



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, May 26, 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 6:02 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

Elder Harold Westley of Newborn Holiness Church offered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Kervin Alfred, City Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[26-380](#) Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes of May 12, 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

Mayor Hardin inquired with City Manager Harrison whether there were any changes to the Agenda. Mr. Harrison confirmed that there were none. Before a motion to approve the agenda was made, Vice Mayor Fournier requested clarification regarding Agenda Items 4 and 5, noting that both items had previously appeared before the Commission and had failed to receive approval. She questioned why the items had been placed back on the agenda as first readings.

Mayor Hardin responded that the City Manager has authority to place items on the agenda. Mr. Harrison explained that the prior votes had resulted in 3-3 deadlocks and stated that staff intended to present the information differently to provide additional context and clarify the potential impacts of the proposed actions. Vice Mayor Fournier asked whether any new information had been distributed in advance of the meeting. Mr. Harrison indicated that the presentation would be delivered by staff and deferred further explanation to the presenters.

Vice Mayor Fournier made a motion to strike Agenda Items 4 and 5. The motion was seconded by Comr. Fesik.

Comr. Smith stated that if staff intended to provide additional information or a different presentation, the Commission should allow the presentation to proceed before deciding whether to remove the items from consideration.

Comr. Fesik expressed concern that the agenda backup materials appeared unchanged from the prior meeting and questioned whether there were any procedural requirements governing the reintroduction of items that had previously failed. She requested clarification from City Attorney Berman on whether a motion for reconsideration or another procedural action was required.

Mr. Berman explained that the City Manager has discretion to place items on the agenda and that he was unaware of any Charter provision, Code requirement, or procedural rule that would prevent the items from returning for consideration. He noted that the prior 3-3 votes constituted failed actions rather than approvals that would trigger any restrictions on reconsideration. Mr. Berman further advised that the Commission retained the authority to approve, deny, or remove the items as it deemed appropriate.

Vice Mayor Fournier stated that no communication had been provided to commissioners explaining any substantive changes to the items and reiterated her position that reconsideration was unnecessary without new information being presented in advance.

The motion to strike Agenda Items 4 and 5 failed on a 3-3 vote, with Commissioners Fesik, Perkins, and Vice Mayor Fournier voting yes, and Commissioners Smith, Sigerson-Eaton, and Mayor Hardin voting no.

The Commission then returned to consideration of the agenda as presented. A motion to approve the agenda was made by the Vice Mayor and seconded by Comr. Sigerson-Eaton. Following the motion, several commissioners opposed approval of the agenda, resulting in another failed 3-3 tie vote, with

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

Following the failed vote on agenda approval, Mayor Hardin requested guidance from Mr. Berman regarding how the Commission should proceed. Mr. Berman stated that, in his experience, the situation was highly unusual and noted that approval of an agenda is generally considered a procedural formality. He explained that neither the City Charter, the City Code, the adopted procedural rules, nor his review of Robert's Rules of Order contained any provision requiring formal approval of an agenda as a prerequisite to conducting business.

At Mayor Hardin's request, the meeting recessed briefly to allow the City Attorney to conduct additional research regarding the issue.

Upon returning from recess, Mr. Berman advised that his review confirmed there was no legal requirement preventing the Commission from proceeding with the meeting despite the failure to formally approve the agenda. He stated that Florida's public meeting requirements had been satisfied through proper notice and public accessibility and that the Commission could continue conducting business. Mayor Hardin acknowledged the legal opinion and directed that the meeting proceed, with the record reflecting that the motion to approve the agenda had failed.

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 Item 1 is on the Consent Agenda and can be discussed under "Audience to be Heard".

A. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

[26-369](#) Unity in the Community Scholarship Presentation

Mayor Hardin introduced representatives of Unity in the Community and announced that six local high school students would be recognized with scholarships for their academic achievements and acceptance into colleges and universities.

Tom McMahon, President of Unity in the Community, thanked the City of Pompano Beach for its continued support of the organization and its programs. He stated that the success and growth of Unity in the Community would not be possible without the City's partnership. Mr. McMahon also acknowledged the ongoing support provided by the Broward Sheriff's Office and recognized its contributions to the organization's annual events and community activities.

Mike Blangor expressed gratitude to the City's Parks and Recreation Department, Broward Sheriff's Office personnel, and Pompano Beach Fire Rescue for their support throughout the year, particularly in the success of the recent fifteenth annual Unity in the Community Family

Fun Day. This event saw over 4,000 participants and was hailed as one of the organization's most successful events to date. Mr. Blangor announced that planning for the next event, scheduled for January 23, 2027, is already underway, encouraging community involvement moving forward. Additionally, Mr. Blangor acknowledged the vital contributions of sponsors and community partners, which helped support Unity in the Community's mission and scholarship program. He highlighted the importance of volunteers, thanking board members and participants who selflessly dedicate their time to planning and executing events. Mr. Blangor took a moment to honor the late Ron Bowl, a dedicated member of the organization, reflecting on his significant contributions and military service, followed by a moment of silence in his memory.

Mr. Blangor shared that Unity in the Community's scholarship program has been renamed the Colleen and Connor Sheridan Memorial Scholarship in tribute to their legacy. He said six students were awarded \$3,000 scholarships, along with an Apple iPad and a gift basket from local businesses. He emphasized the importance of community service and volunteerism in selecting scholarship recipients and invited representatives from sponsoring organizations to join in the presentation ceremony. Finally, each student was called and recognized individually, and they were as follows:

Stanley Arnoux, graduate of Pompano Beach High School will attend Florida State University to study Law/PreLaw

Deziree Bellavoix, graduate of Atlantic Vocational Technical school will attend Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University to study Pharmacy

Connor Hughes, graduate of Ft. Lauderdale High School will attend Bethune Cookman University to study Music Industry Communications

Mirlande Moreau, graduate of Blanche Ely High School will attend Florida State University to study Biology with the intent to study Pediatric Radiology

Ruoshi Li, graduate of Deerfield Beach High School will attend Florida State University to study Accounting

Jireh Henry-Bruce, graduate of Blanche Ely High School will attend Broward College to study Chemistry.

The Special Presentation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

B. PROCLAMATIONS

[26-373](#) **Haitian Heritage Month**

Mayor Hardin read a proclamation declaring May 2026 Haitian Heritage Month in the City of Pompano Beach, encouraging all residents to recognize and celebrate the cultural heritage, accomplishments, and lasting contributions of the Haitian community. Pastor Hector Clerveaux and Abner Clerveaux, Board Members from Redemption Baptist Church, along with representatives from the First Haitian Baptist Church, accepted the proclamation. The pastors came forward individually to address the audience, expressing gratitude and their commitment to serving the community.

Comr. Perkins highlighted the importance of acknowledging Haitian heritage in Pompano Beach. She emphasized the role of Pastor Dumanier and the First Haitian Baptist Church, celebrating their 50-year anniversary. Comr. Perkins had a long-standing connection with both Pastor Dumanier and Abner Clerveaux, who had a business in Pompano Beach since 1989. She recalled her past television talk show where Mr. Clerveaux was her first guest. Comr. Perkins underscored the significance of maintaining connections with the Haitian community in Pompano Beach.

The Proclamation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

[26-385](#) **Proclamation in honor of Anthony “Tony” Pelle**

Mayor Hardin read a proclamation in honor of the 102nd birthday of Tony Pelle, which was accepted by his daughter Ann Marie on his behalf. Comr. Fesik had arranged for photos and a video message from Mr. Pelle to be shown during the presentation.

Ms. Marie expressed her gratitude to Mayor Hardin, Vice Mayor Fournier, and the commissioners, particularly Comr. Fesik, in honor of her father, a humble World War II veteran. She accepted the proclamation on his behalf, highlighting that photos of him were displayed during the meeting.

Comr. Fesik acknowledged that Mr. Pelle could not attend the ceremony, so they decided to celebrate his milestone birthday in a special way. Comr. Fesik also mentioned that the Mayor received a heartfelt message from Mr. Pelle, adding a personal touch to the occasion as they captured moments of blowing out candles and taking photos together.

The Proclamation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

[26-374](#) **Faith & Family Month**

Mayor Hardin read a proclamation declaring June 2026 as Faith and Family Month in the City of Pompano Beach, asking all residents to join in efforts to promote community betterment and support family well-being. Pastor Bill Carlson accepted the proclamation and was invited to address the audience.

Pastor Carlson mentioned the collaborative efforts involving 14 municipalities on Florida's West Coast, highlighting Pompano Beach as the first city on the East Coast to embrace this new initiative. He said the proclamation aimed to plan faith-and-family events to invigorate the community spiritually. Pastor Carlson emphasized the church's role in providing moral guidance, asserting that preaching the good news can positively impact individuals struggling with issues such as addiction and criminal behavior. He expressed gratitude for the support in this initiative, highlighting the importance of faith and family in fostering a healthier environment in the city.

The Proclamation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

C. PRESENTATION

26-353 Actuarial Valuation Report

Presentation of the Actuarial Valuation Report for the City of Pompano Beach General Employees' Retirement System as of October 1, 2025, as prepared by CavMac Actuarial Consulting Services and presented by Mr. Todd B. Green, President.

Mayor Hardin introduced Todd Green, President of CavMac Actuarial Consulting Services to present the Actuarial Valuation Report for the City of Pompano Beach General Employees' Retirement System as of October 1, 2025.

Mr. Green explained the actuary's role in measuring pension plan assets and liabilities, which helps determine the necessary annual employer contributions to fund future benefits. Mr. Green highlighted that these calculations rely on demographic assumptions, such as employee turnover and mortality rates, as well as economic factors, including expected salary growth and investment returns. Currently, the plan assumes a long-term investment return of 7.25 percent.

Mr. Green shared positive news about the plan's performance, reporting an actual investment return of 9.51 percent, surpassing the assumed rate. This contributed to an increase in the funded ratio, rising from 69.9 percent to 73.8 percent on an actuarial basis and nearly 77 percent on a market value basis. He also noted a decrease in the unfunded actuarial accrued liability, which fell from approximately \$123 million to \$113 million in the last year. Additionally, he reviewed participant demographics, highlighting that the plan included 577 active employees and 525 retirees, with average salaries and benefits contributing to future liability projections.

Mr. Green explained the components of the employer contribution requirements, noting a decrease in the contribution rate from 46.17 percent to 44.36 percent of payroll. While the rate declined, the total dollar contribution remained stable, reflecting improved investment performance and progress in reducing unfunded liabilities. He discussed various factors impacting pension costs, including investment performance and changes in actuarial assumptions related to mortality and salary growth. Finally, he emphasized that ongoing amortization of past benefit enhancements would be fully paid off within approximately seven years, indicating a positive trend in the plan's financial health and long-term sustainability.

Mayor Hardin thanked Mr. Green for the presentation and noted the favorable valuation results. He then invited the Commission to ask questions.

Vice Mayor Fournier remarked that it was encouraging to receive positive financial news regarding the pension plan and noted the projected reduction in employer contributions. Referring to discussions during a recent firefighter pension presentation, the Vice Mayor asked whether potential updates to state mortality tables remain a concern for the General Employees Pension Plan. Mr. Green responded that updated mortality tables had already been incorporated into the valuation process through implementation of the newer public-sector mortality tables. He explained that current assumptions already account for future mortality improvements and therefore any future adjustments would likely have a limited financial impact compared to previous mortality table changes.

Vice Mayor Fournier also asked about potential risks associated with current market volatility and future investment returns. Mr. Green acknowledged that market performance remains the most significant source of uncertainty for pension plans. However, he explained that the actuarial smoothing process helps mitigate the impact of short-term market fluctuations on contribution requirements. He noted that the pension fund has historically exceeded its assumed rate of return more often than it has fallen short and emphasized that the current valuation reflects a strong overall financial position.

Vice Mayor Fournier thanked Mr. Green for his work and stated that the report provided encouraging news regarding both the pension fund's financial condition and the City's future contribution obligations.

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:

Mark Intregila, 1401 S. Ocean Blvd., Pompano Beach, FL, spoke about the parking garage project, criticizing commissioners for voting against a compromise proposal and questioning why the mayor and two commissioners supported a contract with a preferred contractor who was significantly more expensive than alternatives. He also expressed concerns about the BSO contract negotiation process.

Pat Anderson, 2650 NE 24th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, discussed issues with the Pink Church property on Sailfish Canal, alleging seven and a half years of illegal construction without proper code inspections and requesting financial compensation for the church due to alleged corruption in the inspection process.

Brandi Zabadal, a resident of Pompano Beach Highlands, raised concerns about children being prohibited from fishing at North Pompano Park and questioned whether water contamination was the reason, seeking clarification about who conducted contamination tests and why fishing programs were not available at parks in the Pompano Beach Highlands area. Mayor Hardin suggested that Ms. Zabadal speak with Recreation Director Scott Moore regarding the matter.

Michael Skversky, 1630 SW 5th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, mentioned the passing of former football player Manny Fernandez, commented on previous failed projects being brought back and passed, observed that children fish throughout the city, and criticized the decision to close both sides of the McNab Bridge during construction, arguing it was harming local businesses.

Vicente Thrower addressed school board issues, specifically criticizing the placement of a new principal at Blanche Ely High School without community input and requesting that the School Board be invited to present to the City Commission as they had done for Fort Lauderdale. He also thanked retiring Public Works and Building officials for their service.

Jocelyn Jackson corrected the record regarding previous statements made about food truck violations on her commercial property, arguing she was being unfairly singled out for enforcement while other violators were not being held to the same standards, and requesting consistent enforcement of ordinances.

Thomas Jerry Thebo Jr. spoke about his massage stick invention for pain relief and made various religious and philosophical statements about Jesus, creation, and mankind.

Delvin King, 2601 NW 12th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, discussed proper procedures for public speaking order, thanked city staff for supporting youth events, and addressed social media discussions about the key to the city given to Kodak Black, clarifying that commissioners had questioned the process rather than making derogatory cultural statements.

Rodrick Phillips, 2620 NW 10th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, announced his organization's fifth annual homeless substance abuse mental health awareness event and discussed upcoming changes to diversity, equity, and inclusion programs under state legislation. He also invited the Commission to attend a community forum on June 4th.

The allotted 30 minutes for Audience to be Heard had ended, so Mayor Hardin announced that all remaining speakers would be heard after the Regular Agenda.

E. CONSENT AGENDA

The Honorable Rex Hardin, Mayor called the Regular City Commission meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

Mayor Hardin requested a motion to Approve/Adopt Item 1 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. [26-377](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZING COUNSEL TO EXECUTE ANY ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE SETTLEMENT OF THE PENDING WORKERS'

COMPENSATION CLAIM BY CARLOS DESCALZO.; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: \$97,500)

(Staff Contact: Lisa Sonego)

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. 2026-119

F. REGULAR AGENDA

2. [26-365](#) Consideration to Dual Name NW 3rd Street “LueRenna H. Holley Street.”
(Fiscal Impact: Requester submitted required \$500 Application fee)

(Staff Contact: Rob McCaughan)

Robert McCaughan, Public Works Director, presented the consideration to dual name Northwest 3rd Street as LueRenna H. Holley Street, explaining that the dual naming would be bound by Powerline Road on the west and Northwest 21st Avenue on the east, and that both the Historic Preservation Committee and Pompano Beach Historical Society had reviewed and recommended approval of the application.

Mayor Hardin invited public input on the item.

Barbara Holley Atkins introduced herself and yielded speaking time to other family members and community members.

Walter Atkins spoke about honoring Miss LueRenna Howard Holley's extraordinary life and legacy, describing how she was a lifelong resident who lived at 2160 Northwest 3rd Street for more than 65 years, attended the historic Pompano Beach Colored School (now Blanche Ely High School), and became a powerful voice for progress in the 1960s, advocating for better living conditions in the Collier City neighborhoods.

Cora Walls, identifying herself as Miss Holley's youngest daughter and a Broward County teacher for over 32 years, described her mother as more than just a resident but a pillar of the community who treated every child like her own, fed the hungry, clothed those in need, and opened her home to families needing shelter. She explained how her mother organized vacation Bible school each summer and took children from the community to Bible Youth Camp at Florida Memorial College, providing opportunities for children to learn, grow, and dream beyond what they saw in themselves. Ms. Walls also mentioned that her mother supported local youth programs and gave care packages to college-bound students from the community.

Maddie Fulton Curry shared her memories of Miss Holley as a mother figure in the neighborhood, recounting

how Miss Holley had petitioned to get the streets paved when they were muddy and dusty, making it difficult for children to walk to Charles Drew Elementary School. She described how Miss Holly also petitioned to have buses run through the area when children had to walk long distances to school in Margate, and how the area had canals that would overflow during rain before the streets were improved.

Ula Foster recalled knowing Miss Holley as one of her mother's friends in Collier City, describing her as kind and compassionate. She shared a personal story from 1962 when she was 12 years old and nearly drowned at the rock pit (now Esquire Lakes) while teaching a friend to swim, and how Miss Holley's son Carson saved her life by pulling her and her friend out of the water with a stick.

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

Comr. Perkins praised the community involvement demonstrated and made a motion to dual-name Northwest 3rd Street as LueRenna Holley Street. She also suggested contacting Greg Jones at the E. Pat Larkin Center to display Miss Holley's name there in recognition of her community work.

Comr. Perkins made a motion, seconded by Mayor Hardin, that the Item be approved as recommended by staff.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton expressed support for honoring Miss Holley, calling it a lovely gesture.

A motion was made by Commissioner Perkins, seconded by Mayor Hardin, that the Item for Consideration/Discussion be APPROVED as recommended by staff. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Fesik
Perkins
Sigerson-Eaton
Smith
Fournier
Hardin

Comr. Perkins mentioned the importance of respecting the family's wishes regarding the unveiling. She expressed concern that in previous instances, signs were placed before the family had been notified. To avoid this, the commissioner requested that no signs be posted until the family has been informed. Mr. McCaughan clarified the timeline for sign installation, explaining that Broward County Traffic Engineering would fabricate and install the signs, which typically takes about 10 weeks, and that they would provide a sign to the family for a ceremony beforehand.

3. [26-375](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF BROWARD, INC., TO PROVIDE FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS RELATED TO DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF UTILITIES AND ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: \$577,468.50)

(Staff Contact: John Sfiropoulos)

John Sfiropoulos, City Engineer, presented the infrastructure development agreement with Habitat for Humanity of Broward for reimbursement of costs related to design and construction of utilities and roadway improvements totaling \$577,000. He explained that Habitat would build six new single-family homes with a targeted move-in date of spring 2027, and that the costs would be shared 50/50 between the CRA and Utilities Department for the location along Northwest First Street.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item.

Clinton Mueller, 1080 NE 28th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, identifying himself as a former executive director of Habitat for Humanity in Tampa Bay, praised the partnership and emphasized that Habitat is a "hand up, not a handout" program that requires sweat equity and due diligence from recipients. He also encouraged greater public participation in city meetings.

Jocelyn Jackson questioned whether Habitat already owned the property and expressed concerns about Habitat's contract structure, stating that buyers never truly own the homes and that interest doesn't transfer to family members. She argued that Habitat has substantial funding and suggested the City should use the money for small businesses in the Northwest community instead.

City Manager Harrison clarified that the City was not giving Habitat the money but rather fronting it for reimbursement after completion.

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

Vice Mayor Fournier sought clarification on the funding structure and reimbursement process, with Mr. Sfiropoulos explaining that Habitat would complete the work first and then be reimbursed up to the maximum amount.

Comr. Perkins expressed happiness about more Habitat homes but raised concerns about material quality, citing termites in the 77 homes built near Rick Case, with some residents experiencing problems within 6 months of move-in. She requested that these issues be resolved before moving forward.

Comr. Fesik questioned the 50/50 funding split between CRA and utilities, suggesting it should match the 95/5 split used for tax increment funding.

Joshua Watters, Budget Director, explained that the project was originally budgeted at \$300,000 with 50/50 funding between CRA and the General fund, but the general fund portion was moved to CRA during budget adjustments.

Vice Mayor Fournier expressed her concerns about the sales process for Habitat Homes. She inquired about the availability of warranties for the homes, specifically whether they come with a 6-month or 1-year guarantee. Given that she had heard of issues occurring shortly after move-in, she was interested in knowing if there were any protections in place for new homeowners.

Present on behalf of Habitat for Humanity were Alex Nasar and Rick Kultz. Mr. Nasar addressed warranty questions, confirming that there is a standard one-year warranty on all work and that they were addressing problems identified during the previous development before complete turnover.

Vice Mayor Fournier raised concern about whether home buyers are given access to their own legal representation or encouraged to seek it. Mr. Nasar admitted that he couldn't adequately address that issue. The Vice Mayor noted that the current contracts appear non-standard, suggesting a need for increased oversight and clearer explanations in layman's terms to help buyers better understand their agreements. Regarding the project timeline, Mr. Nasar mentioned that infrastructure work is expected to commence in the fall, with vertical construction to follow shortly thereafter.

Comr. Fesik asked whether they had entered into a similar agreement in the past. Mr. Sfiropoulos confirmed that they had indeed done so previously, including the 77 Habitat Homes project.

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. 2026-120

4. [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, noted that the current continuing contracts for architectural services expired May 3, 2026, and this item was to enter into new CCNA agreements with the five listed architectural services consultants. Mr. Sfiropoulos explained that these firms were the highest ranked out of the 15 proposals that were received.

Dr. Tammy Good, CIP Manager, shared that of the approximately 15 projects that have recently used these services, 12 of those projects have come back before the Commission for approval. Dr. Good stressed that this item did not have a dollar amount tied to these agreements, and does not relate to the City Manager's spending authority. She underscored projects such as the Riverside Drive Stormwater Project, the Skolnick Center addition, MLK Signalization, Safe Streets for All Grant, and the Charlotte Burrie Connectivity Project as being potentially delayed due to not having these CCNA agreements in place. Lastly, Dr. Good explained that historically, 80-90% of the projects using these agreements return to the Commission for approval.

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

Vice Mayor Fournier reiterated earlier statements she made that staff should have sent an email or called commissioners to share new information regarding this item rather than adding it to the agenda again without warning. She mentioned that since Dr. Good pointed out that most contracts exceed the spending authority and would need to be brought before the Commission, she asked about the potential drawbacks of lowering the threshold to \$100,000. Following a brief discussion with the Mayor regarding the purpose of the item, the Vice Mayor sought clarification whether the purpose of the item was to approve continuing service contracts with the top ranked firms, to which Dr. Good replied that staff is seeking approval of the ranking and not executing any service contracts. She informed that CCNAs are required by state statute for any project that incurs design work in excess of \$35,000, and ensures the City is in compliance, with no dollar amount attached to them.

Vice Mayor Fournier stressed that the characterization of the item as merely approving a ranking order was not accurate. She expressed her desire to have any contract above \$100,000 to come back before the Commission for approval and argued that since Dr. Good stated 80-90% would come back anyway, lowering it to \$100,000 wouldn't make a large difference.

Comr. Fesik spoke on payments she pulled regarding certain CCNA consultants, and she and Mayor Hardin had a brief disagreement on what questions pertained to the item. Comr. Fesik then expressed her disapproval of the item being brought back without any changes.

Vice Mayor Fournier reread the ordinance to show that agreements are being entered into, not just the approval of a ranking order, and asked City Attorney Berman to clarify, to which he agreed that the ordinance calls for entering into contracts with these selected consultants. The Vice Mayor emphasized the need to chip away at the large spending authority of the city manager. She restated her stance that she would approve this item if any contract over \$100,000 were brought back to the Commission.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton countered that Pompano Beach could be the most forward-thinking city in Broward with the higher spending authority. She expressed her opinion that the City Manager's spending authority and this item are separate items, and that she would support bringing a discussion item concerning the City Manager's spending authority before the Commission at the next meeting. She stressed the importance of having these CCNAs in place and without them important projects would be set back. Comr. Sigerson-Eaton asked staff to explain what the process would entail without these contracts in place. Dr. Good explained that staff would advertise for a separate solicitation, which is what is currently done for large projects, and highlighted that this is a lengthy 4-6-month process. Comr. Sigerson-Eaton emphasized that this would be done for each project individually. Dr. Good shared how ranking committees are chosen and how the firms are ranked and selected.

Comr. Fesik inquired if outside of the CIP and budget approval, is there notification given to the public about each project, to which Dr. Good responded there is not. Comr. Fesik asked what the aggregate dollar amount of work authorizations for any firm has historically been. Dr. Good informed that of the new money added to the CIP budget, which averages \$7-10 million dollars, approximately 10% of that would be spent on professional design services, which is spread out over multiple consultants. Comr. Fesik reiterated her concern with communication regarding projects within the city.

Comr. Perkins echoed previous statements that there is a lack of communication with the Commission and the issue with the current item could have been avoided if communication happened prior to the release of the agenda.

Comr. Smith expressed her desire to have the City Manager's spending authority discussed as its own agenda item and conveyed her strong feelings towards considering the current item completely separately from that.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton informed that the state statute regarding spending limits for engineering and architectural contracts is maxed at \$500,000. She emphasized how each project will need to go through this process, which slows progress down, highlighting that they could approve this item, which lists highly respected and established firms, and avoid delays.

Comr. Fesik asked Mr. Sfiropoulos if the state statute prohibits the commission from setting internal approval procedures for contracts below the maximum allowed dollar amount, to which he responded no. Comr. Fesik then inquired how the contracts are allocated between the various firms, and how does the City ensure contractors are not shaping policy direction and project implementation. Mr. Sfiropoulos responded that they try to use each of the firms, but it is at staff discretion to decide which firm is best for each project, and that contractors are not shaping policy or projects, the City is shaping it through the approved CIP and approved Master Plans.

Mayor Hardin wished to correct the record by asking City Manager Harrison if any contracts are approved without disclosure, to which he responded no. Mr. Harrison explained that this type of agenda items pertaining to CCNA contracts have been brought before the Commission for years without issue, and it is done to be able to conduct business efficiently.

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

5. [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, presented the ordinance for eight new continuing civil engineering contracts, explaining that the previous contracts had expired on May 3, 2026, and that 21 proposals were received under RLI 26-003, with the review panel selecting the eight highest-ranked firms for five-year contracts. The eight proposed contracts are identical, except for Exhibit C, which contains the fee schedule. He noted that Dr. Good's presentation on the previous item was applicable to the discussion under consideration.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item.

Clinton Mueller, 1080 NE 28th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, asked whether the contracts involved anything related to the Air Park, which was confirmed; they did not.

Gloria Lewis, identifying herself as a former city commissioner from Lauderdale Lakes, addressed the Commission about what she perceived as personal attacks and embarrassing behavior during the meeting, urging them to support renewal contracts and work together rather than engage in personal conflicts.

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

Comr. Fesik expressed concern about the ongoing contract renewal process for the third consecutive five-year period. She questioned City Manager Harrison about the need to introduce new firms into the mix, suggesting it might be time for a change. Mr. Harrison clarified that, while the process remains consistent, the firms involved in each renewal differ. He noted that he hasn't received any feedback from the community regarding this issue, despite Comr. Fesik's assertion that many people would disagree with his stance.

Continuing, Comr. Fesik expressed concerns regarding the lack of workshops that would allow for early discussions before major decisions. Despite numerous requests for these workshops, many have been repeatedly voted down. She emphasized the importance of transparency and data access, enabling the community to provide valuable input on critical issues. Comr. Fesik referenced specific financial data, noting that over a three-year period, 525 checks totaling \$4.5 million were issued, with a significant majority-99.6% -of them totaling under \$75,000. Only two checks exceeded the \$200,000 threshold. She highlighted that simply following standard practices does not equate to proper oversight, stressing the need for improved transparency and accountability in their processes.

Vice Mayor Fournier noted that, despite her previous attempts to raise this issue, some commissioners had voted against discussing it. She mentioned the need for a procurement workshop, highlighting that a year has passed without one, which could help avoid future issues. Furthermore, she emphasized her reluctance to proceed with these agreements unless there is a reduction in spending authority. Lastly, Vice Mayor Fournier also addressed the State's spending statute, explaining that applying the state maximum of \$500,000 does not suit the city, as it is a smaller entity and projects are smaller. She argued for a more localized approach that would allow for better control over their budget, reflecting their actual spending capacity, which she estimated at around \$2,000.

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

6. [26-362](#) **P.H. 2026-37: (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 A THREE-YEAR LABOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE POMPANO BEACH PROFESSIONAL FIRE FIGHTERS, LOCAL 1549 OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE FIGHTERS, AND THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: \$8.5 million over three years)

(Staff Contact: Brian Donovan/Lisa Sonogo)

Lisa Sonogo, Human Resources Director, presented the three-year labor agreement with Pompano Beach Professional Firefighters Local 1549, explaining that revisions discussed in the executive session had been incorporated and that the Union had ratified the agreement.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item.

Jocelyn Jackson expressed strong support for the firefighters, praising their work in the community and their partnership with schools, particularly mentioning their involvement with Blanche Ely School's firefighter program.

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

Vice Mayor Fournier expressed her appreciation for the extensive process endured to reach this point, highlighting the shade meetings and numerous opportunities for questions. She thanked the team and union representatives for their efforts, acknowledging that the journey to this agreement was neither straightforward nor quick. Vice Mayor Fournier inquired about the results of the union's vote, recalling discussions from a previous meeting where the 2022 contract was approved. Ms. Sonogo provided clarification, citing a letter indicating the vote was 165 in favor and 33 against.

Vice Mayor Fournier acknowledged the difficulty in meeting everyone's needs but emphasized the importance of supporting their firefighters and the fire department, which she believes is among the best. She concluded by reaffirming the commitment to their dedicated team.

Comr. Fesik thanked the negotiation team for their thoroughness and transparency throughout the process.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton praised both the negotiation team and fire department team for reaching a good agreement.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Ordinance / Regular Agenda

be APPROVED FIRST READING. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Fesik
Perkins
Sigerson-Eaton
Smith
Fournier
Hardin

7. [26-359](#) **P.H. 2026-39: (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 SERVICE CONTRACTS FOR WELL REHABILITATION AND MAINTENANCE BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND FLORIDA DESIGN DRILLING CORP., A.C. SCHULTES OF FLORIDA, INC., AND ALL WEBBS ENTERPRISES, INC., TO PROVIDE POTABLE WATER PRODUCTION AND RELATED SERVICES (RLI 25-056); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: On-demand via Work Assignment)



Strategic Plan Initiative

(Staff Contact: Renuka Mohammed)

Renuka Mohammed, Utilities Director, presented service contracts for well rehabilitation and maintenance with three companies to provide ongoing services for the City's twenty-five active raw water wells and eight monitoring wells. She explained that the solicitation was advertised in November 2025 and that the agreements would provide operational flexibility with three-year terms and two one-year renewal options.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item.

Delvin King, 2601 NW 12th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, made an off-topic comment, questioning whether "direct deposits must have hit today" after seeing many people in suits at the meeting.

There being no further speakers, Mayor Hardin concluded public input and moved on to Commission discussion; however, no one commented further on the item.

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

Yes: Perkins
Sigerson-Eaton
Smith
Fournier
Hardin

No: Fesik

G. ADDITIONAL AUDIENCE TO BE HEARD

The following are the names of additional speakers who spoke under Audience to be Heard:

Gloria Lewis, a former Lauderdale Lakes Commissioner, thanked the Mayor and Comr. Perkins for attending Bishop Ralph Grisett's funeral and advised commissioners to avoid engaging in social media disputes as elected officials.

Gonzalez Joseph spoke as a member of the Haitian community and military veteran, thanking the City for the Haitian Heritage Month proclamation while noting it should have been made in April, and defending Kodak Black as a legitimate representative of the Haitian community's contributions despite his legal troubles.

Clinton Mueller, 1080 NE 28th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, stated that he sent the Commission an email regarding safety concerns about the airport tower relocation. He gave a brief presentation on the matter, arguing that the proposed new location would not provide adequate visibility of all runways as required by FAA mandates, emphasizing that this was a safety rather than noise issue.

Larry Slappy, 1369 East Sample Road, Pompano Beach, FL, expressed gratitude for the City's support of his business relocation, specifically thanking Comrs. Fesik and Sigerson-Eaton for attending his office opening and for their encouragement to him, his agents, and vendor partners.

H. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

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

June 9, 2026 at 1:00 p.m. - Regular City Commission Meeting

June 23, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. - Budget Workshop

June 23, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. - Regular City Commission Meeting

I. REPORTS

City Manager's Report:

City Manager Harrison announced that the City had earned the Gold Level Bell Seal Award for workplace mental health from Mental Health America for the second consecutive year. He noted that fewer than a quarter of employers meet the rigorous standards for this recognition, which evaluates workplace culture, benefits, compliance, and overall wellness, and congratulated Lisa Sonogo and the Human Resources Department.

Ms. Sonogo provided details about the mental health award, explaining that the City's BHAP - behavioral

health assistance program served as the cornerstone of the City's mental health program. She described how the program was built on the principle that caring for employees enables them to better care for the community, offering comprehensive support through confidential resources, professional services, and trained peer support from various city departments. Ms. Sonogo outlined how the program promoted proactive wellness through resilience training, stress management, education, wellness initiatives, and health fairs, while also providing crisis response services.

Mr. Harrison further reported that Pompano Beach Fire Rescue lifeguards rescued 22 swimmers caught in severe rip currents during the busy Memorial Day holiday weekend, praising the professionalism and quick actions of the team. Mr. Harrison mentioned a gun buyback event scheduled for Saturday, June 6, at E. Pat Larkins Center, where recipients could receive gift cards up to \$200 with no ID required. He concluded by announcing that Rob McCaughan had decided not to retire and expressed hope that they could also convince Michael Rada, the Building Official, to stay.

City Attorney's Report:

No report.

City Clerk's Report:

City Clerk Alfred announced that he would need to collect everyone's devices, promising to return them to their offices early the next morning.

Comr. Fesik's Report:

Comr. Fesik asked for an update on the mobi-mat for the beach area, to which Mr. Harrison said he would look into it.

Comr. Fesik thanked staff for posting McNab Road construction updates on social media and requested that such communication continue. She inquired about scheduling the previously discussed Air Park meeting, to which Mr. Harrison said he would contact Air Park Manager Rocco.

Comr. Fesik then raised concerns about the McNab Park lease between the City and CRA, stating specific questions she wanted answered in writing regarding the lease's compliance, potential defaults, and legal standing before any additional project spending occurred. She offered to provide a list of her questions. She thanked everyone who participated in the Memorial Day parade and ceremony, then addressed concerns about her questioning approach, explaining that oversight was not obstruction but part of her job, and that she would continue asking questions to ensure the public understood what was happening.

Comr. Perkins' Report:

Comr. Perkins expressed frustration about the delayed traffic light at Northwest 8th Avenue and Martin Luther King Boulevard, noting that the community had been waiting for the traffic light for four to five years despite county approval. She emphasized safety concerns due to multiple accidents and the arrival of new residents in

nearby apartments. Comr. Perkins also requested stop signs for Northwest 6th Avenue, where roundabouts had been removed, citing safety issues with driver confusion. She concluded by celebrating Miss Mae Jo Fulton's 109th birthday, expressing disappointment at missing the celebration for the first time, and looking forward to the 110th.

Mr. Harrison responded to Comr. Perkins' traffic light concerns, explaining that the project involved a \$400,000 FDOT grant and required engineering work, but that progress had stalled due to the earlier evening vote outcomes.

Comr. Perkins replied that saving lives was her priority and expressed belief that if the intersection were located on the beach, it would have been completed years ago. She stated that the County had already approved the project and emphasized that safety should take precedence over bureaucratic delays.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton's Report:

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton thanked participants in the Memorial Day parade and cemetery presentation. Next, she expressed interest in revisiting the Oceanside parking garage project. She requested that the item be placed on a future agenda, citing anticipated parking shortages due to W Hotel construction, and was told by Mr. Harrison that it could be scheduled for July.

Comr. Fesik raised a procedural question about whether someone who had voted against a project could bring it back to the agenda, seeking clarification from the City Attorney.

Mr. Berman clarified that since the vote was 3-3, there was no prevailing side, and the Commission could determine how to proceed with bringing items back.

Comr. Smith's Report:

Comr. Smith praised the evening's Unity in the Community presentation, highlighting the six students who received scholarships and their impressive community service hours and GPAs. She provided an update on affordable housing initiatives, reporting that the City expected to receive \$803,604 in SHIP funding and had supported 19 housing rehabilitation projects, 2 purchase-assistance cases, and 1 replacement-home project that received state recognition. Comr. Smith mentioned a new Community Development Block Grant for senior roof-replacement programs, with 10 current applications, and highlighted the Kappa Foundation's ribbon-cutting at its new location in the old fire station. She announced the Greater Collier City Civic Association's scholarship banquet scheduled for June 20 and reported on meetings regarding FDOT Turnpike changes and Atlantic Boulevard corridor recommendations. Comr. Smith concluded with a positive quote from Zig Ziglar about going the extra mile.

Vice Mayor Fournier's Report:

Vice Mayor Fournier stated that the proposed parking garage solution was wrong and overpriced, calling it a nonstarter. Next, she requested that the City Manager's spending threshold be reduced from \$200,000 to \$100,000 on the next agenda and expressed frustration with inconsistent requirements for placing items on the

agenda. The Vice Mayor raised questions about the City Manager's residency requirements, suggesting he had signed both a city contract requiring local residency and a Texas mortgage with occupancy requirements simultaneously. She asked which contract he was breaching and challenged his compliance with either agreement.

Vice Mayor Fournier also discussed Memorial Day activities, including the Rotary Club's Hometown Heroes initiative with crosses at Community Park. Lastly, she emphasized the need to support McNab Road businesses during construction, noting meetings with restaurant owners and the City's efforts to promote affected businesses.

Comr. Perkins asked what the City could do to help promote businesses during construction. Vice Mayor Fournier explained that city representatives had met with business owners, and the marketing team was promoting that businesses remain open through social media and signage modifications to make the area more welcoming to customers.

Mayor Hardin's Report:

Mayor Hardin praised the Memorial Day events, highlighted the Kappa organization's new facility, and celebrated the First Haitian Baptist Church on its 50th anniversary, emphasizing the many positive developments in Pompano Beach.

J. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 PM.

Rex Hardin, Mayor

Kervin Alfred, City Clerk