rate would significantly increase required contributions and confirmed that the current 7% assumption is considered reasonable based on prevailing standards, though subject to ongoing evaluation.

Mayor Hardin questioned whether alignment with peer systems of other cities using a 7% rate validated its appropriateness. Mr. Watts and Mr. O'Connell clarified that while 7% is the industry average, determining the "correct" rate involves balancing conservatism, risk, and intergenerational equity considerations.

With no further questions, Mayor Hardin concluded the discussion and thanked the presenters for their report.

The Presentation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

D. AUDIENCE TO BE HEARD

Mayor Hardin announced that it was time for "Audience To Be Heard". The following speakers were called to speak before the Commission:

Nicholas Walters, 4445 NW 99th Way, a student government association president at Blanche Ely High School, expressed gratitude on behalf of the Adimu of Excellence organization to city officials and staff who had visited their meeting to discuss government careers. He thanked specific individuals, including Assistant City Manager Suzette Sibble, Assistant City Attorney James Saunders, Utilities Field Superintendent Nathaniel Watson, and Senior IT Analyst Desmond Lloyd, for providing insight into their roles and responsibilities.

Tamara Taylor, Pompano Beach, FL, spoke about an incident involving her son and the Broward Sheriff's Office that occurred on January 13. She stated that over three months had passed without receiving full explanations or clarity about what happened, noting that her son was facing criminal charges and was on house arrest. She requested justice and accountability, emphasizing that the process felt incomplete. Comr. Perkins asked for updates from BSO, and Major Ellwood responded that the case was still under review by the Professional Compliance Division.

Paul O'Connell, Chair of the Pompano Beach Police and Fire Pension Board, provided an update on the fund's performance over the past six months, reporting a 1.59% return, which was below expectations, though the year-over-year return of 14.2% exceeded expectations.

Michael Skversky, 1630 SW 5th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, thanked Facilities Operations Director George Buenaventura for fixing issues at city parks and complained about military parking spot violations he had witnessed. He suggested issuing tickets to violators and implementing a verification system for veterans to prove their eligibility for the designated parking spaces.

Rodrick Phillips, 2620 NW 10th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, expressed gratitude to Comr. Smith and Captain Stallings for helping relocate addiction recovery meetings when the City library closed for renovations. He explained that the meetings would continue at a new location near the substation, allowing them to continue helping people with addiction recovery.

Jackie Moreland, 526 NW 7th Lane, Pompano Beach, FL, thanked Code Compliance Director Mario Sotolongo for his responsiveness to neighborhood issues and raised two concerns: uneven sidewalks in the Canal Point neighborhood that posed tripping hazards for elderly residents, and significantly increasing water bills that had reached nearly \$300 monthly for her household.

Following Ms. Moreland's comments about water bills, Vice Mayor Fournier and Commissioner Perkins both noted they had received similar complaints and requested a review into the dramatic increases, which appeared to exceed projections when utility rate increases were approved.

Comr. Fesik highlighted concerns about increased water bills affecting multiple districts, indicating a systemic issue. She suggested a thorough discussion with Mr. Harrison, especially as budget season approaches. The commissioner emphasized the anticipated additional pressures on the utilities department due to federal and

state changes and stressed the importance of addressing these issues to avoid future problems.

Delvin King, 2601 NW 12th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, addressed Director Sotolongo about an unanswered email from April 13 regarding a serious systemic issue and criticized the Education Advisory Board for excluding the Dave Thomas Education Center. He also criticized the District 5 Commissioner for failing to represent all constituents and raised concerns about overdevelopment in Palm Aire.

Delores Bullard, 2431 NW 6th Court, Pompano Beach, FL, a former police officer, spoke in favor of keeping BSO rather than creating a separate city police department. She shared her experience as a community-oriented officer who wasn't afraid to engage with residents and emphasized the importance of officers who could relate to the community without fear.

Clinton Mueller, 1080 NE 28th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, raised concerns about increased aircraft traffic from Pompano Airpark affecting residential areas at all hours, including early morning flights. He expressed frustration about the lack of communication from the airpark after an FAA workshop and questioned whether new flight schools at the airpark had received proper city approval. He also mentioned receiving no responses to emails about BSO being sent to his house on behalf of Robinson Aviation.

Comr. Fesik requested that Mr. Harrison ensure that Mr. Mueller and others receive answers to their questions by the end of the workweek, as the matter has been ongoing. City Manager Harrison acknowledged the request and committed to checking on the follow-up.

Michael Curtis, 1173 S. Cypress Road, Pompano Beach, FL, complained about BSO officers driving at excessive speeds down South Cypress Road without lights or sirens, causing homes to shake. He also raised safety concerns about a bus stop at Southwest 12th Street and South Cypress that wasn't ADA-compliant and contributed to accidents. Vice Mayor Fournier supported his concerns, citing crash data showing 456 accidents on the Cyprus corridor since 2023, and expressed frustration that the County had visited the bus stop location without coordinating with city officials.

Comr. Fesik raised concerns about visibility issues at the crosswalk and bus stop at NE 5th and A1A. She suggested that if the County is going to be contacted about this issue, it would be beneficial also to gather input from other districts on their problem areas to ensure the County can address multiple dangerous bus stops effectively.

E. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Hardin requested a motion to Approve/Adopt Items 1, 3, 5 through 8 under the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

1. [26-289](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING STAFF'S ACCEPTANCE OF

A CYBERSECURITY GRANT FOR CYBERSECURITY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES, AT NO COST TO THE CITY; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE GRANT AGREEMENT; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Gene Zamoski)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Enactment No: RES. No. 2026-101

2. [26-290](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE A SITE ACCESS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION TO INSTALL GROUNDWATER MONITORING WELLS AT VARIOUS CITY PROPERTIES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: John Sfiropoulos)

Mayor Hardin mentioned that the item was pulled by Vice Mayor Fournier for questions.

Vice Mayor Fournier explained that she had requested clarification after learning that one production well showed higher-than-expected PFAS ((per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances) levels and asked about the severity, the process, the timeline, and whether residents should be concerned.

John Sfiropoulos, City Engineer, responded that the DEP (Florida Department of Environmental Protection) had identified elevated PFAS concentrations in well number six and planned to install monitoring wells within a two-mile radius to identify potential contamination sources.

The Vice Mayor asked follow-up questions about timelines and whether this situation was common, and Mr. Sfiropoulos stated that the duration would depend on the findings and that he was unaware of any prior similar cases.

Renuka Mohammed, Utilities Director, elaborated that the City and State had been conducting sampling since 2022, confirming higher PFAS levels in well six compared to the others, though they were still in raw water before treatment. She explained that monitoring was part of a broader DEP initiative focused on historically industrial areas, and that current mitigation primarily occurs at the treatment plant, where nanofiltration and lime softening significantly reduce PFAS levels. She emphasized that levels were stable, not increasing, and that

regulatory limits would not take effect until later years.

Vice Mayor Fournier acknowledged the explanation and confirmed understanding that mitigation was occurring at the plant while monitoring sought contamination sources.

Comr. Fesik asked whether testing included other contaminants beyond PFAS and whether the monitoring was related to development. Ms. Mohammed stated that her department focused on PFAS, while the DEP might also test for other substances, and clarified that the issue was tied to historical industrial activity rather than new development.

Comr. Fesik shared observations from a site visit, suggesting possible environmental debris, and expressed interest in broader monitoring due to environmental sensitivity. Ms. Mohammed responded that monitoring would continue indefinitely and could help identify future mitigation strategies.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item.

Clinton Mueller, 1080 NE 28th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, asked whether water from the affected well served specific neighborhoods and urged more proactive public notification. Ms. Mohammed explained that all wells were combined and treated before distribution, meaning no specific area received water from a single well. She added that annual Consumer Confidence Reports disclosed water quality data and that mandatory public notifications would occur if regulatory violations arose, though PFAS was not yet regulated at that level. Mr. Mueller encouraged more timely communication, and Ms. Mohammed acknowledged the suggestion.

There being no further speakers, Mayor Hardin concluded public input and moved on to Commission discussion.

Comr. Fesik asked about testing for additional contaminants, such as lead, to which Ms. Mohammed reiterated that DEP handled broader testing.

Mayor Hardin confirmed that treatment processes addressed contaminants and asked directly if the water was safe, and Ms. Mohammed affirmed that it was.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton commented on the high future cost of PFAS removal and broader environmental challenges, while City Attorney Berman noted ongoing PFAS litigation funding for the City.

Comr. Fesik asked about public access to monitoring reports and timelines, and Ms. Mohammed stated results would likely be published by the DEP, with monitoring expected to take several months to a year.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Resolution / Consent Agenda be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Fesik
 Perkins
 Sigerson-Eaton
 Smith
 Fournier
 Hardin

Enactment No: RES. No. 2026-102

3. [26-291](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE A REVOCABLE LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND TERRACON CONSULTANTS, INC., TO PERFORM GROUNDWATER SAMPLING OF MONITORING WELLS WITHIN THE CITY’S RIGHTS-OF-WAY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
 (Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: John Sfiropoulos)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Enactment No: RES. No. 2026-103

4. **26-324** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A POLICY DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER AND STAFF TO RESERVE ALL REMAINING PLOTS AT THE CITY’S MUNICIPAL CEMETERY FOR SALE ONLY TO RESIDENTS OF THE CITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
 (Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Rob McCaughan)

Mayor Hardin mentioned that the item was pulled for discussion by Comr. Perkins.

Comr. Perkins expressed concern about preserving burial plots for local Pompano Beach residents, mentioning that someone had recently purchased 32 plots, which worried her. She explained that 448 sites remained and that most burials were from the Miami area, leaving limited space for residents. She sought input from other commissioners on limiting bulk purchases and making the cemetery resident-only.

Robert McCaughan, Public Works Director, stated that Cemetery Manager Terrence Nelson was present in the meeting. He confirmed Comr. Perkins' numbers, stating 620 plots were available (404 full burial plots, with

the remainder for cremation and columbarium). He confirmed that someone had purchased 32 plots two weeks prior and agreed to limit sales to residents only, suggesting a limit of 2 plots per person. He noted other municipal cemeteries had already implemented resident-only policies, and that Forest Lawn charged \$9,500 per plot compared to their much lower rates.

City Attorney Berman explained he had quickly prepared a basic resolution to start the conversation, apologizing for the rushed timeline. He indicated willingness to make whatever changes the Commission desired.

Comr. Fesik inquired about pricing compared to Forest Lawn and learned that their resident rate was \$3,859, compared to Forest Lawn's \$9,500. She asked about recent rate increases and learned they had an 11% annual escalator through 2033. While supporting resident-only sales, she expressed concern about limiting family purchases, suggesting families might want to stay together in death.

Vice Mayor Fournier agreed with resident-only sales and supported limits, stating 32 plots were excessive for a public municipal cemetery. She asked about resale policies and expressed concern that someone could profit from bulk purchases over time through multiple small resales on consent agendas. Mr. McCaughan answered that plots can be resold; transfers are permitted but must be brought to the Commission for approval so the City can track and approve them.

Comr. Smith supported both resident-only sales and purchase limits, noting their prices were comparable to other cities except Boca Raton, which was \$400 higher.

Mayor Hardin asked about stopping resales and expressed concern that the 32-plot purchase was likely for business resale purposes rather than family use. He inquired about immediately directing staff to limit sales to two plots per individual. Mr. Berman stated that the Commission can direct staff to immediately limit sales to two plots per person and to residents only, temporarily, until a final policy/ordinance is adopted.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton suggested requiring resales to be made only to Pompano Beach residents and asked whether to amend the current ordinance or rewrite it. Mr. Berman responded that the Commission can require resales after enactment to be to Pompano Beach residents, and that the Commission can issue a temporary direction tonight and later amend the code or bring back an ordinance change.

Comr. Fesik proposed limiting transfers to city residents at the current published prices to prevent profiteering and suggested that exceptions for more than 2 plots could be brought to the Commission for approval.

Comr. Perkins made a motion to direct staff to limit burial sites to two per person/family until proper language could be developed, which Mayor Hardin seconded after clarifying it applied to residents only.

Vice Mayor Fournier supported the motion but noted practical difficulties in regulating resale prices, given the potential for under-the-table payments.

The motion passed unanimously, approving a temporary two-plot limit for residents only.

Mr. Berman clarified that he would bring back variations at the next meeting.

City Clerk Alfred inquired about the resolution and whether the motion that passed amends it. Mr. Berman stated that the Commission needs to decide on the item, suggesting it could either be tabled or postponed. Mayor Hardin asked for clarification on whether to postpone or strike it, to which Mr. Berman recommended postponing it to the next meeting.

A motion was made by Mayor Hardin, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Resolution / Consent Agenda be POSTPONED to the May 12, 2026 City Commission Meeting. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

5. [26-312](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE FDOT DISTRICT FOUR (4) AMENDMENT NUMBER THIRTY-SEVEN (37) TO INCLUDE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR ADDITIONAL LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF STATE ROAD 9 (I-95 AT COPANS ROAD INTERCHANGE) FROM MILE POST 20.112 TO MILE POST 20.702; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Rob McCaughan)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Enactment No: RES. No. 2026-104

6. [26-306](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND RUN IT SPORTS INC., TO UTILIZE MCNAIR PARK TO PROVIDE AND PROMOTE TRACK AND FIELD COACHING AND INSTRUCTION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Scott Moore)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Enactment No: RES. No. 2026-105

7. [26-308](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND POMPANO BEACH FIREFIGHTERS BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, INC., TO UTILIZE ALSDORF PARK BOAT RAMP TO CONDUCT A FISHING TOURNAMENT AND WEIGH IN; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Scott Moore)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Enactment No: RES. No. 2026-106

8. [26-318](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 2026-18, AND APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO APPLY FOR THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM FOR DRINKING WATER FACILITIES; UPON APPROVAL, EXECUTE THE CORRESPONDING LOAN AGREEMENT, CARRYING OUT ALL LOAN RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THE AGREEMENT; ESTABLISHING PLEDGED REVENUES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

 **Strategic Plan Initiative**

(Staff Contact: Renuka Mohammed)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Enactment No: RES. No. 2026-107

F. REGULAR AGENDA

9. [26-253](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, ENDORSING THE PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE CONCEPT FOR NW 15TH STREET AND SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF THE BROWARD METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (“MPO”) TO DESIGN AND RECOMMEND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS TO ESTABLISH ELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL FUNDING; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

POSTPOSED FROM MARCH 24, 2026

(Staff Contact: John Sfiropoulos)

John Sfiropoulos, City Engineer, informed the Commission that, due to recent MPO information regarding budgetary issues with FDOT, the project would need to be postponed until next year.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item and, receiving none, he moved on to Commission discussion.

Vice Mayor Fournier sought clarification on whether the FDOT funding issues were independent of their delay or a result of the item's postponement from March, noting that the MPO had previously assured them there was no issue with waiting until April 28th. Mr. Sfiropoulos explained that the MPO's earlier response was genuine, but further developments had occurred behind the scenes after the last public presentation. The Vice Mayor pressed for clarification on whether other MPO projects were similarly affected by FDOT funding issues, expressing confusion since the original item in March mentioned only federal grants, not FDOT funding.

Comr. Fesik expressed confusion about the timeline and asked whether anything discussed at community meetings had contributed to the delay. Mr. Sfiropoulos confirmed it had nothing to do with community input. Comr. Fesik then clarified that the item would approve the previously proposed design and sought confirmation that a denial would simply require the MPO to return to the Commission later. She questioned whether voting no would entirely prevent their ability to proceed, with Mr. Sfiropoulos explaining that it would only delay potential funding from 2030 to 2031. Comr. Fesik emphasized the importance of getting the project right for residents rather than rushing it.

Comr. Perkins expressed skepticism about the project, questioning why the MPO selected NW 15th Street and 27th Avenue specifically, noting that NW 6th Avenue was more heavily traveled. She felt there was secrecy involved, since the Commission only learned of it in late 2023, even though the project had been in place for 5 years. Mr. Sfiropoulos corrected her, stating that the Commission had approved the MPO's 2050 transportation plan in July 2024, which included these projects as the highest-ranked. Comr. Perkins questioned who was on the MPO board at that time and requested minutes from those meetings to understand the decision-making process. She criticized the lack of regular updates from board representatives and described feeling that the project was being pushed on the community. Comr. Perkins recounted that community suggestions from earlier meetings had been overlooked and said an MPO representative dismissed

residents' concerns by suggesting they could "move to the next city" at Tuesday's meeting. She requested that City Manager Harrison obtain the MPO meeting minutes.

Mayor Hardin asked Mr. Sfiropoulos to confirm that staff had properly advertised the meetings by mailing approximately 500 notices to residents in the project areas.

Comr. Fesik returned to express frustration about repeated instances in which the Commission was told they had to act within specific timeframes, only for those deadlines to mysteriously disappear when pressure was applied. She referenced Comr. Perkins' previous observations about the situation being "a game" and stated her preference to do what's right for residents. Comr. Fesik sought clarification on the percentage of design changes allowed if they approved the current concept, and confirmed that a "no" vote would require the MPO to return with a modified proposal in the future.

City Attorney Berman clarified that the Commission needed to take action that evening, either by striking the item or voting on it. He explained that even if approved, the project wasn't proceeding anyway, and characterized it as initial approval of a basic concept that would evolve.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton confirmed with Mr. Sfiropoulos that this was only a conceptual plan without specifications, and that subsequent meetings would address specifics during the design phase. She explained that the MPO typically generates these types of generic improvement projects and offers them to cities, describing it as a \$10 million streetscape project that would prevent truck parking on swales and add safety features. Despite feeling they had gone "around and around" on the issue, she supported moving forward with approval.

Comr. Smith agreed they should move forward, expressing reluctance to lose \$10 million in road safety improvements for a major city street, even though the project was being shelved for a year. She viewed approval as signaling the City's commitment to the project when it returned.

Comr. Perkins stated she would not support the item, wanting the MPO to address specific resident requests from three meetings: removing the bike path, redoing landscaping, adding stop signs or traffic lights at 15th and 2nd where accidents occur, adding more lighting and signage, and addressing flooding issues. Mr. Sfiropoulos noted that drainage was included and explained that some requests might not meet traffic guidelines and couldn't be committed to until the design phase. Comr. Perkins emphasized that Northwest residents rarely have opportunities to provide input to the current administration and wanted to consider them. She described promising residents at Tuesday's meeting that she would try to strike the item and return when the MPO was ready to meet with the community again. She attempted to make a motion to strike the item, but received no second.

Comr. Fesik confirmed that this wasn't about giving up grant money, as Comr. Smith had suggested, but rather about endorsing a concept, and indicated she would vote no.

Vice Mayor Fournier referenced previous meeting minutes in which she asked about flexibility in the design process and was told there would be significant opportunities for change. She recounted attending the recent community meeting, where residents' drainage concerns were addressed, and the MPO representatives seemed

receptive to suggestions such as removing landscaping elements to add turning lanes. She acknowledged that, given the MPO's stated delay, their vote might not matter. Still, she believed the Commission needed to eventually approve conceptual renderings and then hold the MPO accountable during actual design implementation.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Resolution / Consent Agenda be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Sigerson-Eaton
Smith
Fournier
Hardin

No: Fesik
Perkins

Enactment No: RES. No. 2026-108

10. [26-319](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE THE SURTAX FUNDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND BROWARD COUNTY FOR \$1,995,816 IN FISCAL YEAR 2026 FORMULA-BASED FUNDING TO PERFORM ASPHALT RESURFACING OF CITY STREETS; AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS, DUE TO SUCH FUNDING, TO EXECUTE A THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND WEEKLEY ASPHALT PAVING, INC. FOR ADDITIONAL ASPHALT RESURFACING; AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE ANY NONSUBSTANTIVE AMENDMENTS TO THE SURTAX FUNDING AGREEMENT REQUIRED BY BROWARD COUNTY WITHOUT FURTHER CITY COMMISSION APPROVAL AND PROVIDING COPIES OF SUCH AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY COMMISSION AND CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: \$2,500,000: \$1,995,816, surtax funds; \$504,184 CIP funding)

(Staff Contact: Rob McCaughan)

Robert McCaughan, Public Works Director, explained that the item requested approval of two components: the Broward County surtax funding agreement for approximately \$2 million and a third amendment to the Weekley Asphalt contract. He detailed that the City added CIP funds, bringing the total to \$2.5 million for paving. Mr. McCaughan noted this was the first time surtax money could be used for road maintenance, which was great news. He explained the third amendment extended the Weekley contract for one year, until April 30, 2027, and incorporated terms required by Broward County. He mentioned sending paving maps to

commissioners late in the day and stated that the additional \$2 million would accelerate the five-year plan, completing both FY 26 and FY 27 work. He also expressed hope for additional funding to address micro-paved streets between Federal Highway and NE 26th Avenue, north of Atlantic Boulevard.

City Attorney Berman clarified for the record that while the resolution involved multiple components, it addressed one subject matter - repaving - and was consolidated to keep the process moving efficiently.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item and, receiving none, he moved on to Commission discussion.

Vice Mayor Fournier questioned why the City's CIP contribution was only half a million dollars instead of the usual million dollars annually for the five-year paving plan. She expressed concern that neighborhoods like Cypress Harbor still lacked certainty about paving schedules despite the acceleration, and questioned what happened to funding from the Garden Isles section that was already paved during utility work.

Joshua Watters, Budget Director, confirmed that the \$2.5 million was consistent with what was approved in the previous year's CIP, explaining that in prior years, more city funds were allocated, but the amount was reduced during budget balancing to fund other projects. Mr. McCaughan addressed the Garden Isles situation, explaining that Southeast Third had to be repaved due to a utility pipe failure, and several dead-end streets were also paved using paving fund money to avoid having to return later.

Vice Mayor Fournier continued to express frustration about the reduced city funding and the lack of certainty for remaining neighborhoods. Mr. McCaughan responded that Weekley Asphalt was ready to begin work on May 1st and could complete the current phase in about four months, with FY 27 money becoming available on October 1, 2026. He explained delays were caused by back-and-forth negotiations with Broward County about contractor requirements and contract amendments. Mr. McCaughan projected that with expected additional funding, the remaining streets could be paved by the end of calendar year 2026, noting that some streets in Comr. Perkins' district were pulled from FY 24 due to construction interference.

Comr. Fesik expressed happiness about residents finally hearing that paving would begin and asked about Avalon Harbor, which had recent utility work. Mr. McCaughan confirmed Avalon Harbor was included in the paving plan and would receive complete street paving. Comr. Fesik inquired about coordinating sidewalk installation and traffic calming measures for neighborhoods east of Federal Highway, north of Atlantic Boulevard, citing safety concerns for families and cyclists. Mr. McCaughan confirmed this was just paving, but noted separate CIP funding for sidewalks and potential speed bump installation if warranted. Comr. Fesik emphasized the importance of coordinating improvements and maintaining open communication with residents, clarifying that she didn't want to delay paving but wanted to ensure comprehensive planning. She expressed gratitude for the maps but noted the long wait for information.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton asked about the perpetual nature of paving and the timelines for areas such as Cresthaven, Highlands, and North Kendall Green. Mr. McCaughan explained that cities need to pave roads every 15 to 20 years as a minimum, and with 300 miles of roads, the City wasn't doing nearly enough. He described plans for a citywide pavement condition assessment to create the next five-year plan, which would provide objective scoring and guide future priorities. He noted that major arterial roads, such as Atlantic Boulevard, would require separate major projects. Comr. Sigerson-Eaton thanked staff for negotiating the

additional surtax funds and expressed eagerness to vote yes.

Mayor Hardin acknowledged County Commissioner Lamar Fisher's instrumental role in getting the amendment passed at the county level. He suggested that once micro-paved streets were completed, public pressure about paving would likely decrease, though he assured Mr. McCaughan that paving priorities would continue. The Mayor noted Mr. McCaughan's upcoming departure and praised his service to the City.

Comr. Perkins commented on Mr. McCaughan's unusually enthusiastic and relaxed demeanor, to which he responded that he loved paving. Comr. Fesik thanked Mr. McCaughan for his hard work and expressed anticipation of seeing him run on the newly paved streets in District 1 during his retirement.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Resolution / Regular Agenda be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Fesik

Perkins

Sigerson-Eaton

Smith

Fournier

Hardin

Enactment No: RES. No. 2026-109

11. [26-119](#) **P.H. 2025-69: (PUBLIC HEARING 2ND READING)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 90, "ANIMALS," BY AMENDING SECTION 90.39, "RETAIL SALE OF DOGS AND CATS," TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS FOR THE RETAIL SALE OF DOGS AND CATS WITHIN THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

POSTPONED FROM FEBRUARY 10, 2026 & FEBRUARY 24, 2026

FIRST READING: JANUARY 27, 2026

*NOTE: This item will be stricken from the Agenda and replaced with file ID No. 26-313.

(Staff Contact: Mark E. Berman/Rob McCaughan)

A motion was made by Mayor Hardin, seconded by Vice Mayor

Fournier, that the Ordinance / Regular Agenda be STRICKEN. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

12. [26-313](#) **P.H. 2026-36: (PUBLIC HEARING 1ST READING)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 90, "ANIMALS," BY AMENDING SECTION 90.39, "RETAIL SALE OF DOGS AND CATS," MODIFYING CERTAIN DEFINITIONS AND PROVIDING ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS; BY CREATING FURTHER REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO THE RETAIL SALE OF DOGS AND CATS WITHIN THE CITY; AND BY ESTABLISHING A RETENTION PRIVILEGE FOR EXISTING PET SHOPS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(**Staff Contact:** Mark E. Berman/Robert McCaughan)

Tracy Lyons, Deputy City Attorney, presented the revised ordinance, explaining that it had been updated following the passage of Senate Bill 1004, which becomes effective July 1. She stated that the new state law imposes additional regulations and safeguards for animals transported and sold within Florida. Ms. Lyons explained that the ordinance was revised to balance stronger regulatory oversight with the rights of an existing lawful pet store operating within the City. She noted that the proposed changes align with state law, enhance enforcement mechanisms, and introduce clearer definitions, including criteria for disqualifying suppliers and stricter requirements for hobby breeders.

She further stated that the ordinance includes expanded documentation requirements for certificates of source, detailing an animal's breed, medical history, and chain of custody. Additionally, the ordinance establishes a retention privilege allowing the existing pet store to continue operations, provided it registers within 90 days and complies with documentation requirements, including recordkeeping requirements of seven years and enforcement provisions, including potential revocation after repeated violations.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item.

Matthew Scott, 200 E. Broward Boulevard, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, representing Paradise Puppies, expressed appreciation for staff collaboration but questioned the necessity of the ordinance, stating that the City currently has only one pet store with no known violations. He characterized the proposed regulations as overly complex and suggested that the City was addressing a problem that does not exist. He recommended maintaining the current code.

There being no further speakers, Mayor Hardin concluded public input and moved on to Commission discussion.

Mayor Hardin noted receipt of correspondence from the Florida Association of Kennel Clubs, which expressed opposition to portions of the ordinance, particularly those affecting hobby breeders. He entered the

correspondence into the record.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton expressed concerns about informal, potentially unsafe private pet sales, highlighting risks such as fraud and a lack of accountability. She acknowledged the value of brick-and-mortar establishments in providing consumer protections but ultimately stated that the ordinance was unnecessarily complex and not justified by current conditions. She indicated opposition to modifying the existing code.

Comr. Smith agreed with Comr. Sigerson-Eaton, stating that the City should not have pursued changes to an existing system that had not presented issues. She emphasized that the current business had no violations and expressed her intent to vote against the ordinance.

Comr. Fesik asked clarifying questions regarding alignment with state law, enforcement mechanisms, and definitions within the ordinance. Ms. Lyons and Mr. Berman confirmed that the ordinance aligns with state requirements and, in some areas, is more stringent, particularly regarding breeding limitations. Comr. Fesik acknowledged the effort to balance regulatory needs with business interests and expressed support for the ordinance as a reasonable compromise.

Ms. Lyons noted that other jurisdictions vary in their approaches, with some prohibiting hobby breeders and others allowing them under regulation.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Ordinance / Regular Agenda be APPROVED FIRST READING.. The motion failed by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Fesik
Perkins
Fournier

No: Sigerson-Eaton
Smith
Hardin

13. [26-173](#) **P.H. 2026-29: (PUBLIC HEARING 2ND READING)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS FOR CONSULTING/PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND HAZEN AND SAWYER, P.C., MCCAFFERTY BRINSON CONSULTING, LLC, STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES, INC., ARCADIS U.S., INC., AND CAROLLO ENGINEERS, INC., FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A (on-demand via Work Authorizations))

FIRST READING: APRIL 14, 2026 **Strategic Plan Initiative****(Staff Contact:** Renuka Mohammed)

Renuka Mohammed, Utilities Director, stated that there were no changes from the first reading.

Mayor Hardin sought public input and invited the Commission to comment on the item; however, no one provided any comments.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Ordinance / Regular Agenda be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Fesik
Perkins
Sigerson-Eaton
Smith
Fournier
Hardin

Enactment No: ORD. No. 2026-2514. [26-270](#) **P.H. 2026-34: (PUBLIC HEARING 2ND READING)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE A PARKING LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF POMPANO BEACH FOR THE USE OF PARKING SPACES LOCATED AT 117 NE 1ST STREET; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: \$68,280/year, not to exceed \$341,400 over 5 years)

FIRST READING: APRIL 14, 2026**(Staff Contact:** Jeff Lantz)

Jeff Lantz, Parking Manager, confirmed this was the second reading with no changes since the first reading and offered to answer questions.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item and, receiving none, he moved on to Commission discussion.

Vice Mayor Fournier expressed disappointment with the Church's unwillingness to consider other options during the CRA meeting. She questioned how they would determine if the parking spaces were actually needed

over the next year or five years and asked about usage monitoring. Mr. Lantz responded that usage forecasting would depend on area development.

Vice Mayor Fournier noted they had added sufficient parking in Old Town for most circumstances except events like Untapped, mentioning the Barger site and other surface parking lots. In response to the Vice Mayor's questions, Mr. Lantz confirmed that the City could terminate the agreement if spaces weren't being used by restaurants or if future development or a vertical parking structure were built. He indicated he wasn't aware of any outreach to restaurants asking them to participate in the agreement.

Vice Mayor Fournier expressed concern about paying \$68,000 annually for spaces that might be needed only 12 times per year, while acknowledging the importance of supporting local businesses. She noted the positive aspect that funding came from the parking fund rather than increasing property taxes, but wanted a way to monitor actual usage beyond personally driving by to check.

Comr. Fesik expressed disappointment that the CRA meeting discussion item became a "this is how it is" presentation rather than an actual discussion, describing it as contrary to the spirit of negotiation and teamwork between lessor and lessee. She felt this approach didn't provide confidence for future dealings. Comr. Fesik raised concerns about promises being made to potential vendors regarding parking in both downtown and beachside areas, expressing discomfort with not knowing what consultants might be promising to businesses. She noted that after visiting the area during various events, including Old Town, Untapped, and Christmas tree lighting, the parking demand didn't seem to justify the expense compared to daily beach parking needs. She mentioned that First Baptist Church could conduct its own fundraising by charging for parking at events and expressed concern about the complexity of working with parking consultants and the potential need to amend the CRA plan for CRA funding.

Mayor Hardin thanked First Baptist Church for returning to negotiations after previously saying no and installing gates, which he felt was not a good look for either the Church or the City. He expressed support for the agreement, acknowledging they did need the parking even if not daily, and thanked staff, including Ms. Sibble and Mr. Lantz, for their work in achieving a mutual goal.

Comr. Smith highlighted that the agreement provided additional handicap spaces, which were limited in street parking, and emphasized the 60-day termination notice as a form of flexibility. She noted that the \$68,000 annual cost came from the parking enterprise fund, paid by those who park in the City rather than by residents. Comr. Smith argued they owed parking spaces to businesses that invested in Old Town, mentioning two successful businesses and a potential third at the Wash House, and expressed strong support for the second reading.

Vice Mayor Fournier responded that she took exception to the idea they owed businesses anything more, noting they already paid rent for one business and had taken extensive steps to add parking in the area. She argued they owed residents parking for events rather than owing businesses additional support. The Vice Mayor characterized the agreement as an expensive option for residents to access events like Untapped, acknowledging it was overpriced but necessary so residents could enjoy the area when gates would otherwise be locked. She indicated support for residents' sake while feeling the businesses had already received sufficient support.

Comr. Fesik concluded by stating she had lost trust in how the agreement was developed, emphasizing her concerns had nothing to do with First Baptist Church or residents needing parking, but rather with the inner workings and conversations involving consultants and entities. She expressed discomfort defending decisions to residents who were tired of repeatedly paying taxes, noting that even residents using Old Town and Untapped would pay through parking charges. The commissioner worried about approving something that might enable the CRA to negotiate deals the City would continue paying for, expressing concern about alignment and actual costs. She thanked First Baptist Church for its work, but felt the agreement shouldn't take priority over other City needs, and expressed skepticism about the 60-day termination provision, given difficulties getting items on agendas and having meaningful discussions.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Ordinance / Regular Agenda be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Sigerson-Eaton
Smith
Fournier
Hardin

No: Fesik

Absent: Perkins

Enactment No: ORD. No. 2026-26

15. [26-304](#) **P.H. 2026-35: (PUBLIC HEARING 2ND READING)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE A SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND ONE PARKING, INC., FOR PARKING OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: \$2,854,931 over 5 years)

FIRST READING: APRIL 14, 2026

(Staff Contact: Jeff Lantz)

Jeff Lantz, Parking Manager, stated that this was the second reading of the item, with no changes since the first.

Mayor Hardin sought public input and invited the Commission to comment on the item; however, no one provided any comments.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Ordinance / Regular Agenda be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Fesik

Sigerson-Eaton

Smith

Fournier

Hardin

Absent: Perkins

Enactment No: ORD. No. 2026-27

16. [25-586](#) **P.H. 2026-01: (PUBLIC HEARING 2ND READING)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE II, SECTION 6 TO CHAPTER 57-174, LAWS OF FLORIDA SPECIAL ACTS OF 1957 AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED AND SUPPLEMENTED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, IMPOSING LIMITATIONS ON THE LENGTH OF TERMS OF THE OFFICES OF THE MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS, WHILE EXPANDING FUTURE TERMS OF OFFICE OF CITY COMMISSIONERS; PROVIDING THAT IF THE AMENDMENT IS APPROVED BY A MAJORITY OF THE VOTERS AT THE GENERAL ELECTION OF NOVEMBER 2026, THEN SUCH AMENDMENT SHALL BECOME A PART OF THE CITY'S CHARTER UPON CERTIFICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE ELECTION RESULTS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

FIRST READING: APRIL 14, 2026

(Staff Contact: Mark E. Berman)

City Attorney Berman provided the formal introduction of the ordinance and later confirmed that this was the second reading, with no changes since the first.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item.

Tom Terwilliger, 3160 NW 1st Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, spoke against the proposal, arguing that it was similar to fraud and would allow current commissioners to serve 20 to 25 years each, which he considered not true term limits. He referenced the 2020 "no, no, no" vote in which citizens overwhelmingly rejected a similar proposal and criticized the Commission for trying again despite clear voter rejection. He urged the Commission to kill the resolution to avoid wasting taxpayer money on what he viewed as a power grab that voters had

already rejected.

There being no further speakers, Mayor Hardin concluded public input and moved on to Commission discussion.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton expressed her opposition, stating she had grown increasingly uncomfortable with the proposal and believed term limits and term length should be separate issues. She supported "eight and out" term limits but opposed the lengthy 12-year terms and the shift from two-year to four-year terms, arguing that more frequent elections give voters more control and that the proposal lacked adequate public discussion and outreach.

Comr. Fesik also opposed the measure, stating she had no problem running every two years as it was part of the job, and agreed that "eight is enough" for term limits. She emphasized that being a commissioner is a 24/7 commitment that requires passion and criticized the lack of public outreach and transparency on the issue.

Comr. Smith indicated she needed more resident input and suggested holding a workshop to discuss the matter with the public, feeling they were rushing to get it on the ballot without sufficient community engagement. She also supported the "eight is enough" position and announced she would not support the proposal.

Vice Mayor Fournier supported term limits but felt 12 years was too long for anyone to serve, believing fresh faces and ideas were needed. She acknowledged the incumbent advantage issue but still felt the current proposal wasn't the right combination, though she noted it was closer than the previous "no, no, no" proposal from 2020.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Ordinance / Regular Agenda be ADOPTED.. The motion failed by the following roll call vote:

No: Fesik
Perkins
Sigerson-Eaton
Smith
Fournier
Hardin

17. [26-271](#) **P.H. 2026-30: (PUBLIC HEARING 1ST READING)**
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE CONTINUING CONTRACTS FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND HDR ENGINEERING, INC., KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC., AND GARVER LLC, TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES AT THE AIRPARK (RLI 25-031); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

***NOTE: This item was postponed from April 14, 2026, however it will be stricken from the Agenda, because the current continuing contracts for this service do not expire until June 2027.**

(Staff Contact: John Sfiropoulos/Dr. Tammy Good)

John Sfiropoulos, City Engineer, clarified that the existing airport contracts do not expire until June 2027. He explained that there had been an oversight, with staff mistakenly believing these contracts expired on the same cycle as other professional contracts ending in May. Due to this error, the item could be approved or rejected without impact, as active contracts remain in place.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item.

Clinton Mueller, 1080 NE 28th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, addressed the Commission regarding safety concerns at the airpark. He expressed appreciation for the Commission's unanimous decision to delay the item from the previous week. Mr. Mueller raised specific concerns about the proposed air traffic control tower location, stating the FAA had originally cited positioning issues that would limit visibility to runways 6-24 and 15-33. He argued that the decision to relocate the tower was made for cost savings rather than safety considerations.

Mr. Mueller emphasized that his concerns centered on safety rather than noise issues. He referenced statements from Robinson Aviation indicating they prefer runway 10-28 because other runways cannot be seen from the current location. He also questioned the timing of conducting noise surveys while runway 10-28, the most heavily trafficked runway, would be closed for development and repair.

Mayor Hardin acknowledged Mr. Mueller's viewpoints but clarified that the agenda item concerned continuing contracts rather than specific projects.

There being no further speakers, Mayor Hardin concluded public input and moved on to Commission discussion.

Comr. Fesik explained her decision to keep the item on the agenda despite staff recommendations to strike it, citing resident concerns. She expressed frustration with what she characterized as open-ended contracts with high spending limits - construction projects capped at \$7.5 million per project and studies at \$500,000 per task. Comr. Fesik criticized communication breakdowns and management oversight, specifically citing the city manager's responsibility for follow-through on airpark management. She noted receiving concerns from residents across multiple districts, not just those immediately surrounding the airpark. The Commissioner emphasized the need to balance various stakeholder interests, including pilots who want to find workable solutions. She referenced environmental concerns, property value impacts, and cited examples of other cities successfully negotiating with the FAA on similar issues.

Comr. Fesik requested that City Manager Harrison arrange a meeting between Airpark Manager Steve Rocco and concerned residents before July 1st. She expressed willingness to meet on weekends if necessary, given that airpark operations occur 24/7 while city offices operate four days per week.

When City Manager Harrison questioned the meeting format and scope, Comr. Fesik clarified she wanted a community meeting, including those who had emailed concerns to city officials.

Vice Mayor Fournier expressed concern about Mr. Harrison's response to safety questions, characterizing it as mocking potential safety issues. She confirmed receiving similar emails from concerned residents and agreed that follow-up from the September workshop was necessary. The Vice Mayor noted that residents felt the workshop had become "a total dead end and waste of time" due to lack of follow-through on action items. She emphasized that some form of productive follow-up was needed, whether through another meeting or alternative format.

Regarding the contracts themselves, Vice Mayor Fournier questioned the timeline, noting that RFP processes had begun while existing contracts still had two years remaining. Mr. Sfiropoulos confirmed current contracts with HDR and Kimley-Horn expire in June 2027, with Garver being added as a third contractor based on ranking panel recommendations.

Comr. Smith noted the awkward timing of the vote, given that no action was needed until June 2027, which would require re-ranking all contractors. She questioned the consequences of voting either way on the ordinance. City Attorney Berman explained that existing contracts remained adequate, making the new ordinance unnecessary at present. He suggested the matter could be struck from the agenda following the desired discussion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Ordinance / Regular Agenda be STRICKEN. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Sigerson-Eaton

Smith

Fournier

Hardin

No: Fesik

Perkins

Mayor Hardin thanked Mr. Mueller for his late-evening attendance and encouraged continued public participation, noting that residents could speak during audience-to-be-heard portions of meetings without waiting for specific agenda items.

18. [26-277](#) P.H. 2026-32: (PUBLIC HEARING 1ST READING)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE CONTINUING CONTRACTS BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND DESIGN KOLLABORATIVE ARCHITECTS PLANNERS, INC., WALTER ZACKRIA ASSOCIATES, PLLC, CURRIE SOWARDS AGUILA ARCHITECTS, INC., DESIGN2FORM, LLC, AND THE TAMARA PEACOCK COMPANY ARCHITECTS OF FLORIDA, INC., FOR PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES (RLI 26-002); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: John Sfiropoulos/Dr. Tammy Good)

John Sfiropoulos, City Engineer, explained that existing architectural contracts expired on May 3, 2026, and this ordinance would approve five new continuing contracts for architectural consulting services. He noted that 15 proposals were received, with the review panel selecting the five highest-ranked firms, and the contracts would be effective for three years with identical terms except for fee schedules.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item and, receiving none, he moved on to Commission discussion.

Comr. Fesik expressed concerns about communication issues and project management, stating she wanted to push a "reset button" to ensure better oversight and transparency before spending money on projects.

Vice Mayor Fournier questioned what would happen if the contracts weren't approved and sought clarification about the approval process for work authorizations. Mr. Sfiropoulos responded that without these contracts, the City would be forced to solicit for every project, which would be extremely inefficient and would "cripple" city operations. He explained that work authorizations under \$200,000 wouldn't be returned to the Commission, but noted this was a policy decision they could change separately.

Vice Mayor Fournier expressed frustration with communication gaps, stating that just because projects were in the Capital Improvement Program didn't mean commissioners knew the details of contracts, costs, or timing. She rejected the suggestion to check the city website for updates, calling it inadequate communication. Mr. Sfiropoulos acknowledged they could improve communication while still maintaining the contracts.

Vice Mayor Fournier then made a motion requiring any work done under these continuing contracts exceeding \$75,000 to come back to the Commission for approval, which was seconded by Comr. Fesik.

Comr. Fesik provided extensive remarks explaining her frustration with being presented with "yes or no" decisions after projects had already progressed too far. She compared the situation to a car's warning light, saying that when something is broken, you stop and fix it rather than continuing. She criticized the City Manager's lack of communication and expressed disappointment with the systemic difficulties she had experienced in gathering information during her 15 months in office.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton asked for specific examples of how the motion would affect projects such as connectivity between the Burrie Center and her community, and questioned its impacts on other Capital Improvement Program projects. Mr. Sfiropoulos confirmed that all CIP projects would be affected and warned that this would create significant problems, requiring months-long procurement processes for each project.

Vice Mayor Fournier argued that requiring agreements over \$75,000 to come before the commission would solve everyone's problems by maintaining project momentum while providing necessary oversight. City Attorney Berman noted that the change would require an ordinance modification and explained that architectural and engineering services required more intensive procurement processes under the Competitive Consultants Negotiation Act.

Comr. Smith pointed out the inconsistency of supporting similar contracts for the utilities department while opposing them for engineering, arguing against creating bottlenecks that would stop city progress. Mr. Sfiropoulos added that utilities also used civil engineering contracts, so multiple departments would be affected.

Comr. Fesik clarified that the \$75,000 threshold wasn't intended to punish any department but to establish better communication practices, comparing it to learning basics like writing letters. Vice Mayor Fournier reinforced that commissioners shouldn't have to check websites daily and that they deserve to have information pushed to them, as other cities provide to their elected officials.

Comr. Smith distinguished between being aware of projects versus requiring approval for everything over \$75,000, expressing concern about slowing progress while remaining open to regular email updates as an alternative.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the motion.

Anne Bosworth, 4015 W. Palm Aire Drive, Pompano Beach, FL, reminded commissioners that former Commissioner Barry Moss had voted against raising spending thresholds, comparing unrestricted city spending to giving a credit card to a 12-year-old and arguing that \$200,000 was too high a threshold for spending without approval.

Clinton Mueller, 1080 NE 28th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, praised the commissioners' understanding of public service and noted the City's 14 years of clean audits, but emphasized the need for better transparency and communication using available technology to help both commissioners and residents access information more easily.

There being no further speakers, Mayor Hardin concluded public input and moved on to calling the roll call on the motion.

The \$75,000 threshold motion failed in a 3-3 tie with Commissioners Fesik, Perkins, and Vice Mayor Fournier voting yes; Commissioners Sigerson-Eaton, Smith, and Mayor Hardin voting no.

Comr. Fesik concluded by reiterating her disappointment with the failed motion and her commitment to

residents, explaining she couldn't support giving unrestricted spending authority without better oversight and transparency mechanisms in place.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Ordinance / Regular Agenda be APPROVED FIRST READING.. The motion failed by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Sigerson-Eaton

Smith

Hardin

No: Fesik

Perkins

Fournier

19. [26-278](#) **P.H. 2026-33: (PUBLIC HEARING 1ST READING)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE CONTINUING CONTRACTS BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC., BAXTER & WOODMAN, INC., KEITH AND ASSOCIATES, INC., THOMPSON & ASSOCIATES, INC. CIVIL ENGINEERING, CHEN MOORE AND ASSOCIATES, INC., MUNSON DESIGN AND CONSULTING, INC., MCKIM & CREED, INC., AND ARCADIS U.S., INC., FOR PROFESSIONAL CIVIL ENGINEERING SERVICES (RLI 26-003); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: John Sfiropoulos/Dr. Tammy Good)

John Sfiropoulos, City Engineer, explained that their existing civil engineering contracts expired on May 3, 2026, and this ordinance would approve eight new continuing contracts for civil engineering consulting services. He detailed that RLI 26-003 received 21 proposals, with the review panel selecting the top 8 ranked firms, and noted that the scoring matrix was included in their backup materials. Mr. Sfiropoulos clarified that the eight proposed contracts were identical except for Exhibit C, which contained the fee schedule, and the contracts would be effective for three years. He emphasized the types of projects these contracts would cover, including paving, grading, drainage, water, sewer, reclaimed water, pump stations, sea walls, bridges, and traffic projects, noting that all these projects would be held up without approval.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item and, receiving none, he moved on to Commission discussion.

Comr. Fesik made a motion to retry the item with a \$75,000 threshold for contracts, allowing projects to continue moving forward while ensuring there would be no workarounds that keep numbers from

coming before the Commission, which was seconded by Vice Mayor Fournier.

Comr. Fesik mentioned that the \$75,000 threshold would be for project approval to keep things moving forward.

Mr. Sfiropoulos asked if she had another recommendation, stating he was open to suggestions for better communication. Comr. Fesik then offered an alternative recommendation that Mr. Harrison figure out the details and report back to them.

Mayor Hardin confirmed that the motion was to drop the limit down to \$75,000.

Vice Mayor Fournier noted that it was 11:00 PM.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the motion and, receiving none, called for a roll-call vote.

The motion failed with Commissioners Fesik, Perkins, and Vice Mayor Fournier voting yes and Commissioners Sigerson-Eaton, Smith, and Mayor Hardin voting no.

Mayor Hardin then returned to the original motion to approve the item and called for discussion. Seeing none, he proceeded to call for the roll on the original motion.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Ordinance / Regular Agenda be APPROVED FIRST READING.. The motion failed by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Sigerson-Eaton
Smith
Hardin

No: Fesik
Perkins
Fournier

MOTION TO EXTEND MEETING

At 11:02 PM, Mayor Hardin asked if anyone wanted to make a motion to extend the meeting to midnight.

Comr. Perkins made a motion to extend the meeting to midnight, seconded by Comr. Fesik.

Comr. Fesik explained she had a conflicting appointment the next day that couldn't be skipped.

The motion to extend the meeting until midnight passed with Commissioners Fesik, Perkins, Sigerson-Eaton, and Smith voting yes and Vice Mayor Fournier and Mayor Hardin voting no.

20. [26-316](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPOINTING_____TO THE UNSAFE STRUCTURES AND HOUSING APPEALS BOARD OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AS ARCHITECT; FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS; SAID TERM TO EXPIRE ON APRIL 26, 2029; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

APPLICANTS:

Juan Justiniano, *Architect, Incumbent* - Coral Springs

(Staff Contact: Kervin Alfred)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Resolution / Regular Agenda be ADOPTED. Mayor Hardin nominated Juan Justiniano. The motion to appoint Juan Justiniano carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Enactment No: RES. No. 2026-110

21. [26-317](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPOINTING_____TO THE UNSAFE STRUCTURES AND HOUSING APPEALS BOARD OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AS AN ENGINEER; FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS; SAID TERM TO EXPIRE ON APRIL 26, 2029; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

APPLICANTS:

Hector G. Barragan, Structural Engineer, **Incumbent** - District 1

(Staff Contact: Kervin Alfred)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Resolution / Regular Agenda be ADOPTED. Mayor Hardin nominated Hector G. Barragan. The motion to appoint Hector G. Barragan carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Enactment No: RES. No. 2026-111

22. [26-320](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPOINTING_____TO THE SAND AND SPURS ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS: SAID TERM TO EXPIRE ON APRIL 28, 2029; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

Applicants

Other Board Memberships

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| Nancy Olson, Incumbent - District 1 | 0 |
| Jerry Bowman, Incumbent - District 3 | 1 |
| Fia Hammarstrom - District 3 | 0 |
| Lisa Nothardt - District 3 | 0 |

(Staff Contact: Kervin Alfred)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Resolution / Regular Agenda be ADOPTED. Mayor Hardin nominated Nancy Olson. The motion to appoint Nancy Olson carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Enactment No: RES. No. 2026-112

23. [26-321](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPOINTING _____ TO THE SAND AND SPURS ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS; SAID TERM TO EXPIRE APRIL 28, 2029; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

PLEASE REFER TO FILE ID NO 26-320 FOR APPLICANTS.

(Staff Contact: Kervin Alfred)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Resolution / Regular Agenda be ADOPTED. Mayor Hardin nominated Jerry Bowman. The motion to appoint Jerry Bowman carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Enactment No: RES. No. 2026-113

G. ADDITIONAL AUDIENCE TO BE HEARD

Mayor Hardin asked if there were any additional speakers signed-up to speak under Audience to be Heard, to which City Clerk Alfred replied there were none.

H. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

Mayor Hardin announced that the next scheduled meetings are as follows:

- May 12, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. - Regular City Commission Meeting
- May 26, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. - Regular City Commission Meeting

I. REPORTS**City Manager's Report:**

City Manager Harrison presented a memorandum regarding the direction from the Commission about not negotiating a new contract with the Broward Sheriff's Office (BSO). He outlined the City's planned approach for contract negotiations in the coming months. Mr. Harrison also announced the retirements of two long-serving employees: Public Works Director Robert McCaughan, retiring May 27th, and Building Official Michael Rada, retiring June 21st. The Commission acknowledged their service to the City.

City Attorney's Report:

City Attorney Berman reported on settlements received from PFAS litigation. The City received its first payment from Tyco totaling \$1,796,124.14, with 5% held by the court administrator for potential issues. A second payment from BASF was received for \$747,071.59. The total settlement funds received amounted to \$2,543,195.66, designated for PFAS mitigation when rehabilitating city facilities.

City Clerk's Report:

No report.

Comr. Fesik's Report:

Comr. Fesik thanked neighborhoods and homeowner associations for inviting her to speak and acknowledged Code Enforcement for working with residents on timing concerns. She reported that the Atlantic bridge requires welding repairs due to loose rails.

Regarding beach accessibility, Comr. Fesik inquired about the status of mobility mats for beach access. After discussion, Mr. Harrison indicated the mats were on order, and Comr. Fesik requested a status report by week's end.

She also requested weekly updates on crosswalk installations and FDOT approvals, noting safety concerns during the ongoing FDOT project. Comr. Fesik mentioned that State Representative Chip LaMarca offered assistance as a liaison with FDOT if needed.

Comr. Fesik addressed the McNab Bridge project's impact on local businesses, encouraging residents to support affected establishments. She requested City Attorney Berman research whether other municipalities provide relief programs or grants for businesses impacted by construction projects.

She raised the topic of remote meeting participation, citing inconsistencies in how the policy has been applied to different commissioners. After extensive discussion with City Attorney Berman about existing resolution requirements, Comr. Fesik sought clarification on the approval process to ensure consistent application, to which Mr. Berman agreed to review the matter and provide clarification.

Comr. Fesik then presented detailed concerns about a CRA legal services contract with Claudia McKenna executed in April 2025 without board approval, citing violations of city charter and Florida statutes. She made a motion requesting that the City Attorney provide a written legal opinion on the contract's validity within 14 days. The motion was not seconded. Mr. Berman stated that the CRA procurement is not a legal services procurement; it is a professional services contract, which is different. Firstly, there are no ordinances for the CRA, as they do not operate through ordinances. Therefore, the sections of the city charter referred to by Comr. Fesik were not relevant or applicable in that situation. Following discussion, City Attorney Berman agreed to provide a written memorandum on the matter.

Comr. Perkins' Report:

Comr. Perkins expressed disappointment with the City Manager's memo suggesting a four-year BSO contract extension, stating her preference for a one-year agreement. She criticized BSO's performance in her district, citing ongoing crime issues near the police substation on 27th Avenue despite the proximity to law enforcement facilities.

Comr. Perkins requested additional information about city employees working remotely, having received a list of 10 employees but lacking details on their work arrangements, duration, and the justification for remote work, and stated she would request the detailed information from the City Clerk.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton's Report:

No report.

Comr. Smith's Report:

Comr. Smith deferred her report due to the late hour, concluding with a quote from Bob Marley: "Don't gain the world and lose your soul. Wisdom is better than silver or gold."

Vice Mayor Fournier's Report:

Vice Mayor Fournier critiqued the City Manager's BSO memo, noting the disconnect between its title about implications of not negotiating and its content advocating for a four-year contract. She suggested the Commission needed to schedule a proper discussion or place an item on a future agenda about the BSO contract direction.

She recommended improving documentation of proclamation ceremonies by ensuring the Public Information Officer team captures formal photos for social media and promotional purposes.

Vice Mayor Fournier requested follow-up on the bus stop issue discussed earlier and inquired about the timing of City Manager Harrison's annual review, noting it appeared to be sliding later each year from its traditional spring timeframe. Human Resources Director Lisa Sonego indicated reviews were planned for early June.

Vice Mayor Fournier concluded by wishing everyone a Happy Mother's Day and shared a quote: "We can

easily forgive a child who is afraid of the dark. The real tragedy of life is when men are afraid of the light.”

Mayor Hardin’s Report:

No report.

J. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:48 PM.

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Kervin Alfred, City Clerk

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Rex Hardin, Mayor

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