



City of Pompano Beach

100 West Atlantic Blvd.
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 14, 2026

1:00 PM

Commission Chamber

City Commission Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

The Honorable Rex Hardin, Mayor called the Regular City Commission meeting to order at 1:00 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

Rabbi Tzvi Dechter of Chabad of North Broward Beaches offered the invocation. Mayor Hardin requested Rabbi Dechter to remember Coral Springs Vice Mayor Nancy Metayer in prayer, as she recently passed away.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Kervin Alfred, City Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[26-303](#) Special City Commission Minutes of March 3, 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.

[26-302](#) City Commission Workshop Minutes of March 19, 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.

[26-301](#) Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes of March 24, 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 Assistant City Manager Suzette Sibble whether there were any changes to the Agenda. Ms. Sibble confirmed that there were none.

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

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 5 and 6 would be pulled for City Commission discussion.

A. PROCLAMATIONS

26-266 National Poetry Month

Mayor Hardin read a proclamation declaring April 2026 as Poetry Month in the City of Pompano Beach. Sarahca Peterson from Lotus Mindset, along with community members, came forward to accept the proclamation. Ms. Peterson was offered the opportunity to address the audience.

Ms. Peterson shared a poem that incorporated spiritual themes, references to Maya Angelou, and personal struggles and experiences in Pompano Beach. She concluded by thanking the City for acknowledging National Poetry Month and quoted James Baldwin, noting that poets and all artists serve as truth-tellers in society.

The Proclamation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

26-281 Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Month

Mayor Hardin read a proclamation declaring April 2026, as Head and Neck Cancer

Awareness Month in the City of Pompano Beach. Brad Campbell, Parks and Recreation, along with nurses from the Michael and Dianne Bienes Comprehensive Cancer Center accepted the proclamation. Mr. Campbell was invited to address the audience.

Mr. Campbell shared his experience as a survivor, detailing how he overcame his illness with the help of the staff at Holy Cross Hospital. He emphasized the importance of early detection, recounting how he discovered a lump in his neck, sought immediate medical attention, and successfully overcame the disease because it was caught early.

The Proclamation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

[26-282](#) **National Autism Acceptance Month**

Mayor Hardin read a proclamation declaring April as National Autism Acceptance Month in the City of Pompano Beach. Margi Hedelund from Responding2Autism, Inc. accepted the proclamation and was invited to address the audience.

Ms. Hedelund introduced her team, including Katrice (a city employee in the therapeutic division), Ally, Kyle, and family members Martin and Dalton (19-year-old twins diagnosed with autism at age two and a half). She described the City's extensive special needs programs, offered five days a week, including various recreational activities provided free of charge. She shared that her family has trained over 10,000 first responders to communicate with people with autism. Ms. Hedelund shared a story about her son Martin Jr., who started as a nonverbal elementary student but graduated from high school, enrolled in part-time college, and became a part-time employee in the City's therapeutic division, helping other people with special needs.

The Proclamation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

[26-243](#) **Architecture Week**

Mayor Hardin read a proclamation declaring April 13 - April 17, 2026 as Architecture Week in the City of Pompano Beach. Stacey Boynton of the American Institute of Architecture accepted the proclamation and was invited to address the audience.

Ms. Boynton thanked city officials for the proclamation and mentioned their work centered at Ely High School, including an interactive trivia game and the presence of professors and magnet coordinators from the school.

The Proclamation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

[26-300](#) **Water Conservation Month**

Mayor Hardin read a proclamation declaring April 2026 as Water Conservation Month in the City of Pompano Beach. Fred Segal, member of the Broward Soil and Water Conservation

District and Utilities Director, Renuka Mohammed, accepted the proclamation and were invited to address the audience.

Mr. Segal thanked the City Commission and staff for their water conservation efforts and programs, and announced plans to return at a future meeting to present the City with a plaque from the Soil and Water Conservation District recognizing Pompano Beach's water conservation promotion efforts in Broward County.

Ms. Mohammed highlighted the City's water conservation achievements, noting a reduction in per capita water use from 170 to 141 gallons per person per day over the past decade. She noted the "Drop Savers Art Contest" through AWWA, which promoted water conservation education in schools across nine elementary schools, three middle schools, and two high schools in Pompano Beach, announcing the local winners, Fernando from Cypress Elementary (fourth grade) and Madison from Pompano Beach High School (tenth grade).

The Proclamation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

B. PRESENTATION

[26-287](#) Presentation of the City of Pompano Beach audit results of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2025, conducted by Citrin Cooperman & Company LLP, Independent Certified Public Accountants.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Allison Feurtado)

Mayor Hardin introduced a presentation of the City of Pompano Beach audit results for the annual comprehensive financial report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2025, conducted by Citron, Cooperman and Company, LLP.

Allison Feurtado, Finance Director, explained that Florida Statute Chapter 218.39 requires the City to conduct an annual financial audit of its financial statements. She introduced the auditors from Citrin Cooperman, who would present the audit results. Ms. Feurtado expressed sincere appreciation to her finance team and to all city departments that assisted with the audit, noting that this marked the 14th year with no audit findings on their financial statements. She presented a medallion received for submitting the GFOA Certificate of Excellence for Financial Statements for 2024. She also announced that the financial statements, along with the single audit financials, would be available on the City's website the following day, and then introduced Sardou Mertilus, a partner at Citron Cooperman, to present the audit report.

Mr. Mertilus explained that, under professional auditing standards, they were required to communicate certain matters related to the audit through their final communication document, which summarized key elements of their responsibilities, scope, and results. He reported that management was responsible for selecting accounting policies with no significant new policies adopted, and they reviewed sensitive estimates, including liabilities, net

pension liabilities, and risk-related liabilities, finding them reasonable and consistently applied. Mr. Mertilus stated that they encountered no difficulties with management, found no corrected misstatements, and had no findings to report, and he recognized Ms. Feurtado, Patricia White, and the finance team for their commitment to sound financial reporting and internal controls. He noted they obtained a signed management representation letter dated March 25, 2026, with no consultations with other accounting firms, summarizing it as a very clean audit with strong results. He then reviewed the financial statements structure, explaining they issued an unmodified opinion (the highest level of assurance), detailed the Management Discussion and Analysis section, and highlighted the general fund results showing total assets of \$86.8 million, liabilities of \$5.7 million, revenues of \$234.5 million, expenses of \$216.8 million, resulting in a positive net change of \$1.6 million and ending fund balance of \$80.8 million. He concluded by reviewing the compliance report, which showed an unmodified opinion with no findings and no grant findings from the audit of one federal and two state grants.

Mayor Hardin thanked Mr. Mertilus for the presentation and inquired whether a string of 14 yearly audits with no findings would be considered common in the auditor's experience. Mr. Mertilus responded that, based on his 15-year career auditing cities, having 14 consecutive years of unmodified opinions with no findings was exceptional and not common, indicating strong internal controls and sufficient information provided to auditors, with the involvement of multiple firms over the years further demonstrating solid controls in place.

Mayor Hardin concluded by expressing appreciation for the staff's good work and thanked both the auditor and the staff for the presentation and the quality of the work performed.

The Presentation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

C. 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:

Ed Phillips, 384 NW 19th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, advocated turning adversity into opportunity, particularly during budget discussions for the Broward Sheriff's Office (BSO). He highlighted the need to carefully consider police service pricing in Pompano Beach, noting that current budget items are priced excessively, effectively double-taxing residents. Additionally, Mr. Phillips expressed concerns about the State of Florida's DEI initiative, suggesting it has led to more regression than progress, countering the recent advancements the City has achieved. He noted the successful improvements on 10th Street and MLK, Jr. Boulevard, which included a new paved street and an upgraded drainage system. However, he emphasized that the primary community need is not for additional square footage or multifamily housing units, but rather for affordable housing within the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) district.

Cheryl Small, Pompano Beach, FL, recognized Coach Randall, a significant leader in Pompano Beach, for his remarkable contributions over three decades in shaping and mentoring the youth. His commitment to leadership and service has had a lasting impact on the community, fostering an environment where individuals thrive. Recognized by a local non-profit for his dedication, Mr. Randall has instilled pride in the City of Pompano Beach through his exemplary coaching and mentorship. In recognition of his achievements, the community has extended an invitation to a Gala event on April 29th at 6:30 pm at the E. Pat Larkins Community Center.

Michael Skversky, 1630 SW 5th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, proposed that Agenda Item Number 9 be prioritized as the first item to allow for public input, as attendance tends to be low when it's addressed later in the meeting. Next, he commented on the parking spaces reserved for military veterans, noting that some non-military individuals are reportedly using them. To ensure proper verification of military service, Mr. Skversky recommended implementing a sticker system in which veterans display a sticker on their vehicles to indicate their status. Additionally, Mr. Skversky suggested that the Parking Manager should enforce regulations by issuing tickets to those improperly utilizing these reserved parking spaces.

Mary Phillips, 384 NW 19th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, announced a South Florida Grant Writing Workshop on April 25th from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, aimed at training non-profit organizations and businesses on how to effectively prepare and maintain grants. Participants will receive a booklet and a list of available grants after the workshop. In addition to her work in the community, Ms. Phillips announced her candidacy for District 4 Commissioner, emphasizing her dedication to community service rather than a career in politics. Her campaign motto emphasizes trust, integrity, and vision, underscoring the importance of community involvement for local organizations to thrive. She advocated for automatic notifications to residents when Request for Proposals (RFPs) are advertised and seeks to enhance support for non-profits that assist vulnerable populations, including the homeless, children, seniors, and those facing mental health challenges. Ms. Phillips stated that she is committed to ensuring efficient, transparent progress within the community, particularly regarding the development of MLK Boulevard, and maintains an open-door policy for anyone wishing to discuss matters with her.

Caryl Iseman, 4020 W. Palm Aire Drive, Pompano Beach, FL, highlighted the need for better access to the beach and water. She acknowledged Comr. Smith, who encouraged her to explore solutions such as the Mobi Mats-special mats designed to facilitate walking access to the beach from the street. At that time, Miami had three such mats available for public use. Ms. Iseman reached out to the manufacturer and obtained an estimate for similar mats, which she shared with Comrs. Smith and Fesik. Driven by her passion to enhance accessibility for her handicapped partner and the wider community, Ms. Iseman sought approximately \$13,000 to fund this project, aiming to help others enjoy the beauty of Pompano Beach.

Thomas Thebo Jr., 3915 Genessee Street, Kansas City, Missouri, emphasized the importance of fostering harmony between human infrastructure and the natural environment. He advocated using clay materials for sidewalks, roads, houses, and streets because they are durable and required no repairs due to their natural properties, including the longevity of materials like petrified wood. Mr. Thebo suggested that the City should focus on logical projects that promote sustainability and had lasting benefits for both the community and the ecosystem.

Nakeny Robinson, 708 Hammondville, Road, Pompano Beach, FL, a former resident of Pompano Beach and owner of a Resource Center for the homeless, urged the City Commission to unify and be respectful to each other. She expressed her dedication to the community and advised Mayor Hardin to remain open-hearted.

Delvin King, 2601 NW 12th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, stated that this month is National Poetry Month, and Mr. King recited a poem highlighting themes of illusion and emptiness. He requested that the Commission

and the Assistant City Manager consider separating the contract between Ms. Witherspoon and Sarahca Peterson for accountability. To manage literacy funding, he suggested that individuals should pass background checks with personnel file transparency. Mr. King expressed that he is unable to perform duties in the city due to his background and emphasized the need for fair treatment for all.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Hardin requested a motion to Approve/Adopt Items 1 through 4 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. [26-245](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE POMPANO BEACH WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES WORK PLAN 2025 UPDATE AS REQUIRED BY FLORIDA LAW; 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. 2026-94

2. [26-297](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE A SHARED COMMON DOCKING AREA AGREEMENT AMONG ANDREW DANIELS AND PATRICIA BLEECH, AND THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH; 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. 2026-95

3. [26-256](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO

BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE A LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND LIVING WATER SURF SCHOOL LLC TO PROVIDE INSTRUCTION IN OCEAN AWARENESS AND SURFING FUNDAMENTALS TO CHILDREN AGES FIVE TO SIXTEEN YEARS AT NORTH OCEAN PARK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: City to receive \$4,125 as compensation for use of City's property and services.)

(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. 2026-96

4. [26-257](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE A LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND HOLA MUNDO!, LLC TO PROVIDE A BILINGUAL SUMMER CAMP FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGES THREE TO THIRTEEN YEARS AT THE MAIN PUBLIC BEACH; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: City to receive compensation of \$3,000 for use of the City's property and services.)

(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. 2026-97

5. [26-286](#) A RESOLUTION 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 WILLIAM AND SUE ALLISON FOR THE USE OF PARKING SPACES LOCATED AT 500 S. CYPRESS ROAD; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: \$5,778 (\$5,400 License Fee and \$378.00 sales tax))

(Staff Contact: Scott Moore)

Mayor Hardin noted that the item was pulled for discussion by Comr. Fesik and Vice Mayor Fournier.

Comr. Fesik explained that she pulled the item because, while she understood the need for parking, she felt this represented a failure to plan adequately from the beginning. She pointed out that the pickleball courts at Community Park were always busy, with parking issues, especially on weekends, and that parking for the park amenities was not adequately included in the original planning. She asked whether the City had looked into changing anything or adding parking options.

Scott Moore, Recreation Director, responded that they had looked into adding parking, but it would have required reducing the number of pickleball courts, which they did not want to do since there weren't enough courts at Community Park. He acknowledged that they knew the parking issue was coming.

Comr. Fesik continued by expressing her desire for the City to think ahead when dealing with limited green space that keeps getting reduced over time. She wanted to see more attention paid to what park spaces need and suggested acquiring more space if necessary. She emphasized her concerns about project management from start to finish and felt the City had missed the boat on parking planning and anticipation.

Vice Mayor Fournier acknowledged that parking had always been known as an issue at Kip Jacoby Park, and they knew adding courts would create more parking problems, but it was a trade-off between parking and getting the courts. She had hoped that because the location was somewhat buried in the community, people would bike, walk, or use golf carts to get there, making it more of a local facility. She expressed appreciation that the agreement was executed since people were already parking in the adjacent shopping center anyway, and she felt this was something they had always hoped to accomplish. She encouraged people to use the 15 new spaces instead of parking on the grass at Kip Jacoby and to consider alternative transportation methods when possible, noting that the courts had become very popular and this represented a good compromise.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item and invited further Commission discussion. However, no one commented on the item.

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. 2026-98

6. [26-283](#) A RESOLUTION 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 BHARAT K. PATEL AND GIRISH M. PATEL ON VACANT LAND LOCATED ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF AIA AND SOUTHEAST 4TH STREET; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: 50%-50% revenue split)

(Staff Contact: Jeff Lantz)

Mayor Hardin mentioned that Comr. Fesik had pulled this item for discussion.

Comr. Fesik explained that while she understood the City's need for parking, she had concerns about temporary parking agreements being extended repeatedly and wanted clarification on what constitutes "temporary" under city code, particularly regarding when the City would require paving instead of allowing parking on grass, especially given recent code violation complaints she had received.

Jeff Lantz, Parking Manager, responded that "temporary" meant no permanent improvements would be made to the property, since the owner would eventually build on it, and that they only requested one-year terms, possibly due to market conditions and material costs since 2020.

Comr. Fesik then asked whether the City could require paving after a year of continued use to prevent environmental concerns, such as oil seepage into the barrier island or water sources. Mr. Lantz explained that their agreements required returning the property to its original condition, making paving for the City expensive, and that removal would also be costly when the agreements terminated. Comr. Fesik questioned whether the City would bear this cost since it was the property owners' land, and asked who initiated the parking agreement. Mr. Lantz confirmed that the City sought out the agreement.

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

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton thanked the Patels for entering into the agreement, expressing appreciation for their help with the City's parking demand.

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. 2026-99**E. REGULAR AGENDA**7. [26-241](#) **P.H. 2026-28: (PUBLIC HEARING)**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, ALLOCATING TWELVE RESIDENTIAL FLEXIBILITY UNITS TO THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 817 NORTH DIXIE HIGHWAY WITH AN UNDERLYING COMMERCIAL LAND USE DESIGNATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Jean Dolan/David Recor)

Jean Dolan from the Development Services Department stated that the Applicant is requesting to construct 12 flex units to enable an existing office building to be converted to residential apartments. The building is referred to as the Parent Information and Resource Center, located at 817 N. Dixie Highway, south of NW 9th Street, west of N. Dixie Highway, north of NW 8th Court, and west of NW 2nd Avenue. The site is less than one acre, which would be exempt from the affordable housing requirement. The applicant intends to have all 12 units unrestricted in regard to income and affordability, with the following information:

1. Chapter 154.61, does not prohibit the use of flex for office building conversions to residential use. The 12 flex units were granted to this building in 2003 (Resolution 2003-296) but were not used, and the approval expired.
2. The conceptual site plan requires, as a condition of approval, that it reflect an existing condition, which does not meet modern zoning requirements. The site plan, floor plans, and change-of-use requirements must be met before building permits can be issued.
3. The cost of conversion, given the age of the 1954 building and conditions of the building, must be brought up to the current codes to include the following:
 - Analysis of the structural integrity, asbestos, and lead pipes;
 - Installation of kitchens, bathrooms, and laundry facilities;
 - Upgrade of electrical, HVAC units, and metering;
 - Water and sewer utility infrastructure updates and metering; and
 - Fire walls with life-safety considerations
4. Due to the cost of the conversion, the units may not be economically feasible.

Ms. Dolan stated that the reasonable development pattern and suitability for the parcel should include the following policies: 01.03.06, 01.01.13, and 01.03.11, to support Comprehensive Plan policies compatible with surrounding areas. A map was displayed to reveal the adjacent uses, including the following areas: south of Sonata, north of a small two-story mixed-use building, and west of a vacant lot and a residential rehab facility.

On February 25, 2026, the Planning and Zoning Board unanimously recommended approval, and City staff also recommended approval of the project. The challenges of converting the building could be addressed during the building permit process, with conditions or standards that must be met.

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

Vice Mayor Fournier asked if the property has the same owner and how long a permit takes to expire. Ms. Dolan confirmed that the permit expires in two years, but an extension process can also be completed. If a hurricane occurs within the extension process, then the time period could be indefinite. Vice Mayor Fournier asked whether restrictions are required on the sale or transfer of the property. Ms. Dolan stated there are no restrictions, and if the property is sold, then the transfer goes with the land. Vice Mayor Fournier stated that she would love great housing opportunities in the community, but questioned the point of proposing a project if the building cannot be converted for other uses. Ms. Dolan stated that whether the project occurs or not would not be part of the criteria, and the project would not be judged by the likelihood of its completion. If the property is sold, the developer could build up to 69 units or request a different mixed-use project altogether.

Comr. Fesik asked whether residential properties are widespread in the area or whether commercial properties are also present. Ms. Dolan confirmed there are commercial properties to the north, institutional properties to the west, and a tax credit project to the south. The idea for this property would not include high-end housing.

Comr. Perkins asked whether the building had been a prior rehabilitation facility. Ms. Dolan confirmed the Parent Information and Resource Center is for institutional use for counselors. In 2020, all offices switched to telehealth, and the offices were no longer needed. Comr. Perkins asked if the building would be provided at market rate or at an affordable rate. Ms. Dolan stated that the building proposed would not be restricted.

Mike Vonder Meulen, applicant representative for the project, 301 East Atlantic Boulevard, Pompano Beach, Florida, and Janet Ward, President of the Parent Information and Resource Center (PERC), were present to answer questions from the Board. Mr. Vonder Meulen confirmed that the building was converted to offices in the 1990s, and that attempts to convert it to flex units were not included in the documentation. The inspiration for this project is from a prior City project that converted a building into apartments. Ms. Ward stated that PERC provides services to parents and children, a mental health clinic, after-school programs, and services for adults with disabilities. The building was filled with clients and staff when the pandemic hit, but the space is now needed for transitional housing, whether temporary or permanent. The PERC, a non-profit organization, is requesting approval to construct flex units for community housing and for senior citizens.

Comr. Perkins appreciated the work Ms. Ward has done in the community, but was interested in affordable, family-oriented housing. Ms. Ward stated that if the Board approved the project as presented, the planner could review all aspects prior to design and construction. Comr. Perkins requested additional information on how the families would be selected if approved to move into the building. Ms. Ward confirmed that a plan would be drafted and that the families who need the spaces most would be selected. Comr. Perkins stated she supports helping families due to the lack of housing in the northwest, but is concerned about the facility's future use and the property's long-term goal. Ms. Ward provided a current goal for the organization to ensure the community has somewhere to go for the care they need and will not live on the streets. The non-profit organization also provides training facilities for universities that need housing. Comr. Perkins requested

additional information on whether the parking situation was adequate. Ms. Ward confirmed that the standards are currently in the 1954 requirements, but that the Department of Corrections used the facility in the past, and stated that the code should be up to the requirements set by the previous owners. Comr. Perkins supports this project and requested that the Commission be updated as the plan moves forward.

Vice Mayor Fournier suggested that the plan still requires additional planning before approval is granted and requested that a downside be presented if approval is granted. Ms. Dolan stated that the building's conditions would not constitute substandard conditions and that there would be no downside to the approval. Vice Mayor Fournier asked whether the property's value would increase with the change. Ms. Dolan confirmed extra entitlements would be available for the property. Comr. Perkins asked how many bedrooms would be provided with each unit. Mr. Vonder Meulen confirmed all units would have one bedroom.

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. 2026-100

8. [26-190](#) **P.H. 2026-26: (PUBLIC HEARING 2ND READING)**
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE POTABLE WATER SUB-ELEMENT AND THE CONSERVATION ELEMENT IN THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 163.3177(6)(c), FLORIDA STATUTES, TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE CITY'S UPDATED WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES WORK PLAN PREPARED AS REQUIRED BY THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT'S 2023-24 LOWER EAST COAST REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY PLAN; PROVIDING FOR A DETERMINATION THAT A LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY HEARING WAS HELD ON JANUARY 28, 2026; PROVIDING THAT A TRANSMITTAL AND ADOPTION PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

FIRST READING: FEBRUARY 10, 2026

(Staff Contact: Jean Dolan/Renuka Mohammed)

Jean Dolan from the Development Services Department explained that this was the second reading of the comprehensive plan amendment to update the water supply plan, with the City as the applicant requesting approval. She detailed that the amendment adopted policies for the water supply facilities work plan update covering the planning period from 2025 to 2045, ensuring compliance with Florida Statutes that required local governments to revise their plans within 18 months after the South Florida Water Management District's adoption of the lower east coast water supply plan update in September 2024. She outlined the specific changes being made to the potable water sub-element, including revised level-of-service standards, treatment capacity, and methods for PFAS removal; changes to consumptive use permits by 2030; water demand calculations for new development; reclaimed water infrastructure requirements; and expansion of reuse infrastructure through 2045. She also explained updates to the conservation element regarding the discontinuation of the ocean outfall pipe by the end of 2025 and the exploration of additional alternative water supply sources. She provided a timeline of the approval process, noting that the Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval on January 28, 2026, the City Commission recommended approval at the transmittal hearing on February 10, 2026; state review agencies provided no objections, and the Department of Commerce issued a letter of no comment on March 13, 2026.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item and invited further Commission discussion. However, no one commented on the item.

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. 2026-24

9. [25-586](#) **P.H. 2026-01: (PUBLIC HEARING 1ST 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)

(Staff Contact: Mark E. Berman)

City Attorney Berman stated that in the latest iteration of the ballot question, the initial request was reduced to include term limits and their length of service. Within the requests received, a two-year term would be increased to a four-year term.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item.

Michael Skversky, 1630 SW 5th Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, asked whether the Ordinance requires a second reading prior to approval and whether the new term limit would now be set at a 12-year maximum. Mayor Hardin confirmed yes. Mr. Skversky recommended voting no on this Ordinance, stating that there is no reason for commissioners to serve more than eight years.

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

Vice Mayor Fournier asked Mayor Hardin how long he had been in office. Mayor Hardin confirmed he has been in office for about 20 years. Vice Mayor Fournier confirmed there are no term limits currently, and the voters would be able to decide the term limits for the city officials who serve the community.

Mayor Hardin asked if a cost differential would be provided to have this question on the ballot versus not. City Clerk Alfred confirmed the cost would be about \$160,000 to have the question on the ballot. Mayor Hardin asked whether it would cost to hold candidate elections. City Clerk Alfred stated no.

Comr. Perkins stated that a few years ago, a ballot question was approved for a citywide mayor. City Clerk Alfred confirmed the ballot question was for a mayor at-large. Comr. Perkins asked if the City paid to have this question on the ballot. City Clerk Alfred confirmed that the request was brought before the Charter Amendment Committee, and that the proposal was based on the Commission's and the committee's input.

Comr. Fesik stated that adding districts and term limits were discussed at the prior meeting, and the main issues for residents are the split vote on the Commission and the failure of motions to pass. Comr. Fesik stated she has no problem running every two years, but it is worth letting the people decide on what they wish to see happen. The cost to provide the item on the ballot is too high. Comr. Fesik asked whether there is another way for residents to submit additional suggestions to City Attorney Berman.

City Attorney Berman stated that the number of districts could be changed, but a study would be needed to meet federal guidelines. The term lengths would need to be determined through a City Charter referendum.

However, the code of ordinances sets a limit on the number of districts.

Comr. Fesik suggested returning the decision to the people but opposed adding another district. She asked if residents would need to submit petitions before an item is placed on the ballot. City Attorney Berman stated that polling could be completed, but that method would also incur costs. It is up to the residents to decide on longer terms or term limits. Comr. Fesik asked whether there are requirements for amending the City Charter. City Attorney Berman stated there would be no legal consequence and would only provide information to the Commission for who would be and would not be interested, which is what the election is for. Comr. Fesik confirmed that the community's voting statistics are less than half of the City's voting and that not having an active voter's choice would not be worth \$160,000.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton stated her position would be against this approval, and that a 2-year term would work well. The most power is in the people's hands who elect their representative, as long as they choose, but term limits take away the voters' ability to decide. Transparency should be ensured to allow voters to make informed decisions, and a workshop could be organized to gather public input. Comr. Sigerson-Eaton opposes the motion, and the public should be more involved in the decision.

City Clerk Alfred stated that a notification was received from Joe Scott, Supervisor of Elections, to increase the rate by about 25 percent, effective January 2027. A detailed memo with the additional information will be provided to the Commission soon. City Clerk Alfred confirmed if the decision is delayed at this time but approved later, the increase would roughly be in the amount of about \$200,000 if proposed at a later election. A meeting will be held with Mr. Scott next Monday to receive additional information and present it to the Commission.

Vice Mayor Fournier stated that a poll was conducted within the district she represents to support term limits, with 200 respondents participating. Of those respondents, 83 percent voted yes, 11 percent voted no, and 6 percent said they do not care about setting term limits. Vice Mayor Fournier does not agree that adding a district would be an effective way to mitigate split decisions since that option would also be expensive.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton stated that it would be self-serving for the Commission to approve lengthening term limits without first receiving public input.

Comr. Fesik suggested amending the Charter to alter how votes are counted. She then asked whether long-serving commissioners are provided with payouts or options for retirement benefits. Vice Mayor Fournier confirmed that elected officials are entitled to a pension after serving more than five years, and increases would be provided as well.

City Attorney Berman stated he is not aware of the financial benefits and is only aware of the policy decision. Term limits would force people who are doing a great job out of office sooner.

Mayor Hardin agreed that if the number of districts increased, the cost would also increase; reducing the number of districts would save taxpayers' money.

Comr. Perkins stated that the City hires a City Manager to run the City, not the mayor. The mayor's job is to

run meetings and attend ribbon-cuttings and groundbreaking events. The mayor only runs every four years, too. In regard to the two-year terms, Comr. Perkins stated that with term limits, the candidates would be in constant campaign mode.

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
Smith
Fournier

No: Sigerson-Eaton
Hardin

10. [26-173](#) **P.H. 2026-29: (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 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))

 **Strategic Plan Initiative**

(**Staff Contact:** Renuka Mohammed)

Renuka Mohammed, Utilities Director, stated that the Utilities Department was seeking Commission approval to enter into Continuing Professional Services agreements under solicitation RLI 25-072 for water and reuse treatment plant projects, which were procured according to the consultants' competitive negotiating act, requiring a competitive qualification-based selection process for professional services, including engineering design, permitting, and construction administration. She explained that the solicitation was advertised on August 28th and closed on October 1, 2025, with six letters of interest received and evaluated. She noted that the committee ranked and recommended five firms for the award: McCafferty Brinson, Carollo, Arcadis, Hazen and Sawyer, and Stantec Consulting, while Tetra Tech was the lowest-ranked firm and was not selected based on established criteria. She clarified that the agreements would be for a five-year term, allowing the City to issue project-specific work authorizations on an as-needed basis, with projects funded through approved operating and capital budgets, and that approval would support the City's goal for resilient and sustainable utility infrastructure.

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

Comr. Fesik asked about the dollar threshold at which work authorizations would come back to the Commission for approval if the item were approved. Ms. Mohammed responded that, based on her last discussion with legal, the threshold was \$200,000, meaning anything under that amount would be handled internally, while anything over that threshold would be brought to the Commission for authorization. Comr. Fesik then asked whether the tracking was per task or cumulative spending across all firms. Ms. Mohammed explained that since it was qualification-based, it depended on the project with no limitation per se except the budget, and that once a project was identified, they would find the best fit consultant and begin negotiations, moving to the next best fit if unsuccessful, with no cumulative amount and generally handled by fiscal year, though CIP projects would go through the five-year process. Comr. Fesik asked about the estimated total value of work anticipated across all five firms, and Ms. Mohammed responded that she didn't have a specific number because everything was within budgetary limits, meaning whatever was approved through their operations or CIP budget would be the approved amount.

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

11. [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)

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

John Sfiropoulos, City Engineer, explained that the ordinance would approve three continuing contracts for Air Park consulting services, noting that RLI 25-031 resulted in four proposals with a review panel selecting the highest three-ranked firms. He mentioned that there were four voting members on the committee, that the

scoring matrix was included in the backup materials, that the three proposed contracts were identical except for Exhibit C (fee schedule), and that the contracts would be effective for three years.

Comr. Fesik expressed concerns after receiving emails from residents opposing the item, stating that residents felt the Air Park was being operated and managed poorly, and this item would allow the Air Park to move forward "unfettered." She asked about specific Air Park projects anticipated for the next 12 months, how projects were being prioritized, and estimated total costs over the contract life. When told that specific costs weren't available, she asked about the costs of similar previous work and whether work authorizations over \$200,000 would come to the Commission. She expressed concern about a past incident in which a quote was reduced from \$85,000 to \$75,000 to avoid Commission approval, and stated that residents felt unheard by both the airport manager and the city manager. She discussed the Air Park's history, noting that, when decommissioned in the 1940s, the runways were shortened for recreational use, and described how aircraft traffic had dramatically increased from occasional planes 30 years ago to nonstop, incessant low-flying aircraft today. She expressed concerns about the unintended consequences of the systematic removal of city commission oversight and ultimately made a motion to postpone the item to the six o'clock meeting in two weeks.

Comr. Fesik made a motion to postpone the item to the April 28, 2026 City Commission Meeting, seconded by Comr. Perkins.

Mayor Hardin asked if there was any time sensitivity on the contracts. Mr. Sfiropoulos responded no.

Vice Mayor Fournier supported the postponement motion, explaining that the \$200,000 spending authority reduced transparency and residents couldn't know if studies were helpful or meant to accelerate Air Park development. She asked whether any listed studies would accelerate Air Park development and expressed concern that multiple \$200,000 work authorizations could result in \$600,000 in studies without the Commission's knowledge. Mr. Sfiropoulos responded that any projects related to the Air Park would appear in the CIP for consideration. Vice Mayor Fournier supported postponing and suggested setting aside the \$200,000 authorization for these consulting agreements, requiring anything Air Park-related to come back to the Commission regardless of the threshold.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton asked for clarification on whether the Vice Mayor was amending the motion, to which the Vice Mayor responded, "No."

Suzette Sibble, Assistant City Manager, responding to Commissioner Fesik's request, agreed to discuss with staff and the City Manager about scheduling a meeting with wildlife experts before the next meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fesik, seconded by Commissioner Perkins, that the Ordinance / Regular Agenda be POSTPONED to the April 28, 2026 City Commission Meeting. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Fesik
Perkins
Sigerson-Eaton
Smith
Fournier
Hardin

12. [26-270](#) **P.H. 2026-34: (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 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)

(Staff Contact: Jeff Lantz)

Jeff Lantz, Parking Manager, presented the Parking License Agreement between the City and the First Baptist Church (Church) located at 117 NE 1st Street. In 2015, the Commission approved Ordinance 2015-42 to use 126 parking spaces to provide public parking for the surrounding commercial establishments. In 2020, the Commission approved Ordinance 2020-54, which allowed for the continued use of the parking spaces. The agreement expired in May 2025, but the Church continued to allow the City access. To assist with negotiations, the City obtained an independent appraisal, which valued the spaces at \$45 per space per month. Parking space is critical for current use, future demand, and to assist new businesses in the area. City staff recommended approval of the agreement.

Mayor Hardin thanked Mr. Lantz and City Attorney Berman for their assistance in negotiating this agreement.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item.

Tashawna Thomas, 209 NW 15th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, requested that the City research shared parking options for this area. Mayor Hardin stated the agreement is a shared parking agreement between the City and the Church. Ms. Thomas stated that limited space is available and that a plan to coordinate additional parking options should be considered. There are two or three different apartment complexes in the area, and parking should be better utilized.

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

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton was relieved that the City and the Church could reach an agreement, since parking is the most essential element. Solutions to parking issues help existing businesses and assist new businesses in

coming to the area. Comr. Sigerson-Eaton expressed appreciation for the Church and all individuals involved in the negotiation process.

Comr. Fesik shared concerns about the agreement, including a question about how the new property purchased by the City for \$5,000,000 will be used for parking. Mr. Lantz stated that the property has not yet been used. Comr. Fesik stated that the Church has been very kind to the City and asked how many spaces would be provided within the property. Mr. Lantz stated the property currently has about 30 parking spaces. Comr. Fesik asked if other parking was available. Mr. Lantz stated that a few parking lots are available, each with about 30 parking spaces. Comr. Fesik suggested that now would be a great opportunity to encourage residents to ride-share. Additional elements should be worked out in detail, and the agreement might not be right for the City at this time.

Mayor Hardin confirmed that parking users, not taxpayers, pay for the parking garage(s).

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton stated that a Parking Enterprise Fund was created to help invest in more parking spaces.

Vice Mayor Fournier appreciated the work that has been performed, but shared Comr. Fesik's concerns. When visiting the area, she never had a parking issue, except during events, otherwise the parking spaces sit empty most of the time. The City needs a permanent parking plan for a long-term goal. Her main issue is that the CRA should be paying for this arrangement under an agreement.

Suzette Sibble, Assistant City Manager, stated negotiations with the Church have been ongoing for over a year. To clarify, the Church requested that the City pay a higher premium than the negotiated one. Ms. Sibble agreed with Vice Mayor Fournier regarding a long-term goal for structured parking. The City is currently utilizing the new property for temporary parking. A proposal could be advertised to build a structured parking plan moving forward. The agreement includes termination provisions with a 180-day notice period upon request. A new build will take about 20 months from start to finish, including design and construction.

Vice Mayor Fournier asked whether, during negotiations, conversations were held about charging for excess parking only when needed. Mr. Lantz stated that a base lease amount for the combined two events was offered. She stated the cost was high for what the City actually needs, and suggested that the CRA and the Church sign an agreement.

Mayor Hardin asked if there was urgency in this matter. Ms. Sibble stated that since the City has been going through the process for about a year now, the agreement would be delayed. Mr. Lantz stated that the lot has been left open for the events as a good-faith effort, but the Church may not want to continue keeping it open.

Mayor Hardin asked whether an opportunity would be available to change the person paying for the expense moving forward. Ms. Sibble stated yes with an entirely new agreement. City Attorney Berman confirmed he is not sure whether this item would be an appropriate expense for the CRA and suggested researching the matter with the CRA; an update will be provided to the Commission.

Vice Mayor Fournier requested whether the City or the CRA rents the Usman lot. Ms. Sibble stated that the

CRA rents the lot.

Mayor Hardin stated he is not in support of postponing the approval of the agreement.

Vice Mayor Fournier requested that the contract be brought to the CRA at their next scheduled meeting next week for discussion.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton suggested that parking should be provided at no charge, but if the CRA could pay the expense, that would be great.

Comr. Smith stated that she has heard from many residents that parking is definitely an issue, which has led some to stop attending the events. The City has been very successful with the events, and safe parking should be provided. Comr. Smith is not in support of postponing the approval of the agreement.

Comr. Fesik stated that the City hired people to help redevelop our City, and that the parking situation is failing. She is not comfortable approving, so postponing this matter is the right decision. The City spent money to buy the new property, which should result in additional parking. She believed there could be significant opportunities and decisions at the CRA meeting as well.

Mayor Hardin stated that the City fosters redevelopment across the City, and that issues that arise need to be handled constructively. Long-term parking issues need to be mitigated, and he supports the agreement at this time.

Vice Mayor Fournier stated that the current Commission is not functioning effectively due to a lack of trust and faith among its members. She emphasized that the Commission should operate with a certain level of trust. Vice Mayor Fournier then asked Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton whether she would support covering the parking expenses with CRA funds. Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton responded positively.

Comr. Perkins confirmed that the main concerns revolve around the five-year term and the details of the negotiation. She pointed out that the City would receive 143 parking spaces, each costing approximately \$45 per month, totaling about \$11,670 per year. Comr. Perkins asked whether the request was for the expense to be paid by the Northwest or East CRA. Vice Mayor Fournier indicated that the area in question is located in the northwest section of the CRA. Comr. Perkins expressed her opposition to covering the expense through the Northwest CRA.

Ms. Sibble mentioned that the City had received an appraisal valuing the spaces at approximately \$45 each. However, the Church proposed charging \$40 per space for the 126 spaces closest to the businesses, with access available at all times. Additionally, free parking is available to the public for 2 events per month. The City also incurs landscaping costs, which align with the agreed-upon monthly payment cap.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Fournier, seconded by Commissioner Fesik, to postpone the item to the April 28, 2026 City Commission Meeting. The motion to postpone the item failed 2-4 (Comr. Fesik, Vice Mayor Fournier voted yes, and Comrs. Perkins, Sigerson-Eaton, Smith, and Mayor Hardin voted no).

Mayor Hardin reiterated that he supports the agreement, with a 180-day opt-out for either party, but noted that it could pose a risk to the City. Ms. Sibble confirmed that the information is correct.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton mentioned that the parking lots get crowded, indicating that the spaces are in use. At the CRA meeting next week, Comr. Sigerson-Eaton wondered how many Board members would vote in favor of the agreement.

Comr. Perkins stated that the City has a very smart staff and is sure they are thinking ahead. The staff is aware that when the businesses were brought in, additional parking would be needed. City staff always have a long-term plan, and the parking concerns are not new issues.

Comr. Fesik requested additional information from Ms. Sibble on how much the City has spent on parking planning in the CRA district over the last two years, including parking permits, property purchases, and leases. Ms. Sibble stated she is not sure of an exact number, but agreed with Comr. Perkins regarding staff planning. The City Charter could be amended to allow private financing of parking garages. The Parking Enterprise Funds could be used to fund permanent parking to mitigate the issues. Ms. Sibble suggested a meeting with all the commissioners to determine a long-term solution. Comr. Fesik asked for the estimated cost to build parking garages. Mr. Lantz stated about \$40,000 per space for design and other architectural and stormwater enhancements.

Vice Mayor Fournier inquired whether the City could negotiate with the Church for parking options during events if the agreement is not approved today. Ms. Sibble was unsure whether the Church would consider that option. She reassured the Commission that they were firm in negotiations and that the amount had already been reduced significantly. Vice Mayor Fournier added that the City would be paying for parking that is not needed most of the time. Ms. Sibble stated that a vacancy rate could be requested during the week when no events are occurring.

Vice Mayor Fournier asked whether the City has asked businesses to contribute. Ms. Sibble confirmed the City has not made this request, but could face pushback from businesses over having to contribute to parking.

Nguyen Tran, CRA Director, stated that the area is transitional and up-and-coming. If the City were to ask businesses to pay for parking, it would deter those who expect public parking. Structured parking is what is really needed. Vice Mayor Fournier asked if advertising an RFP would be a CRA issue for the new property purchased by the City. Mr. Tran stated that the new property would not be completed for at least 3 years, but an RFP could be issued soon to begin the process.

Vice Mayor Fournier requested an agenda item for the CRA meeting to discuss parking issues and provide the Board with an update on the parking currently available. Ms. Sibble confirmed that the request would be submitted to the CRA and that the information would be brought back to the Commission for discussion.

Comr. Fesik asked if parking was promised in the development areas. Mr. Tran stated that he does not recall that being promised; however, under phase one, on-street parking was mainly available in the area, and they have identified potential properties for garages.

Comr. Fesik stated that the City should revise the plans or concepts to address the parking deficit in new developments, and the current plan does not include an equal share of the work. Mr. Tran stated that the CRA's goal is to turn a transitional area into a safe, investment-friendly area.

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: Sigerson-Eaton

Smith

Fournier

Hardin

No: Fesik

Perkins

13. [26-304](#) **P.H. 2026-35: (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 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)

(Staff Contact: Jeff Lantz)

Jeff Lantz, Parking Manager, presented the item as a five-year Parking Management Agreement between the City and One Parking Inc. He explained that the City had released an RFP in February 2026 and received eight responses from parking operators nationwide, with staff ranking One Parking as the most responsive and responsible bidder on March 2nd. He noted that One Parking was not only the lowest bidder but had also served as the City's contracted parking management provider for the past five years, performing remarkably in garage management and enforcement of on-street and surface lot parking. Mr. Lantz highlighted that One Parking was a 100% woman-owned business located in Palm Beach with extensive municipal parking experience and had been instrumental in providing parking services for successful Pompano Beach events, including Fourth of July drone shows, Jazz Fest, and nautical flea markets. He credited One Parking with solving a major traffic queuing issue at the garage exits, which had extended to the second and third floors, explaining that their recommendations and guidance helped reconfigure the garage and eliminate the problem, leading to his recommendation for approval.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item.

Tashawna Thomas, 209 NW 15th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, critiqued the approximately \$2.8 million spent on parking, arguing that while there were solutions, they were all short-term and not sustainable. She expressed concern that adding more parking would increase traffic in the Vice Mayor's district near the roundabout, questioning what the plan would be to address that issue and whether it would involve spending more money. Ms. Thomas praised the Circuit as a good resource she wanted to see expanded, suggesting it represents the type of long-term solution the City should pursue, and noted that creating the City's own bus system could help efficiently move people through the city and reduce traffic buildup. She clarified that she wasn't anti-car or anti-development, but believed the City should invest in long-term solutions, such as expanding the circuit program and exploring grants for free rides to events through the Broward County public transit system. She argued that redirecting some funding toward these solutions could reduce parking demand and traffic backflow.

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: Fesik
Perkins
Sigerson-Eaton
Smith
Fournier
Hardin

14. [26-262](#) Consideration for choosing a Director, Alternate, and Second Alternate to attend and vote at any Board of Directors or General Membership Meeting of the Broward League of Cities where they represent the City of Pompano Beach.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Kervin Alfred)

Mayor Hardin opened the discussion by introducing item 14, which concerned choosing representatives for the Broward League of Cities, and turned the matter over to City Clerk Alfred.

Mr. Alfred explained that, according to the Broward League of Cities bylaws, each city must annually appoint a director, an alternate, and a second alternate to attend meetings and represent the city in voting matters. He noted that last year the Commission had approved Comr. Sigerson-Eaton as director, Comr. Fesik as alternate, and Vice Mayor Fournier as second alternate, and indicated the Commission could maintain the current appointees.

Mayor Hardin initially proposed keeping the same slate if everyone was willing to continue serving. However, Comr. Fesik expressed interest in throwing her name in for the director position, stating she had reasons for

wanting the role. Mayor Hardin acknowledged her nomination for director and asked for other nominations.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton indicated she wanted to continue as director and provided extensive justification for her continued service. She explained that her husband was a governmental consultant who had worked in Tallahassee for 30-35 years, tracking bills and working with the League of Cities for 30-40 years. She described how this relationship gave her valuable connections with staff members and enabled her to meet face-to-face with key legislators, including Representative McClure, the appropriations chair. She emphasized that mentioning Pompano Beach impressed legislators because of the City's accomplishments and noted that she had forged relationships with other Broward County representatives on issues such as SRO payouts.

After Mayor Hardin closed nominations for director, Comr. Fesik explained her reasons for seeking the position. She stated that when she attended meetings, she was told there hadn't been much representation from Pompano for a long time and that people didn't feel someone from the City was actively engaging. She mentioned that Comr. Sigerson-Eaton wasn't present at the swearing-in event and indicated she hadn't seen her at meetings since then. Comr. Fesik expressed that she had taken a back seat as alternate out of courtesy, but wanted the opportunity to take the lead for a year.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton explained that her husband had vascular surgery in mid-May, which prevented her from attending the swearing-in ceremony. She countered that she had never seen Comr. Fesik attend any lunch meetings and maintained that she had attended almost every meeting except in January. She urged Comr. Fesik to focus on facts rather than perceptions, stating that the backup materials documented that she hadn't missed meetings.

Comr. Fesik clarified she wasn't trying to be argumentative and explained that multiple people had told her about attendance issues. She reiterated that she had let Comr. Sigerson-Eaton take the lead out of courtesy as the director, but wanted to be more involved, which was why she put her name forward.

Vice Mayor Fournier then referenced the league bylaws, reading that it was the director's responsibility to communicate with municipal officials, employees, and constituents about Board of Directors actions. She stated she had never heard an update from the current director during reports on what was happening in Broward.

Comr. Perkins echoed this concern, saying she expected the director to provide regular updates and couldn't remember receiving any. She asked how long Comr. Sigerson-Eaton had been the director, and how often the Broward League met. When told they had met monthly since 2018, Comr. Perkins emphasized the importance of representatives providing updates to the Commission.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton explained that the league followed legislative bills, citing CRAs that came under legislative attack. She noted the Florida League of Cities strongly advocated for continuing CRAs, but pointed out that some commissioners wanted to eliminate CRAs, questioning how someone could serve on a body whose positions they disagreed with. She mentioned that Assistant City Manager Bosworth sent weekly updates during the session and stated that she had given updates to previous commissions from 2018 to 2022-2024 on various bills, though not formal updates.

Comr. Fesik clarified for the record that she wasn't opposed to CRAs but supported properly monitoring and managing their operations. She explained that this involvement led her to meet people from other municipalities and engage with the legislature to find improvement methods. She described having great meetings in Tallahassee, similar to Comr. Sigerson-Eaton's experiences, and simply asked for the opportunity to serve.

The voting process then began. For the director position, the vote was tied 3-3, with Comrs. Fesik, Perkins, and Vice Mayor Fournier voting for Comr. Fesik, while Comrs. Sigerson-Eaton, Smith, and Mayor Hardin voted for Comr. Sigerson-Eaton.

For the alternate position, both Comrs. Fesik and Sigerson-Eaton nominated each other. The vote resulted in 3-3, with Comrs. Fesik, Perkins, and Vice Mayor Fournier voting for Comr. Sigerson-Eaton, while Comrs. Sigerson-Eaton, Smith, and Mayor Hardin voted for Comr. Fesik.

Finally, for the second alternate position, Mayor Hardin nominated Vice Mayor Fournier, who agreed to serve. Comr. Sigerson-Eaton nominated Comr. Smith. In the final vote, Vice Mayor Fournier won decisively 5-1, with only Comr. Sigerson-Eaton voting for Comr. Smith.

The Item for Consideration/Discussion was RECEIVED AND FILED.

F. 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.

G. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

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

April 28, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. - Regular City Commission Meeting

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

H. REPORTS

City Manager's Report:

Suzette Sible, Assistant City Manager, reminded the Commission about an executive session meeting scheduled for April 22nd from 1:00 PM through 3:00 PM regarding negotiations with the International Association of Firefighters. She also announced that Jazz Fest would be taking place this weekend.

City Attorney's Report:

City Attorney Berman recognized Deputy City Attorney Tracy Lyons for speaking at a Florida Bar Review course on sovereign immunity for the second consecutive year, noting it benefited the City to have someone speaking statewide on such an important topic. Mayor Hardin congratulated Ms. Lyons for her participation.

City Clerk's Report:

No report.

Comr. Fesik's Report:

Comr. Fesik expressed concern about Mr. Harrison's short notice for missing meetings, as he had sent an email at 9:45 AM on Monday, which she felt was insufficient advance notice. She raised concerns about the timing of

the agenda release, explaining that commissioners typically receive agendas on Wednesday nights for Tuesday meetings, leaving little time for staff interaction and research. She requested that Ms. Sibble communicate with Mr. Harrison about providing agendas earlier to allow more preparation time. Comr. Fesik announced that Dark Sky Week ran from April 13 to 20th and that Earth Day was April 22nd. She then proudly shared that she had become a grandmother to Isla Grace, who was born on March 31st at 2:10 AM, and showed a photo of her first grandchild, explaining she had spent a week in Reno with her son Frank and daughter-in-law Morgan.

City Attorney Berman announced that he had also become a grandfather on April 10th and had just returned from out of state for the meeting, expressing how difficult it was to leave his new granddaughter. Mayor Hardin congratulated both new grandparents.

Comr. Perkins' Report:

Comr. Perkins reminded City Attorney Berman about a previous request regarding Pompano Beach cemetery plots for residents, noting he hadn't responded after two or three meetings. She inquired about the City Manager's condition after receiving an out-of-office email, and Mayor Hardin explained he was attending his grandson's championship game. Comr. Perkins expressed concern about department heads not addressing the Commission on agenda items and asked Ms. Sibble to investigate why some department heads never spoke at meetings. She also requested information on current city employees working remotely. Comr. Perkins expressed frustration about waiting three years for various projects, including a traffic light on MLK, the Annie Gillis parking lot, and the Ultimate Sports Park funded by the G.O. Bond, and demanded updates from staff while threatening to bring these items up at every meeting until progress was made.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton's Report:

No report.

Comr. Smith's Report:

Comr. Smith praised the Commission's teamwork in enabling a building to house 12 families. She announced that Bagel Snack in District 5 had won the Sun Sentinel's Best South Florida Deli award, praising the new owners, Kim and Mallory, who purchased it in 2024. Comr. Smith reported that District 5 had received a large sculpture called "Vivacious" that arrived on an 18-wheeler from Arkansas and was installed at Loop Road and Power Line. She announced Clean Streets would be in Collier City and Esquire Lakes on Thursday, April 16th, reminded nonprofits about charitable grants available May 1st, and noted that the housing rehabilitation program had increased funding from \$60,000 to \$80,000. She concluded with a quote about the moon from Deng Ming.

Vice Mayor Fournier's Report:

Vice Mayor Fournier congratulated the new grandparents and announced that the intersection of Northeast 1st Street and Northeast 2nd Avenue now had a four-way stop, replacing the confusing flashing lights. She provided an update on the McNab bridge demolition, explaining the road would be closed until early October

and clarifying confusion about boat traffic access during construction phases. Vice Mayor Fournier thanked Mr. Watters for leading a budget session that morning and paid tribute to Coral Springs Vice Mayor Nancy Metayer, who had been a victim of domestic violence, describing her as passionate and magnetic, and noting she would have been running for a congressional seat that included part of Pompano Beach. She concluded by reading a poem in Metayer's honor in recognition of National Poetry Month.

Mayor Hardin's Report:

No report.

I. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 PM.

Rex Hardin, Mayor

Kervin Alfred, City Clerk