



City of Pompano Beach

100 West Atlantic Blvd.
Pompano Beach, FL 33060

Detailed Minutes - Final

City Commission

Rex Hardin, Mayor
Andrea McGee, Vice Mayor
Alison Fournier, Commissioner
Barry Moss, Commissioner
Beverly Perkins, Commissioner
Rhonda Sigerson-Eaton, Commissioner

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

Tuesday, June 11, 2024

1:00 PM

Commission Chamber

City Commission Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Alison Fournier
Commissioner Barry Moss
Commissioner Beverly Perkins
Commissioner Rhonda Sigerson-Eaton
Vice Mayor Andrea McGee
Mayor Rex Hardin

INVOCATION

Pastor Branden Jones of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church offered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Kervin Alfred, City Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[24-400](#) Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes of May 28, 2024

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Hardin announced that Item 11 under the Regular Agenda will be postponed to the September 10, 2024 City Commission meeting.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor McGee, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Agenda be APPROVED AS AMENDED. 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 Item 1 and 2 would be pulled for City Commission discussion.

A. SPECIAL PRESENTATION**[24-401](#) Special Commendation**

Mayor Hardin introduced Major David Elwood of the Broward Sheriff's Office, who recognized Pompano Beach departments and businesses that helped raise over \$20,000 for the Special Olympics charity event during April and May 2024.

Major Elwood mentioned that the Pompano CORE team raised over \$20,000 for the Law Enforcement Torch Run in March and April, which benefits the Special Olympics Movement. The support from business owners throughout Pompano Beach made this achievement possible. Tokens of Appreciation were extended to all sponsors and donors who contributed to the success of the fundraisers and raffles, and they were as follows:

1. Pompano Beach Cultural Affairs Department
2. Pompano Beach Fire Rescue
3. Kilwins
4. The Goodyear Blimp

The Special Presentation was READ AND PRESENTED INTO THE RECORD.

B. PROCLAMATION**[24-407](#) Code Compliance Appreciation Week**

Mayor Hardin read a proclamation designating June 3rd through the 7th, 2024 as Code Compliance Officers Appreciation Week, and encouraged all citizens of Pompano Beach to express appreciation for the dedication and outstanding service provided by the individuals who serve as our Code Compliance Officers.

Mario Sotolongo, Code Compliance Director, expressed gratitude to the Mayor, Vice Mayor, Commissioners, City Manager, and residents for their support. He acknowledged that the City's success is a collective effort involving various departments and agencies, such as BSO, Public Works, and Animal Control. Mr. Sotolongo highlighted the dedication of the team and their commitment to improving the City while welcoming feedback for further enhancement. He emphasized the hard work put into making Pompano Beach the best it can be and expressed pride in contributing to the City's development.

The Proclamation 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:

Tashawna Thomas, 475 SE 1st Street, Pompano Beach, FL, spoke about environmental concerns regarding the upcoming 4th of July celebration. She said it is contradictory to fund the fireworks display during turtle nesting season. She asked the City Commission to reconsider their decision on this item, specifically the fireworks display. Ms. Thomas reiterated it is bad for the environment and misleading to advertise it as eco-friendly; therefore, she recommended a drone show instead of fireworks.

Ed Phillips, 394 NW 19th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, complimented BSO for their initiative to resolve community issues, including the number of deaths within the city. He emphasized the importance of acknowledging these issues and urged the Commission to actively seek more opportunities to tackle them.

Pat Anderson, 2650 NE 24th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, expressed that all the homes in Sailfish Canal are situated on the water in Pompano Beach, except for the property adjacent to hers. This neighboring residence underwent an address and zip code change and now falls under Lighthouse Point. Furthermore, she elaborated on the specifics of the damage that occurred at her property, a code violation, and her distressing experience with identity theft.

Vicente Thrower, Pompano Beach, FL, stated they did not elect the Sheriff as their spokesperson. He emphasized the need for a demonstration of what a partnership could look like, citing instances where the Sheriff failed to show up to support their community. He accused the Sheriff of degrading the City and urged the City Commission to address the Sheriff's verbal disrespect.

Comr. Perkins stated that she was only notified of the Sheriff's press conference the day before and expressed confusion about why it was held in Fort Lauderdale. She conveyed mixed feelings about BSO's recent work and emphasized the need for a plan with solutions. The Commissioner stressed the importance of connecting more with the community and noted that the increased attention from the Sheriff seems to be due to the upcoming election.

Mayor Hardin agreed with Comr. Perkins, stating that he also found out about the press conference the night

before. He questioned the timing and acknowledged that they have had issues within the City for a few years. He welcomed a meeting or discussion with the Sheriff and expressed surprise at the Sheriff's tone during the press conference.

Comr. Fournier similarly found out about the press conference at the last minute but was able to attend. She noted her familiarity with Operation Trigger Lock, having experienced a ride-along. She agreed that the timing and tone of the press conference were issues and made her uncomfortable.

Vice Mayor McGee also attended the press conference on short notice. She emphasized the need for collaboration, stating that pointing fingers is not productive. She stressed the importance of everyone working together and developing steps to resolve the issues.

Comr. Perkins added that she has never received a call from the Sheriff about the meeting, despite the numerous shootings in her district.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

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

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

1. [24-367](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE AMENDED AND RESTATED NORTHWEST CRA PLAN FOR THE POMPANO BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Nguyen Tran/Kimberly Vazquez)

Comr. Perkins pulled the item, requesting clarification about the amendments.

Kimberly Vazquez, Senior Project Manager of the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), reviewed the changes of the Northwest CRA Plan. The proposed changes include: updating and changing the term of the Innovation District and more aligning with the Downtown for consistency and branding purposes; extending the duration of the Northwest CRA Plan to December 31, 2049; defining the Downtown Master Plan project; and changing the language under Marketing and Special Events to be in compliance with State statute, and reference back to the Interlocal Agreement to the taxing authorities and CRA.

Mayor Hardin invited the public to provide input.

Ed Phillips, 384 NW 19th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, asked for clarification about the marketing and special events amendment. Ms. Vazquez stated that in 2019, the Florida legislature changed the marketing that a CRA

is permitted to do. Mr. Phillips said he would hate to see such a narrow window in the information that can be disseminated to neighborhoods and residents.

Tashawna Thomas, 475 SE 1st Street, Pompano Beach, FL, wants to see more mixed-use zones and has highlighted the lack of access to fresh foods in the northwest communities within the City. She also pointed out the absence of sidewalks and bike paths, and urged the CRA to consider providing these resources.

Mayor Hardin concluded public input and invited further Commission discussion on the item.

Comr. Fournier asked if the plan has implications for the community garden. Ms. Vazquez said they are discussing transferring the garden to the City.

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

Yes: Fournier

Moss

Sigerson-Eaton

McGee

Hardin

No: Perkins

Enactment No: RES. No. 2024-144

2. [24-369](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE AMENDED AND RESTATED EAST CRA PLAN FOR THE POMPANO BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Nguyen Tran/Kimberly Vazquez)

Comr. Fournier asked about TIF funding once the East CRA sunsets in 2031. Ms. Vazquez said they anticipate extending the duration of the CRA for an additional 30 years and going forward after the initial term limit with City TIF only.

Comr. Fournier is not in favor of extending the East CRA for another 30 years. She believes there needs to be a sense of urgency in developing the McNab House Botanical Garden. Overall, the Commissioner sees the East CRA as a success, but thinks that they need to find a different way to fund the Botanical Garden instead of relying on the East CRA as a funding source.

Mayor Hardin invited the public to provide input.

Pat Anderson, 2650 NE 24th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, stated she lives close to McNab Park and does not want to lose the park as a location for artists to paint. She asked to use the area on Mondays to hold painting classes.

Audrey Fesnik, 412 Briny Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, asked about the East CRA expiration. Ms. Vazquez stated it currently expires on December 31, 2031, but they are requesting an extension until December 21, 2061. Ms. Fesnik said the CRAs were set up to develop and renourish areas, and they hit the mark on the East CRA. She recommended paying attention to other areas.

Mayor Hardin concluded public input and invited further Commission discussion on the item.

Mayor Hardin asked if keeping the East CRA for the full extension to 2061 is a requirement. Ms. Vazquez replied no and confirmed it could be terminated at any point. Mayor Hardin inquired about the timeline for the McNab House. Ms. Vazquez confirmed they are working on it and met with the team to begin the site plan process. She noted that extending the East CRA would allow them to extend the debt service to pay off a bond. She anticipated completion within 3-5 years.

Vice Mayor McGee said one benefit of extending the deadline is to allow better financing options.

Comr. Fournier stated if they issue long-term bonds, they are essentially locking themselves into an extension of the East CRA. She said the TIFF funding should be returned to the General Fund to reinvest in other areas of the city.

Mayor Hardin said they can refinance and pay off bonds early, giving them flexibility regarding when to sunset the CRA.

Vice Mayor McGee asked Comr. Fournier how to finance the McNab House Botanical Gardens if the East CRA ends. Comr. Fournier suggested scaling down the project and exploring the possibility of establishing a public-private partnership.

Vice Mayor McGee mentioned the delays in the progress of the McNab House Project, citing the need to shut down construction temporarily due to COVID-19 and bring in various utilities to the house and the park. She emphasized the importance of ensuring that the project is done right, even if it means an extended timeline, to safeguard the hard work and investment made into it.

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

Yes: Moss
Perkins
Sigerson-Eaton
McGee
Hardin

No: Fournier

Enactment No: RES. No. 2024-145

3. [24-396](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NUMBER TWENTY-SEVEN (27) TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT FOUR (4) INCLUSIVE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR ADDITIONAL LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF STATE ROAD A1A (NORTH OCEAN BLVD.) FROM MILE POST 10.867 AND MILE POST 10.928; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Rob McCaughan)

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

Enactment No: RES. No. 2024-146

4. [24-397](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT NUMBER TWENTY-EIGHT (28) TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT FOUR (4) INCLUSIVE LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR ADDITIONAL LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF STATE ROAD A1A (NORTH OCEAN BLVD.) FROM MILE POST 11.008 AND MILE POST 11.062; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Rob McCaughan)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor McGee, seconded by

Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Enactment No: RES. No. 2024-147

5. [24-395](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPOINTING RICHARD DALLY TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD/LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF DEREK LEWIS, AS APPOINTEE OF COMMISSIONER ALISON FOURNIER; SAID TERM TO BE CONCURRENT WITH THE TERM OF THE APPOINTING OFFICIAL; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

(Staff Contact: Kervin Alfred)

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

Enactment No: RES. No. 2024-148

E. REGULAR AGENDA

QUASI-JUDICIAL PROCEEDING

Mark E. Berman, City Attorney, advised that items 6 and 7 are listed under Quasi-Judicial Proceeding and are quasi-judicial in nature; therefore, anyone who wishes to testify must be sworn in and may be subject to cross-examination by the City Commission or any other interested party. The individuals addressing the City Commission must state his or her name, whether he or she has been sworn, and understands the rules which governs these proceedings. Thereafter, Mr. Berman outlined the order in which they would follow: City staff would make its presentation for each item, followed by the applicant or any other person(s) wishing to speak, closing argument, and the Commission's discussion.

Kervin Alfred, City Clerk, placed under oath all individuals, including staff, addressing the City Commission in the following matters.

6. [24-375](#) **P.H. 2024-41: (PUBLIC HEARING 2ND READING)**
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, REZONING PROPERTY LYING NORTH OF AND CONTIGUOUS TO 2201 WEST ATLANTIC BOULEVARD FROM RM-12 (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCE 12) TO B-3 (GENERAL BUSINESS); PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

FIRST READING: MAY 28, 2024

(Staff Contact: Jean Dolan/David Recor)

Jean Dolan, Development Services Department, introduced the item. Beginning, she stated that this is the second reading of the Applicant's request to rezone the six residential lots lying north of and contiguous to 2201 West Atlantic Boulevard, from RM-12 to B-3. The request follows approval of the concurrent request for commercial flexibility that was approved by the Commission at the previous meeting on May 28th. Ms. Dolan stated that there were no changes from the first reading.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item.

Tashawna Thomas, 475 NW 1st St., Pompano Beach, FL, asked if this area had been considered for mixed use, to which Ms. Dolan replied that Atlantic Blvd. can be designated mixed use if someone wants to do that; however, this particular request was made by the applicant because they currently have a business located there. Ms. Thomas explained that her concern is that once zoned for a particular use, it can be difficult to rezone later. Continuing, Ms. Thomas stated that mixed use would allow people to build, have businesses, and be able to walk from place to place without having to drive.

With no further input from the public, Mayor Hardin invited Commission discussion.

Comr. Fournier asked if the Applicant was in attendance. Ms. Dolan said she expected them there, but did not see them in attendance. Comr. Fournier asked if they were able to get an updated trespass affidavit for the property. Ms. Dolan was unable to answer her question on behalf of the Applicant. Comr. Fournier stated that the property has definitely been cleaned up, and she acknowledged that Mario Sotolongo, Code Compliance Director, has been working with the property owner to keep it clean. Her expectation is that it will be kept this way going forward.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor McGee, seconded by Commissioner Fournier, that the Ordinance / Quasi-Judicial be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Fournier
Moss
Perkins
Sigerson-Eaton
McGee
Hardin

Enactment No: ORD. No. 2024-37

7. [24-376](#) **P.H. 2024-39: (PUBLIC HEARING 2ND READING)**
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO

BEACH, FLORIDA, ABANDONING FOUR NONCONTINUOUS 25-FOOT WIDE RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATIONS ON LOTS CONTIGUOUS AND NORTH OF 2201 WEST ATLANTIC BOULEVARD AND EAST OF NW 23RD AVENUE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

FIRST READING: MAY 28, 2024

(Staff Contact: Jean Dolan/David Recor)

Jean Dolan, Development Services Department, introduced the item. She explained that this is a request by the property owner to abandon the right-of-way that was dedicated via deeds for several properties that have since been purchased for consolidation and development as part of the commercial property located to the south. She confirmed that there have been no changes since the first reading and staff recommended approval of the item.

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 McGee, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Ordinance / Quasi-Judicial be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Fournier

Moss

Perkins

Sigerson-Eaton

McGee

Hardin

Enactment No: ORD. No. 2024-38

END OF QUASI-JUDICIAL PROCEEDING

8. [24-370](#) **P.H. 2024-42: (PUBLIC HEARING 2ND READING)**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 155, "ZONING CODE," BY AMENDING SECTION 155.4501, "SEPARATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ESTABLISHMENTS," TO MODIFY DISTANCE SEPARATION REQUIREMENTS IN THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES TO CORRESPOND WITH CHANGES IN STATE REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

FIRST READING: MAY 28, 2024

(Staff Contact: Max Wemyss/David Recor)

Max Wemyss, Development Services Department introduced the item and stated that this is the second reading of the Ordinance to amend the City's separation requirements for alcoholic beverage establishments. He confirmed that there have been no changes since the first reading of the Ordinance.

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 McGee, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Ordinance / Regular Agenda be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Fournier
Moss
Perkins
Sigerson-Eaton
McGee
Hardin

Enactment No: ORD. No. 2024-39

9. [24-371](#) **P.H. 2024-43: (PUBLIC HEARING 2ND READING)**
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 155, "ZONING CODE," OF THE POMPANO BEACH CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING SECTION 155.4303., "STANDARDS FOR SPECIFIC ACCESSORY USES AND STRUCTURES," BY MODIFYING REQUIREMENTS FOR STORED MOTOR VEHICLES, RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, BOATS OR TRAILERS ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY AND PROVIDING FOR EXEMPTION; BY AMENDING SECTION 155.5102., "OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING," TO PROVIDE APPROVAL OF SURFACING MATERIALS FOR OFF-STREET PARKING AND LOADING AREAS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

FIRST READING: MAY 28, 2024

(Staff Contact: Max Wemyss/David Recor)

Max Wemyss, Development Services Department introduced the item and stated that this is the second reading of the Ordinance to amend the code section standards for parking recreational vehicles, boats and trailers in

residential districts. He confirmed that there have been no changes since the first reading of the Ordinance.

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 McGee, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Ordinance / Regular Agenda be ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Fournier

Moss

Perkins

Sigerson-Eaton

McGee

Hardin

Enactment No: ORD. No. 2024-40

10. [24-398](#) **P.H. 2024-47: (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 AMKIN ATLANTIC SQUARE, LLC FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 140 SE 28TH AVENUE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: 50/50 Revenue Split)

(Staff Contact: Jeff Lantz)

Jeff Lantz, Parking Operations Manager, presented the item. Mr. Lantz began by stating that this item is a Parking License agreement with Amkin Atlantic Square for the property located at 140 SE 28th Avenue. Continuing, he informed that the property is the former home of St. Martin's Church and is located just west of the Intracoastal Waterway and adjacent to Harbor Village to the north. Mr. Lantz explained that the City will utilize the property as public parking for customers, employees, and visitors to the beach, as well as for restaurants and nearby retail establishments. Furthermore, it is believed it will add 200 parking spaces to the parking capacity, and City staff believes these additional parking spaces will be crucial to supporting ongoing development in the area. Mr. Lantz advised that there will be no permanent improvements to the property, and enforcement will be done by the existing parking management company. Additionally, Circuit will include the location in their daily circulation.

Mayor Hardin sought public input on the item.

Audrey Fesik, 412 Briny Avenue, Pompano Beach, FL, agreed that parking is needed by the beach, but asked

if there would be a barrier present to prevent cars from falling into the intracoastal. Mr. Lantz responded that yes, that would be a non-permanent improvement that would be put in place.

Tashawna Thomas, 475 NW 1st St., Pompano Beach, FL, stated that when additional parking is added, you are incentivizing people to drive their own vehicles, and the best thing that can be done to fix that would be to invest in public transportation so that the land could be used for better purposes. Additionally, the more parking that is added, the more people will drive to the beach and create more traffic.

With no further input from the public, Mayor Hardin invited Commission discussion.

Comr. Perkins asked for clarification on where the property is located and what is currently on the property. Mr. Lantz replied that it is currently a bare lot but was the previous site of St. Martin's Church, which was removed last year.

Comr. McGee wanted to thank Mr. Lantz and staff for bringing this to fruition since there was concern about where people would park as other lots go under construction.

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

Yes: Fournier
Moss
Perkins
Sigerson-Eaton
McGee
Hardin

11. [24-290](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO DECLARATION OF VOLUNTARY RESTRICTIVE COVENANTS MADE BY DIXIE PROPERTIES & INVESTMENTS, LLC AND UPPER POMPANO PROPERTIES & INVESTMENTS, LLC FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

POSTPONED FROM MAY 28, 2024

(Staff Contact: Scott Reale/David Recor)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor McGee, seconded by

Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Resolution / Regular Agenda be POSTPONED to the September 10, 2024 City Commission Meeting. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

12. [24-331](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 3 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$149,915.00 PURSUANT TO THE PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH AND WALTERS ZACKRIA ASSOCIATES, PLLC FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR VARIOUS CITY PROJECTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE
(Fiscal Impact: \$149,915.00)

(Staff Contact: Dr. Tammy Good/Christopher Schlageter)

Christopher Schlageter, Project Manager, provided background on the item. He spoke about the 2022 Parks and Recreation city-wide programming and activities reports, which utilize regional and national trends for recreation and facilities. The item before the City Commission is for the consultant to perform a current assessment of 26 existing park amenities and facilities and recommend changes necessary to align with the 2022 report, but Mr. Schlageter noted that it does not include passive parks.

Mayor Hardin invited the public to provide input.

Tashawna Thomas, 475 SE 1st Street, spoke about the need for improving parks in District 4. She asked if the funding would be equitable. Mr. Schlageter confirmed that all parks would be examined for total quality.

Jocelyn Jackson asked if the cost is the initial or total fee for services. Mr. Schlageter replied that the fee is for the conceptual plans and drawings. Ms. Jackson recommended community participation in the process while acknowledging upgrades to various parks. She mentioned that Apollo Park and Hunter's Park lack upgrades and noted amenities seen at other parks. Mr. Schlageter confirmed there would be two community meetings per district. Ms. Jackson suggested community input to address issues prior to project completion.

Anne Bosworth, 4015 West Palm Aire Drive, said they are blessed to have a nice park like Brummer Park in their neighborhood but noted many people walk through the foliage or conduct illegal activity in the area. She agreed with Ms. Jackson on soliciting community input and asked for a fence to be installed behind the foliage and for the park to be closed at night.

Mayor Hardin concluded public input and invited further Commission discussion on the item.

Comr. Fournier suggested developing a plan to open some of the park concession stands in the evening with parent volunteers.

Mayor Hardin noted the backup did not include any input from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee.

Mark Beaudreau, Recreation Director, said Mayor Hardin’s assessment was accurate. He added the Advisory Committee asked to be involved in any parks-related process.

Dr. Tammy Good, the CIP Manager, stated that the staff will communicate the plans to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee to ensure their involvement. Additionally, she mentioned that due to the size of passive parks, the decision was made to analyze them internally by city staff.

Vice Mayor McGee noted some specific projects that seem to be already attached to some parks. Dr. Good said anything listed in the exhibit could change based on assessment and needs.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton asked if a plan already exists. Dr. Good replied no and explained the entire team would make suggestions and would guide the budgeting process moving forward.

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

- Yes:** Fournier
- Moss
- Perkins
- Sigerson-Eaton
- McGee
- Hardin

Enactment No: RES. No. 2024-149

- 13. [24-282](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPOINTING _____ TO THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS; SAID TERM TO EXPIRE ON JUNE 12, 2027; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

Applicants

Other Board Memberships

Woodrow Poitier, Incumbent - District 4	1
Frank Desiderio, Incumbent - District 5	0
Daniel Debrecht, Alternate 1 - District 3	0
Denise Searle - District 1	0
Byron Schortinghouse - District 3	0
Joanne Puia - District 3	0
Patricia McGill - District 3	0

(Staff Contact: Kervin Alfred)

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

Enactment No: RES. No. 2024-150

14. [24-283](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPOINTING _____ TO THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS; SAID TERM TO EXPIRE ON AUGUST 12, 2027; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

PLEASE SEE FILE ID 24-282 FOR APPLICANTS INFORMATION

(Staff Contact: Kervin Alfred)

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

Enactment No: RES. No. 2024-151

15. [24-393](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPOINTING _____ TO THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS; SAID TERM TO EXPIRE ON AUGUST 12, 2027; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

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(Staff Contact: Kervin Alfred)

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

Enactment No: RES. No. 2024-152

- 16. [24-399](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPOINTING _____ TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD/LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH FOR A TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS; SAID TERM TO EXPIRE ON JUNE 12, 2027; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

<u>Applicants</u>	<u>Other Board Memberships</u>
Robert Hartsell - District 1	0
Virginia Doubek - District 1	0
Cody William Kiess - District 3	0
David Mingus - District 3	0
Kemarr L. Brown - District 4	0

(Staff Contact: Kervin Alfred)

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

Enactment No: RES. No. 2024-153

- 17. [24-265](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, FLORIDA, APPOINTING _____ TO THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD/LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY OF THE CITY OF POMPANO BEACH, TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF LAMAR "PAUL" FISHER, JR., ALTERNATE 1; SAID TERM TO EXPIRE ON JUNE 12, 2025; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Fiscal Impact: N/A)

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(Staff Contact: Kervin Alfred)

Mayor Hardin nominated Cody Kiess, but Comr. Fournier pointed out that Mr. Kiess has moved out of the city, so she nominated David Mingus instead.

After no further nominations, Mayor Hardin closed the nominations and explained that each commissioner should state their selection for the position when their name is called.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor McGee, seconded by Commissioner Sigerson-Eaton, that the Resolution / Regular Agenda be ADOPTED. Mayor Hardin nominated Cody Kiess and Commissioner Fournier nominated David Mingus. The motion failed by a 3 to 3 vote and the results were as follows:

Vote for Cody Kiess:

Sigerson-Eaton

McGee

Hardin

Vote for David Mingus:

Fournier

Moss

Perkins

The motion to fill the vacancy failed with a tie vote of 3 to 3. Consequently, Mayor Hardin requested that City Clerk Alfred bring the item back to the next agenda and investigate Mr. Kiess' residency status.

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:

June 20, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. - Joint Special Meeting of City and CRA

June 25, 2024 at 4:45 p.m. - Pompano Beach Finance Corporation

June 25, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. - City Commission Budget Workshop

June 25, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. - Regular City Commission Meeting

H. REPORTS

City Manager's Report:

City Manager Harrison recognized Wade Collum, the City's Urban Forester, for receiving a prestigious award from the National Charter Urban Forestry of Florida. Additionally, he mentioned the City received a thank-you from the Broward League of Cities for hosting their meeting. He thanked Comr. Sigerson-Eaton as well.

City Attorney's Report:

No report.

City Clerk's Report:

No report.

Comr. Fournier's Report:

Comr. Fournier commended Mario Sotolongo and the Code Compliance Department for their hard work in the community. She also thanked Parks and Recreation for their recent memos on requested topics regarding baseball and the Senior Center, congratulated them on the inaugural recreational baseball season, and recognized the baseball teams that won the championships.

Next, Comr. Fournier referenced a letter sent by the Coast Guard to Garden Aisles residents regarding the 6th Terrace Bridge, which shows detailed drawings, two navigable channels, increased clearances, etc. She noted that there was a web link referenced in the letter for additional information about the project. She said this is a long-awaited project and assured residents that the City is listening and is making progress. Finally, she mentioned a recent article in Florida Trend about Miami-Dade's alternative facility to jail the homeless population. She suggested working closely with Broward County to address the homeless issues in Pompano Beach.

Comr. Moss' Report:

Comr. Moss announced the Collier City Civic Association will be hosting its scholarship awards presentation on June 15th. Also, the Collier City Health Fair will be held on June 22nd.

Comr. Perkins' Report:

Comr. Perkins requested support from park rangers at Weaver Park and Hunter Park, including locking the restrooms at night. She shared her experience of visiting eight homeless locations within her district, noting their growth in the area. She emphasized the need for an advisory committee to help with suggestions on addressing this issue.

A motion was made by Commissioner Perkins, seconded by Vice Mayor McGee, to direct the City Manager to look into ideas of how to create a committee to address homeless issues in Pompano Beach.

City Manager Harrison said they have a number of employees working on the issue and he asked to provide a report prior to the next City Commission meeting.

Comr. Perkins reiterated her request to form a committee.

Vice Mayor McGee agreed there are opportunities to address the issue and suggested residents can help identify locations as well.

Comr. Fournier shared that she has participated in multiple ride-along with the Homeless Outreach Team and acknowledged the efforts of Ms. Cassandra Rhett. She explained that one challenge is that the County controls the resources and emphasized the need to strengthen the partnership.

Comr. Perkins emphasized the need to be hands-on with the homeless population.

Mayor Hardin invited the public to provide input.

Tashawna Thomas, 475 1st Street, Pompano Beach, FL, suggested they could address the problem by capping rent or having more affordable housing.

Sajan Kurian, 300 Gardens Drive, #105, Pompano Beach, FL, said he has been working on the homeless issue for 5-6 years, and it has become more alarming. He said many of the homeless experience mental and behavioral health issues. He volunteered his time to continue combating homelessness.

Tundra King, 124 NW 15th Street, Pompano Beach, FL, agreed with Comr. Perkins' suggestion to establish a committee and must include members with expertise. She stated the committee needs to work in collaboration with the police department and Ms. Rhett. She also stressed the need for additional funding.

Jocelyn Jackson suggested waiting to see what City Manager Harrison proposes first before forming a committee.

Mayor Hardin concluded public input and invited further Commission discussion on the item.

Comr. Moss agreed with Ms. Jackson and would be interested in knowing more about the committee before voting in favor of establishing it.

Comr. Fournier mentioned that she had made a similar motion in September 2023, at which time City Manager Harrison provided a memo recommending the continued use of County services. She referenced Fort Lauderdale's efforts and suggested that it is time to revisit what other cities are doing.

Comr. Perkins noted there is often a disconnect between staff and what is occurring in the community.

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton said she is not opposed to a committee but expressed concern about potential violence within the encampments. Additionally, she noted that many encampments are located on vacant or private lands and would not want committee members to be asked to trespass to gain more information and interact with the homeless population. She spoke about chronic homelessness versus people in crisis of becoming homeless.

Comr. Perkins clarified that she is not recommending that anyone trespass or directly engage with members of encampments. She stated that whatever the City is currently doing is not working.

Vice Mayor McGee emphasized the importance of residents informing BSO or the City Commission about areas of concern. She stated that each district has different types of homeless issues, such as encampments and transients in businesses and parks; therefore, having more people paying attention to and addressing these

issues would be beneficial.

Comr. Moss expressed concern about setting up a committee with no power or authority. He said he would support the motion to explore the possibility of a committee.

Mayor Hardin sought clarification on whether the motion was to instruct the City Manager to gather ideas for forming a homeless committee, rather than creating the committee itself at that moment.

Comr. Perkins confirmed that she desires a committee to be established and wants the City Manager to explore the best approach to creating it so that it can effectively address homelessness issues.

Mayor Hardin expressed a need to clearly define the motion, emphasizing the distinction between creating a committee outright and directing staff to propose ideas for its formation.

Comr. Perkins appreciated the Vice Mayor's acknowledgment of the difference among districts, a point she had been trying to communicate for years.

Mayor Hardin again sought clarification on the motion, asking if it was to direct the City Manager to come back with ideas for creating the homeless committee. Comr. Perkins replied in the affirmative.

The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Yes: Fournier
Perkins
Moss
Sigerson-Eaton
McGee
Hardin

Comr. Sigerson-Eaton's Report:

Comr. Sigerson Eaton thanked Mario and his code enforcement team for their hard work. She also gave a shout-out to the men and women of the Pompano Beach Police Force, specifically mentioning Major Elwood and Lieutenant Hopkins for their dedication and diligence in Operation Trigger Lock. The Commissioner also acknowledged Captain Stallings and thanked everyone for their efforts and ongoing commitment to the City.

Vice Mayor McGee's Report:

Vice Mayor McGee expressed congratulations and gratitude to the staff who worked with the Shipwreck Park group on the installation of the swim platform at Wahoo Bay. She also acknowledged the successful hosting of the first field trip to observe the developing mangrove system, which is expected to attract diverse wildlife and unique attractions to Wahoo Bay.

Mayor Hardin's Report:

Mayor Hardin brought up the topic discussed earlier about the homeless issue and asked Mr. Harrison to provide information on what the staff has been doing regarding this matter as soon as possible. He also inquired about any recommendations from the staff on solving the homeless issue without creating a new committee, emphasizing that if there's a “magic bullet” solution, they would prefer to pursue that. The Mayor expressed appreciation for the information that Mr. Harrison would provide.

I. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

Rex Hardin, Mayor

Kervin Alfred, City Clerk