



**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
AGENDA  
RIVIERA BEACH MARINA VILLAGE EVENT CENTER  
RIVIERA BEACH, FL 33404  
June 3, 2020  
6:00 PM**

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**MAYOR**

RONNIE L. FELDER

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JULIA A. BOTEL - DISTRICT 4

**CHAIR PRO-TEM**

DOUGLAS A. LAWSON - DISTRICT 5

**COUNCILPERSONS**

TRADRICK MCCOY - DISTRICT 1

SHIRLEY D. LANIER - DISTRICT 3

KASHAMBA MILLER-ANDERSON - DISTRICT 2

**ADMINISTRATION**

CITY MANAGER, JONATHAN EVANS

CLAUDENE L. ANTHONY, CMC, CITY CLERK

DAWN S. WYNN, CITY ATTORNEY

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**CALL TO ORDER**

**Roll Call**

**Invocation**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**AGENDA Approval:**

Additions, Deletions, Substitutions

**Disclosures**

**Adoption of Agenda**

**Comments From the Public on Consent Agenda (Three Minutes Limitation)**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THIS ITEM ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A COUNCILPERSON SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE ON THE AGENDA.**

**MINUTES**

- 1. APRIL 15, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.  
CLAUDENE L. ANTHONY, CITY CLERK, 561-845-4090**
- 2. MAY 6, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.  
CLAUDENE ANTHONY, CITY CLERK, 561-845-4090**

**RESOLUTIONS**

- 3. RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AMENDMENT 003 TO THE EXISTING PALM BEACH COUNTY CDBG AGREEMENT (R2018-2001) FOR THE STREET IMPROVEMENTS ALONG AVENUE "M" FROM WEST 23RD STREET TO WEST 27TH STREET - NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AMENDMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**TERRENCE BAILEY, INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS  
DIRECTOR, 561-845-4080**

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - 7:30 PM Non-Agenda Item Speakers (Three Minute Limitation)**

Public Comments should be restricted to issues, matters, or topics pertinent to the City of Riviera Beach. Please be reminded that the City Council has adopted "Rules of Decorum Governing Public Conduct during Official Meetings".

Public Comments shall begin at 7:30 PM unless there is no further business of the City Council, which in that event, it shall begin sooner. In addition, if an item is being considered at 7:30 PM, then comments from the public shall begin immediately after the item has been concluded.

Any member of the public wishing to comment publicly on any matter, including items on the agenda, shall submit their comments by email to City Clerk Claudene Anthony at [publiccomments@rivierabeach.org](mailto:publiccomments@rivierabeach.org). The email shall contain the applicable agenda item number(s) along with the precise wording to be read into the record; explicit language will not be read. Emails without applicable agenda item number(s) will be read under the general Public Comment Section. Be advised, public comments will be accepted, for each applicable item and the general Public Comment Section, until closure is announced by the Chairperson or the City Clerk.

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The City Clerk or designee will read public comments into the record at the appropriate time for no more than three (3) minutes unless the time limit is reduced by a vote of the Council based on the voluminous nature of the number of public comments received.

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### **ITEMS TABLED**

#### **4. TRAIN CROSSINGS AND QUIET ZONES - VERBAL PRESENTATION ONLY.**

**TERRENCE BAILEY, INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR, 561-845-4080**

### **REGULAR**

#### **5. RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO APPROPRIATE FUND BALANCE IN THE MAJOR DISASTER FUND NUMBER 607-00-271000 IN**

THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000 FOR HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS; AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO SET UP A BUDGET FOR SAME; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NATHAN OSGOOD, CHIEF OF POLICE, 561-845-4130

6. RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF A GLOBAL M4 STREET SWEEPER FROM SOUTHERN SEWER EQUIPMENT SALES BY UTILIZING THE FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION CONTRACT NUMBER FSA19-VEH17 AND SOURCEWELL CONTRACT # 2020-120716 NAF; AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO MAKE PAYMENT FOR SAME FROM ACCOUNT NUMBER 460-32101-564000 FOR THE PURCHASE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$268,287.00; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

TERRENCE BAILEY, INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR, 561-845-4080

7. RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_ - 20 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT 001 TO THE INTER-LOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AND THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA AND APPROVING THE CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN THE URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2021-2023 IN ORDER TO RECEIVE FEDERAL FUNDS TO INCLUDE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP GRANT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

DEIRDRE JACOBS, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER, 561-812-6590

#### DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

8. SELECTION OF THE CITY'S VOTING DELEGATE FOR

**THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES.**

**CLAUDENE L. ANTHONY, CITY CLERK, 561-845-4090**

- 9. ELECTED OFFICIAL(S) REPRESENTATION ON VARIOUS BOARDS THROUGHOUT PALM BEACH COUNTY FOR 2020/21.**

**CLAUDENE ANTHONY, CITY CLERK, 561-845-4090**

- 10. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES (AIPP) DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION.**

**JEFF GAGNON, AICP, ACTING DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR, 561-845-4060**

- 11. DISCUSSION CONCERNING RACE GENDER NEUTRAL POLICY DEVELOPMENT.**

**DOUGLAS LAWSON, COUNCILMAN, 561-845-3685**

- 12. AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO CONDUCT NEGOTIATIONS FOR A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE OPTION TO PURCHASE AND/OR AN AGREEMENT TO ACQUIRE THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2129 N. CONGRESS AVENUE.**

**JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, 561-812-6590**

**DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER**

**DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY**

**CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**STATEMENTS BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**

**ADJOURNMENT**

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 6/3/2020

**Agenda Category:** CONSENT

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**Subject:** APRIL 15, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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**Recommendation/Motion:** APPROVE THE APRIL 15, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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<b>Originating Dept</b>	OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK	<b>Costs</b>
<b>User Dept.</b>	ALL	<b>Funding Source</b>
<b>Advertised</b>	No	<b>Budget Account Number</b>
<b>Date</b>		
<b>Paper</b>		
<b>Affected Parties</b>	Not Required	

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**Background/Summary:**

**Fiscal Years**  
**Capital Expenditures**  
**Operating Costs**  
**External Revenues**  
**Program Income (city)**  
**In-kind Match (city)**  
**Net Fiscal Impact**  
**NO. Additional FTE Positions**  
**(cumulative)**

**III. Review Comments**

A. Finance Department Comments:

B. Purchasing/Intergovernmental Relations/Grants Comments:

C. Department Director Review:

Contract Start Date

Contract End Date

Renewal Start Date

Renewal End Date

Number of 12 month terms this renewal

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Contractor Company Name

Contractor Contact

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**REVIEWERS:**

<b>Department</b>	<b>Reviewer</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Date</b>
City Clerk	Robinson, Claudene	Approved	5/18/2020 - 3:18 PM

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
April 15, 2020  
6:00 p.m.**

PRESENT AT MEETING<sup>1</sup>:

MAYOR RONNIE FELDER

MAYOR FELDER

CHAIRPERSON KaSHAMBA L. MILLER- ANDERSON – DISTRICT 2

CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON

CHAIR PRO TEM JULIA A. BOTEL – DISTRICT 4

CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL

COUNCILPERSON TRADRICK MCCOY DISTRICT – 1

COUNCILPERSON MCCOY

COUNCILPERSON SHIRLEY D. LANIER – DISTRICT 3

COUNCILPERSON LANIER

COUNCILPERSON DOUGLAS A. LAWSON – DISTRICT 5

COUNCILPERSON LAWSON

CITY MANAGER JONATHAN EVANS

CITY MANAGER EVANS

CITY CLERK CLAUDENE L. ANTHONY

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CITY ATTORNEY DAWN S. WYNN

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<sup>1</sup> List of City Employees, Public Speakers and Others on Page 164

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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
APRIL 15, 2020 @ 6:00 P.M.**

(The following may contain unintelligible or misunderstood words due to the recording quality.)

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I'd like to call to order the Regular City Council Meeting, for April 15, 2020, 6:15 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam, roll call.

**City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, before I do the roll call I'd like to announce to the public that this meeting can be viewed live on the Riviera Beach Channel 18, YouTube, Riviera Beach TV. Also, on AT&T U-Verse Channel 99 and Hotwire Communications.

**City Clerk Anthony:** Mayor Ronnie Felder?

**Mayor Felder:** Here.

**City Clerk Anthony:** Chairperson KaShamba Miller-Anderson?

**Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Present.

**City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Pro Tem Julia Botel?

**Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Here.

**City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Tradrick McCoy?

**Councilperson McCoy:** Here.

**City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Shirley Lanier?

**Councilperson Lanier:** Here.

**City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Douglas Lawson?

**Councilperson Lawson::** Here.

**City Clerk Anthony:** City Manager Jonathan Evans?

31 **City Manager Evans:** Present.

32 **City Clerk Anthony:** City Clerk Claudene Anthony is present. City Attorney Dawn  
33 Wynn?

34 **City Attorney Wynn:** Here.

35 **City Clerk Anthony:** You may proceed.

36 **INVOCATION**

37 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

38 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. We'd like to have a moment of silence. I know  
39 we did this in our Utility District meeting a few minutes ago, but a moment of silence for  
40 our employee who we lost from COVID-19, as well as Former Council Member Liz Wade  
41 passed on yesterdays. And I'll go ahead and have Ms. Lanier go ahead and do the  
42 Pledge for us if, if you could.

43 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay. I pledge allegiance...

44 **All:** ...to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it  
45 stands, one nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

46 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Thank you.

47 **AGENDA APPROVAL**

48 **ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS**

49 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Do we have any additions, deletions or substitutions?

50 **City Manager Evans:** No, Madam Chair. We do not have any additions, deletions  
51 or substitutions from Staff.

52 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Anyone else?

53 **DISCLOSURES BY COUNCIL**

54 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Disclosures by Council?

55 [Pause]

56 **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

57 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Can we have a motion to adopt the Agenda?

58 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** So moved.

59 **Councilperson Lawson::** So moved. Second.

60 **Councilperson Lanier:** Second.

61 [Chuckles]

62 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Madam Clerk. [Pause]. You're on mute,  
63 Madam Clerk.

64 **City Clerk Anthony:** Ms. Lanier made the motion, Mr. Lawson second?

65 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I made the motion. Botel...

66 **City Clerk Anthony:** Ms. Botel? And Ms. Lanier second?

67 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** , Mr. Law'...

68 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible]. Either or. That's fine.

69 **Councilperson Lawson::** Yes.

70 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. [Chuckle]. Councilperson McCoy?

71 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

72 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

73 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

74 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?

75 **Councilperson Lawson::** Yes.

76 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Botel?

77 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Yes.

78 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

79 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

80 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

81 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Can you explain about the public comment  
82 cards for the Consent Agenda, as well as Items for Regular Agenda Items and for public  
83 comments, Ms. Anthony?

84 **City Clerk Anthony:** Members of the public, if you wish to submit a public comment  
85 on any Item that is on the Agenda, or on the public comment section of the Agenda, you

86 may do so at publiccomment@rivierabeach.org. That's public comments, P-U-B-L-I-C-  
87 C-O-M-M-E-N-T-S @rivierabeach.org. You may also view the Agenda at rivierabch.com.  
88 Public comment will be taken up until closure by either myself or the City Chairperson. In  
89 addition, any public comments that are read, they will not exceed the three minute limit.

90 That will be all, Madam Chair.

91 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. So the Agenda Item public comment cards will  
92 no longer be accepted after you've read it, and we'll announce that.

93 Alright. Do we have anyone that would like to pull an Item from the Consent  
94 Agenda? [Pause]. Alright.

95 **CONSENT AGENDA**

96 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson: ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT**  
97 **AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY**  
98 **ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS...**

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100 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

101 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes. Who was that?

102 **Councilperson McCoy:** Tradrick McCoy. I was trying to get your attention on No. 3  
103 and I had my phone muted. Can we pull that one, please?

104 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** No. 3 for the Consent Agenda?

105 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

106 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. [Pause]. Alright. So...

107 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson: ...IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED**  
108 **FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL**  
109 **SEQUENCE ON THE AGENDA.**

110 **MINUTES**

111 **1. MARCH 4, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

112 **2. MARCH 18, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

113 **RESOLUTIONS**

114 **4. RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF**  
115 **THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING**  
116 **THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE FLORIDA EMERGENCY MEDICAL**

117 SERVICES REIMBURSEMENT GRANT AWARD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 20019-20,  
118 TO EXPAND AND/OR IMPROVE THE CITY'S EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES  
119 DELIVERY FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$16,000.00; FURTHER  
120 AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE LUCAS AUTOMATED CPR  
121 COMPRESSION DEVICE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

122 JOHN CURD, INTERIM FIRE CHIEF, (561) 845-4104

123 5. RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF  
124 THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING  
125 THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH R1 RCM,  
126 FORMERLY KNOWN AS (ADPI) INTERMEDIX, FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL  
127 TRANSPORTATION BILLING SERVICES AND RELATED TECHNOLOGIES;  
128 AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO MAKE PAYMENT; AND PROVIDING  
129 AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

130 JOHN CURD, INTERIM FIRE CHIEF, (561) 845-4104

131 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** So, we have.., Mr. McCoy is gonna pull Item No. 3.  
132 Anyone else have anything to pull? [Pause]. Alright.

133 Do we have any public comment cards for Consent? You said...

134 **City Clerk Anthony:** No, Madam Chair.

135 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Alright. Can we have a motion to accept the  
136 Consent Agenda with Item No. 3 being pulled?

137 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** So moved.

138 **Councilperson Lanier:** So moved.

139 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** [Inaudible].

140 **Councilperson McCoy:** Second.

141 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Go ahead, Madam Clerk.

142 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

143 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

144 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

145 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

146 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?

147 **Councilperson Lawson::** Yes.

148 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Botel?

149 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Yes.

150 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

151 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

152 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote. Alright

153 **3. Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Consent Agenda Item No. 3.

154 **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM**  
155 **BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE FACILITY USE AGREEMENT**  
156 **BETWEEN THE PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
157 **AND THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH FOR THE CONTINUED USE OF THE LINDSEY**  
158 **DAVIS COMMUNITY CENTER AS A CONGREGATE MEAL SITE FOR SENIOR**  
159 **CITIZENS; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY CLERK TO**  
160 **EXECUTE SAME; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

161 **RICHARD BLANKENSHIP, PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR, (561) 845-4070**

162 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, we do not have any public comment cards on  
163 this Item. The acceptance of public comment on this Item is now closed.

164 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** So moved.

165 **Councilperson Lanier:** Second.

166 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Mr. Evans.

167 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if I can Parks & Recreation Director, Mr.  
168 Richard Blankenship present this Item.

169 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** Good evening, Mayor, Chair, City  
170 Manager. Richard Blankenship, Parks & Recreation Director.

171 This is our annual agreement with the county that allows us to host the meals  
172 program at Lindsey Davis. This is.., provides about sixty, seventy meals a day to the  
173 attendees at the Lindsey Davis Community Center.

174 With that, I'll answer any other questions you may have.

175 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

176 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Do we have any... Was that Mr. McCoy? Was that  
177 you, McCoy?

178 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you, Madam Chair.

179 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Go ahead.

180 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes. Thank you. Mr. Blankenship, that was my concern. I'm  
181 curious as to why we need to do an agreement. There's nothing in the backup that  
182 referenced that we operate under a current one year agreement. Is that truly, in fact, the  
183 case? If so, when does that agreement expire?

184 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** It is a requirement of the county, since  
185 they, they are the ones that are funding the program, so there's a requirement that they  
186 have a facility use agreement. [Audio skipped] not, not the City. And it's an annual  
187 agreement so we..., we've brought this to the Council several times in, in the past couple  
188 years.

189 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair, I couldn't hear him. It was kina muffled. Can  
190 you repeat that, Mr. Blankenship? Madam Chair?

191 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** This is a requirement of the county. Palm  
192 Beach County funds this program, so they require a facility use agreement..., an annual  
193 agreement, so this isn't the first. This, this..., as long as we've been having the meals  
194 program, we've had to have this agreement in place.

195 **Councilperson McCoy:** Follow up.

196 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Go ahead. You still have the floor.

197 **Councilperson McCoy:** Mr. Blankenship, I don't see a, a draft of the current  
198 agreement, nor the agreement that's gonna be proposed. I wanna be sure that I  
199 understand what's being proposed here and there's not anything historical that I can see  
200 from the backup that suggests what that agreement looks like, nor do I see an agreement  
201 as to what exactly we should expect for, you know, the next annual year.

202 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** I believe the, the agreement has..., vetted  
203 by Legal [audio skipped].

204 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** What was that you refer'..., you referenced? Legal?

205 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** The agreement that the county provided  
206 us was vetted by Legal for this Board, I...

207 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. So, Ms. Wynn, can you chime in?

208 **City Attorney Wynn:** Yes. The agreement should be part of your backup. It's a  
209 three year agreement. My understanding is that we have always entered into this  
210 agreement with the county. The scope of work is attached, it states what the county will  
211 provide. It's their standard facility use agreement.

212 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** It's here.

213 **City Attorney Wynn:** I don't know why you don't have it attached, Mr. McCoy.

214 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm looking at the Agenda. It's not attached anywhere. The  
215 only thing that's there is the Resolution and the actual memo.

216 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** It's attached...

217 **Councilperson McCoy:** And with that, I move that we table.

218 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Madam Chair?

219 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I don't see it attached. The agreement is not on Novus  
220 right now.

221 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Yes, it is. I'm looking at it.

222 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Where? Where is it?

223 **Councilperson McCoy:** You...

224 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** It, it's..., you have to...

225 [Inaudible dais comment]

226 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** It, it looks...

227 **Unk.:** [Inaudible] very bottom.

228 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** It's at the very... It'...

229 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** It's the sec'...

230 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** ..., it's at the very bottom.

231 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** The third one?

232 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** The third..., yeah. The third one is the agreement.

233 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** The third one. Yeah. It's thee. Okay.

234 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** It's here.

235 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Where am I looking?

236 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** The very bottom of the page. 'Cause it says..., it's underneath  
237 the Resolution. It says facilities agreement.dcc.pdf.

238 **City Manager Evans:** Under attachments, the section on Novus, it's the, the last and  
239 it says facility use agreement L-D-C-C.

240 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay.

241 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair?

242 **Councilperson McCoy:** Alright. My mistake. So, and, and Mr. Blankenship, if you can  
243 help me out, when does this expire?

244 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** To be honest with you, I thought it was an  
245 annual agreement but Ms. Wynn says it's a three year agreement.

246 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, I...

247 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** [Audio skipped]...

248 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...thought it was... Go ahead.

249 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** I believe it, it., any party., either party  
250 can terminate the agreement with thirty days notice [inaudible] like that.

251 **City Attorney Wynn:** It's a three year agreement, Mr. Blankenship.

252 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, Mr. Blankenship or Mrs. Wynn, has anything significantly  
253 changed as far as the City's responsibility? Relative to this facility agreement? Because,  
254 I'm literally just seeing it now and it seemed as if it was attached to the Resolution but I  
255 see it underneath now. So, I didn't get a chance to review it before.

256 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** No, sir. Nothing's changed. It's the  
257 standard.

258 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair?

259 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Finished, Mr. McCoy? [Pause]. McCoy?

260 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes, I'm done. Thank you.

261 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Ms. Lanier.

262 **Councilperson Lanier:** I just wanted to ask, because the., you can't have aggregate  
263 or congregate meals at that location, are they going to be delivering now?

264 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** They deliver., well, it, it's different  
265 situations. We have fifty-[audio skipped] seniors that are getting meals now. Since., with  
266 the [audio skipped]. Some of those are getting meals when they go get them at the North  
267 County Senior Center. And some of [audio skipped] meals delivered by Palm Tran  
268 Connect. But it's all through this program that allows us to provide meals for seniors.

269 **Councilperson Lanier:** So, so what would they be doing if they want., if they're.,  
270 we're, we're looking [inaudible] agreement with something that was., that we've had all

271 along. But, so what will they be doing in the building now that you can't have people to  
272 congregate there?

273 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** Well, they're de'..., they're still providing  
274 meals. They're just not...

275 **Councilperson Lanier:** Meals to who?

276 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** To those folks that are registered at the  
277 program.

278 **Councilperson Lanier:** So people are coming..., they're coming to that spot to get  
279 meals?

280 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** No. They're going to..., either they're  
281 going to the North County Senior Center on North Lake or the meals are being delivered  
282 to them by Palm Tran Connect.

283 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Mr. Lawson, could you mute your mic, please?

284 **Councilperson Lanier:** So, I'm asking..., but, but I'm asking the question of..., so what  
285 are they gonna do in that particular building at Lindsey Davis?

286 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** Well hopefully this doesn't last for three  
287 years and we'll be back to normal at some point soon. [Audio skipped].

288 **Councilperson Lanier:** Right. 'Cause..., [stammer], the reason I'm asking is because  
289 how will we operate during COVID-19? How does that building operate? Does it operate  
290 at all? Is the county in there at all? Do they have food [inaudible] pickup? I'm not  
291 understanding how this is working now that people can't congregate there and get their  
292 meals. And especially during the fact that you can't be, you know, you can't have  
293 congregate meals there, so I'm trying to figure out, at this point, right now, you know,  
294 regardless of the agreement, how is it working now with COVID-19 for this building.

295 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I, I see Mr. Evans is trying to speak. So, Mr. Evans and  
296 then Ms. Wynn.

297 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair and Members of the Board. This is the  
298 agreement that is put in place to effectuate the relationship between the county and the  
299 City for the purposes of utilizing that particular site and the facility. It's a requirement for  
300 entities that are providing this service to execute that agreement, especially when it's in  
301 a specific facility. Apart from what we're doing now, COVID-19 is something that is  
302 separate but we are still providing service to the individuals that have signed up for this  
303 program. And so, they're still getting the meals that they would normally get but once we  
304 go back to normal, then that..., this particular site will be the site where the meals will be  
305 held. So, the services are still being provided. This is more so of a standard agreement  
306 that the county asks for all municipalities that participate in the program to execute to  
307 ensure that the use of the facility is provided and that, you know, appropriate insurance

308 documentation, so it's probably a requirement of their risk management and their program  
309 director in order to continue to facilitate the arrangement.

310 **Councilperson Lanier:** So I'm still asking, what is happening in the building now?

311 **City Manager Evans:** There's nothing happening in the facility...

312 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay.

313 **City Manager Evans:** ...now.

314 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay.

315 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Ms. Wynn, did you...

316 **Councilperson Lanier:** I just wanted...

317 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...still need...

318 **Councilperson Lanier:** I just wanted to...

319 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...to add something?

320 **Councilperson Lanier:** I just wanted to [stammer] ensure safe delivery. You know, if  
321 people are either coming there to pick it up or however it may..., however it's going, I just  
322 wanna make sure that people are not congregating at that building for meals.

323 **City Attorney Wynn:** I have nothing further.

324 **City Manager Evans:** No. They are not...

325 **City Attorney Wynn:** Mr. Evans covered it.

326 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay.

327 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. I...

328 **City Manager Evans:** No, they are not.

329 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes. Okay. Thank you.

330 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Any other questions or comments for Item No.  
331 3? [Pause]. Alright. Madam...

332 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

333 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

334 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, is anyone aware of when the current agreement expires?

335 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** Mr. McCoy, I don't know off the top of my  
336 head the exact date. This was on the Agenda for the April 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, so it's been on  
337 the, you know, then it got moved to tonight. It., I, I believe it is the end of June, where  
338 the, the existing agreement expires. But I'm not positive of...

339 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you, Mr. Blankenship. Just one comment, if I may? I'm  
340 really seeing this agreement for the first time. I guess [inaudible] I thought it was not  
341 there. I didn't see it when I just clicked, but there's some really interesting language in  
342 here that says that the City shall not discriminate based on age, race, sex and all of that  
343 kinda jargon. But, I thought it was interesting to say age if this program is solely about  
344 seniors. So I hope that you don't discriminates against anyone that's not a senior when  
345 it comes to providing access to [inaudible].

346 But that's all I have, Madam Chair.

347 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. And we don't wanna get in debating on who is  
348 what age 'cause we know we have some young lookin' seventy something year olds.  
349 So...

350 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Chuckle].

351 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** We're gonna let whoever comes, comes. Alright.  
352 Speaking of someone near and dear to us. Alright. If there are no other comments or  
353 questions, we'll go ahead with the roll call, Madam Clerk.

354 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

355 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

356 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

357 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

358 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?

359 **Councilperson Lawson::** Yes.

360 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Botel?

361 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Yes.

362 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

363 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

364 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

365 **Parks & Recreation Director Blankenship:** Thank you.

366 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Thank you.

367 **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

368 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** That concludes our Consent Agenda.

369 [Pause]

370 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, your microphone is muted.

371 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Thank you. So, those of you who would like to put in a  
372 public comment card, Ms. Anthony already spoke of how you could do so. I believe you  
373 have the email address as well. It may be visible somewhere, or you can get to it  
374 throughout the meetings. After the Agenda Item is read, we will not accept a public  
375 comment card for that Item. And it will be read for three minutes, once she receives them.

376 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

377 **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING**

378 **AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**

379 **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

380 **ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING**

381 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Ordinance on first reading.

382 **6. Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Item No. 6.

383 **City Clerk Anthony:** AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
384 RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, TOLLING THE CURRENT  
385 MORATORIUM PREVIOUSLY ENACTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 4133, AND  
386 EXTENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 4141, FOR THE PERIOD REMAINING ON THE  
387 MORATORIUM FROM APRIL 1, 2020, WHEN GOVERNOR DESANTIS ENACTED  
388 EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-91 DIRECTING ALL CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA  
389 TO LIMIT THEIR MOVEMENTS AND REMAIN AT HOME IN RESPONSE TO THE TO  
390 THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY OF COVID-19 FOR THE DURATION OF  
391 EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-19, INCLUDING ANY MODIFICATIONS OR EXTENSIONS  
392 THEREOF BY GOVERNOR DESANTIS AS TO THE FILING, RECEIVING OR  
393 PROCESSING OF ANY APPLICATION OR PERMIT ASSOCIATED WITH LANDS  
394 HAVING A SPECIAL PRESERVATION FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION, IN  
395 WHOLE OR IN PART, INCLUDING SUBMERGED LANDS AND UPLANDS, OR  
396 LANDS DEFINED AS WETLANDS OR A WETLANDS PRESERVATION AREA WITHIN  
397 CHAPTER 23, ARTICLE III, OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES, IN ORDER TO  
398 REVIEW, AMEND AND DEVELOP CODES AND LAND DEVELOPMENT  
399 REGULATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND THE  
400 SPECIAL PRESERVATION FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION, ALONG WITH

401 **CODES FOR COASTAL CONSTRUCTION AND WETLANDS PRESERVATION, IN**  
402 **ORDER TO PROTECT AND CONSERVE THE CITY'S NATURAL RESOURCES;**  
403 **PROVIDING FOR THE BOUNDARIES SUBJECT TO THE MORATORIUM;**  
404 **PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS AND SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN**  
405 **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

406 **JEFF GAGNON, AICP, ACTING DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR,**  
407 **(561) 845-4060**

408 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comments on this  
409 Item is now closed.

410 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** So moved. Or, do we have to move it? Yeah.

411 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Do we have a second?

412 **Councilperson Lanier:** Second.

413 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Mr. Evans.

414 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair and Members of the Board, if I can have Acting  
415 Director of Development Service, Mr. Jeff Gagnon, present this Item. And Legal will be  
416 prepared to provide any [inaudible]...

417 **Acting Development Services Director Gagnon:** Thank you.

418 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

419 **Acting Development Services Director Gagnon:** Good evening, Honorable Mayor,  
420 City Council, Staff. My name is Jeff Gagnon, the Acting Director of Development Services  
421 for the City.

422 You have before you on first reading, an Ordinance that would add a toll period  
423 associated with the current State of Emergency, specifically, Executive Order 20-91,  
424 which really prohibits our ability of holding a public hearing in a, a typical sense. I know  
425 we are giving digital meetings now as a last ditch effort, however, we have language that  
426 we would like to bring before the Planning & Zoning Boar, followed by City Council for  
427 your review and hopefully approval, and we would like to follow it to the whole public  
428 hearing process however to do so.

429 So what this Ordinance would do would..., would be to toll an additional period of  
430 time based on the current Executive Order 20-91 and any extensions that there might be  
431 to that Order as well. If no action is taken, the Ordinance is currently set to expire on May  
432 30<sup>th</sup>, so Staff is recommending that we add this tolling period and we ask that the City  
433 Council approve this Ordinance.

434 Thank you.

435 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Mr. Gagnon, April 30<sup>th</sup> or May 30<sup>th</sup>?

436 **Acting Development Services Director Gagnon:** I'm sorry, May 30<sup>th</sup> would be the  
437 expiration date of the current moratorium.

438 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Alright. You said we don't have any public  
439 comment cards for this Item? Ms. Anthony?

440 **City Clerk Anthony:** No, Madam Chair. We do not have any public comments on  
441 this Item.

442 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Do we have any comments or questions from the  
443 Board? [Pause]. Alright. Madam Clerk.

444 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

445 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

446 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

447 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

448 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?

449 **Councilperson Lawson::** Yes.

450 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Botel?

451 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Yes.

452 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

453 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

454 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

455 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

456 **ITEMS TABLED**

457 **REGULAR**

458 **DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION**

459 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Discussion and deliberation.

460 **7. Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Item No. 7.

461 **City Clerk Anthony:** **DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION BY COUNCIL ON**  
462 **SELECTING A CHAIR AND CHAIR PRO TEM.**

463 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comments on this  
464 Item is now closed. And we do have a public comment on this Item.

465 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Mr. Evans.

466 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair and Members of the Board, this is your Item to  
467 reorganize the composition of the Board with regards to the selection of a Chair and a  
468 Chair Pro Tem. Staff has facilitated by creating the memorandum but it is specified in  
469 your City Charter, as far as procedural elements that would be the responsibility of the  
470 Chair and the Chair Pro Tem. At this particular time, Staff is here to address any  
471 questions of the Board, but this is the discussion for the Board to select who will serve in  
472 those two capacities.

473 And in closing, Madam Chair, thank you for your exceptional work in serving as  
474 the Chair during some challenging times every time that you have served in that capacity.  
475 But it's much appreciated.

476 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I have that great luck of being here when all the stuff  
477 goes on.

478 [Chuckles]

479 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Thank you so much. It's been a pleasure. It certainly  
480 has been a pleasure getting through all of those challenges. I'm still writing my book so I  
481 have a lot to talk about.

482 [Chuckles]

483 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. So, Ms. Anthony, we..., we're just gonna put...  
484 Can you explain..., we're gonna do the process that we normally do? In terms of  
485 nominating or? Or?

486 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes, Madam Chair. I will open the floor for nominations, if that  
487 is the desire of the Board. However, we do have a public comment. So, would you like  
488 to do public comment now before we...

489 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

490 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...open the floor?

491 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** We can do that.

492 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. Ms...

493 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

494 **City Clerk Anthony:** Ms. Deborah Hall will read a public comment into the record.

495 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay.

496 **Ms. D. Hall:** The public comment comes from Horace Towns. And it reads:

497 'With the COVID-19 pandemic, causing many municipalities to adjust and create  
498 procedures on the fly, I would ask that the changing of the Chair and Pro Tem be delayed  
499 thirty days until some normalcy returns to Riviera Beach. A veteran Chair and Pro Tem  
500 will eliminate some stress on a Council that is already experiencing communication  
501 challenges like other municipalities.'

502 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. That's the end? [Pause]. Okay.

503 **Ms. D. Hall:** Yes. That's...

504 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** So, Mr...

505 **Ms. D. Hall:** ...the only public comment from Mr. Horace Towns.

506 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Thank you. Alright. Ms. Anthony, we're putting  
507 out the nominations for the Chair.

508 **City Clerk Anthony:** I can open...

509 [Inaudible comment]

510 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...the floor for the nomination for a Chairperson.

511 **Councilperson Lanier:** Let me ask something.

512 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes. Yeah.

513 **Councilperson Lanier:** Can you nominate yourself?

514 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

515 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes, Councilperson...

516 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible]...

517 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...Lanier.

518 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...myself. [Chuckle]. I am nominating myself.

519 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

520 **Councilperson Lanier:** For the Pro Tem., is it Pro Tem now?

521 **City Clerk Anthony:** No. We're asking for the Chairperson right now.

522 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Or Chair?

523 **Councilperson Lanier:** Well, how about it. Let's nominate Shirley Lanier for the Chair.

524 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. And... I'm, I'm going to nominate Ms. Botel for  
525 Chair. She's been in line. Not that we have to go by that. [Stammer] that isn't always  
526 what happens but she has been on the Board, she has put in her time and I, I would  
527 certainly want to put her name out as a nomination.

528 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Thank you...

529 **Councilperson Lanier:** And I'll...

530 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** ...Madam Chair.

531 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...second that. And I'll second that nomination.

532 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Thank you.

533 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Any other nominations? For Chair? [Pause].

534 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

535 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright, Ms. Anthony. Who...

536 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay.

537 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Put your hand up because I don't see who's talking.

538 **City Clerk Anthony:** That will be Councilperson McCoy.

539 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. McCoy, what... Go ahead.

540 **Councilperson McCoy:** Does the Chairperson have to be a Member of the City  
541 Council? I was looking at the Mayor over there with a really nice tie and I wanted to get  
542 him involved.

543 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Chuckles]

544 **Councilperson McCoy:** Ms. Wynn?

545 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** We'll, we'll save him... We'll save him for the next time  
546 maybe.

547 **City Clerk Anthony:** Mr. Mayor.

548 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** You wanna speak?

549 **Mayor Felder:** I think he was trying to get a meal at Lindsey Davis Center. He look  
550 [inaudible].

551 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Chuckles]

552 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. So, do we have any other nominations for  
553 Chair? [Pause]. Alright. Ms. Anthony.

554 **City Clerk Anthony:** Members of the Board, I need to ask a question of Ms. Lanier.  
555 Ms. Lanier, are you withdrawing your nomination as Chair?

556 **Councilperson Lanier:** I am withdrawing.., I'm withdrawing my nomination and  
557 seconding the motion with KaShamba for Julie Botel as Chair.

558 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. We will now close the floor for the nominations for  
559 Chairperson of the City Council for.., effective April 16...

560 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Our next meeting?

561 **City Clerk Anthony:** Are we going to do it to the end of the month or are we gonna  
562 do it effective tomorrow? Or, the [audio skipped] of May? 'Cause it's usually...

563 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Board?

564 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...the next day but... How do you all.., what's...

565 **Councilperson Lanier:** I, I like...

566 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...the pleasure of the Board?

567 **Councilperson Lanier:** I like... I like the fact that if we could do it.., for.., starting May  
568 1<sup>st</sup>. To let our Chair, our esteemed Chair, run out the month and then we'll have Julie as  
569 the Chair starting May 1<sup>st</sup>.

570 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** That's fine with me.

571 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Is everybody good with that?

572 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay...

573 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

574 **Councilperson McCoy:** Question.

575 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Go ahead, Mr. McCoy.

576 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, just for the purposes of starting off a new month, what  
577 other purposes would it be to actually wait? Because, I mean, we've never waited in the  
578 past.

579 **Councilperson Lanier:** The only reason that I said wait was because there was some  
580 public concern about the succession and because of what we're under right now. And,  
581 given the fact that our esteemed Chair has led us this far, I figured we would start, not in  
582 the middle of the month, we'll start fresh out on May 1<sup>st</sup>. And, I'm, I'm not even sure how  
583 the government is going to operate because it, it seems that the government wants to  
584 open this place up on May 1<sup>st</sup>, but, you know, I beg to differ. But, you know, at least  
585 having some type of succession where the Chair starts fresh on May 1<sup>st</sup> and we can have  
586 our Chair, who has served in this position numerous years, to be able to take us through  
587 the end of the month. That was the only reason I suggested that.

588 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. McCoy, are you good with that? Or, you have  
589 something...

590 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well...

591 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I see you, Lawson. I see you. Hold on one second.  
592 Go ahead, McCoy.

593 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you, Madam Chair. Councilwoman Lanier, I respect  
594 that but, you know, other than having a new month to start, I don't really see the purpose  
595 in waiting another month because then, it really creates a process that we've seen time  
596 and time again where, when you don't have [inaudible] Chairperson and Vice Chair  
597 elections, then you basically continue to run down the clock to May and then June,  
598 because that's exactly where we were two years ago and I don't really understand what  
599 would be fruitful, or really purposeful, to, to kinda delay....

600 **Councilperson Lanier:** And, and]...

601 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...you know...

602 **Councilperson Lanier:** And...

603 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...[inaudible].

604 **Councilperson Lanier:** No, but no.

605 **Councilperson McCoy:** Go ahead. You wanted to say something?

606 **Councilperson Lanier:** Mr. McCoy, I agree. That's your opinion. I, I agree with that.  
607 If you want it to be something that starts tomorrow, that's fine with me but I was just  
608 suggesting it based on public comment. To be able to run it out to the end of the month.  
609 But, each Councilperson has their druthers in terms of how they want this to go forward.  
610 I say May 1<sup>st</sup>. If you say something else, we can vote on that as well.

611 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Mr...

612 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. So, a general question for the Attorney and the  
613 Manager. So, as we stand, what dictates when we do elections for Chairperson?

614 Because I don't think it's in the Charter, I just... I actually was looking at this provision  
615 here but I don't understand why we would wait and what exactly is the purpose other than  
616 continuing to kick the can down the road and creating a situation where we had a  
617 Councilperson who served less than a year and, you know, it became a, a problem.

618 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Right. And I was there for that. So I, I do know what  
619 you're talking about. Let'..., let's listen..., hear from Lawson and Felder and then we'll come  
620 back. I, I know where you stand and I know where Lanier stands. So, we'll hear from  
621 them and then we'll come back. Lawson.

622 **Councilperson Lawson::** Thank you, Madam Chair. And, also to Councilwoman  
623 Lanier's point, that we don't know what's gonna happen on May 1<sup>st</sup> so I wouldn't want us  
624 to wait and determine us..., moving forward with our new Chair and our new Pro Tem.  
625 And, by all means, Council'..., Councilwoman Miller-Anderson has been amazing, so I'm  
626 not rushing her out but I say that we just move forward and starting fresh with our new  
627 Councilwoman Botel..., our new Chair Botel.

628 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Felder.

629 **Mayor Felder:** Yeah. Just, just a question. This was a vote, right?

630 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** It will be...

631 **Mayor Felder:** It was a vote?

632 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Well...

633 **Mayor Felder:** It, it will be?

634 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** If we have more than one person that was nominated,  
635 we would've done a vote. But typically, and correct if I'm wrong, Ms. Anthony, if there's  
636 just one person nominated and no one puts anyone else up, we don't typically vote?

637 **City Clerk Anthony:** The floor...

638 **Mayor Felder:** [Inaudible].

639 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...has been closed for nominations and it's one person and  
640 so, therefore, there's no need for a vote.

641 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Gottcha.

642 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Correct. Alright. So, I, you know, I'm, I'm absolutely  
643 okay... I understand where Ms. Lanier is coming from and I understand where Mr. McCoy  
644 is coming from in terms of the time being shortened and that was an issue a few years  
645 back. So, Mr. Evans or Ms. Wynn, provide there is no documents that need to be changed  
646 overnight, I know that we typically have to sign things. That's on the CRA side, but I  
647 believe Ms. Botel already has a signature on those as a Chairperson. So, I don't think

648 anything like that, excuse me, needs to happen. So, is there anything else that would  
649 require us to have a little adjustment?

650 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair...

651 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Evans or Wynne?

652 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...[inaudible] provide...

653 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Hold on.

654 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...clarification to what Mr. McCoy was asking.

655 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Mhmm.

656 **City Clerk Anthony:** As indicated in the memo, the City of Riviera Beach terms for  
657 their elected officials was two years and so the Chair changed every year. Once the  
658 terms for the elected officials changed to three years, as indicated in the memo, the Board  
659 that was sitting at that time, [stammer] nor its successor made a change to when the Chair  
660 is elected. But as indicated in the memo, it is the pleasure of the Board of whenever they  
661 want to change the Chair because, as the Charter states, the Chairperson serves at the  
662 pleasure of the Board.

663 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Correct. Okay. I, I'm., I have no problems with it being  
664 tomorrow. We get through this meeting tonight, we'll have a couple weeks to see what's  
665 going on and then Ms. Botel, and whatever adjustments need to happen can happen in  
666 the next couple weeks before our next meeting. So, I'm okay with it going ahead and  
667 changing [stammer] immediately, or it starting effective tomorrow.

668 Alright. So everybody's good with it happening tomorrow?

669 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

670 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Yes.

671 **Councilperson Lawson::** Yes, Madam Chair.

672 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** And McCoy, yes? Okay.

673 **City Clerk Anthony:** [Inaudible].

674 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Who was...

675 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam, Madam Chair? The., this is me, Ms. Anthony.

676 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay.

677 **City Clerk Anthony:** So, the Chair [inaudible] effective April 16, 2020, until...

678 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

679 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...after the election of March 2021.

680 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes. Alright. Congratulations...

681 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Thank you.

682 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...Chair...

683 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Thank you.

684 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...Botel.

685 [Clapping]

686 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** You've done a wonderful job KaShamba. I.., it's big...

687 **Councilperson Lanier:** Congratulations.

688 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** ... shoes.., big shoes to follow in but I'll do my best.

689 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Pass my shoes along. [Chuckle]. They're a little worn,  
690 I think, but you can have them.

691 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Chuckles].

692 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

693 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Inaudible].

694 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Ms. Anth'.., Ms. Antony. [Pause]. Your mic is muted.

695 **City Clerk Anthony:** We will now open the floor for nominations for Chair Pro Tem.

696 **Councilperson Lawson::** Madam Chair?

697 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Go ahead.

698 **Councilperson Lawson::** I'd like to nominate myself for Pro Tem.

699 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Do we have any other nominees?

700 **Councilperson Lanier:** I'd also like to nominate myself for Pro Tem.

701 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Going...

702 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay.

703 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Mr. McCoy, you're the only one hanging out there.

704 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

705 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes. I knew it was coming.

706 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Chuckle].

707 **Councilperson McCoy:** I would like to nominate the Mayor for Pro Tem.

708 [Chuckles]

709 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** You're determined to give him...

710 **Councilperson McCoy:** I withdraw that...

711 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** ...[inaudible]...

712 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...motion. I withdraw that, thank you

713 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** [Inaudible] more responsibility. Yeah. Alright. Ms.  
714 Anthony, so we have Mr. Lawson and Ms. Lanier for Chair Pro Tem. Nominees.

715 **City Clerk Anthony:** That is correct.

716 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. And...

717 **City Clerk Anthony:** That's correct.

718 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...our next step would be? To do what now?

719 **City Clerk Anthony:** We will need to take a vote, and we will take a vote on Mr.  
720 Lawson first. And...

721 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

722 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...if necessary, take a vote on Ms. Lanier.

723 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

724 **City Clerk Anthony:** So, can I [audio skipped] a motion and a second, nominating  
725 Councilperson Lawson as Chair Pro Tem?

726 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** What did you..., I didn't hear you. What did you say?

727 **City Clerk Anthony:** Can I get a motion and a second nominating Mr. Lawson as  
728 the Chair Pro Tem?

729 **Councilperson McCoy:** So moved.

730 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Do we have a sec'...

731 **City Clerk Anthony:** Who was that? I, I can't distinguish voices on, on..., virtually.  
732 Was that Mr. McCoy?

733 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

734 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes. So moved.

735 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Mhmm.

736 **City Clerk Anthony:** Can I get a second?

737 **Councilperson Lawson::** Second. Can I second?

738 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes, you may, Mr. Lawson. It has been properly moved and  
739 second. Councilperson Lawson?

740 **Councilperson Lawson::** Yes.

741 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

742 **Councilperson Lanier:** No.

743 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

744 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

745 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Botel?

746 [Pause]

747 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Chuckle]. Your, your mic is not on, Botel. [Chuckle].

748 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** It's a subliminal closing of the microphone not wanting to say  
749 either way but... I say no.

750 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

751 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Oh. Leave it up to me, huh? Um, I'll, I'll say yes.

752 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. That motion is approved with Councilpersons Lanier  
753 and Botel dissenting.

754 Okay. Can I now get a...

755 [Inaudible comment]

756 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...[audio skipped] and a second for..., if you all want to move  
757 forward with a vote on Ms. Lanier, can I get a motion and a second...

758 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Well...

759 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...nominating Councilperson Lanier?

760 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I have a question. What...

761 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes, ma'am.

762 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** What, what point would there be?

763 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair., Madam Chair, it's just a matter of formality. I  
764 just cannot make the...

765 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Okay. Alright.

766 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** So, let's ask this then...

767 [Inaudible]

768 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Let's just ask this first. So, if we voted and changed  
769 our..., and did the same but the opposite...

770 [Inaudible comment]

771 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...you have Co-Chairs? Co., Co-Chairs?

772 **City Clerk Anthony:** No. That is not...

773 [Inaudible comment]

774 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...in our Charter, Madam Chair. The, the...

775 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Ms. Wynn...

776 **City Clerk Anthony:** Ms. Wynn, wanna chime in on this.

777 **City Attorney Wynn:** Madam Chair, Mr. Lawson received the requisite number of  
778 votes. You wouldn't go to the next person.

779 **Unk.:** Right.

780 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Right.

781 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Madam, Madam...

782 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Right.

783 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** ...Chair?

784 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Uhuh.

785 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I, I would like to.., let's see. I'm trying to remember, Roberts  
786 would allow me, if I had been on the prevailing side, to reintroduce that motion and I would  
787 ask somebody who had been on the prevailing side to reintroduce in an effort to provide  
788 Chair Pro Tem Lawson with a unanimous vote to support his candidacy. I think it's really  
789 important for us, if we're going to be together, to move together as one. And if somebody  
790 on the prevailing side would ask to have that rescinded.., is that the proper word, Ms.  
791 Wynn? [Pause]. Yes. To rescind that vote, I would be happy to change my vote.

792 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

793 **City Attorney Wynn:** It would be... Yeah. It would be a reconsideration by the  
794 person on the prevailing...

795 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** That's is. A reconsideration.

796 **City Attorney Wynn:** ...person on the prevailing side. Yes.

797 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** A reconsideration.

798 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Mr. McCoy, did you have something?

799 **Councilperson McCoy:** I wanted to offer a motion to reconsider.

800 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

801 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Second. Oh, can I second if I wasn't on the prevailing side?

802 **City Attorney Wynn:** Yes...

803 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

804 **City Attorney Wynn:** ...you can.

805 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I second.

806 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

807 **City Clerk Anthony:** Are we ready for the vote?

808 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

809 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Yes.

810 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

811 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

812 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

813 **Councilperson Lanier:** No.

814 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?

815 **Councilperson Lawson::** Yes.

816 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Botel?

817 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Yes.

818 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

819 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

820 **City Clerk Anthony:** That motion is approved with Councilperson Lanier  
821 dissenting. [Inaudible]...

822 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

823 **City Clerk Anthony:** [Inaudible].

824 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Congratulations, Mr. Lawson. And...

825 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Congratulations.

826 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Ms. Lanier, you definitely are right.., I'm sure you'll  
827 probably bump him out soon.

828 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Chuckle].

829 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I'm sure.

830 [Chuckles]

831 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** As long as.., if we get back...

832 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Inaudible].

833 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...to the Chambers, I know she's gonna hold you to  
834 task, Mr. Lawson. So right now, you're kind of free to be you.

835 **Councilperson Lawson::** Absolutely. I'm safe in my, in my area right now.

836 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** In your area.

837 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Chuckle].

838 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Congratulations to you two. Would you...

839 **Councilperson Lawson:** [Inaudible]...

840 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...two like to say something?

841 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I would, Madam Chair.

842 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Botel. Go ahead.

843 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I would like to congratulate Mr. Lawson and recommend that  
844 he not have himself looking over his own shoulder for future meetings. [Chuckle].  
845 [Inaudible]. Thank you. No, seriously. Congratulations, Mr. Lawson.

846 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Mr. Lawson.

847 **Councilperson Lawson:** Thank., I just wanted to thank Madam Chair. You've done a  
848 phenomenal job this past year and I just transpire., I really just aspire to fill those shoes  
849 that you've left for us. So, and, Dr. Botel, you as well as Vice Chair. I just look forward  
850 to working with you.

851 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Thank you. Thank you.

852 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Thank you. I appreciate it and good luck to you two. I  
853 am sure you all will do very well and we'll all be working together, as we have done in the  
854 past year. So, I'm sure once we get passed this., I think once we get through the meeting  
855 tonight, we can do anything because we were able to maintain some control here. Which  
856 I was very concerned about, I just want you all to know that. Mr. Evans can tell you that.  
857 So, I appreciate it, for making this, this situation go by pretty smoothly.

858 Alright. So, No. 7, we are finished with No. 7.

859 **8. Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Item No. 8. [Pause]. Discussion...

860 **City Clerk Anthony:** [Inaudible].

861 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...by the City Manager. It's No. 8, discussion by City  
862 Manager? Is that correct?

863 **City Clerk Anthony:** **DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION ON THE**  
864 **AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE A PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR 2129 NORTH**  
865 **CONGRESS AVENUE.**

866 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair?

867 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Hold on.

868 **City Clerk Anthony:** We do not have...

869 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Hold on. Now, I have this Agenda. That...

870 **City Clerk Anthony:** Mhmm.

871 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...is not correct.

872 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** It's wrong. You have to go by the..., by what's online.

873 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** We got... So, please don't throw anybody else off like  
874 that. When you have it printed, if you all add anything or change anything, we have to let  
875 the Council know 'cause otherwise we're operating on a old Agenda. Alright. So...

876 **Councilperson Lanier:** So, something was changed on the Agenda?

877 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I don't know. I have to pull it up and see. Mr. Evans,  
878 do you know what the situation is?

879 **City Manager Evans:** I believe that this Item, when the Agenda was originally  
880 published, had an additional document that was inserted, so Staff did put it..., pulled the  
881 Item down and pulled it back up. And so, I think it was probably a matter of a couple of  
882 hours when you may have pulled down the Agenda, why it didn't populate on the Agenda  
883 Item that you printed. But the Item is discussion and deliberation to authorize negotiations  
884 and purchase agreement for 2129 North Congress.

885 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yeah. 'Cause that was somewhere else. That was in  
886 another..., originally. I know when I originally saw the Agenda it was in another position,  
887 so I guess it changed.

888 **City Manager Evans:** Yes. It [inaudible].

889 **City Clerk Anthony:** I, I believe it was on the Agenda that we sent to you yesterday,  
890 Madam Chair.

891 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** No. This is the one I have, the one you all gave me.  
892 No, it's not. It's not on here.

893 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. My apologies.

894 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. So, we're at No. 8, discussion and deliberation  
895 on the authorization to negotiate a purchase agreement for 2129 North Congress Avenue.  
896 Mr. Evans?

897 **City Clerk Anthony:** That is correct.

898 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay.

899 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, Madam...

900 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** [Inaudible].

901 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, Madam Chair. At this particular moment, I will have the  
902 Assistant to the City Manager, Ms. Marsha Noel, begin the presentation and then I will  
903 interject towards the end of the presentation. Ms. Noel.

904 **Assistant to City Manager Noel:** Alright. Thank you, Mr. Evans.

905 So, aside from my task of making sure that everybody could get on to  
906 GoToMeeting and have a smooth meeting..., meeting, which I'm glad we were able to do,  
907 I also did have an opportunity to, to assist in this endeavor regarding the 2129 North  
908 Congress Ave. parcel. I do have presentation slides that I would like to share. So, I'm  
909 gonna go ahead and share my screen. Once I do that, you should see my slides show  
910 up on, on the GoToMeeting.

911 [Pause]

912 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Just one thing. Ms. Anthony, did you say we have  
913 public comments for this Item?

914 **City Clerk Anthony:** No, Madam Chair. We do not have any public comments for  
915 this Item.

916 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay.

917 **Assistant to City Manager Noel:** Alright.

918 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

919 **Assistant to City Manager Noel:** So, I will go ahead and begin. So, with this  
920 presentation, the purpose of me providing this to you is for the purpose of providing you  
921 with some background information that'll be useful for this discussion, as we are seeking  
922 your approval to, to negotiate a purchase agreement for the property. I'm gonna start  
923 with a backdrop, provide some information on the current state as to where we are with  
924 the Library and Youth Empowerment Program, what our search process like. Later into  
925 the presentation, Mr. Evans will provide some input and then we'll make sure to finish off  
926 with any questions that you may have. So, with that being said, I will begin.

927 Alright. So, what you see in front of you is the first slide. As you know, the Library  
928 did receive a grant back in 2016 for the construction of a new Library facility. That grant  
929 now expires in December of this year. From what I understand from Library Staff, there  
930 was a four year period by which they would be able to utilize those dollars for the Library,  
931 but given the circumstances that we're in currently and with that deadline coming up  
932 shortly, we..., there, there will not be a plan to utilize these dollars for that. So, with that  
933 being said, I would like for you to keep in mind that the authorization for negotiating a  
934 contract would be at the full cost of the City.

935 So, why is it specifically that we would like to seek out a facility to relocate the  
936 Library and YEP? As you..., as I've already stated, the Library has [inaudible] to, to  
937 construct a better facility than where they are in the past, but with that plan no longer

938 being in place, we're looking for another option that can still serve the purposes of the  
939 Library and now the Youth Empowerment Program. Now, there is a dire need, I think,  
940 which is quite obvious, that we can see, that the community can see with regards to our  
941 Library facility and also our Youth Empowerment Program. I wanna focus in specifically  
942 on those areas that are overarching in this case, that can showcase why in fact the newer  
943 facility would be better accommodating for the needs.

944 So for the Library, the first is that it's outdated. From what I understand, the Library  
945 facility it was constructed back in the 1970's. It has not seen any major renovations or  
946 changes since. And so, that facility is still stuck in the 1970's. And with that, you're going  
947 to have.., you're going to have maintenance challenges. One of the major issues with  
948 regards to maintenance and repairs have been issues with the.., with water intrusion or  
949 flooding inside. And so, when you go into the Library facility, you will see areas that have  
950 been taped off and what have you, things that have been done to try to manage the  
951 situation. But with those maintenance challenges, it also presents health and safety  
952 issues as well, both for the Staff and for the community that utilize that facility.

953 For the Youth Empowerment Program, the main challenge with that particular  
954 department is simply that where they're currently located, it lacks sufficient  
955 accommodations for Staff and participants, the youth and the adults that participate in  
956 their programs in that facility. Now why specifically the Library and the Youth  
957 Empowerment for this new [stammer] hopeful location? Well, the main common factor  
958 between the two is imply that they are community oriented programs, focusing..., focusing  
959 on youth, adults, education and empowerment and it would make sense to put programs  
960 that are similar in nature under one, one roof whereby they can share research and  
961 resources and maybe increase their expansion as to their reach into the community.

962 Now, the next set of slides, I'm going to share with you images that I personally  
963 took, taking a detour of this facility. I know that a lot of us are already aware as to what  
964 is going on in the Library but I do wanna keep in mind that there are viewers out there  
965 that may not be fully aware and again, this is just trying to give an example and an  
966 understanding as to the immediate nature for response for the Library. So, what you see  
967 in front of you are two images. On the left is the entryway to the Library and to the right  
968 is a column of bookshelves. What you see in that second image is essentially a  
969 separation between the wall and the bookshelves with caution tape. And also, exposed  
970 walls and floors, due to the maintenance and repair issues that have.., that this facility  
971 has incurred.

972 The next set of images, you will see more caution tape and again, exposed walls  
973 and signage to keep the, the community out of certain areas for their safety. This is not,  
974 I think, what anyone would envision for a space for the community or for the employees  
975 to really make use of the resources. We're offering to support education, literacy and so  
976 many other vital things that, that will help our [stammer] or our community grow for the  
977 future. The next set of slides that you see is some other areas of the Library, particular  
978 the second floor. On the left, you will see a room. I think that room actually used to be  
979 where the African-American studies room is. Now, that room cannot be occupied  
980 whatsoever. What you'll notice in some of these images is that because they've had to

981 block off certain sections of the Library with caution tape and exposing the floors and what  
982 have you, that essentially leads us to a place where the Library cannot even use every  
983 square inch of the room that they do have to accommodate the various services and  
984 programs that they have. To the right again, you'll see more bookshelves, there's caution  
985 tape. And again, it gives you..., it doesn't really give you that feel of a welcoming and a  
986 productive environment as you would anticipate for a Library setting.

987 The next set of images focuses more so on the employee workstations. To the far  
988 left, is where the Library Staff current works out of. You will see several cubicles in this  
989 one particular room, and this is also where they store some of their supplies and things  
990 of that nature. So this kinda gives you a behind the scene look on that end. In the middle,  
991 you will find where the Library Director's office space is. And, as you can tell, there's  
992 exposed walls, you can see that the..., that there's equipment and furniture that's centered  
993 in that space specifically because that room does, in fact, experience water intrusion  
994 issues. Now, you can imagine that if..., especially at the juncture that we're at where we're  
995 hiring for a Library Director and we want to be the employer of choice, that to recruit or to  
996 appeal to qualified individuals, that by showing them or by them knowing that this is the  
997 current state of our facility, it could be challenging in that regard. And so, I think it's  
998 important to note the significance of the Library, not only for the use of the community but  
999 also the employees that work in that facility day to day. And then to the far right, you will  
1000 see again more exposed walls in that office space.

1001 Moving on to the next set of images, these are more communal spaces. To left,  
1002 you will see the co'..., a conference room that can be utilized by the community. It's  
1003 outdated, there's stains on the floor. To the right is the breakroom for Staff. It also seems  
1004 to serve as a storage space. Behind that partition I believe they've actually stored a  
1005 couple of things there, as they also [inaudible] for..., to eat. And then in these last set of  
1006 images for the Library, again, I know that, you know, we're essentially showing those  
1007 things that we, you know, don't oftentimes feel comfortable showing because this is not,  
1008 I think, where the City envisions itself, but again, the purpose of showing these images is  
1009 so that we can understand where the current state of our, our Library is and our other  
1010 facilities and why it's so important to truly consider this Item as we move forward into the  
1011 year.

1012 So, in this last image, you will see the inoperable computer. We have single use  
1013 bathrooms and..., or, or single stall bathrooms and outdate furniture. One thing I noticed  
1014 for certain in this Library, especially when you're looking at a capacity whereby they are  
1015 experiencing over a hundred and sixty visits annually and dealing with individuals day  
1016 today that oftentimes you see facilities of that sort, bathrooms that have multiple stalls.  
1017 And so, we're, we're talking about accommodation, how, how is it that our current Library  
1018 facility..., how can that accommodate the needs, the daily needs of a community and the  
1019 employees that work in that space? So that is actually not the last one that I [stammer]...,  
1020 that we have. Just about one more slide for the Library. This final slide is going to show  
1021 you the ceiling..., part of the ceilings in the Library. To the left is the ceiling near the office  
1022 spaces on the second floor. As you can tell, there's patchwork done there, it's dilapidated.  
1023 And to the right, is the ceiling in the office of the Library Director as well. And they are  
1024 not in, in the best shape.

1025 Now moving on, I'm gonna show you a set of images as to where we currently  
1026 stand with the Youth Empowerment Program. For those who may not be aware, it is  
1027 located at the Lindsey Davis Center and it's in its own separate building. For this facility,  
1028 it currently is at about two thousand five hundred square feet, of which they're working  
1029 out of. On the far left, that's what I would consider a foyer before you get into the main  
1030 parts of the building. To the right is the podcast or media room just off of the foyer, that  
1031 the students will utilize for recreational purposes. And then to the far right, you will find  
1032 the main hallway in that first floor of the Youth Empowerment. Now, one interesting  
1033 characteristic about this particular facility, is that it seems to be that it's very narrow and  
1034 very small and when you take into account the amount of people that, that utilize this  
1035 facility in a given day which, from what I understand, is about fifty people or potentially  
1036 more. We need to think about how can move to spaces that are more open that provide  
1037 more use than just single purpose use and what have you. And so, and so it's important  
1038 for us to understand that currently with what the Youth Empowerment Program is  
1039 experiencing is that, for the amount of services they offer and the amount of youth and  
1040 children that they're serving, their facility seems to be limited in space.

1041 For these next set of slides, just additional spaces as well. You'll see to the left is  
1042 a, a playroom for the youth, and then to the right is the one bathroom that they have on  
1043 the first floor. I will note that there are only two bathrooms in that entire building. And so,  
1044 imagine again with about fifty people at one time in that building, having to only u'..., utilize  
1045 two bathrooms, can be challenging. These next set of slides to left is the breakroom that  
1046 the Staff utilize. There's not enough room really for anybody to sit down and have their  
1047 lunch or have their breakfast, so you would imagine that they probably grab their lunch,  
1048 heat it up and sit at their desk. And to the right, you have the stairwell that leads to the  
1049 second floor, which also seems to serve as a, a storage space as well.

1050 In these next set of images, this is gonna be the second floor of the Youth  
1051 Empowerment Program. To the far left is the hallway. Again, narrow. And then to the  
1052 right, is that corner just off of that, that hallway where they, they have stationed two  
1053 computers. And, from what I understand, tutoring goes on in that space. One unique  
1054 thing I find is that despite how small that, that facility is for everything that they do, they're  
1055 literally utilizing every square inch they can to operate efficiently as possible, or effectively  
1056 as possible. To the far right, you will see that there is a makeshift office space for one of  
1057 the other Staff members. I do want to mention that they do currently have three Staff  
1058 members. You have the Director and maybe two others. The two others have to find  
1059 corners in that facility to work out of, and this is just one of them. And so, if you look,  
1060 there is also a partition that separates that office from where the two stations, laptops, are  
1061 and so you could imagine that while trying to do work and also shares that space  
1062 somewhat with the other activities that go on, it can sometimes present a challenge but I  
1063 think that, you know, the Staff have, have found a way to, to make things work.

1064 Now, with that being said, after giving you information as to where we are with  
1065 those two facilities, I'm gonna give you some information now on the search process. So,  
1066 the search process keeps in mind the needs of both of these, these programs. And, so  
1067 that you are aware, we did begin this pro'..., this search back in January of this year. We  
1068 were able to identify five viable locations, or possibly viable locations. And, from what I

1069 understand in our research, there is a limit in the field as to the locations that we can  
1070 actually truly look at as parcels to consider for this particular initiative. And so for us to  
1071 have come down to five, was after some extensive research. Now, in the research, this  
1072 was not just a sole effort of City Administration, it was done in effort in part with the IT  
1073 Department, Public Works, the Library and YEP.

1074 So, for the first two locations that we looked at, they're both owned by the same  
1075 realty company. You have first, the BB&T Center, which is marked with one, and then  
1076 you have the former bank which is located right next to the BB&T Center. These two  
1077 locations are on Broadway. We're looking at \$20 a square foot for a three to five year  
1078 lease. Fees not included. For the first space, which is the BB&T [stammer].., BB&T  
1079 Center, they were offering two empty floors to lease and the combined total for the square  
1080 footage would be at seven thousand three hundred square feet. And then for the former  
1081 bank, just off of that, it's a two story building at about ten thousand square feet. Now, to  
1082 give you an idea as to what the interior of these facilities look like, for the first, for the  
1083 BB&T Center, there are two floors as I said, so the first larger image is one of the floors  
1084 and it's completely empty. It does have walls and carpeting but again, we walk in with an  
1085 open mind that whatever facility we're looking for may not necessarily have everything  
1086 we need but there may be a need to, to certain renovating and, and customize to our  
1087 needs. That smaller image just off the corner at the bottom is one of the other floors,  
1088 which is smaller but it does have a set of cubicle and office spaces around it. But just by  
1089 the square footage alone, we know that if the Library is currently operating in a fourteen  
1090 thousand square feet space and YEP is operating in a about a two thousand five hundred  
1091 square feet space, this would probably be very challenging to consider.

1092 For the second location, the former bank, you'll see that the larger image, in  
1093 number two, is the second floor of that building, it's essentially a shell and another way to  
1094 kinda say that, for lack of better terms, is, is that it's bare bones, it's like a skeleton. And  
1095 what we're notice as we go through some of these images is that sev'.., most of the  
1096 locations have been like shells. We would have to consider building out and constructing  
1097 out those, those spaces to, to fit whatever the desire of the City would be to, to turn it into  
1098 a, a workable space for the Library and the Youth Empowerment Program. And then, for  
1099 that smaller image at the bottom right, that's the first floor level of that.., of that former  
1100 bank as well. It does have walls and ceilings and things like that but, from what I  
1101 understand, that building would also need renovation.

1102 Now for the third location. We looked at the Island Plaza on Broadway, which is  
1103 the former Save A Lot. We're looking at about a twenty to \$30 a square foot for a five  
1104 year lease. Fees not included. So, if you do include fees, you just essentially estimate  
1105 those costs with that. But, that space is about nine thousand two hundred square feet.  
1106 Just like I said earlier, you're gonna notice that a lot of these spaces are shell space, in  
1107 that, again, they're completely bare and we would have to consider constructing those  
1108 facilities.

1109 The fourth location is the Marine Center, located at 801 West 13<sup>th</sup> Court. They  
1110 were offering two suites, two available suites, Suite A and Suite C. And you're looking at  
1111 \$14.50 a square foot for about.., for a minimum of a three year lease. Fees not included.

1112 And those two suites combines would be ten thousand and eight hun'.., ten thousand  
1113 eight hundred square feet. And like I said again, shell space. One interesting thing about  
1114 this facility is that with the suites, they have four, two of the others are already leased out  
1115 and so there's actually a suite that's in between the A and C. And so, that would make  
1116 for somewhat of a disjointed arrangement, if that was to be considered.

1117 Now to the final location, which is what we are proffering tonight, which is at 2129  
1118 North Congress Ave. parcel. This parcel is at fifteen thousand.., about a fifteen thousand  
1119 some odd square feet.., thousand square feet. And when you look into the interior, as  
1120 you can see in the attachment that came with this Agenda which basically spells out the  
1121 details regarding the highlights to this space, you will see that this is the space, and  
1122 actually the only space we've come across, that is.., that has the renovations and the  
1123 updates, and almost a.., and almost similar to a move-in ready like feel to what we've  
1124 seen. And so, this facility, we believe, is probably going to be the best decision moving  
1125 forward, to accommodate both programs and to fit the need and.., fit the needs as it  
1126 currently stands.

1127 Now as I said, we looked at five locations and we came to the determination for  
1128 the 2129 North Congress Ave. parcel. The five key factors that went into that decision  
1129 was the location. It is currently located near the intersection of Blue Heron Boulevard and  
1130 North Congress Ave., two major roadways. In addition, it will be cost effective, purchasing  
1131 this property versus the leasing. We did consider that if you were to lease, we would not  
1132 lease more than \$300,000 a year for, for something like that. And so, for, for this particular  
1133 property with what the current market value is that.., versus leasing it out, it would make  
1134 sense for the City to potentially move in the direction of, of actually purchasing that  
1135 property as we can also see how it can benefit in other ways. The third factor being the  
1136 size. It is the largest parcel of all others that we've come across. And so, we know that  
1137 that would be a great benefit. The fourth factor being its ability to accommodate, not just  
1138 because of the size but because it has some other additional features to it, like the amount  
1139 of parking and, and the ways in which we can actually modify that space to be  
1140 multipurpose use for the direction in which the Library and the Youth.., Youth  
1141 Empowerment Program is heading in. And the last thing, you wanna consider the future  
1142 use of this facility, especially as we start to think more in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century as to where  
1143 community oriented programs are heading in. And then in addition to what Mr. Evans  
1144 has mentioned in his March 10<sup>th</sup> memo, is that, as we look to other capital projects where  
1145 it co'.., where, where we, you know, may eventually get to construct, rebuild some of the  
1146 other facilities, this, this newer facility can be utilized as a transitional space as other  
1147 building may be built in the future, departments can rotate through that space. And that  
1148 space, how it's currently situated, could be used to, to essentially fit the needs of the  
1149 departments over time.

1150 And so at this point of the presentation, I'm gonna now hand it off to our City  
1151 Manager to provide you with a virtual tour of this particular location. After he's done with  
1152 that, we're gonna go into another slide and then we'll open up for any questions that you  
1153 may have. Mr. Evans.

1154 **City Manager Evans:** Thank you, Members of the Board and members of the public  
1155 that are watching this Item. Just a couple of things that I think are germane to the  
1156 discussion that we're having today. Your, your Library sees about a hundred and sixty  
1157 thousand visits annually. Total reference transactions are about eleven thousand, and  
1158 total collection use is about eleven thousand. The Youth Empowerment Programs has,  
1159 at any particular time, has seen unique visits sometimes up to close to two hundred  
1160 individuals. Now, the facility is a facility that is utilized and has it's peaks and ebbs and  
1161 flows as it relates to individuals that are utilizing the program but it is something that is  
1162 extremely valuable to our young folks and those that are seeking careers in the trade.  
1163 When we looked at this facility, we believe that this facility is the most appropriate facility  
1164 to accommodate this particular initiative as it blends Youth Empowerment, as well as the  
1165 Library services and creates some synergy with having some young folks in our Library,  
1166 and there's a lot of spaces that can be utilized.

1167 One of the things that is germane to the conversation, the property is not  
1168 necessarily for sale. There is a ground lease that is current in place where the property  
1169 owner has a tenant that pays them on a annual basis to utilize the space that is unutilized.  
1170 So, we talked about having the conversation about acquiring the property versus getting  
1171 into a situation where we enter into a lease agreement. On all the properties that Ms.  
1172 Noel communicated, you were going to look at anywhere between fifteen to thirty to forty  
1173 thousand dollars per month to utilize these facilities, in addition to you did not own that  
1174 asset. So, you would have a situation where on an annual basis, you can end up  
1175 spending anywhere from a hundred and fifty thousand to three to four hundred thousand  
1176 dollars a year in a lease payment. When we look at the situation that is present at our  
1177 Port Center, we know that we've had multiple opportunities to acquire that parcel. And  
1178 so, we didn't want this situation to be a similar situation.

1179 I'm going to go ahead and share my screen to walk you through the floor plan, and  
1180 this is just a [stammer].., sketch of Staff and then I will show you a video and then we'll  
1181 entertain some additional comments. So, if you can bear with me momentarily as I share  
1182 my screen.

1183 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I'm stepping away for a minute, Dr. Botel.

1184 **City Manager Evans:** Okay. You will see that the Item in front of you is a schematic  
1185 layout of the particular facility. You have an area here, and I will utilize a tool that will  
1186 assist me in spotlighting. So, here is your reception area. You will see in this reception  
1187 area we've incorporated a café. In most libraries, this is something that is very common,  
1188 where you have a coffee bar, an area where people can congregate to hang out prior to  
1189 entering into the, the Library facility. So, there's a café here. As you walk into the facility,  
1190 this is where you will enter the Library. You'll have a reception desk, business center, an  
1191 area for computers, your youth collection as well as your adult collection. You have a  
1192 situation here for our African-American room, a conference room, and then you have  
1193 seating, technology services and additional seating. Here is the restroom facility that will  
1194 be able to accommodate all the operations here for the public. And then, you have a  
1195 laboratory, where we are talking about robotics and a STEM program, hydroponic  
1196 gardening. I think even looking at we may have an opportunity to encourage folks to get

1197 into epidemiology as it relates to what we're dealing with now concerning COVID. As you  
1198 walk down,, you'll see some additional areas here for a hydroponic gardening indoor for  
1199 YEP, some storage area. This is a thirty person classroom that can be utilized for  
1200 community meetings, training sessions, et cetera. You have another part here where  
1201 there is a computer lab and testing center. One of the things that was communicated to  
1202 Staff as we went through this process is that there is a lot of value in being able to proctor  
1203 exams, SAT, ACT or even employers reaching out to have per'..., perspective employees  
1204 test prior to joining their agency. And so, as you continue to walk through the facility, you  
1205 have our children's area with a study room here, an area where the children's librarian  
1206 can be right here and look through a glass area to see what is going on in that program.  
1207 And then we would look to incorporate some cubicles and some additional office space  
1208 on the ex'..., on..., around the, the cubicles to..., and then ultimately you have the, the Staff  
1209 lounge. And here's the restrooms that would be able to be useable for City Staff, as well  
1210 as some members of the public that may be in the children's wing.

1211 So, from our perspective, this facility..., and when I show you the video, is pretty  
1212 much ready to go. There is some additional buildout that will have to occur, and the City  
1213 is looking at taking the necessary steps to go through a competitive process if the Board  
1214 is interested in acquiring this particular parcel. So at this time, I'm going to stop sharing  
1215 my screen and then I'm gonna go into the video, if you give me a moment and I will narrate  
1216 the video to the best of my abilities.

1217 [Video beings to play]

1218 **City Manager Evans:** Okay. So, this is an aerial view of the facility. It's off of North  
1219 Congress, right behind Community Partners. This is the aerial view again. That gives  
1220 you a look at the facility. And there is more than adequate parking to be able to  
1221 accommodate. This is walking into the main lobby area, reception area. And that's the...,  
1222 that's the floor plan of the facility. This is some of the professional offices that are in the  
1223 facility. One of the things that we would look to negotiate is being able to keep the  
1224 furniture that is in the facility, as it will save the City some money as it relates to FF&E  
1225 because there is a lot of furniture that can be repurposed and be reutilized. This would  
1226 be the space that would be looked at for the Library. This is the conference room that  
1227 was referenced. There's the training room. It's equipped with appropriate IT  
1228 technologies, and here's the laboratory. This is the restroom facilities to accommodate  
1229 the public need.

1230 So again, Staff believes that this facility can accommodate multiple needs for the  
1231 City, both as a facility to move the Library and our Youth Empowerment Program, but  
1232 also, look at the opportunity for flex space. Once we start proceeding forward with the  
1233 construction of new facilities, we can move other City operations into this space. And it  
1234 gives us a lot of presence on the north side of our community, and on that corner of  
1235 Congress and Blue Heron. The facility is in, in great condition. Obviously, we would go  
1236 through a due diligence process to ensure that everything is copesetic before the City  
1237 proceeds forward with securing the terms and conditions of a contract but that..., this Item  
1238 is intended to allow for City Administration to work with Legal and the property owner to

1239 talk about the possibility and feasibility of coming to bring a contract to the Board for  
1240 consideration.

1241 We do want to have additional conversations with members of the Library Advisory  
1242 Board, as their input and feedback is important but we believe that, for the cost that we  
1243 can get this facility and what we were looking at for a [stammer] lease agreement that  
1244 conceivably, in a five year period, you can pay off this facility as opposed to spending  
1245 monies on a lease agreement. And, Madam Chair, at this particular moment, myself and  
1246 Ms. Noel are prepared to answer any questions the Board may have.

1247 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Madam Chair?

1248 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. I'll come to you. Give me one second. Ms.  
1249 Wynn, is it very important for us to at least keep three people's faces on here so that  
1250 [chuckle] we, at least, seem like we have a quorum? I know that everybody signed in  
1251 and.., but, I, I just don't want to be the only two people sitting here and so if we can at  
1252 least make sure we have three people's faces...

1253 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I see...

1254 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...[inaudible]...

1255 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I see all the Board...

1256 **Assistant to City Manager Noel:** Three Council Members.

1257 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** ...Members.

1258 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yeah. At one point it was just the two of us.

1259 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Oh.

1260 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I'm just...

1261 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Oh, okay.

1262 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...saying, just make sure 'cause I don't want any  
1263 problems.

1264 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Okay.

1265 **City Attorney Wynn:** Yeah. I agree.

1266 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Go ahead.

1267 **City Attorney Wynn:** Thank you.

1268 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Go ahead. Go ahead, Ms. Botel.

1269 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Thank you. Mr. Evans, I had a couple of questions that I  
1270 received from someone in the community asking if we would be able to take advantage  
1271 of the Library grant that we received if the location works out well, will this location be  
1272 considered for a permanent site? And, they also mentioned that their Advisory Board  
1273 application is waiting for the Council to approve. Wanted to know when those positions  
1274 would be filled.

1275 And then I had some secondary questions myself. Can we get a 3D printer and  
1276 put it in, like in Makerspace? I think that'd be very cool. And, what part of the building  
1277 will be Youth Empowerment [stammer].., Youth Empowerment Program occupy?

1278 **City Manager Evans:** So, let me try to pull the, the questions out of it. With regards  
1279 to the grant, we had conversations with the granting agency and the grant was for the  
1280 purposes of construction of a new facility that would have to come out of the ground. We  
1281 did have conversations and spoke to them about a possibility of us looking to secure a  
1282 site to bring Library operations to and, unfortunately, based on the terms and conditions  
1283 in the application, it was communicated that the City would deliver a brand new Library  
1284 that would be new construction. And so, we could not utilize the \$500,000 for this  
1285 particular facility.

1286 With respect to the area that Youth Empowerment would utilize, it would pro'.., it  
1287 would be more likely the back half of the building. So, if I do show my screen again, I can  
1288 show you the area. So, the, the space that Youth Empower' would.., Youth Empowerment  
1289 would occupy would be primarily this area, and then there would have.., they would have  
1290 some professional office space here. But the intent behind the design and the free flowing  
1291 elements of this facility, is we want Youth Empowerment to be able to utilize the spaces  
1292 in collaboration and conjunction with the Library, because e there's some spaces that the  
1293 Library will not utilize and there some spaces that Youth Empowerment will utilize. So,  
1294 there would be an opportunity to schedule facilities, you know, the computer lab testing  
1295 center, that would be an area that most like would be utilized by Youth Empowerment.  
1296 But, this back half of the facility, as well as any other fac'.., part of the facility that they  
1297 would need to utilize would be available to them. So, it provides them a, a bigger footprint,  
1298 a, a bigger facility and there's actually ways for us to control access points for individuals  
1299 to be able to access certain parts of the building.

1300 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Just a follow up. The, the Advisory Board applications?

1301 **City Manager Evans:** The Advisory Board applications, that's something that we  
1302 can place on Consent at our next Regular City Council meeting.

1303 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Thank you.

1304 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Can we take the presentation off? I can't see  
1305 the other people.

1306 **Councilperson Lanier:** I wanna have a question to Council'.., Madam Chair?

1307 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Go ahead. Go ahead.

1308 **Councilperson Lanier:** Someone just text about where do they put in public  
1309 comments for this? I'm, I'm assuming they just joined the meeting so I wanted to make  
1310 sure that people in the public knew if there were any questions about this or any other  
1311 items, before we are finished, where to send public comments.

1312 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Ms. Anthony. Can you repeat for... 'Cause we, we still  
1313 have to do public comment, which we'll do as soon as we finish this here.

1314 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Stammer]...

1315 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, the email address to email a public comment is  
1316 publiccomments, P-U-B-L-I-C C-O-M-M-E-N-T-S @rivierabeach.org. If anyone was not  
1317 able to understand that, there is a notice posted on the City's website where they can just  
1318 click on the link for the email to send their comments in.

1319 **Councilperson Lanier:** Thank you.

1320 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay.

1321 **Councilperson Lanier:** People were texting me about the public comment section of  
1322 our, of our meeting. But, can I go forward, Madam Chair, with questions about this  
1323 project?

1324 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

1325 **Councilperson Lanier:** I first wanted to say that very good presentation, City  
1326 Manager, Mr. Evans and Noel. Very good presentation. But, I have some questions  
1327 about the project, first of all.

1328 Number one, I think that this project should've been workshopped with us first.  
1329 This is a very big decision and this is a lot of money. And I think that it should've come  
1330 to us in a workshop first so that we can be able to discuss some of these issues that...,  
1331 'cause I'm, I'm writing down stuff as we're, as we're talking and I have a lot of questions  
1332 to be asked and I know that this is a Regular Agenda Council meeting and something of  
1333 this magnitude should've been workshopped first. That's number one.

1334 Second of all, I think that if anybody here thinks that we're gonna go back to normal  
1335 after this, we are sadly mistaken. There is no normal after this. So that we have to move  
1336 forward, with everything that we're doing based on the COVID-19, the, the state of the...,  
1337 of the [stammer] City, the state of the..., the state..., and the state of the country at this  
1338 point. So, at this point, we have no idea what is going to transpire in the next thirty to  
1339 sixty days in terms of how this virus is going to affect us personally in this City.

1340 Which leads, which leads into my next question of \$2.1 to \$2.6MM. We don't know  
1341 how the markets are going to bear up in the next thirty to sixty days, and I have a, you  
1342 know, heartburn with spending this much money right now on a facility that, number one,  
1343 for all intents and purposes, both are shuttered. The Library is closed, Youth  
1344 Empowerment, for all intents [stammer] purposes, is closed. So, and I understand us...

1345 hear me when I say that I was the Chair of the Library Board before I became a  
1346 Councilperson. And I.., this Library project is very, very near and dear to my heart. And,  
1347 I have spoken with Mr. Evans on numerous occasions about a Library, about trying to get  
1348 something going, but I think it would do us better to look at putting that same money in  
1349 satellite projects, Wells, Tate, all of our recreational places to put satellite places for  
1350 people to come and to also pick up books or not to pick up books or even look at the  
1351 Library and YEP doing virtual work at this point. Because we don't know how long this is  
1352 going to last. And I know for a fact, with this City being eighty percent African-American,  
1353 it is going to hit us very hard. So, I wanted to frame this.., these question in the context  
1354 of we do have to plan for the future. There is no doubt about that, but we also have to  
1355 ensure that every dime we have, we have to make sure that we, you know, do it the right  
1356 way. And I'm not saying, Mr. Evans, this is not something that should be done. I'm just  
1357 saying that right now, my reservations are because of the state that we're in and as I said  
1358 before, we are in a pandemic. This is not normal. This is not how we usually do business.  
1359 So, to go into, you know, buying a new property at this point, I think that this should.., I  
1360 mean, the same we're here tonight, this should be workshopped. We should have some  
1361 conversation back and forth about it so that awe can come to a consensus about how we  
1362 should move forward.

1363 And, my last comment is the fact that I think that this whole.., that we're gonna  
1364 spend the money, that these things should be.., this Library situation should be a satellite  
1365 where we are all over this City, and not just the one, one location. And let me add also,  
1366 that the location that you picked on Blue Heron and Congress at MLK and Congress, two  
1367 children have been killed at two of those of those intersections. So, we really want to look  
1368 at where we're trying to put the Library, how we're trying to do this, and I think that we  
1369 should have more conversation. Because, don't get me wrong, Mr. Evans and Noel, this  
1370 was an excellent presentation. Excellent. But I think that it needs to be workshopped so  
1371 that we all can have a say in how we're going to move forward with this new normal.

1372 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if I, if I, if I may respond to the Councilperson's  
1373 comments? I did...

1374 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

1375 **City Manager Evans:** ...provide a.., I did provide a memorandum to the Board on  
1376 March 10<sup>th</sup> communicating the conditions of the facility. We understand that a new norm  
1377 is, is upon us and how we operate and how we conduct business is going to be profoundly  
1378 different. But the facility and the condition of the facility is substandard. You have about  
1379 three thousand square feet of the existing facility that is not being occupied. The facility  
1380 is leaking. In the event that we wanted to attempt to address the leaking in that particular  
1381 facility, we may find ourselves spending five hundred to six hundred thousand dollars and  
1382 not knowing if we can go ahead and cure the issue. This was a conversation that we also  
1383 had previously about the condition of multiple municipal facilities, and so Staff began the  
1384 work to look for an alternative location and how we can accommodate the needs of both  
1385 programs.

1386           The intersection and the, the challenges associated with that, we certainly will work  
1387 with FDOT and the County with regards to providing an opportunity for better ingress and  
1388 egress, but we wanted to attempt to address something before it got to a situation during  
1389 your rainy season where we're closing the Library because of a situation that we can't  
1390 control because of the inclement weather. We know that those facilities and those  
1391 operations are shuttered but we don't even have the capacity in the existing facility to  
1392 provide a virtual Library. This particular building that we're proffering has CAT 6 cables  
1393 and is ready to go and is basically something that can be up and operational in the matter  
1394 of a couple of months if we're able to proceed forward.

1395           So, we see this as a valuable asset to the City's inventory. There is cash on hand  
1396 that can acquire this particular asset. We see this asset like other assets the City has  
1397 acquired that will increase in value, and I think that it's important for us to have the, the  
1398 conversation. And this Agenda Item is merely to give the City Manager and City Attorney  
1399 the authority to negotiate a sole source procurement on this particular parcel. This is  
1400 going to end up coming back to you all for additional discussions and conversation at  
1401 least one or two times before it is a, a finished issue.

1402 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair?

1403 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes. Go ahead.

1404 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes. I do.., I understand that, Mr. Evans but given the state  
1405 of where we are now, I, I.., before we would've come back for, you know, jus tot even look  
1406 at to negotiate, I still think this should've been workshopped first. I still think that we can  
1407 look at putting that money towards satellite, I mean, which would really be wonderful,  
1408 satellite places around the City for the Library. And also the fact that if we're gonna be  
1409 talking about anything, we need to be talking about a public health budget for the City, in  
1410 terms of how we're going to move forward with the COVID-19 and how it's going to affect  
1411 our community.

1412           But that aside, I still say that, at this point, we still need to workshop it. I still have  
1413 numerous questions which I don't wanna get into tonight because we are at a Council  
1414 meeting and I'm not trying to take up all the time with all my questions. I just think that, I  
1415 mean, we can.., just like we're here tonight, we can easily put together a workshop and  
1416 just talk about this and talk this out because I have numerous questions I have written  
1417 down as you've been talking, as Noel been talking. And mind you again, the presentation  
1418 was excellent. It really was, but I have so many questions about spending this kind of  
1419 money right now. And also about how we're going to move forward virtually, with all of  
1420 our operations.

1421 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Mr. McCoy, and then Mr. Lawson. [Pause].  
1422 McCoy, you still have your question? [Pause]. We'll come back to you. Mr. Lawson, go  
1423 ahead. Lawson.

1424 **Councilperson Lawson:** Thank you, Madam Chair. Mr. Evans, where's the nearest  
1425 public bus stop for that site?

1426 **City Manager Evans:** I believe the nearest public bus stop may be a little ways  
1427 down, close to Heron Estates. And there is also one on Blue Heron as well. But, you  
1428 know, those are things that certainly we can look to work with Palm Tran and the county  
1429 to, to look to deploy that..., if that facility is activated.

1430 **Councilperson Lawson:** Excellent. And absolutely. As you're looking to vetting that  
1431 proc'..., that property, I wanna see if you can reach out to Palm Tran just to see if they can  
1432 update some of the, the stops and locations for our residents to be able to get access to  
1433 this new Library.

1434 Second question. The \$500,000 Library grant, when does that expire?

1435 **City Manager Evans:** I believe, Ms. Noel, if I'm not mistaken, December 2020 is the  
1436 date that it is expiring and the City would have to have a physical structure in the ground  
1437 completed by December 2020.

1438 **Assistant to City Manager Noel:** Correct.

1439 **Councilperson Lawson:** And when did we first obtain this grant?

1440 **City Manager Evans:** 2016.

1441 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Is that it, Mr. Lawson?

1442 **Councilperson Lawson:** One more question.

1443 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Mhmm.

1444 **Councilperson Lawson:** In regards to the project and the parcel, this was..., this was  
1445 something that I believe as a Council..., I..., that I was at least pushing, and I believe the  
1446 other colleagues were at least pushing for moving forward with purchasing land and  
1447 investing into the community. Being that we haven't experienced a, a pandemic in our  
1448 lifetime and we're going into what's looking like it's gonna be a possible recession, I think  
1449 how we invest and get things mobilized and really move forward is by investing into the  
1450 community, using the time, the energy and the resources to be able to buy some of the  
1451 land that's coming available, to actually purchase some of this property that's coming  
1452 about. I don't want us renting or spending any more money on any leases because  
1453 eventually that's gonna be throwing money away over the course of the next three, five,  
1454 ten years. And I love the idea of Mr. Evans presenting the option of moving some of our  
1455 City facilities, while we're building the locations in other areas, to this location that we, we  
1456 would currently own, as opposed to moving it into a rented space.

1457 So, I'm all for this project. I've done some research on it based upon what you  
1458 presented. I've seen it on the Agenda and I know that you've been looking at the project  
1459 for a while so I'm adamant about seeing what's gonna come next and what else you have  
1460 to present to the table.

1461 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Mr. McCoy. [Pause]. Okay. You said you were ready.  
1462 Can't hear you. You're on mute.

1463 **Assistant to City Manager Noel:** I'll see if I...

1464 **Councilperson Lawson:** Madam Chair?

1465 **Assistant to City Manager Noel:** ...[inaudible]. I'll see if I can...

1466 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

1467 **Assistant to City Manager Noel:** ...[inaudible].

1468 **Councilperson Lawson:** While, while Councilman...

1469 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Go ahead, Mr...

1470 **Councilperson Lawson:** ...McCoy's figuring that out...

1471 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** He's ready.

1472 **Councilperson Lawson:** While Councilman McCoy's figuring that out... Okay.

1473 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair, I...

1474 **Councilperson Lawson:** I was just gonna say...

1475 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Hold on. Hold on. McCoy, go ahead.

1476 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you, Madam Chair. So, my comments area actually, I  
1477 was looking at a couple things that was brought up in the presentation. So, a lot of this  
1478 is new for us as Members of the Council because I didn't see this before but what I can  
1479 tell you is, I, I, I agree with Councilwoman Lanier that I am very much apprehensive,  
1480 significantly apprehensive about us going forward with even the purchase or even a lease  
1481 of any property for our Library. You know, I was visiting out at North County Public Library  
1482 around 2017 and they did a major overhaul of the public Library at North County just at  
1483 PGA, and they were able to relocate. I, I think it might've been 2016. 2016-2017. They  
1484 were able to relocate operations and library services to the North County Courthouse and  
1485 obviously it's the county runs the Library and the courthouse with, with little or no expense  
1486 to the county as far as renting.

1487 However, the issue that comes up is, I'm concerned that if we do anything as far  
1488 as leasing or purchasing, we forego our opportunity at this grant. And that doesn't look  
1489 good when it comes to getting any kind of funding from Tallahassee. And I would disagree  
1490 that we move forward with anything. I think the priority, especially since we're in this state  
1491 of COVID-19 where we're not having anything, you know, face to face contact and social  
1492 distancing and much of the operations shutdown, is that we actually move towards an  
1493 aggressive plan to figure out a long terms solution to our Library in the City Complexes.

1494 Because, it becomes sunk cost to get \$500,000 of taxpayer dollars, turn around and then  
1495 lose it by way of a lease, or even a plan later in the future. But, it just doesn't make sense,  
1496 practically or logically, to move forward with doing anything. You know, we've talked  
1497 about this for several years, about our Library and our City facilities. We are in the month  
1498 of April and that leaves us with about seven and a half months to 12-31-2020. So, I think  
1499 the focus should be on figuring out a very aggressive plan how we address, not just the  
1500 Library but all of our City facilities. But I think, and I will caution all the Members of the  
1501 Board to really consider what happens in the long term as opposed to doing a quick fix to  
1502 address this. At least if we could use the \$500,000 for plans or for architecture, you know,  
1503 I would really be okay with that. But, money from the legislature comes very slim and far  
1504 in between when it comes for any kind of appropriation of grant dollars from the legislature  
1505 or from any [inaudible]. So, I really disagree with us moving forward with any kind of  
1506 rental, or even a purchase of a Library facility for the long term, which we don't really  
1507 know.

1508 The other thing about the Library was, it was connected to the City Hall Municipal  
1509 Complex. And, it's uniquely connected to three different, at least three different, public  
1510 transit routes, meaning Palm Tran. And, many of the individuals that use the Library  
1511 services are those that don't have transportation and come in for internet, research or  
1512 whatever other... But I just don't think that it's a good idea to try to move any kind of  
1513 Library services for temporary slash permanent basis to Congress Avenue because, you  
1514 know, I think it's a bad deal. I would much rather us not move this because I'm., I, I would  
1515 really emphasize that the legislature does not look kindly to money that's not used within  
1516 the timeframe. And I don't agree that we should be spending money and not making  
1517 good with it. And I think, if I'm not mistaken, we probably exhausted all the assistance  
1518 that we're gonna get from the Division of., I'm sorry, Department of State, Division of  
1519 Library Services, as far as this grant is concerned.

1520 That's all I have, Madam Chair.

1521 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

1522 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Madam Chair...

1523 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Let me go to Mr. Evans first and then I'll come back. I  
1524 think Lawson was trying to get in, Botel and Ms. Lanier I believe eat one point. Mr. Evans,  
1525 go ahead.

1526 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, the, the grant., the \$500,000 grant, there's  
1527 conceivably no way that we would be able to construct a library in a seven month period.  
1528 That is for the Library to be open and activated prior to the December 2020 timeline. So,  
1529 the money that we received, there is., that money is conceivably gone. Additionally, I  
1530 wanted to say that I just got a, a map of the facility and there is a bus shelter that is  
1531 probably, maybe twenty feet from the entrance of the facility on North Congress. It's right  
1532 in front of the pool supply service. So there is a bus shelter that is directly adjacent to the  
1533 entrance of the parcel.

1534 Again, this is looking at an opportunity to acquire a piece of property because,  
1535 based on the existing condition, I don't think if we go back to some type of normal  
1536 operations, that we should even reopen that Library considering the state that it's in.  
1537 Additionally, if we look at utilizing that \$2.1 to \$2.7MM to create satellite campuses, we  
1538 would be putting that money in old facilities that were built in the 70's as well. So, you  
1539 wouldn't be able to get.., you, your.., that investment would be something that in a couple  
1540 years, we would be recommending tearing down because those are the facilities that we  
1541 are looking to reconstruct, so when we look at.., we, we [stammer], [audio skipped] have  
1542 the conversation about satellite campuses and creating a storefront atmosphere whereby  
1543 maybe you have four storefronts of fifteen hundred square feet throughout the City and  
1544 that's how you, you know, conduct business. Maybe a smaller footprint, but then when  
1545 you're looking at twelve to thirty dollars a square foot, even for two thousand square feet,  
1546 you're spending money for something that you will never own. This particular parcel is  
1547 not for sale. The property owner already has a tenant that pays them a month payment  
1548 for a ten year period because of an agreement that they have. So, it's not something that  
1549 he is actively pursuing this on the market. This is something that we asked for because  
1550 we knew that a lease option is cost prohibitive and we don't wanna find ourselves back  
1551 in the same situation we were.., or we are with the Port Center, that we could've  
1552 purchased the facility three times and we're paying \$487,000 a month to occupy that  
1553 facility.

1554 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Madam Chair?

1555 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** \$487,000 a month? No.

1556 **City Manager Evans:** I mean, a year. Sorry, a year.

1557 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yeah. I was...

1558 **City Manager Evans:** [Inaudible].

1559 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...gonna say, that...

1560 [Chuckles]

1561 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Mr. Lawson, Botel and Lanier.

1562 **Councilperson Lawson:** Thank you. Mr. Evans, this Library, or this move for a library,  
1563 this would be a temporary fix, so over the next three to five years, while we're looking to  
1564 rebuild our campus and our Library and our City Hall, correct?

1565 **City Manager Evans:** That is correct. That's what Staff is proposing.

1566 **Councilperson Lawson:** Okay. So, that's what I received from the presentation and  
1567 investing the money that we're gonna use as a rental space, to moving the Library, I  
1568 thought was a good investment, if we could get that price to a certain dollar amount and  
1569 think that's all Mr. Evans is asking, the ability to begin negotiations and discussions.

1570 Because right now, the, the advertised price of \$2.1 to \$2.7, is in line with what it would  
1571 cost us over the next five years to lease a space of our Library.

1572 Now, Mr. Evans, I do wanna address the grant, the \$500,000 library grant. Can  
1573 you just give some details on, on what happened? Why, why is that we pretty much just  
1574 dropped the ball on a grant that we received back in 2016?

1575 **City Manager Evans:** Well, for, for a little bit of historical context, if I can have Mr.  
1576 Sherman activate his camera and be able to present, but I can tell you from the  
1577 conversations that we have and, and Marsha as well, you can provide some perspective  
1578 on the conversation you had with the granting agency because we did ask, can we at  
1579 least purchase furniture, fixtures and equipment, computers...

1580 **Councilperson Lawson:** Right.

1581 **City Manager Evans:** ...that we would look to even repurpose in the new Library and  
1582 they said absolutely not because...

1583 **Councilperson Lawson:** [Inaudible]...

1584 **City Manager Evans:** ...that was not what was articulated in the grant permission.

1585 **Councilperson Lawson:** And that was my question, even if we could use it to purchase  
1586 a parcel, 'cause if it's for new construction, what options are behind the grand? Can we  
1587 purchase a parcel? Can we buy the fixtures? Can we get things moving? Get the plans  
1588 done? Like, is there no options for this grant?

1589 **City Manager Evans:** And, and from what I've been told, based on the conversations  
1590 I've had with Staff, it is for the construction of a new library. It can't even be utilized for  
1591 the renovations that we wanna do to the facility that is being considered this evening. So,  
1592 we have tried multiple ways to find us some option to be able to draw down the monies  
1593 from the state. But Mr. Sherman, if you can provide some perspective and then Marsha  
1594 immediately after.

1595 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Yes. Good evening.  
1596 Again, Randy Sherman, Finance Director.

1597 Yeah. I believe it was in 2014 when we actually filed for the grant. And the state  
1598 was so cautious about giving us the grant funds. They actually made us come back with  
1599 a, a second vote, almost guaranteeing the state that we would build the facility. But it is  
1600 for brand new construction. The state library cons'.., capital grant, it is very detailed in  
1601 the milestones that you need to meet. [Stammer].., immediately after getting the grant,  
1602 we did get the Council to approve some matching funds. They actually issued an RFP  
1603 and hired an architect who went through a number of community meetings and actually  
1604 worked through a program for the facility. The real hurdle has always been what is the  
1605 new location? Is it staying on the north side, is it going on the southside? Are we moving  
1606 it over to Broadway? So, that discussion ensued. The City then brought in ULI and ULI  
1607 said put it on the southside of Blue Heron. And, as you know, we've had a number of

1608 meetings discussing the City Hall Complex, putting it on the southside, putting it on the  
1609 northside. The most recent meeting was[inaudible] believe, last July when we made a  
1610 presentation. We started looking at the P3's. We have received a couple of extension,  
1611 or at least one extension on the grant. The, the state has been very patient with us but I  
1612 think our time has, has just run out. If the twe'..., December 2020, I wanna say the initial  
1613 date to complete it was December of 2018. But it is for capital only. We are not allowed  
1614 to use it to retrofit anything, we're not allowed to use it for FF&E. It was to build a brand  
1615 new library.

1616 **Councilperson Lawson:** Okay.

1617 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** [Stammer]...

1618 **Councilperson Lawson:** And, in addition to that, just to follow up... I'm sorry, Ms. Noel  
1619 but a quick...

1620 **Assistant to City Manager Noel:** Oh, no. I....

1621 **Councilperson Lawson:** ...follow up.

1622 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I was just trying to say, you know, I had been on the  
1623 Council for quite a few of those years and that has always been the case that, you know,  
1624 the money was just not there or we could not decide on what we were gonna do, or where  
1625 the money was gonna come from when we had all these other facilities that needed to be  
1626 redone. And so, it just kinda., it just never got identified. And so, that, that was kind of  
1627 where it was.

1628 **Councilperson Lawson:** And to build a new facility, what timeframe would you need if  
1629 we had secured the, the..., a location?

1630 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Initially, what we had laid  
1631 out with the architect was anywhere between twenty-four and thirty months.

1632 **Councilperson Lawson:** Yeah. So, what we've done is, we've lost this grant and we  
1633 don't have the timeframe to, to obtain this property, or to actually utilize it 'cause it expires  
1634 December 2020 and we've already tried to file for all extensions possible?

1635 **Assistant to City Manager Noel:** Correct. So...

1636 **Councilperson Lawson:** Okay.

1637 **Assistant to City Manager Noel:** This is Marsha. So, to your point, yes. From  
1638 what I understand, for that initial grant released back in 2016, they had until 2018 to utilize  
1639 it, within those two years. Because they were..., they anticipated near the end of that initial  
1640 deadline that they were not going to complete the construction, they asked for an  
1641 additional extension. That additional extension is for December 2020. And from what I  
1642 understand from the grant representative is, is that there's no further extensions that they  
1643 can provide.

1644 **Councilperson Lawson:** Okay. Alright. So, I guess the follow up, just to.., just outside  
1645 of the, the project that's being presented tonight, I just would like for us to get monthly or  
1646 bimonthly updates on any grants that we have outstanding, so that we don't run into this  
1647 position again moving forward. I know that our, our, our Chair and Vice Chair, they've  
1648 been in a position where they kind of had divided opinions within the Council with trying  
1649 to.., how to move forward, how to spend money, what to get done. So right now, I think  
1650 we're all on the same page when it comes to developing, moving and getting the City  
1651 established in the right direction. I know there's some hesitation with this project but at  
1652 least giving us updates with what's going on with the grants that we have in place so we  
1653 never fall into this position again. 'Cause, I know residents are gonna wanna know why  
1654 we're wasting \$500,000. So, that's the biggest concern that I have with that.

1655 But in regards to the presentation, I would love to see us move forward with finding  
1656 out what information's available, what prices are available for this property and seeing  
1657 how we can actually turn this into a parcel that the City can own.

1658 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

1659 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair?

1660 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Ms. Botel and then Law'...

1661 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible].

1662 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...Lanier.

1663 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Thank you, Madam Chair. I also would like to see this project  
1664 move forward, at least to the extent that we authorize the City Manager to make some  
1665 inquiries and to get some more information. You know, it, it's incumbent on us now, as a  
1666 Council, to move the project forward. Not, not this little piece of it, not the Library piece,  
1667 the whole Magilla, the whole entire project that involves new City Hall, new everything,  
1668 the new Police, new Fire and it's just dragged on for too long and we can't let that  
1669 continue. We've got to move forward, we've got to make a decision about whether it's  
1670 gonna be on the northside or the southside, where is it gonna be and let's get this thing  
1671 going. I think that this a really necessary step to get the people in that Library out of there,  
1672 to a safe environment, to an environment that doesn't have the water intrusion. I  
1673 recognize that it's, it's very unfortunate that we're giving up \$500,0900 but we've gotta  
1674 put that behind us. We have no control over that. That's something that happened in the  
1675 past, it's gone. Just forget about it. I know that the, the.., Tallahassee is gonna look  
1676 kindly on the fact that we've let that money go to waste, well, there's not much we can do  
1677 about that now. That's in the past. So, my druthers would be, get this thing going, ask  
1678 Mr. Evans to do some more investigation and, and make a vote this evening to allow him  
1679 to do that. And I would vote in factor.

1680 Thank you.

1681 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Ms. Lanier.

1682 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yeah. And, and I agree with that. I, I certainly do but, you  
1683 know, my thing is this, there are other City properties that we have. We haven't even  
1684 asked that BB&T Bank building that you looked at, would they donate some of the space  
1685 for us? We haven't asked that. The other issue is that there's a whole two, \$3M building  
1686 that the CRA has at Broadway and Blue Heron that, for the pa'..., for this..., for the purpose  
1687 it was..., it, it was deemed for and we as the CRA Board sat and voted on this, that, it was  
1688 deemed for an open space, for congregation, for small businesses, the CRA would have  
1689 their offices. That's a building sitting right there.

1690 So, I'm saying that I understand that you've done this research for these particular  
1691 projects. And I still say that because of we're spending now, if anything in terms of  
1692 spending money, we need to be spending money for public health. What is our  
1693 emergency plan? If this plague comes to the City, are we prepared for it? And I  
1694 understand, Mr. Evans, trust me when I tell you, I know that you are the [stammer] the  
1695 best person for this job right here. I do know this. But I also know that, based on the way  
1696 that this disease is moving and we have to frame everything, we have to frame everything  
1697 in the response to COVID-19. Given the fact..., and I'm gonna say it again, that this City  
1698 is eighty percent African-American, you can best believe it is going to hit our City hard, so  
1699 how are we prepared for that?

1700 Now, I understand that we need to..., if we're gonna be doing libraries and..., and  
1701 when I say this, I say this from my heart because I was the Chair of the Library Board,  
1702 before I became elected and I think I said that before, so I'm very into this Library deal.  
1703 But the way it's structured now, the way that we are se'..., we're, we're, we're settling on  
1704 this one building, I, I can't, in, in all goo conscious, go for that because \$21 to \$2.6MM  
1705 right now, is not going to work for me.

1706 So, if I have to vote right now for it, I would vote against it and we can move on  
1707 and workshop this the same way we can do a workshop, two hours, three hours. We can  
1708 sit right here and go back and forth with different types of ideas about how to move  
1709 forward, virtually. Not just with the Library, not just with Youth Empowerment Program,  
1710 but with our whole City operations. Because if we plan right now, we're not the ones who  
1711 are gonna be caught out the way New York was, the way Chicago is, the way Louisiana  
1712 is. Right now, they are shuttered down. There's nothing nobody can do. So, we still  
1713 have an opportunity to sit here..., we can workshop every day what we're doing. I go to  
1714 work from 8:30 to 5:00 every day. At 5:30-6:00 o'clock, we can have workshops on all  
1715 these ideas and how we're gonna move this City forward. But, spending that kinda money  
1716 right now, is not something that I am for.

1717 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Mayor, were you trying to speak? [Pause]. Put  
1718 your..., you're on mute.

1719 **Mayor Felder:** I, I don't know if Doug had his hand up first.

1720 **Councilperson Lawson:** Go ahead, Mayor.

1721 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** He..., you can go. He, he spoke a few times. So...

1722 **Mayor Felder:** [Stammer]...

1723 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...go ahead and then I'll come back to him.

1724 **Mayor Felder:** [Inaudible] and I agree we need to move the City forward as  
1725 Councilman Lawson said. That's walking and chewing gum at the same time but some  
1726 of my concerns is this. As we're moving the City forward and we're gonna spend money,  
1727 I'm agreeing with Councilwoman Lanier because we do have that building that the CRA  
1728 owns. Kinda look into that too. But one of my concerns is this, and I was gonna bring it  
1729 up in my comments but as, as we're looking to move the City forward, whether it's building  
1730 from the ground up or buying some properties that we can redo, I., some of my issues  
1731 are with some of the projects that we have going on in our inner cities. And, for one,  
1732 Monroe Heights which we're not talking about. I've been getting calls left and right about  
1733 Monroe Heights. I've been going., [inaudible] couple weeks, there's no movement going  
1734 on, on those streets. And they're steady starting to tear up other streets. I'm., you know,  
1735 citizens are concerned about that. I'm concerned about that to the point where it, it... I'm  
1736 looking at it like this, if we can't get that project going, a couple of streets, then how are  
1737 we gonna continue to get the, the bigger projects going?

1738 I believe we need to hire a, a project manager because, as I, as I go by every day  
1739 and there's no movement on those streets, we have nobody watching it. And, I'm gonna,  
1740 I'm gonna ask tonight that before we continue anymore road projects, that we hire a  
1741 project manager, somebody that can make sure that these streets are getting done, that  
1742 they're getting the insight from our residents because my office is gettin' blowed up on a  
1743 daily basis now because they're tearing up these streets [inaudible] other streets. I know  
1744 over two months ago we said that, I think it was M Avenue would be done and they would  
1745 move over to O Avenue. But M, they don't even show up, so of course O is not done,  
1746 and they're tearing up another part of 26<sup>th</sup> Court. So I'm asking that...

1747 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Mayor Felder. Mayor Felder. You know we're...

1748 **Mayor Felder:** Yeah.

1749 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...still on the Item...

1750 **Mayor Felder:** I, I understand that...

1751 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...regarding the, the Library. And so...

1752 **Mayor Felder:** Yeah, yeah [inaudible]...

1753 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** And we have not done public comment. I don't know if  
1754 we have any. So, I wanted to make sure that we just kinda wrapped...

1755 **Mayor Felder:** Yeah.

1756 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...this one up. For the...

1757 **Mayor Felder:** Well, and, and, that's my point is talking about the Library and, and  
1758 we're moving on to move to, to pay two point or whatever million dollars and we got  
1759 projects that's not done. So that's the point I'm making. Is...

1760 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay.

1761 **Mayor Felder:** Yeah. I agree with moving the City forward but the issue is to redo  
1762 the Library, I think it's, it's not good that we're losing a \$500,000 grant, that we had from  
1763 2016. I'm trying to make my point, if we're gonna do this, if, if we're able to go forward  
1764 whether to purchase this building or whatever, let's not forget about the other projects  
1765 that we have going on because they're not being talked about a.

1766 And that's my concern.

1767 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Alright. Mr. Lawson, did you still have  
1768 something to add?

1769 **Councilperson Lawson:** I'm, I'm good, Madam Chair.

1770 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Alright. So, you know, it is 8:16 and my, my, my  
1771 question is for Mr. Evans is, do you..., is this something that, I mean, 2020 December is  
1772 on the way. This \$500,000, I mean, I think, to be very honest with you, a couple years  
1773 ago we kinda felt like we were..., we..., well, at that time, we weren't gonna be able to do  
1774 it. We..., I mean, the \$500,000, personally, at the time, I..., if I recall correctly, when I first  
1775 got on the Board, it was, you know, of course we wanted to apply for it, we got it but it  
1776 was kinda like the cart was put before the horse and no one could really determine how  
1777 we were gonna come up with this other money. And I know a lotta people were, you  
1778 know, lobbying, the different Council people were out trying to push it through and, you  
1779 know, get the Library built but when you have all of these other buildings, you have Public  
1780 Safety..., the Public Works building falling apart. I mean, you had..., we had a couple  
1781 hurricanes, well, the hurricane and then the Police Department, they were getting  
1782 drenched on during the hurricane and the City Hall. So, we had a number, at that time,  
1783 the last few years, we had a number of issues with all..., almost all of our facilities. And  
1784 so, it was just hard to say we're going to put this money into a Library which, I'm an  
1785 educator so I, I fully support libraries and education, books and everything. However,  
1786 there were a number of people that were occupying buildings. Fire departments, we had  
1787 those falling apart. I mean, it was just very difficult to say we're going to focus on getting  
1788 this particular Library project going. And so, in the bigger picture, the \$500,000 was  
1789 unfortunately not going to be accepted or, or not used because we just could not put the  
1790 two, three, four, \$5MM up for \$500,000 that we would lose.

1791 So, I think we're at that point right now where, I mean, we are dealing with a, a  
1792 serious issue of this pandemic and they're talking about things being social distancing  
1793 until 2021 and '22. So, hopefully, that's not true. But, it's just kind of hard to, you know,  
1794 put money into something at this time. I'm not opposed to, you know, seeing if you can  
1795 get better rates or just doing a little more research on it. I don't need a workshop, for me,  
1796 personally. I mean, I've been around it for a minute but, you know, maybe if we brought

1797 it before another meeting, our next meeting, those who had concerns or questions could  
1798 possibly get those answers. Maybe that would give you time to identify other locations. I  
1799 don't know if there's very many out there. And then at the same time, maybe you can just  
1800 be doing a little more of your negotiating or, at least, have something come back during  
1801 our next meeting if there's something else that would, you know, be something that the  
1802 Board would be for.

1803 Dr. Botel and then Lanier.

1804 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Yeah. I, I., that's why I think I would like to see us allow Mr.  
1805 Evans to move forward with further investigation. I think that's all he's asking us to do  
1806 this evening, make a vote that would say, 'Yes, go forward. Get more information.' You  
1807 know, begin to have a conversation with this building owner. So, that., I, I mean, almost  
1808 at the point of wanting to call the question.

1809 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Is that what., that., is that pretty much what you need,  
1810 Mr. Evans and it's not committing us to anything tonight?

1811 **City Manager Evans:** It, it is not committing us to, to anything. It is going to allow  
1812 for the City Attorney and I to work with the property owner to see, one, if they are  
1813 amenable to paying appraised value for the property and, two, allowing for us to do our  
1814 due diligence and put together the shell of what a purchase and sales agreement would  
1815 be. But ultimately, that would have to come back before you all...

1816 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair?

1817 **City Manager Evans:** ...for action.

1818 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Right. Okay. Ms. Lanier and then Mr. McCoy.

1819 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yeah. Madam Chair, the, the, the issue before us tonight,  
1820 and, and as., in agreement with Mr. McCoy, is that we're, we're, we're looking at these  
1821 agreements now, because there is an agreement that is attached to this Item, that says  
1822 that we're gonna negotiate a price or something with this entity for this Congress Avenue  
1823 location. And I'm not in agreement with moving forward with that particular location until  
1824 we, we., until., because there was no talk about satellite centers. There was no talk  
1825 about the CRA buildings, there was no talk about other surplus buildings that he City  
1826 owns. So, I would like...

1827 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** But I don't think...

1828 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...that information before I even think about making a vote to  
1829 spend this kind of money. Because, what we're saying is this, we're saying that we're  
1830 going to move forward with negotiations on this particular building and I cannot, in good  
1831 conscious, and with taxpayer money, go forward with the way that we are right now in this  
1832 pandemic. I cannot go forward with \$2.1 or \$2.6MM on a property right now, to even  
1833 negotiate anything with, until we have exhausted all options. And as the Mayor said,  
1834 there are issues that are on the table right now. There are issues on the table right now,

1835 Monroe Heights. There are issues that we have on the table. And, guess what, yes, we  
1836 can chew gum and walk at the same time, yes we can. But, spending money right now,  
1837 given the fact that we have no idea how this thing is going to react, how this thing is going  
1838 to affect our City.

1839 And, as I said before, if anything we're going to be doing, is doing..., putting money  
1840 in a pot for public health, and to ensure that everybody in our City gets tested for COVID-  
1841 19, have masks for COVID-19 because see, we're talking about things that we're looking  
1842 for in the future. But..., and I understand we have to talk about the future but right here,  
1843 right now, we are a ch'..., we, we, we are a City that has eighty percent African-Americans  
1844 and all across the country, seventy to eighty percent of the people who are getting COVID-  
1845 19 are African-Americans.

1846 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. We're going...

1847 **Councilperson Lanier:** If we're going to be doing...

1848 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...to go to...

1849 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...anything here... Hold on. If we're gonna be doing anything  
1850 here, we need to put that on the Agenda as well, but I'm not about to spend two and a  
1851 half million dollars on a building that we still have other options that we can go for.

1852 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. McCoy, did you, did you have your hand up?  
1853 [Pause]. And then I think we can just go ahead and determine if we're gonna move  
1854 forward with allowing him to go and look for other places and do that research and not  
1855 committing to anything at this point. But, McCoy, are you..., you don't need to speak  
1856 anymore? [Pause]. Alright. So...

1857 **Councilperson Lanier:** Well, I can make a motion...

1858 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...Mr. Lawson were you up?

1859 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...Madam Chair.

1860 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Were you next?

1861 **Councilperson Lawson:** Yes, Madam Chair.

1862 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Go ahead.

1863 **Councilperson Lawson:** I understand Councilwoman Lanier's and our, our Mayor's  
1864 concerns with some of our [inaudible] issues we're running into. For Agenda Item No. 9  
1865 says that we're having a discussion about the economic recovery plan. I'm sure Mr.  
1866 Evans is going to address that in reference to what's gonna happen moving forward,  
1867 about the testing in our community, about how we're gonna recover moving forward. So,  
1868 I would like to just stick to the topic of purchasing real estate. Would it be better for my  
1869 colleagues if it said that we were moving our City Hall or our police station, or our fire

1870 station to the same location and it'd be a better investment, because he's saying the  
1871 Library?

1872 What I want us to look at is investing into the infrastructure in our community.  
1873 We've talked for a number of, of months in regards to investing, and investing into the  
1874 City. And we, as the Members of the Council, need to take the first steps. Yes, I  
1875 understand we're going through...

1876 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible]...

1877 **Councilperson Lawson:** ...a pandemic.

1878 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Hold on, Ms. Lanier.

1879 **Councilperson Lawson:** I'm sorry, Ma'... So, in regards to this, let's continue to move  
1880 forward with investing into the infrastructure that we're trying to build. This property is  
1881 going to be a three to five year plan for a Library that we're gonna possibly move back to  
1882 our downtown campus once it's properly built, and once we get through this pandemic.  
1883 But if we have the opportunity to invest and to purchase in the community, then we as the  
1884 City, need to be doing that and stop wasting money renting. 'Cause we talked about the  
1885 CRA building but the CRA is currently the building that we're renting, wasting money. So,  
1886 if we use that space for something that the City needs, then the CRA won't have the  
1887 option of utilizing the same space that we're wasting money on. So, if we can look at  
1888 holistically, I think we need to move forward with giving Mr. Evans the opportunity to invest  
1889 and to look into this property and to come back to the table with an option for us versus  
1890 just shooting him down and saying because we're going through a pandemic. We're  
1891 giving our residents hope, we're giving them the opportunity to move and not continue to  
1892 sit back and.., with our hands crossed and say we can't do anything. So, the reason that  
1893 we made this effort to actually have this meeting tonight is because we still have to move  
1894 forward.

1895 So, unfortunately, I disagree and I do wanna call the question, Madam Chair.

1896 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

1897 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible] projects and let's call the question, Madam Chair.

1898 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Ms...

1899 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I second.

1900 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** We need the motion of what?

1901 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I think he.., he made a motion...

1902 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, this was a discussion Item. There...

1903 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I know but...

1904 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible].

1905 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I know there was no motion, so that's..., it's a discussion  
1906 Item...

1907 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Inaudible]...

1908 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...which is why...

1909 **Councilperson Lanier:** Right.

1910 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...need a motion. So, if someone...

1911 **Councilperson Lawson:** Madam Chair?

1912 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...would like to [inaudible]...

1913 **Councilperson Lawson:** ...I would like... Madam Chair, I would like to make a motion  
1914 to allow...

1915 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible]...

1916 **Councilperson Lawson:** ...for Mr. Evans... Hello?

1917 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Go ahead, Mr. Lawson.

1918 **Councilperson McCoy:** Can you hear me now?

1919 **Councilperson Lawson:** Thank..., thank you. Yes, Madam Chair. I'd like to make a  
1920 motion...

1921 **Councilperson McCoy:** Hello?

1922 **Councilperson Lawson:** ...to...

1923 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Mr. McCoy.

1924 **Councilperson McCoy:** Can you hear me, Madam Chair?

1925 [Chuckles]

1926 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Can you, can you stop, please for a minute? I know  
1927 you're having some technical issues. We can hear you but apparently you can't hear us.  
1928 Mr. Lawson...

1929 **Councilperson McCoy:** I can you, [inaudible].

1930 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...is talking. Okay. Go ahead, Mr. Lawson.

1931 **Councilperson Lawson:** Yes, Madam Chair. I'd like to make a motion to allow for Mr.  
1932 Evans to move forward with discussions and gaining information on this parcel, and to  
1933 possibly come back with some figures and information on the property at the corner of  
1934 Congress and Blue Heron.

1935 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I second that.

1936 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Madam Clerk.

1937 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

1938 [Pause]

1939 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** McCoy, can you hear? [Pause]. Alright. Go ahead,  
1940 Ms. Anthony.

1941 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy? [Pause]. Okay. We'll come back to  
1942 him. Councilperson Lanier? [Pause]. Ms. Lanier, you have your, your mic muted.

1943 **Councilperson Lanier:** Sorry. No.

1944 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lawson?

1945 **Councilperson Lawson:** Yes.

1946 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Botel?

1947 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Yes.

1948 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

1949 [Pause]

1950 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm here.

1951 **City Clerk Anthony:** We need your vote on...

1952 **Councilperson McCoy:** Can you hear me?

1953 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...the motion. Yes, we can, sir. I need your vote on the  
1954 motion.

1955 **Councilperson McCoy:** What motion? What it is? I just got back in.

1956 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Chuckle].

1957 **Councilperson McCoy:** Can you restate it, please?

1958 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Mr. Lawson, can you restate it?

1959 **Councilperson Lawson:** Yes. To allow for Mr. Evans to, to research information on the  
1960 parcel at the corner of Congress and Blue Heron and to come back with more information  
1961 and to give us a price on what negotiating this parcel would be.

1962 [Pause]

1963 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Mr. McCoy, did you hear it?

1964 **Councilperson McCoy:** I heard it. But does that dispose of the discussion?

1965 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Yes.

1966 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yeah. We're, we're moving on. We've discussed it  
1967 quite a bit.

1968 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Yes.

1969 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

1970 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Miller-Anderson?

1971 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

1972 **City Clerk Anthony:** That motion is approved with Councilperson Lanier  
1973 dissenting.

1974 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. We're gonna go into public co'...

1975 [Pause]

1976 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, your, your mic is muted.

1977 **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – 7:30 P.M. – Non Agenda Item Speakers (Thee**  
1978 **Minute Limitation**

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1980 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I'm sorry. I said we're gonna go into public comment.  
1981 Do we have any public comment cards, the general public comment cards, Ms. Anthony?

1982 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes, Madam Chair.

1983 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. So, with this I'., at this time, it's now closed.  
1984 The acceptance of public comment cards is closed. And also, you will be reading it for  
1985 three minutes. And so, if it's longer than the three minutes, unfortunately, the rest will not  
1986 be read. But it will still be a part of public records.

1987 **City Clerk Anthony:** That is...

1988 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

1989 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...correct, Madam Chair.

1990 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Go ahead. And this is..., it's only closed for the general  
1991 public comments. We still have to do Item No. 9, so for the public, we are still taking  
1992 Items..., I'm sorry, comment cards for Item No. [stammer]..., for No. 9. But general public  
1993 comment cards are closed at this point.

1994 Go ahead, Ms. Anthony.

1995 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. They will be read by Ms. Hall, Ms. Madam Chair.

1996 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

1997 **City Clerk Anthony:** Go ahead, Ms. Hall.

1998 **Ms. D. Hall:** The first public comment comes from John Clayton. My name is John  
1999 Clayton and I reside in the City of Riviera Beach, and I would like the following comments  
2000 read into the public record for tonight's City Council meeting.

2001 Number one, in regards to the discussion between the City Council and Jonathan  
2002 Evans regarding possibly limiting the public comments to two minutes, I think that would  
2003 be a bad idea because during this portion of the meeting that most of what's going on  
2004 within the City is talked about from the residents' perspective. I learn more of what's  
2005 going on in the public comment portion of the meeting than I do anywhere else in the City.  
2006 This is our most sacrosanct right under the Constitution and in the past, whenever Council  
2007 Members have tried to limit this right, they did not win in the next election.

2008 Number two, in regards to putting meters up on the beach and the Marina, this was  
2009 already tried years ago and it didn't work at the time. Also, our neighbor to the north,  
2010 Lake Park, did the same thing and it failed miserably. Not only did people stop going to  
2011 their park and marina, but the neighboring businesses were negatively impacted as well.  
2012 This idea needs to be reconsidered.

2013 Number three, Jonathan Evans, whenever possible, please refer to a citizen by  
2014 name and not just simply as the citizen. People in general like to be referred to by their  
2015 name, the former makes you sound impersonal.

2016 Thank you in advance. John Clayton, Riviera Beach.

2017 The...

2018

2019 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Hold on one second. I just wanna..., please say  
2020 that..., Council people, please make sure we have at least three people's faces showing  
2021 so that we can maintain [inaudible].

2022 **Ms. D. Hall:** The second public comment comes from Alfonso Newbold. My name is  
2023 Alfonso Newbold and I hope things are well with you, your families and the City in this  
2024 most unusual time.

2025 My comments are regarding the Riviera Beach Housing Authority and the  
2026 development of Heron Estates Phase II. We have been informed that a decision has  
2027 been made by the Housing Authority and developer, HTG, that's Housing Trust Group,  
2028 that they have decided to go with another contractor for construction of Phase II of Heron  
2029 Estates for reasons unknown to the Gulf Newbold team. A team which consisted of a  
2030 thirty percent partnership with myself, Newbold Construction, a local Riviera Beach based  
2031 section three, general contracting firm.

2032 On October 17, 2018, at one of your Regular Council meetings, the City approved  
2033 matching funds in the amount of \$500,000 plus dollars for Hereon Estates Phase II, listed  
2034 as Agenda Item No. 14 in the October 2018 meeting of the same. It was specifically  
2035 stated, on the record, by the Housing Authority and Executive Director, that the Gulf  
2036 Newbold team would remain as the general contracting team for Phase II and, at the time,  
2037 it was expressed as one of the primary reasons for approval of the funding by the Council.  
2038 In addition, to being part of the approval process, when the City approved the \$500,000  
2039 plus matching funds for Phase II, the Gulf Newbold team appeared at multiple community  
2040 Housing Authority and City Council meetings as part of the HTG team. Further, it was  
2041 the Gulf Newbold general contracting team that executed the Florida Housing finance  
2042 application, which was sent as an attachment to this email, which ultimately allowed the  
2043 Housing Authority to prevail, receiving the matching funds.

2044 The City of Riviera Beach, its community and the Housing Authority emphasized  
2045 from the beginning the importance of having a Riviera Beach based general contractor  
2046 be a partner of the team and Riviera Beach section three was success'.., section three  
2047 businesses to obtain work. The Gulf Newbold team was successfully able to accomplish  
2048 both exceeding expectations in Phase I, evidenced by the overall grand opening  
2049 celebration, comments from the Housing Authority and both current and former Council  
2050 Members alike, happy with the Gulf Newbold team, Phase I project.., project performance  
2051 which ultimately leads me, and I hope will cause this Council to question, what happened?  
2052 Why switch in the final hour from the team that met [inaudible] and was also successful  
2053 in Phase I? [Inaudible] guaranteed the City of Riviera Beach...

2054 [High pitched tone]

2055 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Ms. Anthony?

2056 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes, ma'am.

2057 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** You're gonna have to say something 'cause we need  
2058 to know that the three minutes is up.

2059 **City Clerk Anthony:** I just, I just said time, Madam Chair. I don't know if you heard  
2060 me.

2061 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** No. It's, it's a lot of feedback with the two of you on.

2062 **City Clerk Anthony:** Oh, okay.

2063 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** So you can't really hear at all. Are you all in the same  
2064 room?

2065 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes, ma'am.

2066 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. So, if you're giving the cue to stop then we can  
2067 your, your thing.., or you can at least say times up. Because she's still talking but we  
2068 can't hear the bell or whatever that is that you're trying to ring.

2069 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay.

2070 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. It sounded like it went on a long, long time. Or  
2071 maybe three minutes just seems long when you're not looking at the timer I guess. I don't  
2072 know. Alright. Go ahead. Ms. Hall.

2073 **Ms. D. Hall:** The next public comment comes from Horace Townes. Good evening,  
2074 Council.

2075 I am offended and embarrassed about the conditions in District 1. I am also feeling  
2076 defeated because the neighbors in my community ask questions that I have no answer  
2077 for. The road project in District 1 was horrific but the residents were optimistic about the  
2078 potential improvements to the area. The streets, block to block, were poorly designed,  
2079 yet also, incomplete. Avenue M has been under construction for months with a skeleton  
2080 crew that goes missing for weeks, and even missing during the workday. The roads are  
2081 left in poor driving conditions after hours, the erosion control does not exist and the heavy  
2082 equipment parked poorly on the street is a lawsuit waiting to happen.

2083 If I stand in my yard, there is heavy dust that will cover your face from dry, dusty  
2084 roads. I will be taking my car for an alignment next week, thanks to the water valves that  
2085 are still uncovered on Avenue O. We were advised that the simple fix, or temporary fix,  
2086 for the road would have been done months ago now.

2087 Last off, you started more construction on 26<sup>th</sup> Court this week and there is no one,  
2088 I mean no one, monitoring the contractor's work.

2089 Signed, a disappointed stakeholder. Horace Towns.

2090 The next public comes from Joi Braswell of Riviera Beach.

2091 Now is not the time to focus on the Library and Youth Empowerment's new  
2092 location. We are currently experiencing a pandemic and do not know our future, in terms  
2093 of our health or economics. We should be focusing or reaching out to our citizens and  
2094 ensuring that they are as safe as possible during this uncertain time. None of us are  
2095 invincible to the COVID-19. As the COVID-19 determines our next step, at least for the

2096 next six to twelve months, we must get our City prepared so that we can stay ahead of  
2097 this and not play catch up.

2098 Thank you for your consideration. Stay safe. Peace.

2099 And...

2100 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

2101 **Ms. D. Hall:** I believe that is...

2102 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible].

2103 **Ms. D. Hall:** ...the end of our public comments.

2104 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

2105 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes. Go ahead, Mr. McCoy.

2106 **Councilperson McCoy:** I've heard every other word that the Clerk said. Am I the only  
2107 one that can't hear her?

2108 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I can hear her.

2109 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I can...

2110 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Are you on a phone now?

2111 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm sorry?

2112 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Are you on a phone? Are you calling from the phone  
2113 now?

2114 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yeah. I'm on the phone.

2115 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. There may be some lag time between it. I know  
2116 if you're on one thing the... Like, the TV is a little bit behind so I don't know if you're  
2117 behind because you're on the computer but then you're on the phone. There, there  
2118 seems to be a delay or something with you, since you've gotten on this way. It's changed.

2119 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. I've been on the phone all night but I only heard almost  
2120 every other word that she said. So, she said District 1 and that was it, and that's all I  
2121 heard. Every [stammer]..., everything else has been kind of choppy.

2122 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yeah. I think it's on your end. Noth'..., I don't believe  
2123 anyone has had any change. When you went out and came back in, you've been having  
2124 a problem ever since. However you came back in, it seems different. Your microphone  
2125 is different, it shows a phone instead of a microphone now. So, something is different.  
2126 I'm not sure. But, they're doing public comments right now. So, they're just reading it

2127 and then we'll come back at the end [audio skipped] if Mr. Evans can answer some of  
2128 those questions.

2129 Ms. Hall?

2130 **Ms. D. Hall:** Okay. We did have a fi... Our last public comment comes from J.B. Dixon  
2131 who wrote: There is no warning that an Item is about to be addressed and, to find out by  
2132 reading the Agenda, one must exit out of the live broadcast and miss what's going on.

2133 [Pause]

2134 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. That's the end of public comment?

2135 **Ms. D. Hall:** That is the end of public comments, Madam Chair.

2136 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Thank you. Mr. Evans, do you have any  
2137 responses for any of those comments that were made?

2138 **City Manager Evans:** I do have a couple of comments. With regards to the project  
2139 in Monroe Heights, I will get with Mr. Bailey tomorrow and have Staff be prepared to  
2140 address the items that were communicated, with respect to the conditions of the roadway.  
2141 Again, one of the things that we did talk about is having a community discussion as it  
2142 relates to what the new design of the roadway would look like and with this pandemic,  
2143 that makes it somewhat challenging. Nonetheless, we're still looking at ways to engage  
2144 the community to work with us on a new alternative roadway. The projected cost is  
2145 anywhere from \$144,000 up to \$5MM to cure some of the issues that were articulated by  
2146 the, the community.

2147 With the nuances associated with GoToMeeting, certainly, we're working through  
2148 that, trying to do the best we can based on operating in this new norm. So, we're trying  
2149 to address that.

2150 There was also a comment with respect to focusing on COVID-19 and ensuring  
2151 that our residents are taken care of. I believe that in the community conversations that  
2152 we've had on a weekly basis and some of the publications that we put out, we've been  
2153 very responsive to the needs of the community when we are informed. And, in some  
2154 cases, when we're not informed, we're jumping in to do whatever is necessary to ensure  
2155 that our senior citizens are taken care of, and our at-risk population. So, we are trying  
2156 the best we can to operate in this new norm.

2157 And, the focus on the Library. The intent behind that and, and what really spurred  
2158 the conversation is how can we look to create a community center space that can  
2159 accommodate an operation that is in desperate need of a new facility. And so, we, we  
2160 did want to bring that Item to the Board for consideration. So, we're going to, based on  
2161 the legislative action that the Board has done, we will move forward with obtaining  
2162 additional information and bringing some information back to the Board for further  
2163 conversations.

2164 And, I believe that may be all the items that were addressed as part of citizen  
2165 comments.

2166 And to Mr. Clayton's point, I try my best to remember everyone's name that  
2167 communicates citizen comments but I, I can tell you that it is challenging sometimes and  
2168 you'd be hard pressed to find any other Administrator in the county that address citizen  
2169 comments after they're concluded. So, we are more transparent and more responsive  
2170 than a lot of other entities.

2171 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. And the..., I think one other thing that came up  
2172 about the Heron Estates, I'll just bring that up in my comments at the end.

2173 Alright. So that's the [inaudible]...

2174 [Pause]

2175 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, you need to unmute your mic.

2176 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I said all of that good stuff and thought I unmuted it.

2177 [Chuckles]

2178 **DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER**

2179 **ITEM NO. 9**

2180 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. We're gonna go ahead and move to Item No.  
2181 9. That's the end of public comments. Ms. Anthony.

2182 **City Clerk Anthony:** **DISCUSSION OF AN ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN**  
2183 **OUTLINE – COVID 19.**

2184 **JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, (5610 812-6590**

2185 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comments on this  
2186 Item is now close. And we do not have any public comments on this Item.

2187 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. [Inaudible].

2188 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, you've muted your microphone again.

2189 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** 'Cause I, I said it but then I clicked on it too quick. Mr.  
2190 Evans, you can go ahead.

2191 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair and Members of the Board, the Item before you  
2192 this evening for discussion is the City of Riviera Beach Economic Recovery Plan. As we  
2193 have talked about the possibility of restoring operations in some form or some fashion,  
2194 one of the things that we wanna be conscientious, is how do we effectively move forward  
2195 economically? We know that our business community, as well as our residential

2196 community and those that work and play in our City, are finding themselves in tough  
2197 economic times. We understand that multiple businesses throughout the Continental  
2198 U.S., and throughout the world for that matter, are making some tough decisions. One of  
2199 the biggest decisions that have been made was by the Disney Corporation with regards  
2200 to what they had to do as it relates to furloughing some of their employees. The Board  
2201 knows that City Administration has been very clear to maintain our employees on paid  
2202 status and ensuring that they stay gainfully employed as a result of this pandemic. We  
2203 have also worked with local and state partners to draw down resources and secure some  
2204 of the personal protective equipment necessary to ensure that our first responders are  
2205 safe as they go out to provide service in our community.

2206 But, when we look at an economic recovery, there are multiple facets that are  
2207 associated with it. And I know I've had conversations with virtually every Councilperson  
2208 that is focusing on multiple initiatives, trying to address the need for our community for  
2209 disposable masks or cloth masks, especially in light of the Executive Order that was..., or,  
2210 Emergency Order that was proffered by the county and the actions that the City of Riviera  
2211 Beach took. We know that there is a need to feed our young people throughout our  
2212 community and having distribution opportunities for the facilities that we have in our  
2213 community that are producing the product, but then how do we get it to our residents?  
2214 We know that our business community is, is hurting, that they are looking for ways to  
2215 continue to operate under this new norm. And so, when Staff had the conversations about  
2216 how we can move forward with an Economic Recovery Plan, it really aligned nicely with  
2217 the strategic areas of focus that you, the policymakers, made as part of your initiatives  
2218 move forward. And that's Riviera Beach 2030. And those were to achieve a sustainable  
2219 economy, build great neighborhoods, accelerate operational excellent, enhance  
2220 government stewardship and strengthen community engagement.

2221 So, when Staff looked at those particular elements that the Board communicated  
2222 that were key priorities, we decided to create six categories for consideration. And those  
2223 categories are Health and Human Services, and, and trying to address the challenges  
2224 with our at-risk population, Public Safety, hospitality, tourism and maritime industry, small  
2225 and medium business assistance, fast track permitting business and residential, and  
2226 [stammer]..., clergy and community faith based services. We looked at each of these  
2227 categories as areas of focus. And what Staff is looking to do is to allow for some  
2228 participation and work from the elected bodies to help facilitate this Economic Recovery  
2229 Initiative. I will assign the appropriate Staff resources to the committee that the Board  
2230 Member would volunteer to sit as the Chair of the committee, or task force, and then they  
2231 would come up with the ideas, solutions and opportunities to effectively move forward  
2232 with regards to these initiatives.

2233 I have also asked that the Finance Director look to appropriate some funds to be  
2234 able to set aside for this particular initiative. We are looking to put a seed capital \$25,000  
2235 for each one of these categories to assist in helping facilitate the initiatives that the  
2236 category speaks of. So, what we are asking for the elected officials is to take a look at  
2237 the six categories and the definition that is provided, that is just a definition that gives a  
2238 broad perspective. The committee's focus will get more granular as the elected officials  
2239 and Staff work together to accomplish what the goals are that are set forth. Then, there

2240 will be report back to the elected body, and to the community, how we help facilitate this  
2241 economic recovery.

2242 We are one of the few cities that are looking as to how do we recover, but we're  
2243 also conscientious of how deal with this pandemic today and now, and making sure that  
2244 we are putting together a plan that when the economy opens, that there is opportunities  
2245 and we've created a transition for, whether it's retraining dollars, whether it's economic  
2246 assistance, whether it's facilitating the programs through the federal government that are  
2247 available for small businesses. It's a really holistic approach. And so, Staff did want  
2248 some input and perspective from the Board. And then to start setting the table for the  
2249 economic recovery, because we know that our community is very diverse and when other  
2250 communities get the flu, we, we get pneumonia. And so, we need to be conscientious of  
2251 that and we need to provide the tools necessary to rebound economically, socially and  
2252 Staff is excited about the opportunity to work with each and every one of you and I think  
2253 each of you possess a, a number of skills that speak to these categories. So, I tried to  
2254 pick the categories, or create categories that I knew would entice some of you to assist  
2255 because I know what some of your passions are.

2256 So, that concludes my presentation, Madam Chair. And this is an Item for the  
2257 Board to have a discussion, and then ultimately, select the, the category that they would  
2258 like to focus on or would like to modify the, the title or the areas of focus, or consolidate  
2259 it. So, it's up to the Board as to what their perspective is and, and where they wanna  
2260 move. But Staff did want you to see that we are focusing on the immediate needs of the  
2261 community but also what's gonna happen when government does open back up.

2262 And, Madam Chair, that concludes my presentation.

2263 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Madam Chair?

2264 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. And, and I appreciate that. I, I'm glad to see  
2265 that we're trying to put a plan together. I know we've doing a lot for the community with  
2266 this COVID situation and, to come up with a plan at this point which would involve all the  
2267 Council and Mayor, to be involved in, in getting a plan rolling forward. I'm pretty excited  
2268 about it.

2269 I think I saw Mr. McCoy's hand up first and then Botel, Lawson and... Lawson, did  
2270 your hand go up?

2271 **Councilperson Lawson:** Yes, ma'am.

2272 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. So, McCoy, Botel...

2273 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Inaudible] mine up first.

2274 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Well, I'm trying to split my eyes...

2275 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Inaudible].

2276 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...amongst seven screens here. So...

2277 [Chuckles]

2278 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I'm kidding.

2279 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I'm trying to [inaudible] in all directions. I'm not doing  
2280 too bad I don't think.

2281 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** You're doing great. [Chuckle].

2282 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** McCoy, go, go ahead. You got your mic working, Mr.  
2283 McCoy? Can you hear us?

2284 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Turn your mute..., unmute...

2285 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I...

2286 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** ...yourself.

2287 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** It looks like he doesn't hear me.

2288 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** He's muted.

2289 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** That shouldn't., he should hear me though still.  
2290 Alright. We're gonna go to the next person. Botel.

2291 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Yes. Thank you. And thank you, Mr. Evans, for this  
2292 opportunity to be a additional service to the community. I would, as I think I communicated  
2293 to you via an email, I would like to take on the challenge of travel, tourism in the marine  
2294 industry. I would like to make one modification in that, I think the logistics sector would  
2295 also be appropriate since I've already begun to work with Tropical and other logistics  
2296 companies in the City. So, I'm happy to take that on as a challenge. I already have a  
2297 couple of ideas that are percolating and I'm happy to, to assist where I can.

2298 Thank you.

2299 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I'm sorry. Which one did you say? Which...

2300 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** It's...

2301 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...one did you say?

2302 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** ...the marine... I forget exactly what it's being called by  
2303 marine.

2304 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Oh, okay.

2305 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** It's about tourism..., hospitality, tourism and the marine  
2306 industries with the addition of logistics.

2307 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. So, we'll, well just circle around and see what  
2308 everybody wants and we have to vote on something, we will. Mr. Lawson.

2309 **Councilperson Lawson:** Yes, Madam Chair. Mr. Evans, I was just gonna ask if you  
2310 could recap some of the different arenas that you want us to address so that we can kinda  
2311 get an idea of which ones to focus on.

2312 **City Manager Evans:** Sure. The, the first is Heal and Human Services. This is  
2313 intended to take a strategic look at the deployment of resources for our at-risk population  
2314 and what opportunities that we can utilize relationships with local state holders, whether  
2315 is the county, the state, the federal government, and then leverage resources from the  
2316 public and private sector, and the nonprofit sector, to address some of the social  
2317 challenges we have in our community. So, the first category is Health and Human  
2318 Services.

2319 The second is Public Safety. This is a committee or a initiative that will be focused  
2320 on community oriented policing, addressing nuisance properties throughout our City,  
2321 derelict vehicles, vessels, taking a proactive stance, providing some policy,  
2322 recommendations that can eradicate the loitering and some of the problematic activities  
2323 that we see in our City. And then, some informational and educational pieces that can  
2324 assist us in cleaning up our community. Because we know that, as you're seeing with  
2325 COVID-19, that a lot of communities are going in and pressure washing items, throwing  
2326 items away, discarding items, not allowing for properties to become nuisance properties  
2327 as they can harbor some challenges, both on the health, safety and welfare side.

2328 The next item is hospitality, tourism and maritime industry. This committee is  
2329 designed to work with the Port of Palm Beach maritime industries to facilitate the import  
2330 and export of commerce, to work with the retraining and the additional training for vacant  
2331 maritime positions, to look at opportunities to facilitate logistics careers, and also, to work  
2332 with our hospitality industry as we know that they are in desperate need of assistance  
2333 when this economy turns back on as to how do we promote and advertise and market  
2334 what is going on in our City and bringing visitors and tourists to the area?

2335 The next category is small business assistance. This is a program that is going to  
2336 address the needs of the business community, formulate policies and procedures that  
2337 assist in facilitating economic growth, that it recommends policies that are intended to  
2338 move bureaucracy out of the way but facilitate common sense legislation and to create  
2339 those opportunities for small businesses, and medium business, to flourish in our  
2340 community, whether it's by virtue of creating incentive programs, or opportunities where  
2341 there can be small dollar grants to help with facades, or to ensure that their payroll  
2342 remains whole for some period of time.

2343 The other item is fast tracking permitting, working with the business and residential  
2344 community to expedite the speed in which we operate, to look at ways to facilitate the

2345 Planning & Zoning process, working with and through the Planning & Zoning Board to  
2346 make sure that when somebody is interacting with us from a residential and business  
2347 perspective, that they're given that red carpet treatment all the way to the end of the  
2348 project. And then looking at the cost that we levied for permits, and making sure it's  
2349 competitive and appropriate, consistent with what other communities are doing.

2350 And then the last category is working with the clergy community, faith based  
2351 services, to look at what our religious and faith based community is doing, to look at things  
2352 from a social service side but also, what are some services that the churches are  
2353 providing, or the nonprofits are providing, that we can plug into to accommodate the needs  
2354 of our community holistically. And so, rallying our, our pastors and ministers in the  
2355 community, as well as our nonprofit entities to facilitate a need for..., or to identify what the  
2356 needs in the community are, and helping the community recover with the social anxiety  
2357 that's associated with some this. And, some of the challenges, whether it's gainful  
2358 employment opportunities, even if it's some small retraining that they may do to have  
2359 somebody assist a, a church or a nonprofit and facilitate a...

2360 [Pause]

2361 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I just lost Mr. Evans.

2362 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yeah.

2363 **Councilperson Lawson:** I think he just got stuck.

2364 **City Manager Evans:** ...for a [inaudible].

2365 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Oh. There you go.

2366 **City Manager Evans:** ...the six categories. The seventh category that was not  
2367 included...

2368 [Pause]...

2369 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** You're freezing up, Mr. Evans. You're freezing up.  
2370 [Pause]. We can't hear you, Mr. Evans. Alright. Mr. Lawson.

2371 **Councilperson Lawson:** Yes, Madam Chair. So, [inaudible]...

2372 **City Manager Evans:** [Inaudible] that we start turning dirt...

2373 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I can't...

2374 **City Manager Evans:** ...on some of these facilities that we have talked about for a  
2375 significant amount of time [audio skipped] some of these facilities that we have said we  
2376 were gonna deliver on, probably ten years ago. So that is something that we are going  
2377 to be, from the Administration side, looking to bring some conversations about potential...

2378 **Unk.:** Fire stations.

2379 **City Manager Evans:** And so, work through some of those nuances. So, City  
2380 Administration is gonna move our capital improvements budget forward because the  
2381 capital improvements budget is a large infusion of cash that we can put into the economy  
2382 to work with our local contractors and vendors to see some growth economically.

2383 **Councilperson Lawson:** Either, either you're a robot, Mr. Evans, or that was  
2384 prerecorded.

2385 [Chuckle]

2386 **Councilperson Lawson:** I don't know which one it was but [chuckle]. You [inaudible]...

2387 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** And he even froze up for a minute there and so it really  
2388 made it look real.

2389 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** And virtual.

2390 **Councilperson Lawson:** Yeah. He's definitely virtual.

2391 But, thank you, Mr. Evans. I would love to be a part of the business assistance,  
2392 and the fast tracking permitting departments. So, I would love to kinda provide the support  
2393 if you want those to be chaired, if you want us to just sit on multiple boards, that's..., those  
2394 are the ones I'd love to support with you on.

2395 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Mr. Lawson, I think it's one per Council Member 'cause  
2396 the Mayor...

2397 **Councilperson Lawson:** Oh, man.

2398 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...has one too. Yeah, yeah.

2399 **Councilperson Lawson:** Oh, man.

2400 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** We, we wanna participate a little bit too.

2401 **Councilperson Lawson:** I, I thought, I thought he had seven. I thought he had seven.

2402 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I...

2403 **Councilperson Lawson:** So...

2404 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Is he gonna add... Are you gonna put the seventh on  
2405 there or?

2406 **City Manager Evans:** The, the, the seventh will be reserved for Administration, the,  
2407 the capital projects...

2408 **Councilperson Lawson:** [Chuckle].

2409 **City Manager Evans:** ...once...

2410 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Stop tryinna...

2411 **City Manager Evans:** But we certainly will...

2412 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...be greedy.

2413 **City Manager Evans:** ...we'll, we'll..., we'll, we'll take any assistance.

2414 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. So...

2415 **Councilperson Lawson:** [Inaudible].

2416 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...you gotta, you gotta figure it out. Which one are you  
2417 gonna do? Which one do you want...

2418 **Councilperson Lawson:** I'm sorry.

2419 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...[inaudible]? If we have too many...

2420 **Councilperson Lawson:** Yeah.

2421 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...many people that want it, we're gonna have to vote,  
2422 okay?

2423 **Councilperson Lawson:** Right, right. Super...

2424 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

2425 **Councilperson Lawson:** ...eight is rubbing off on me. I'm sorry.

2426 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I know.

2427 **Councilperson Lawson::** Small bus'...

2428 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I see.

2429 **Councilperson Lawson:** Small business assistance, is what I'm looking for.

2430 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

2431 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Madam Chair?

2432 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Hold on. Is McCoy hearing us now? I know he has  
2433 tried to jump in a few times but he's never ready. So, are you ready now? 'Cause he  
2434 said..., he made it seem like I was trying...

2435 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm here.

2436 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...to skip him.

2437 **Councilperson McCoy:** Can you hear me?

2438 **Councilperson Lanier:** He's not ready.

2439 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Thank you.

2440 [Inaudible dais comment]

2441 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Welcome back.

2442 **Councilperson McCoy:** Councilwoman Lanier...

2443 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Go ahead.

2444 **Councilperson McCoy:** Please give me a break.

2445 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Chuckle].

2446 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, I just got on.., back on, and I'm trying to look at the  
2447 committees. Thank you, Council... Pro Tem Lawson. I was definitely interested in the  
2448 small and medium business assistance. I really, really thought, you know, perhaps,  
2449 hospitality has been your strong point.

2450 [Chuckles]

2451 **Councilperson McCoy:** Actually, I don't know what to [inaudible], whether it is  
2452 hospitality or even, you know...

2453 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Inaudible]...

2454 **Councilperson McCoy:** ... the clergy.

2455 [Inaudible dais exchanges]

2456 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** [Inaudible] do all of them.

2457 **Councilperson Lawson:** The clergy.

2458 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** He can...

2459 **Councilperson McCoy:** You've...

2460 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...have them all.

2461 **Councilperson McCoy:** You've been all over. You know, and I can't keep up.

2462 **Councilperson Lawson:** [Inaudible].

2463 **Councilperson McCoy:** But, you know, I., that wasn't my...

2464 **Councilperson Lawson:** [Inaudible].

2465 **Councilperson McCoy:** That, that would've been my pick, so I guess I'll reserve and  
2466 see what's left.

2467 **Councilperson Lawson:** I'll move over to permitting. I'm okay with that. I just wanna  
2468 get it done. So, you can jump on the small business, sir.

2469 **Councilperson McCoy:** It doesn't matter. You know, so long as I'm known as a  
2470 servant, I'll be alright.

2471 [Chuckles]

2472 **Councilperson Lawson:** [Inaudible].

2473 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

2474 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Ma'...

2475 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** So...

2476 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Madam Chair?

2477 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Hold on a minute.

2478 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I wanted...

2479 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** So...

2480 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible].

2481 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I wanted to offer something.

2482 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** No, no, no. Hold on everybody. Hold on. So, Mr.  
2483 McCoy, Lawson said he would move to permits.

2484 **Councilperson Lawson:** Yes, Madam Chair.

2485 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** And then, you, you want the business assistance?  
2486 That's provided nobody else wants it, but you want me to put you there?

2487 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Stammer] if nobody else wants it, I'll take it.

2488 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Alright. I'll put you...

2489 **Councilperson McCoy:** But I [inaudible]...

2490 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...there for now. I'll put you there for now. Alright. Ms.  
2491 Lanier.

2492 **Councilperson Lanier:** I'm gonna go with the Health and Human Services piece,  
2493 because I am really..., I, I mean, ya'll, ya'll don't even understand how serious  
2494 [inaudible]...

2495 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** No. We understand. We see you every meeting.

2496 **Councilperson Lanier:** I know we can open everything but when I tell you that with  
2497 this City being the largest African-American community in a City, on the eastern seaboard,  
2498 that when this thing comes to the City, and it's already here, we have cases., we ha'...,  
2499 we are the top three of the cases in Palm Beach County. So, with my piece in terms of  
2500 Health and Human Services, I'm advocating testing, testing, testing, testing. And masks  
2501 for people who don't have them, and PSA's, for the people in this community who don't  
2502 understand how serious this is. And I know we joke and we talk and everything but when  
2503 I tell you that this disease is not being kind to African-Americans at all. So that we have  
2504 to be very serious about try to ensure that right here, right now, not about what's gonna  
2505 happen in the future, not about what we need to do but right now, we need to be testing,  
2506 testing, testing as much as we can in the City for our citizens to be able to... 'Cause all  
2507 of our citizens, mostly, are elderly, essential workers, they gotta go to work every day.  
2508 They either have to be sheltered at home because they're seniors. So this is the  
2509 population that we have to deal with, so we have to be very clear about how we're gonna  
2510 put our message out.

2511 And, it's goo say, you know, we need to shelter in place and we need to put on a  
2512 mask, but we have to put on., get a sound truck if we need to, to let these residents know  
2513 that, listen, this is serious. All this going to my cousin's house and going to my friend'  
2514 house, we cannot do that. We have to be very serious about this.

2515 So yes, I'm doing Health and Human Services and I wanna test, test, test if we can  
2516 and to get masks and to make sure that people in this community know how serious this  
2517 is. And it's not just for black folks. Singer Island, everybody. This is serious.

2518 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I, I, I can certainly hear your passion behind the  
2519 committee that you wanna serve on. I think it's very appropriate for you to be on there,  
2520 'cause you do., you're a health, health buff...

2521 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Chuckle].

2522 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...on the team. So, I believe that would be appropriate  
2523 for you, for sure.

2524 Mayor, are you., we have Public Safety and faith based. Which one, which one?

2525 **Mayor Felder:** Faith base.

2526 [Chuckle]

2527 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** It had your name all over it.

2528 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** [Inaudible]... And then, I'm..., I guess I'm gonna be a  
2529 police..., community orienting police here. That's what I'm gonna do. It says...

2530 **Councilperson Lanier:** KaShamba, you the police, so you might as well.

2531 **Councilperson McCoy:** They, they say you're the police. I mean...

2532 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** And, and listen, my grandad was one of the first black  
2533 police officers...

2534 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible]...

2535 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...in West Palm. So, it's in my blood.

2536 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible already know.

2537 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Exactly. How appropriate. Alright. So, I., so, so far  
2538 what I have is health at risk is Lanier; myself of Public Safety; Botel, hospitality, tourism;  
2539 McCoy, business assistance..., small business; Lawson, permitting; Mayor, faith base.

2540 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

2541 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Is everybody good on that? Yes.

2542 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

2543 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Mhmm.

2544 **Councilperson McCoy:** Since Lawson is at large, he's de facto everything, 'cause  
2545 we've seen him in all different categories.

2546 [Chuckles]

2547 **Councilperson McCoy:** Like, [chuckle], all one through seven, even though the, the  
2548 Manager only listed six, he's been everywhere.

2549 [Chuckles]

2550 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Madam Chair?

2551 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Correct. I agree.

2552 **Councilperson Lawson:** [Inaudible] is real tonight.

2553 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Botel.

2554 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Botel. I wanted to offer to Councilman McCoy the database  
2555 that I have of all of the businesses in Riviera Beach. It's, it's segmented by industry  
2556 sector. And, Mr. Brown, Mr. Sam Brown, can get that to you, as a first step in identifying  
2557 the businesses you may wanna work with.

2558 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Stammer].

2559 **Councilperson Lanier:** And Madam Chair, I also want to share with the Council, and  
2560 I'll have my aide send it out, the number of cases that are happening in, not just our City,  
2561 but in our neighborhood, who is testing positive where. As you know, I do HIV/AIDS every  
2562 day. I've been doing it for thirty years and our concern is people who are HIV positive,  
2563 who are not in care. And, as you know, most of the COVID-19 is affecting African-  
2564 Americans who have preexisting conditions. Whether that be HIV, whether that be  
2565 diabetes, whether that be high blood pressure. So, we have to be very careful here in  
2566 terms of our health. So, I really want to be able to share a lot of things with you guys in  
2567 terms of where the virus is and how it's affecting us and just like Botel has taken the  
2568 hospitality industry, there is no hospitality industry without essential workers. So we all  
2569 have to work together to ensure that we are making sure that our City is safe because  
2570 guess what, most of our City is made of essential workers and people who go to work  
2571 every day.

2572 So, I really wanted...

2573 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Right.

2574 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...to share that information with you guys and we can all work  
2575 together to ensure that we have a plan in place to move forward with this.

2576 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I agree. I agree. Okay. So, it looks like we have a  
2577 plan. We have identified the areas that each one of us will participate in and take charge  
2578 and lead and be able to help the citizens. And, I just wanted to say, Ms. Lanier, you had  
2579 mentioned about making sure we get the word out, doing the PSA's and all of that. I was  
2580 also looking into, and I had mentioned to Mr. Evans about having..., had actually..., I had  
2581 a constituent that brought the idea to me about having signs put up throughout the  
2582 neighborhoods. And so I thought that, you know, possibly, we could add, add..., put a little  
2583 twist on it like we have on the turnpike, we have those different messages, but line them  
2584 up so that, you know, they're able to be on those main stretch roads, Blue Heron,  
2585 Australian...

2586 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yeah.

2587 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...those number of places. And so, Ms...

2588 **Councilperson Lanier:** It's, it's..., and, Madam Chair...

2589 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...Elizabeth Robinson, I wanted to give her credit for  
2590 that.

2591 **Councilperson Lanier:** Listen, Madam Chair...

2592 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** [Inaudible].

2593 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...I don't mean to interrupt you but I really wanna say that just  
2594 like when we all ran for office, we ran campaigns, we had signs up, we had billboards up.  
2595 We have to treat this the same exact way.

2596 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Right. I agree.

2597 **Councilperson Lanier:** We have to put...

2598 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I agree.

2599 **Councilperson Lanier:** ..billboards up, we gotta let people know that, guess what, this  
2600 is serious because I'm telling you right now, people in this community right now are still  
2601 going to they' cousin's house, they're still going out like it..., without masks, without gloves,  
2602 without nothing. So, it is...

2603 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** [Stammer]...

2604 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...our job as elected officials to put this...

2605 [Chuckle]

2606 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I have my mask right here.

2607 **Councilperson Lanier:** To put this out... Yes. To put this out and..., like a campaign.

2608 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes, I agree. I agree.

2609 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes. Thank you.

2610 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I agree. And I'm glad that I'm here at home, not in the  
2611 building because I would still be coughing on my colleagues. So, I don't know what it is.  
2612 I mean, but we're talking thirty days here...

2613 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Cough]...

2614 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** So.

2615 **Councilperson McCoy:** Excuse me...

2616 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** And, and I...

2617 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm sorry.

2618 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** And then at this point, it was very difficult to get tested,  
2619 so I think I.., you all are safe. If you're still here, nobody had any symptoms. You, you  
2620 probably were okay.

2621 **Councilperson Lanier:** No. We're good. Thank you for doing that. You should be  
2622 getting tested though.

2623 **Councilperson McCoy:** You coughed on me? Did you cough on me?

2624 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I... A couple times, yeah. I did.

2625 **Councilperson McCoy:** Manager? Are you...

2626 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Don't let it out...

2627 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...listening?

2628 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Don't say that out too loud.

2629 [Chuckles]

2630 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. So, Item No. 9, everybody's good with 9?

2631 **Councilperson Lanier:** Oh, we're good.

2632 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Alright.

2633 **DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY**

2634 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Discussion by City Attorney. [Pause]. None? [Pause].  
2635 You're still muted. Can you get it off? Okay. There you go.

2636 **City Attorney Wynn:** Got it. No comment. Just be safe everyone.

2637 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

2638 **CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

2639 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** City Council committee reports. Anybody?

2640 **Councilperson Lanier:** We're having a upcoming meeting for the Transportation  
2641 Board this upcoming Thursday and it.., it'll be a virtual meeting so I would send a report  
2642 back to you guys at the next meeting.

2643 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Ms. Botel.

2644 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Yes. I wanted to thank Mr. Evans for making a presentation  
2645 at the recent Government Affairs Committee meeting of the Palm Beach North Chamber.  
2646 He did an outstanding job, of course. And they appreciated his presence there, and he

2647 explained to the committee what we were doing as a City to in'..., you know, to manage  
2648 this pandemic.

2649 I did just get a, a text from a constituent whose apparently public comment was not  
2650 read. Is it alright if I read that into the record?

2651 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** [Stammer]..., let us check [inaudible]...

2652 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Well...

2653 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...first. I mean, let us just... Put the name out and what  
2654 time they sent it and then Ms. Hall can go and look at it and then we come circle back.

2655 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** She said it was sent at 8:11. Well, in advance of 8:11.

2656 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** And it was sent to where?

2657 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Public comments at Riviera Beach dot org.

2658 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. And what was the name so that Ms. Hall can  
2659 look for it?

2660 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** J.B. Dixon.

2661 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. They read hers. She had another one?

2662 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** No, no. It's a long one. Yeah. This is a long one.

2663 [Inaudible dais comment]

2664 **City Attorney Wynn:** Public comment at 7:30?

2665 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** No. We didn't start at 7:30.

2666 **Unk.:** No. We started [inaudible]...

2667 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** We started around 8:10, somewhere around in there.

2668 **City Attorney Wynn:** Oh. Okay.

2669 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Maybe Ms. Ha'..., Deborah or Claudene can check that  
2670 and see if it came in after it was sent. I'm not sure. We'll come back to it.

2671 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Thanks.

2672 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Did you... Committee reports, were on still.

2673 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Right. Just...

2674 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Council committee reports.

2675 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** ...the Government Affairs committee, and as I said, we had a  
2676 presentation by Mr. Evans about the City of Riviera Beach and our response to the COVID  
2677 pandemic. I don't think we've...

2678 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright.

2679 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** ...had another meeting since then. The Environmental  
2680 subcommittee is meeting in a couple of days. I'll report on that next time.

2681 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Anyone else with a committee report? [Pause].  
2682 Alright.

2683 **STATEMENTS BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**

2684 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Statements by the Mayor and City Council. Start with  
2685 McCoy, Lanier, Botel, Lawson and then Felder.

2686 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you, Madam Chair. Commissioner Lawson, I'm  
2687 actually ahead of you this time. The last shall be first and the first shall be last, so let me  
2688 go ahead and take this opportunity. I do send my condolences to our City employee who  
2689 passed away, and their family. And also to former Councilwoman Liz Wade. And, I, I'd  
2690 be remiss if I didn't mention my uncle who was a longtime Public Works employee.

2691 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Oh, I'm sorry.

2692 **Councilperson McCoy:** Willie "BO" Davis.

2693 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** [Inaudible].

2694 **Councilperson McCoy:** He passed away on Monday.

2695 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Oh.

2696 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, I wanted to mention a couple things. Thank you, Mr.  
2697 Manager for all the work that you've been doing. It's like a 24/7 operation. I really  
2698 appreciate what it is that you're doing. And we got a lot of work that's in front of us and  
2699 ahead of us. And to just be able to manage, you know, the departments that have issues  
2700 day in and day out, and the employees, because it seems to be that you're the, I guess,  
2701 the..., what do you call those? Not counselors, they call them..., you know, the licensed  
2702 counselors, the, you know...

2703 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** [Inaudible]...

2704 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...you, you counsel everyone so thank you for, for what you  
2705 do because I do hear back so, I appreciate it. And it really means a lot 'cause I can only  
2706 imagine. I thought..., if you watched what we dealt with tonight, I've had my son in, in my

2707 lap a few times tonight. So, I can only imagine if you had to do this probably four hundred  
2708 times, you know, I really appreciate it and I gotta tell you that. I, I do appreciate you and  
2709 your Staff, and thank you so much. Also, to our Assistant. I'm sorry, to our Attorney.  
2710 [Chuckle]. And also her Assistant. So I appreciate you, Ms. Wynn. And all my colleagues  
2711 Congratulations, Councilwoman Botel, and also, new Chair Pro Tem Douglas Lawson for  
2712 your appointment as Chair and Pro Tem.

2713 I did receive a few calls over the past few days regarding the Housing Authority  
2714 and Phase II of Heron Estates, and I am deeply concerned and I would love to see that  
2715 we have this Item for some consideration on our next Agenda, which I'm gonna defer to  
2716 see when that's gonna be and what that looks like. Relating to the \$500,000 of City  
2717 dollars that the City committed to back in 2018 for the Florida Finance Housing Authority's  
2718 grant, for the Phase II for Heron Estates. So, certainly I would love to have a conversation  
2719 with you offline and if we can't get it resolved, I think it's betting that the Board have a  
2720 discussion and deliberation regarding this. So, that's all I have relating to that.

2721 I would certainly like to commend Commissioner..., Councilperson Lawson for your  
2722 daily efforts in philanthropy and public service, with the schools and in the community,  
2723 with the law enforcement offices, as well as my assistant, Marie Davis, and all of those  
2724 that have been participating. And certainly, Chairperson Botel, I think it's certainly in  
2725 order, at this point, for the efforts that you've been doing, and all of the Members of the  
2726 City Council. Regrettably and thankfully, I've not been able to, to commit as much time  
2727 because I have a delicate five year old that keeps me busy. And, you know, I had to talk  
2728 to my School Member, and as well as the Superintendent because me being an educator  
2729 is not what I signed up for. So, you know, having to do..., live streams is not really good  
2730 for me and it's taken a whole lot outta me. So, you know, I, I really wanna bid everybody,  
2731 you know, good health and being safe but continue to keep up the good work and the  
2732 commitment that we have to the City of Riviera Beach. And I appreciate everyone.

2733 Thank you so much. And congratulations to our new Chairperson and Pro Tem.  
2734 Thank you, Madam Chair.

2735 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Ms. Lanier, are you here? [Pause]. Lanier?  
2736 [Pause]. Alright. We'll come back to you. Oh, go ahead, Lanier.

2737 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yeah. I was, I was just trying to..., my battery went dead on  
2738 my, on my computer. I was trying to hook it up.

2739 What I first wanted to say, congratulations to Ms. Botel and Mr. Lawson for your  
2740 Chair and Pro..., Pro Tem votes that you received. But I also want to say, a, a shout out  
2741 to Edwina Wade and to Alice Bell because they are the daughter of Liz Wade. Liz Wade,  
2742 who was a Councilperson for this District 3 that I represent, for seven terms, she was my  
2743 next door neighbor, which means that I grew up with her. Actually, she raised me up.  
2744 Her and my parents both moved here to..., right here in Riviera Beach when they used to  
2745 call Riviera Beach the sticks. They moved here in the late 60's..., '64, '65. And, I've been  
2746 knowing Ms. Wade, you know of course, all my life and I was very sad to hear about her  
2747 passing yesterday but she was a type of Councilperson that..., she gave me a lotta

2748 pointers on how to do business, and how to do things and I really appreciate the fact that  
2749 even though, you know, I went off to school, came back, did this, did that, she was always  
2750 there for me and always told me about what I should do and told me that, yeah, you  
2751 should run too, Shirley. So, I appreciate that and condolences to their families.

2752 I also want to say that, because of..., I chose the Health and Human Services, and  
2753 I know I've said this all night long, I know this, but we have to be very, very serious about  
2754 this virus coming to this City. When I tell you that we have just scratched the surface of  
2755 how things are going to look. And I hate to be the person of gloom and doom. Please  
2756 believe me, I really do. But, we have to be very serious about this and we have to plan  
2757 because a lot of other cities did not. And we have to be in a position that we are the ones  
2758 that said, you know what, we had the forethought, we had the..., we had the, the foresight  
2759 to be able to plan for what's going to happen next. And guess what, we're not going back  
2760 to normal, we're going to a new normal. So, we need to be able to go along that path of  
2761 making sure that the citizens of Riviera Beach are being tested, are being given what we  
2762 need to be able to them..., for them to go to work, the hospitality industry, the marine  
2763 industry. That's all us. That's people who gotta show up for work every day. You know,  
2764 the Burger King that's on Blue Heron, the, the Wendy's that's on Blue Heron, that's all us.  
2765 The people who go to the Publix that's on Singer Island, the people who are working in  
2766 these different establishments that are open every day, the Walgreens, that's us. So, we  
2767 have to be able to ensure that the people who live in this City, and who work in this City,  
2768 are being protected. And it is our job to ensure that and I just wanted to say that and  
2769 make that clear so that we're all on the same page going forward, that this COVID-19 is  
2770 a priority for the City, even though we can walk and chew gum at the same time. Yes,  
2771 we can. But we still need to be very clear about the fact that this is what we need to focus  
2772 on.

2773 That's my comments.

2774 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Ms. Botel.

2775 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Yes. I've been working these couple of days hard at  
2776 reorganizing the food distribution program for the kids in Riviera Beach. I've been working  
2777 with the Friends of the Riviera Beach Schools, as well as a couple of agencies that already  
2778 have summer feeding programs in place and I'm happy to report that we'll..., we will be  
2779 able to restart our efforts at delivering food to homes of those children whose parents  
2780 don't have transportation to get to Suncoast and Lincoln and we hope to start that on  
2781 Monday. So, for those parents who did receive food last..., this past Monday, please know  
2782 that we'll be starting up again as soon as possible, hopefully, this Monday. We're working  
2783 with an agency. There's actually a..., the only, I've been told, the only food delivery  
2784 program [stammer], feeding program that's open every day of the week, here in Riviera  
2785 Beach. That's the Valley of Love Ministries at 127 West Blue Heron. So, if you are in  
2786 need of food and can get transportation to get to Valley of Love, again, they're at 127  
2787 West Blue Heron Boulevard, and they're open every day to provide food for you.

2788 I also want to express my condolences. I did not know Liz Wade, but I've heard  
2789 wonderful things about her. I'd like to express my condolences to her family, as well as

2790 to the family of the person who passed away, who was one of our own employees. And  
2791 congratulations to Councilperson..., Chair Pro Tem Lawson on his election.

2792 Thank you.

2793 [Pause]

2794 **Councilperson Lawson:** [Inaudible]. Thank you, Madam Chair. Well, thank you again,  
2795 colleagues. I just wanna thank you for your vote of confidence and allowing for me to  
2796 serve as Pro Tem. And also, Madam Chair, thank you again for the time that you've  
2797 served as our Chair over this past year. It's just been a great experience. And, Dr. Botel,  
2798 congratulations. I look forward to working as your, as your Pro Tem.

2799 Madam Chair, I just wanted to announce that on Monday, Elvin Dowling, the Chair  
2800 of the Board of, of Palm Beach Harvest reached out to myself and Mr. Evans and we're  
2801 going to be doing a free food giveaway on Monday at 12:00 p.m. It's gonna be hosted  
2802 over at Wells Gym. We're giving out a thousand meals to our residents. We're reserving,  
2803 I believe, two hundred meals, Mr. Evans? To go towards our seniors, and that are gonna  
2804 be hand delivered to the seniors. And then, eight hundred meals will be a drive up service  
2805 that Chief Curd and Mr. Evans has been facilitating. So, I wanna thank Mr. Dowling and  
2806 the Palm Beach Harvest Association for allowing for us to provide those meals.

2807 In addition to that, we're also going to be addressing the food desert that our  
2808 community has. A lot of these farmers are actually not being a'..., [stammer]..., able to  
2809 provide produce to the restaurants 'cause everything's closed. So, Mr. Dowling is also  
2810 looking to set up fresh produce every week. Right now the Boys & Girls Club is doing it  
2811 for their members, but we're trying to do it for all residents starting in the next coming  
2812 week. So, we're working on the logistics with that as well, with Mr. Evans and Chief Curd.

2813 Mr. Evans, just two quick questions that I wanted to address. The first responders  
2814 and our police officers, are they currently receiving any type of hazard pay?

2815 **City Manager Evans:** At this particular moment, they're not receiving hazard pay.  
2816 We did receive a letter from the PBA, and the municipal managers are talking about it.  
2817 One of the things that we are making sure is, is how do we continue to fund government  
2818 and, and how do we make sure that individuals stay gainfully employed. So, we're still  
2819 calculating what the fiscal impact of it, so we are having conversations internally about  
2820 what that would be.

2821 **Councilperson Lawson:** Excellent. And I know that we're researching it now, but if we  
2822 can expedite that process because while we're trying to figure these numbers out, our  
2823 officers are putting their life on the line every day by going outside to serve our, our  
2824 community, and our first responders. So, if we could expedite that process to see if it's  
2825 feasible for our community to afford that, that dollar amount for hazard pay for them.

2826 And then also, if you could get an update out for us, an email update, possibly on  
2827 where we stand with Arts in Public Spaces program, 'cause as a community and our  
2828 colleagues, I want us to still be able to move forward, and to prepare for what's gonna

2829 happen over the next one, two, three, ten years so that we can continue to do the business  
2830 of the City. So, if you can just send out an update for, for me via email before the next  
2831 meeting?

2832 **City Manager Evans:** No problem, Councilman. And you forgot one of the other  
2833 initiatives, the Grad'..., Grad Splash.

2834 **Councilperson Lawson:** Yes. Yes. I apologize for that. Thank you, Mr. Evans.

2835 The..., colleagues, we've also reached out..., one of the things that we spoke to  
2836 about the high school seniors, they're gonna be graduating and because of this pandemic  
2837 they're losing a lot. They lost the ability to have a graduation, their grad nights, their prom.  
2838 So, Mr. Evans and I have speaking about giving some opportunities to our seniors. Once  
2839 this pandemic is cleared and we, we've actually opened back up, outside as people are  
2840 saying, to give the senior an opportunity to enjoy some type of senior experience. And  
2841 we're working currently with the Rapids to see if in the middle, toward the end of the  
2842 summer, we can host some type of Grad Night. Something that we all went to, you know,  
2843 when we were in co'..., high school. Up in Orlando, they used to host, like, a gra'..., a Grad  
2844 Night event where the seniors would all come from all over the state and fellowship there  
2845 in one city. So, we're looking to work with the Rapids and see if this is something that the  
2846 Riviera Beach can partner for our seniors here in the community. So, we'll have more  
2847 updates, hopefully, going out soon but, that's in the early phases just because we wanna  
2848 make sure that we're clear of this pandemic and we're not endangering any of the kids  
2849 first. So, this is something we're looking towards the end of June, maybe July.

2850 Thank you, Mr. Evans. And, thank you, Madam Chair.

2851 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Mayor Felder and then I think McCoy is trying  
2852 to..., wanna say something again [inaudible].

2853 **Mayor Felder:** First of all, I'd like to give congra'..., congratulations to Botel, the new  
2854 Chairperson and Lawson the Pro Tem. [Inaudible] done, Madam Chair and the time I  
2855 have to s'..., serve with you.

2856 Just a couple things. First, the Housing Authority. I am appointing, immediately,  
2857 Ms. [stammer]..., Ms. Alexis Lockhart, to fill the seat that's been vacant due to it expiring.  
2858 So she will start immediately, tonight. Ms. Alexis Lockhart. She is now appointed to the  
2859 Housing Authority Board.

2860 And just, just a couple things. Going back to..., and Councilman Lawson and Mr.  
2861 Evans, by no way I, I'm holding..., I don't wanna hold the City back so I believe that we  
2862 should take every opportunity we have to grow the City. I believe that's why we were,  
2863 were put in place to make sure that we move the City forward. And I'm very excited about  
2864 some of the moves that we're making and if it's an investment that we need to make, let's  
2865 do that to move forward. But what I was saying earlier is, I don't want us to forget the  
2866 little things that people are concerned about every day that's affecting their lives. As I've  
2867 been going out handing out food on a daily basis, to some of our seniors, this is really  
2868 affecting their daily lives. Their sidewalks are tore up and although they agreed for it to

2869 happen, these contractors are not coming out. They will come up and tear up a street  
2870 and they may not see them for weeks. Or if they come, they come with a shadow crew  
2871 and, and they may only come for an hour. I think we can do a better job ensuring our,  
2872 our citizens. The statement I made was, as we continue to do bigger projects, you know,  
2873 if we miss out on these small things,, I don't think it's [inaudible].

2874 So, I, I mentioned about a project manager because as I've been going around  
2875 looking at some of these projects, I don't think nobody is, is watching them. And so,  
2876 maybe that's something we can dialog about, maybe hiring a project manager when we  
2877 have these projects, to make sure that they're being held accountable because right now,  
2878 there's no accountability. They're not wetting the streets, they're not cleaning the streets,  
2879 they're not paving the streets. And so, I don't know what they're doing but I think we have  
2880 a responsibility to our community to make sure that if they start a project that they're  
2881 gonna finish. So I hope that we can look at that.

2882 Mr. Evans, I'm not talking about the, the big overall re'.., reconstruction that we  
2883 have to do with the streets in Monroe Heights, I'm just talking about some of the streets  
2884 that they're, they're tearing up now. I know we said O Avenue would get those drains  
2885 capped. They were on M., M Avenue and I'm getting calls on the Avenue because they're  
2886 not doing anything there and they're not letting people know. I did talk to one of the  
2887 contractors with Mr. Bailey just saying give a, a notice if you're gonna be out there on a  
2888 Saturday morning. And I would even help them, if you told me that they were coming, I  
2889 would go knock on doors telling them that they would be there on Saturday morning. But  
2890 they've gone east, around 26<sup>th</sup> Court to tear up that street and driveways, and one of the  
2891 seniors, as I was taking her some food, said I hope they don't tear up my driveway  
2892 because her husband is in a wheelchair and she has.., when he back out, has to take him  
2893 to the sidewalk to put him in the truck. Well, of course, they tore up the sidewalk. But  
2894 they agreed for it to be done but the problem is, they're not, they're not doing any work.  
2895 So, if we can really jump on that to make sure.., and make them give us times. I think  
2896 they're just tearing up stuff to get a payment and I don't think that's right. So we really  
2897 need to look at these projects and say you know what, 'We're giving you a deadline to  
2898 get this stuff done for the betterment of our community.'

2899 Also, [pause], I think that's it for me.

2900 **Councilperson Lanier:** I, I...

2901 **Mayor Felder:** That's it...

2902 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...agree. Madam Chair, just one thing. I just wanna say that  
2903 everything that we do, we need to frame around this COVID-19 pandemic that we have  
2904 because everything that we do is going to reflect that.

2905 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. And I agree. Mr. McCoy.

2906 **Mayor Felder:** Just, just one more question for... Mr. Evans, the street'..,  
2907 streetsweeper, is that department shut down?

2908 **City Manager Evans:** That., the streetsweeper, that is., we've, we've taken off our  
2909 services concerning that but that's something that we can, we can have some additional  
2910 conversations offline...

2911 **Mayor Felder:** Yeah.

2912 **City Manager Evans:** ...if there's some specific areas. And I will be having some  
2913 conversations with Director Bailey, specific to the concerns that you communicated this  
2914 evening, Mr. Mayor.

2915 **Mayor Felder:** Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.

2916 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** You're welcome. Mr. McCoy? Couple seconds.

2917 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm only gonna need about four minutes.

2918 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** We'll save that...

2919 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Chuckle].

2920 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...for the next meeting then.

2921 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you, Madam Chair. I wanted to thank you. So, thank  
2922 you, Mayor Felder, for bringing that back up because that was a concern that I've heard  
2923 about. And, you know, I think we all agree that it's been a work in progress. Our first  
2924 year has been filled with dealing with computer issues and City Manager issues and  
2925 hurricane issues but, you know what, we're still here and I appreciate the commitment  
2926 from all my colleagues and the Manager, and as well as the Attorney.

2927 I received a phone call, and also an email, regarding the recent uptick in violence,  
2928 and I thought COVID-19 had did us a favor when it came the violence in the City but that's  
2929 not true and we've lost someone in the City who, in fact, is a relative, neighbor and  
2930 someone I've known all my life and I'll be dealing with Administration and also the Police  
2931 Department to get some insight on, you know, some of the things that we're doing to  
2932 address that.

2933 But, I wanted to really appeal to the Mayor and also to the City Manager relative  
2934 to my concern with at least recognizing Councilwoman Liz Wade and her passing, and  
2935 also our City employee and our former City employee, Mr. Willie "BO" Davis. Certainly, I  
2936 know this is definitely a difficult time and I know it's been done in the past but, you know,  
2937 I would ask the Mayor to consider any sort of recognition from the Office of the Mayor, in  
2938 honor of our former Councilwoman Liz Wade. And so, particularly, for our employee who  
2939 really died on the front line of being an employee while she's actually, you know, doing  
2940 service here at the City, to at least consider flowing our, our, our facilities flags at half-  
2941 staff in memory of those that have served and represented the City as an employee, and  
2942 also as an elected member.

2943 So, that's all I have. So, Mr. Mayor and also Mr. Manager, if you would please  
2944 consider that. That's all I have, Madam Chair. Thank you so much. Is it still fitting to call  
2945 you Madam Chair at this point? [Chuckle].

2946 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I think until we adjourn, that would be appropriate.  
2947 Thank you very much...

2948 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible] still Madam Chair.

2949 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...Councilman...

2950 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you, Mr. Manager, Mr. [Inaudible].

2951 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...[inaudible] McCoy. [Chuckle]. Alright. And, I'll just  
2952 kinda start off with what you were saying. I was ho'..., I had spoken to Mr. Evans about  
2953 definitely about trying to do the Proclamation for Ms. Wade. And I do wanna apologize  
2954 in, in overlooking Mr. Willie "BO" Davis. I actually reached out..., we reach out [inaudible]  
2955 a couple..., yes'..., a couple days ago when it happened and so I should have remembered  
2956 that but I, I didn't and I, I wanna send condolences out to her and her mom and brother  
2957 and family. And as well as you, Mr. McCoy, 'cause you are a relative of them.

2958 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible].

2959 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** So, I did speak about the... We know that. We did talk  
2960 about doing Proclamations so, hopefully, for our next meeting we can, Mr. Mayor, that  
2961 usually comes to your, your office, so hopefully, we can get a Proc'..., at least a  
2962 Proclamation for those individuals that we just spoke of.

2963 **Mayor Felder:** [Inaudible].

2964 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I'm..., when we had the public comment section, I  
2965 wanna make note of something before I move on right quick. You notice you all can't  
2966 leave and pack up tonight when I'm getting ready to do my closing comments, can ya?  
2967 Yeah. I know. The first time. My last time as Chair.

2968 **Councilperson Lanier:** Hey, Ms. KaShamba, you see...

2969 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** So, I won't be last anymore.

2970 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible]. I'm gettin' it together now.

2971 [Chuckles]

2972 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** [Inaudible]. Okay. And so, the..., I had mentioned, Mr.  
2973 Evans, when the public comment came about the Housing Authority, I actually got some  
2974 calls as well regarding that. So, if you can, look into that. I know Mr. McCoy mentioned  
2975 about bringing it to ano'..., our next meeting, I would be..., I would like to see that happen  
2976 as well, finding out more information because when I..., I looked back at the meeting, it...,

2977 although it was verbal, it was stated that the same contractors would be involved with  
2978 Phase II and, from my understanding, one of our locals, Mr. Newbold, who was with I  
2979 believe Gulf Construction, they are no longer a part of that team or at least our local  
2980 person is not. And, Mr. Hurt, during that meeting basically agreed that, you know, if the  
2981 \$500,000 from the City was contributed to them and Ms. Hubbard at the time asked,  
2982 would we be using the same local teams to work on Phase II and he did indicated yes.  
2983 And so, that to me, I., it appeared that, you know, the \$500,000 was provided that you  
2984 use the same group of people for Phase II which was local people. So, if you can look  
2985 into that because that, that's a concern for me if, you know, we now switched things up.  
2986 And, I know they have to get something on their end before we can give that \$500,000 to  
2987 [inaudible] anyway. So, if you can look into that and have that for the next meeting, that  
2988 would be appreciated.

2989           Also, let's see..., I wanna than the workers, Public Safety. I know Ms. Lanier has  
2990 talked a lot about the COVID and how serious it is. And I, you know, I, I've joked around  
2991 about, you know, me coughing and having a cough for a very long time and, you know,  
2992 unfortunately, because of the way the testing has been, the criteria was so stringent  
2993 initially when I was sick, very sick at the very, you know, first few weeks of it but because  
2994 I hadn't been out the country... I tried to get tested four times and couldn't get it and  
2995 finally I was, and so I'm waiting now but it, it's very serious. And people that have  
2996 underlying conditions, such as myself, are very much at risk and, you know, I, I think  
2997 because we have not had as much testing around, across the nation actually, that we  
2998 should have, people are a little more reluctant to isolate themselves because, in their  
2999 mind, it's not happening. But, it, it is impacting a lot of people and I think if we had more  
3000 testing done, we would see the numbers jump up very quickly. The numbers are probably  
3001 down because a lot of people are not getting tested. And, for a very long time, it excluded  
3002 a lot of people. At one point, if you were out of the country, you couldn't get it. Then, if  
3003 you weren't over 65, you could get it. I'm like, 'I can't even breathe, can, can I come?'  
3004 'No, you're..., are, are you 65?' 'No, I'm not 65 but I have everything.' So, it, it, it makes  
3005 it hard for people to understand that it's real when it's not really hitting you in the face.  
3006 So, I'm all for the campaigning, you know, getting things going in terms of a campaign  
3007 and trying to get the word out and, and providing those masks. I know you mentioned  
3008 about masks, Ms., Ms. Lanier. I know there are some people, very locally, who are  
3009 making those masks, the, the cloth masks. And so, you know, if we're able to utilize some  
3010 of those people and be able to get them to participate in that, that, that would be great if  
3011 you all went that route. But, I definitely wanna put..., take all hats off to Public Safety  
3012 people who are out there and doing their jobs and not knowing whether or not they're  
3013 gonna get sick. And I certainly..., I appreciate all the essential, essential workers, our City  
3014 workers who are going to work every day. Some of you are working from home but a lot  
3015 of you are still out there, so I appreciate that as well.

3016           The..., let's see, what else do I have? [Pause]. I thank you, Mr. Lawson, for that  
3017 Rapids idea. I think that's really great for the high schoolers. Grad Night is, is certainly  
3018 something that you will remember for the rest of your life and if we can get that type of  
3019 traffic to come here, as you..., the memo stated that, hopefully, if it turns out well when we  
3020 do it one time, then that might be a alternative for people around the state to be able to  
3021 come as well. So, I appreciate that. That's a great idea.

3022 **Councilperson Lawson:** Thank you.

3023 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** And the.., congratulations to our new Chair and Chair  
3024 Pro Tem, Botel and Mr. Lawson. I tell you, it has been.., I, I'm, I'm so excited to pass the  
3025 gavel over so quickly. Now I can get up and go to the bathroom whenever I want to.

3026 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Chuckle].

3027 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I don't have to wait. So, but no. It.., you all, I mean,  
3028 we.., I think our group will be fine. We'll, we'll be doing a wonderful job by having these  
3029 individuals in, in the position. Mr. Lawson, I do want to give you your credit for your... I  
3030 joke with you about you being all over the place but it is, it is, it's a great thing that you're  
3031 doing and, you know, unfortunately, like I said, I've just really felt bad that I haven't been  
3032 able to do anything 'cause I've seriously been in the house for days and days and days.  
3033 But, I thank you so much for having that energy and being able to get out there and, and  
3034 help all of our citizens as much as you can.

3035 **Councilperson Lawson:** Thank you, Madam Chair [inaudible]...

3036 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** [Inaudible] super eight out 'cause I know super eight  
3037 was right there with you so...

3038 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Chuckle].

3039 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...super eight...

3040 **Councilperson Lawson:** Yeah. He was...

3041 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...Mr. Javarious Jackson.

3042 **Councilperson Lawson:** He was there. Yes.

3043 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes, he was.

3044 **Councilperson Lawson:** Mr. Jackson has been, he's been on point with everything.  
3045 So, he takes all the credit. I'm just in front of the camera. And, and, Madam Chair, thank  
3046 you. I'm actually just representing the entire Council. So all...

3047 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yeah.

3048 **Councilperson Lawson:** ...my colleagues, we've all been...

3049 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay. That's enough, Pro Tem. I mean, come on, you done  
3050 had your time now, Pro Tem.

3051 [Chuckles]

3052 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible].

3053 **Councilperson Lawson:** [Inaudible].

3054 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** We're gonna let him finish with that. We're gonna give  
3055 [inaudible]...

3056 **Councilperson Lawson:** [Inaudible] let me finish. 'Cause she's gonna talk about  
3057 COVID one more time [inaudible].

3058 [Chuckles]

3059 **Councilperson Lanier:** Hey.

3060 **Councilperson Lawson:** Madam Chair...

3061 **Councilperson Lanier:** I'm telling ya'll, I'm not playing with this.

3062 **Councilperson Lawson:** Madam Chair, but...

3063 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** I would like [inaudible] a round of applause for our [clapping]  
3064 outgoing Chair who's done an outstanding job.

3065 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes, yes, yes.

3066 **Councilperson Lawson:** [Inaudible]...

3067 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Thank you.

3068 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Thank you so much.

3069 **Councilperson Lanier:** KaShamba, you have done an excellent job. Excellent job.

3070 **Councilperson Lawson:** And that's all I wanted to say, congrats...

3071 **Councilperson Lanier:** KaShamba did the job...

3072 **Councilperson Lawson:** ...Miller-Anderson.

3073 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...when.., back in the day when it was all crazy. And you're  
3074 still doing the job. She's still doing the job so, yeah.

3075 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** I appreciate it.

3076 **Councilperson Lawson:** Congrats, Madam Chair.

3077 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Thank you so much. And, like I said, I'm happy to pass  
3078 the torch over to Botel and Lawson. So, thank you all so much though.

3079 And, did I see your hand up, Mr. McCoy?

3080 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** No.

3081 **Councilperson Lawson:** No.

3082 [Chuckles]

3083 **Councilperson McCoy:** Whoa, whoa. Hold on. I want...

3084 [Inaudible dais comment]

3085 **Councilperson McCoy:** I did have my hand up.

3086 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** 'Cause we're trying...

3087 **Councilman McCoy:** I, I...

3088 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** ...to adjourn.

3089 **Councilperson McCoy:** I had my hand up.

3090 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** With that being said...

3091 **Councilperson McCoy:** Hold on. Mason, lay down. That' was my hand up.

3092 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Chuckle].

3093 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Well, [inaudible]...

3094 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** You know, when you have it... When you have it in this view,  
3095 it reminds me of Hollywood Squares.

3096 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

3097 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** [Inaudible] I have it in the view that only shows [inaudible]...

3098 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible].

3099 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** So I only see.., I only see nine windows. 'Cause I put on...  
3100 You can put it on view active cameras. And, that's what it's like. So, when you were  
3101 pointing up, McCoy, you were pointing up to Miller-Anderson up there and I thought you  
3102 were trying to make [inaudible]. It's really weird.

3103 **Councilperson McCoy:** No. I'm talking to Mason. Thank you.

3104 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** Alright.

3105 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible].

3106 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Well, I'm glad we were able to get through this meeting  
3107 fairly well, with not too many issues and I would imagine we're going to be using the same  
3108 platform when we do our CRA meeting. So, hopefully, we have a very smooth meeting  
3109 during that time as well. I don't want... Well, I'm not gonna be the Chair, so...

3110 [Chuckles]

3111 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Hey, I'm good. We're...

3112 **Councilperson Lanier:** No. Please, KaShamba, don't go, please.

3113 [Chuckles]

3114 **Chair Pro Tem Botel:** This is a baptism of [inaudible].

3115 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** But, I do wanna thank Ms. Noel as well, and anyone  
3116 else that had a hand in this. It, it did go pretty smoothly. We just had a couple of sections  
3117 that froze up but not.., nothing major, so thank you all, everybody working in the  
3118 background with this situation.

3119 Oh, one thing. Ms. Botel or, I'm sorry, Ms. Hall or Claudene or Tawanna, did you  
3120 all look to see if that email came through for J.B. in time for public comments? Or, Ms.  
3121 Anthony?

3122 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes, Madam Chair, I looked to see if the email.., and, she did  
3123 send it prior to the closing of the acceptance of public comment, so if...

3124 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. So...

3125 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...[inaudible desire at this time, I will read it into the record?

3126 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes. Go ahead.

3127 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. This public comment comes from J.B. Dixon. I wish to  
3128 make the following statement during public comments. I keep hearing how we, we should  
3129 stop everything, delay everything, procrastinate on everything in the interest of everyone  
3130 being quote comfortable unquote. Whether it is the Marina project, the Ocean Mall  
3131 parking structures, or now the Library, Riviera Beach needs to suffer from analysis  
3132 paralysis. And that's in all caps. That is how and why we have wasted half a million  
3133 dollars in grant money while we dithered around. It's time for this Council to move off the  
3134 dime and to try to buy this building for our Library and future uses. Let's stop talking and  
3135 start acting. We can negotiate the purchase of this building without waiting to see what  
3136 happens with COVID-19. The business of the City must proceed despite the [stammer]..,  
3137 the pandemic. Let's get moving. J.B. Dixon.

3138 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Alright. Thank you.

3139 **ADJOURNMENT**

3140 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** And with that being said, we stand adjourned. Thank  
3141 you all so much. It's been a pleasure.

3142 **Councilperson Lanier:** Bye-bye.

3143 **Chairperson Miller-Anderson:** Bye-bye.

3144 [End of video/audio]

3145 **List of City Employees and Public Speakers**

3146 Parks and Recreation Director Richard Blankenship  
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3148 Acting Development Services Director Jeff Gagnon  
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3150 Deborah Hall Ms. D.  
3151 Hall

3152 Assistant to City Manager Marsha Noel .....Assistant to City Manager Noel

3153 John Clayton

3154 Alfonso Newbold

3155 Joi Braswell

3156 J.B. Dixon

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3163 **MAYOR**

**JULIA A. BOTEL, Ed.D**  
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3165 **ATTEST:**

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3169 **CLAUDENE L. ANTHONY**  
3170 **CERTIFIED MUNICIPAL CLERK**  
3171 **CITY CLERK**

**DOUGLAS A. LAWSON**  
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3189 **T. MCCOY** \_\_\_\_\_

3190 **K. MILLER-ANDERSON** \_\_\_\_\_

3191 **S. LANIER** \_\_\_\_\_

3192 **J. BOTEL** \_\_\_\_\_

3193 **D. LAWSON** \_\_\_\_\_

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3195 **DATE APPROVED:**   **JUNE 3, 2020**  

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**TRADRICK McCOY**  
**COUNCILPERSON**

**KASHAMBA MILLER-ANDERSON**  
**COUNCILPERSON**

**SHIRLEY D. LANIER**  
**COUNCILPERSON**

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 6/3/2020

**Agenda Category:** CONSENT

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**Subject:** MAY 6, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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**Recommendation/Motion:** APPROVE THE MAY 6, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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B. Purchasing/Intergovernmental Relations/Grants Comments:

C. Department Director Review:

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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
May 6, 2020  
6:00 p.m.**

PRESENT AT MEETING<sup>1</sup>:

MAYOR RONNIE FELDER	MAYOR FELDER
CHAIRPERSON KaSHAMBA L. MILLER- ANDERSON – DISTRICT 2	CHAIRPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON
CHAIR PRO TEM JULIA A. BOTEL – DISTRICT 4	CHAIR PRO TEM BOTEL
COUNCILPERSON TRADRICK MCCOY DISTRICT – 1	COUNCILPERSON MCCOY
COUNCILPERSON SHIRLEY D. LANIER – DISTRICT 3	COUNCILPERSON LANIER
COUNCILPERSON DOUGLAS A. LAWSON – DISTRICT 5	COUNCILPERSON LAWSON
CITY MANAGER JONATHAN EVANS	CITY MANAGER EVANS
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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
MAY 6, 2020 @ 6:00 P.M.**

(The following may contain unintelligible or misunderstood words due to the recording quality.)

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Chairperson Botel:** I'd like to call to order the Regular Riviera Beach City Council Meeting on May 6<sup>th</sup>. The time is 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Chairperson Botel:** Madam Clerk, would you call the roll, please?

**City Clerk Anthony:** Mayor Ronnie Felder?

**Mayor Felder:** Here.

**City Clerk Anthony:** Chairperson Julia Botel?

**Chairperson Botel:** Here.

**City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Pro Tem Douglas Lawson?

**Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Here.

**City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Tradrick McCoy?

**Councilperson McCoy:** Here.

**City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Shirley Lanier? [Pause]. Councilperson KaShamba Miller-Anderson?

**Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Present

**City Clerk Anthony:** City Manager Jonathan Evans?

**City Manager Evans:** Present.

**City Clerk Anthony:** City Clerk Claudene Anthony is present. City Attorney Dawn Wynn?

**City Attorney Wynn:** Here.

**City Clerk Anthony:** You may proceed.

31 **INVOCATION**

32 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

33 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Could we have a moment of [stammer] silence,  
34 followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Councilwoman Miller-Anderson?

35 [Moment of silence]

36 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United  
37 States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God,  
38 indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

39 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

40 **PUBLIC COMMENT**

41 **Chairperson Botel:** I'm gonna read the public comment statement.

42 **Chairperson Botel:** ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO COMMENT  
43 PUBLICLY ON ANY MATTER, INCLUDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA, SHALL  
44 SUBMIT THEIR COMMENTS BY EMAIL TO CITY CLERK CLAUDENE ANTHONY AT  
45 PUBLICCOMMENTS@RIVIERABEACH.ORG. THAT'S P-U-B-L-I-C C-O-M-M-E-N-T-S  
46 @RIVIERABEACH.ORG. THE EMAIL SHALL CONTAIN THE APPLICABLE AGENDA  
47 ITEM NUMBER(S) ALONG WITH THE PRECISE WORDING TO BE READ INTO THE  
48 RECORD; EXPLICIT LANGUAGE WILL NOT BE READ. EMAILS WITHOUT  
49 APPLICABLE AGENDA ITEM NUMBER(S) WILL BE READ UNDER THE GENERAL  
50 PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION. BE ADVISED, PUBLIC COMMENTS WILL BE  
51 ACCEPTED, FOR EACH APPLICABLE ITEM AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC  
52 COMMENT SECTION, UNTIL CLOSURE IS ANNOUNCED BY THE CHAIRPERSON  
53 OR THE CITY CLERK.

54 ALL EMAIL ADDRESSES AND SUBMITTED COMMENTS ARE AND WILL BE  
55 PUBLIC RECORD (PER CHAPTERS 119 AND 668 OF FLORIDA STATUTES).

56 THE CITY CLERK OR DESIGNEE WILL READ PUBLIC COMMENTS INTO THE  
57 RECORD AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME FOR NO MORE THAN THREE MINUTES. IF  
58 YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT  
59 561-845-4090 OR EMAIL CROBINSON@RIVIERABEACH.ORG.

60 **AGENDA APPROVAL**

61 **ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS**

62 **Chairperson Botel:** Do we have any additions, deletions or substitutions from the  
63 Manager, the Mayor or the Council, to the Agenda?

64 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

65 **Chairperson Botel:** [Stammer]... Ms. Lanier, was that you?

66 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes. That's me.

67 **Chairperson Botel:** You're recognized.

68 **Councilperson Lanier:** I would like to pull Item No. 13. Meaning, I'd like to either table  
69 it or put it off for the next Item because I'm, I'm still getting more information about this  
70 policy that I wanted to review, and I want to put this.., take this off the Agenda for tonight.

71 **Chairperson Botel:** Does anyone object to taking it off the Agenda?

72 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Madam Chair?

73 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Mr. McCoy.

74 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** I think that this discussion Item does need to stay on the  
75 Agenda because this is a topic that we've actually come across our desk for the last  
76 couple weeks now, so I definitely wanted to kinda try to close this out, or have the  
77 discussion, or at least have the discussion and deliberation about it. And, prefer not to  
78 have it pulled for tonight.

79 **Chairperson Botel:** Could I hear from other Members of the Cou'... Mr. McCoy,  
80 do you feel that you wanna see it on the Agenda or off this evening?

81 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes, Madam Chair. I would like to see if we can have that  
82 discussion.

83 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Miller-Anderson, would you like to have that discussion?

84 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I'm fine with it coming off but if, you know, if the  
85 majority would like for it to be on, that's fine too. I do agree with Ms. Lanier that we do  
86 have more information that's coming. But, it is something that needs to be addressed at  
87 some point for sure.

88 **Chairperson Botel:** It does seem like we're getting information about this up until  
89 the very last minute. Mr. Evans, do you...

90 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

91 **Chairperson Botel:** ...have a [audio skipped] for leaving it on tonight and getting  
92 it done or?

93 **City Manager Evans:** What'..., whatever the pleasure of the Board is.

94 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair?

95 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Ms. Lanier.

96 **Councilperson Lanier:** I just wanted to say that I've been getting information for the  
97 past couple of weeks from different entities about this issue, up until recently, up until  
98 today, receiving additional information and also information about forthcoming  
99 information, for this particular Item. And, I want to be able to discuss this with all the  
100 information in front of me and not make a hasty decision. Even though it's up for  
101 discussion, I really would like to have all the information. And you never can have  
102 everything but there's information that's coming in every single day about this Item.

103 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah. Okay. I think we will remove it from the Agenda. I too  
104 feel like I am getting information at such a quick pace that's it's difficult to even digest it  
105 so that we can have a.., an informed discussion. So, we'll put it on the Agenda for the  
106 20<sup>th</sup>...

107 **Councilperson McCoy:** I disagree, Madam Chair.

108 **Chairperson Botel:** Well, I think, Mr. McCoy, you're outnumbered by three to...

109 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well...

110 **Chairperson Botel:** ...three to...

111 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...if, if I may?

112 **Chairperson Botel:** Sure, go ahead, Mr. McCoy.

113 **Councilperson McCoy:** I specifically asked the Manager if I could have this on the  
114 Agenda because there was a lotta information that wasn't available and this was gonna  
115 provide some opportunity besides the memo that he sent out that we can have a dialog  
116 together as a Board. Now certainly, if you guys choose to remove it from the Agenda,  
117 you know, I want to see if we have the discussion, and if we can't have that discussion  
118 tonight, I'll just move forward with calling for a special meeting. And then, if you guys  
119 choose not to accept or adopt the Agenda, then that's fine too but I think, you know, at  
120 the very least, I've had concerns with this for over two weeks and I've shared this with the  
121 Manager and he insisted that he would bring this to the Board's attention [audio skipped]  
122 as a body. So, if you don't wanna have it tonight, I'll just circulate a request for a call for  
123 a special meeting to, to deal with it.

124 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. McCoy. We're gonna take it off the Agenda  
125 for this evening. Madam Clerk, would you strike that? I think it's the last Item, so it doesn't  
126 require us to change any of the numbers.

127 **City Clerk Anthony:** No, it does not, Madam Chair. However, I did see the Mayor  
128 had, had his hand raised.

129 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh, I'm so sorry, Mayor Felder.

130 **Mayor Felder:** It's okay. It's concerning this, this Item. And I know we were talking  
131 about pushing it back to the 20<sup>th</sup> but we're getting a lotta phone calls and emails every

132 day. I don't see anything wrong with a discussion, to at least put to bed some of the  
133 questions, even for us to understand what's going on. So, all we're gonna get is inundated  
134 with more emails, phone calls if you, you know, it's not fair to us either. We're gonna be  
135 inundated. I, I'm telling you, we're gonna be blowed up tomorrow if we don't have a  
136 discussion about that tonight. And I don't think having a discussion about it, you know...  
137 There's nothing wrong with that. That's what it is, it's a discussion to show those  
138 concerned parties that we are at least talking about it.

139 So, I think the wrong thing to do is take off the Agenda because it's gonna..., it's  
140 gonna send a wrong message.

141 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mayor Felder.

142 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Clerk? I mean, Madam Chair?

143 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Miller-Anderson.

144 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I don't have a problem with hearing it tonight.  
145 However, because there may be a few people that want to discuss it, I have received  
146 some information today. There's still confirmation I'm trying to get on some things, so I'm  
147 not sure as to how much I'm going to be able to add to the conversation but for those of  
148 you that do have enough and feel you wanna have this conversation tonight, I'm fine with  
149 keeping it on the Agenda. I mean...

150 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

151 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...I'm fine with...

152 **Councilperson Lanier:** And...

153 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...it in terms of that but I, I don't know how much  
154 I'm gonna add to the conversation.

155 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Lanier, are you comfortable enough with it just being a  
156 discussion? We're, we're certainly not going...

157 **Councilperson Lanier:** No. No, no. I'm not comfortable. And, and in fact, I, I like Mr.  
158 McCoy's idea of having a special meeting about it. I think this is a very, very sensitive  
159 subject and I think that, you know, ten or fifteen or twenty minutes at the end of an Agenda,  
160 is not..., doesn't do it justice. And I agree with him, I think that we should have a special  
161 meeting for this.

162 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay.

163 **Chairperson Botel:** And we'll, ask Mr. McCoy to follow up and ask for a special  
164 meeting on it. I, I agree, it would be..., it looks like it might be late in the evening when we  
165 get to that discussion and we certainly don't wanna give it short [inaudible]. So, I  
166 appreciate that, Mayor Felder, for your comments, and, and Mr. McCoy for your desire to

167 have it and we'll look forward to your asking for a special meeting on the topic in the very  
168 near future.

169 Are there any other changes to the Agenda?

170 [Pause]

171 **Chairperson Botel:** Can we have a motion and a second to adopt the Agenda?

172 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** So moved.

173 [Inaudible dais comment]

174 **Councilperson Lanier:** Second.

175 **Councilperson McCoy:** And we're doing that with that Item deleted?

176 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

177 [Inaudible comment]

178 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Anthony, go ahead. [Pause]. I couldn't hear you, Ms.  
179 Anthony.

180 **City Clerk Anthony:** I didn't.., that was not me talking.

181 **Chairperson Botel:** Oh. What was that? Okay. So...

182 **City Clerk Anthony:** I don't know who that was.

183 **Chairperson Botel:** We, we had a, a sec'... We had a motion and a second, I  
184 believe.

185 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay.

186 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Can we call the roll?

187 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. Councilperson McCoy?

188 [Pause]

189 **Councilperson McCoy:** What, what are we voting on?

190 **Chairperson Botel:** Just the Agenda.

191 **City Clerk Anthony:** We're adopting the Agenda with Item No. 13 del'.., deleted.

192 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

193 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Wait a minute. Madam Chair?

194 **Councilperson McCoy:** Wait, wait. No, no. Madam Chair.

195 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** We didn't adopt...

196 **Councilperson McCoy:** No. Wait a minute. So...

197 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** We didn't adopt the... We didn't do Consent.

198 **Councilperson McCoy:** I, I think we need to clarify a couple things. And I will ask that,  
199 Madam Chair, if you can have the Clerk call the roll on the removing of Item No. 13, and  
200 not just the poll?

201 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Madam Clerk, will you call the..., on the removal of Item  
202 13, with the understanding that we will have a special meeting about it?

203 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. Madam Chair, the motion was to adopt the Agenda  
204 with the Item removed. If you want to do a separate roll call vote for the removal of that  
205 Item, then we would need a motion and a second for that.

206 **Councilperson McCoy:** And, and, and I think it, it really means a whole lot, because I  
207 don't agree with removing this Item from the Agenda. And I don't want me adopting this  
208 Agenda with that Item removed to some way suggest that I support the removal of Item  
209 No. 13.

210 **Chairperson Botel:** Alright. So...

211 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, I wanted a roll call vote on Item No. 13 being removed, so  
212 I preserve the record.

213 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. I think procedurally, we will have to remove the  
214 motion and second to adopt the Agenda. So, whoever ma'..., whoever motioned and  
215 seconded it, would you re'..., would you remove that and then we will ask for somebody  
216 to make a motion on removing Item 13?

217 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay. I take back my second, or [stammer] motion for  
218 approval of the Agenda. I don't know who second it, I'm not sure.

219 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I didn't. I have a question, Madam Chair.

220 **Chairperson Botel:** Go ahead, Ms. Miller-Anderson.

221 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** When we take this vote though, I want... Mr.  
222 McCoy, what..., when are you looking to have a special meeting?

223 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm requesting one for tomorrow.

224 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Well, first of all, what time because they  
225 have their update? Isn't there an update tomorrow, Mr. Evans, or no?

226 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, I'm sure that this will probably take precedence, since  
227 this is a special call meeting by the Board, but you guys don't have to accept it. I mean,  
228 but literally...

229 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I'm fine...

230 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...I've waited over two weeks.

231 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...with a special meeting. I'm fine with it.

232 **Councilperson Lanier:** We can have a special meeting. If the meeting starts at, at  
233 the [stammer] the update starts at 6:00 or 6:30, we can easily have a, a meeting that  
234 starts at 5:00.

235 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** We have..., the twenty-four hours is..., we're not  
236 within...

237 **Councilperson Lanier:** Oh, yeah.

238 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...the twenty-four hours.

239 **Councilperson Lanier:** So.

240 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So, here's, let me say this. Madam Chair?

241 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah.

242 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So, I'm fine with having the meeting, keeping it  
243 on the Agenda tonight. If we don't get through what Mr. McCoy wants to get through  
244 tonight, then he call a special meeting. So, I would be okay with it being on the Agenda  
245 tonight to see..., I mean, we may find we don't need to have another meeting.

246 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

247 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So, I'm, I'm fine with keeping it on for tonight and  
248 see... I mean, maybe Mr. McCoy has some more information that we..., I may not have,  
249 so I'm fine with it staying on tonight and if we don't get through what we need to get  
250 through, then we can call a special meeting.

251 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

252 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So, I wanted to just put that on record before we  
253 vote.

254 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. So, are we back to... Now, we, we've gotten rid of the  
255 motion and the second to approve the Agenda, and now we are at the point of voting...

256 somebody has to make a motion and then we'll vote on whether or not to remove that  
257 Item so that we have clarity about who wants it on, who doesn't want it on. Will someone  
258 please make a motion to remove that..., Ms. Lanier, I'm sure that will be you, to remove  
259 Item 13 from the Agenda?

260 **Councilperson Lanier:** So moved.

261 **Chairperson Botel:** Do we have a second? [Pause]. Okay. I can't second it, so  
262 that dies for a lack of a second. So, it will stay on the Agenda then because we don't  
263 have enough people...

264 [Tone]

265 **Chairperson Botel:** So, that relieves us of the requirement to have a special  
266 meeting and now we can go back to asking if somebody would once again move to accept  
267 this Agenda, and second?

268 **Councilperson Lanier:** So moved.

269 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** So moved.

270 **Councilperson McCoy:** Second.

271 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Second.

272 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Madam Clerk.

273 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

274 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

275 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

276 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

277 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

278 **Councilperson Lanier:** No.

279 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

280 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

281 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

282 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

283 **City Clerk Anthony:** That motion is approved with Councilperson Lanier  
284 dissenting.

285 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Do we have any public comments?

286 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair?

287 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Miller-Anderson.

288 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I, I think we need to go back up here for the  
289 disclosures part because we kinda skipped over that, if there's...

290 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible].

291 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...any disclosures. For any of these Items.

292 **DISCLOSURES**

293 **Chairperson Botel:** I mean, does the Councilpeople have any disclosures with  
294 regard to this Agenda?

295 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I do. I spoke with the..., I spoke with several of  
296 the..., well, we all received emails from some of the employees regarding Item No. 13 and  
297 I spoke to some of the reps from SEIU for Item No. 13. And, that would be it probably.

298 **Chairperson Botel:** And I suspect we all got that same disclosure. Does anybody  
299 not have that disclosure? [Pause]. We've all had conversations with..., we've all received  
300 emails from certain members of the organiz'..., of the agency and we've all, I suspect, had  
301 conversations over the phone with representatives from SEIU. So, let that be entered  
302 into the record. Thank you.

303 **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON CONSENT AGENDA (Three Minute Limitation)**

304 **Chairperson Botel:** And now... Did we have any public comments?

305 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes, Madam Chair. We do have public comments on the  
306 Consent Agenda.

307 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. But let's, let's hear those first then.

308 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. The acceptance of public comments on the Consent  
309 Agenda is now closed. Our first public comment will come from a John Coyle Poe. And,  
310 they write: I support Alexis Lockhart for this Board. She is dependable, effective and in  
311 the community working.

312 The next public comment comes from Norman Bain. And it states: I support Alexis  
313 Lockhart for a position. She speaks for the youth and is dependable, she has, has  
314 amazing ideas and is a great leader. I support Alexi Lo'..., Lockhart wholeheartedly. As  
315 a recent college graduate, I feel that she can help move this City forward with ideas that  
316 will set our City to higher heights. She will definitely bring a fresh perspective to this

317 Housing Board. Alexis Lockhart is definitely the person for this position. Her conduct and  
318 her work ethic and her leadership skills are exactly what this Board needs.

319 Our next public comment comes from Micala Jeune. I support Alexis Lockhart,  
320 who wholeheartedly, as a millennial, I feel that she could help move this City forward with  
321 ideas that will set our City to higher heights. She will definitely bring a fresh perspective  
322 to this Housing Board. She is a great leader and has amazing qualities to bring to the  
323 table.

324 The next public comment will come from Keith Whitaker. In my time of knowing  
325 Alexis, time and time again, she has shown excellent leadership skills and an amazing  
326 ability to work well under pressure. Alexis possesses an uncanny ability to bring people  
327 from different walks of life together in order to create projects that benefit many people in  
328 the surrounding community. I have never seen a person work so hard and with as much  
329 empathy and understanding as her. Alexis is a great addition to any team or group of  
330 people because she is so genuine, positive and smart to say the least. And I know that  
331 if you allow her the opportunity, you will quickly reap the benefits of having such a  
332 wonderful person around.

333 The next public comment will come from Gabrielle Norton. I support Alexis  
334 Lockhart for position. She speaks for the youth and is dependable. She has amazing  
335 ideas and is a great, great leader.

336 The next public comment is from Alexa Guy. Alexis Lockhart absolutely is great...,  
337 is a great asset to the Board. She is a phenomenal leader that speaks up for issues that  
338 people may shy away from. She is a morally sound leader.

339 The next public comment comes from Jermain Haynes. Alexis is a progressive  
340 thinker and a ambitious leader. She is definitely what this Board needs, and I support.

341 The next comment comes from Noble Mays. I support Alexis Lockhart for the  
342 appointed position on the Housing Board. She is dependable, effective, innovative and  
343 she will definitely bring a fresh perspective to this Housing Board.

344 The next public comment comes from Byron Russell. Alexis Lockhart is definitely  
345 a viable candidate. She is not afraid to take challenges and she always has something  
346 to bring to the table.

347 Thank you.

348 The next public comment comes from Leondra Swalis. I support Alexis Lockhart  
349 for the appointed position on the Housing Board. She is dependable, effective, innovative  
350 and she will definitely bring a fresh perspective to this Housing Board.

351 Best regards, Leondra Swalis.

352 Next public comment is Alphonso Brenet. To Whom It May Concern. I am writing  
353 to express my full support for Alexis Lockhart for this position. I've had the pleasure of

354 working alongside Alexis for the past eight years and I can honestly say that she is a  
355 strong leader with a knack for turning amazing ideas into strategies. She's a very  
356 determined woman, with a strong sense of self and pride in her work.

357 Warmest regards, Renette [sp] Alphonso Etienne.

358 The next public comment, Madam Chair, I will not be able to read in its entirety as  
359 it's a three page public comment. It's from Portia Lockhart. Please put Item No. 2 in the  
360 subject line. I support Alexis Lockhart for position. She speaks for the youth and is  
361 dependable. She has amazing ideas and is a great leader. I support Alexis Lockhart  
362 wholeheartedly as a recent college graduate. I feel that she could help move this City  
363 forward with ideas that will set our City to higher heights. She will definitely bring a fresh  
364 perspective...

365 [Inaudible]

366 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...to this Housing Board. Alexis Lockhart is definitely the  
367 person for this position. Her conduct and her work ethic and her leadership skills are  
368 exactly what this Board needs. And, Madam Chair, it looks like the, the person cut, cut  
369 and paste. She says that Alexis Lockhart makes sure that we millennials are heard and  
370 have a chance to succeed in the City that we have all grown up in. Wherever she goes,  
371 I'm with her. I support her. Alexis Lockhart is such a hard worker for this community, a  
372 genuine leader and she always comes to the table with great ideas. Alexis Lockhart is  
373 always doing something to support this community and I'm sure that she will bring that  
374 same acumen to this position. Alexis Lockhart is a great candidate for this position. She  
375 does a lot for this community, I support her wholeheartedly. Alexis Lockhart is the fresh  
376 face and bright mind that this Board needs. I definitely support. Alexis has been a true  
377 leader for what is right, very mature and does not deal with mess in the most classiest  
378 way. She brings something to the table for everyone. I definitely support. Alexis Lockhart  
379 is always thinking of others and continues to bring everyone along with her to rise to the  
380 top. She is also such a great speaker and can find something special in everyone to bring  
381 people together. I support.

382 Alexis Lockhart is a very much needed addition to the Board, I support. Alexis is  
383 a progressive thinker and an ambitious leader. She is definitely what this Board needs,  
384 and I support. Alexis Lockhart is dependable and a hard worker. She delves into the  
385 details and makes sure that...

386 [Tone]

387 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...everything always is for the good of everyone. I support.

388 The next public comment comes from Tiana Holman. Alexis Lockhart would make  
389 a great addition to this Board. As a millennial, I am excited to see her represent me in  
390 this City.

391 And our last public comment comes from Alana Ward. Alexis Lock'.., Lockhart  
392 would make a great addition to this Board. She is a college graduate with international  
393 experience that will bring a new perspective.

394 All the best, Alana Ward.

395 Madam Chair, that completes public comments for the Consent Agenda.

396 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Madam Clerk. And I think we're all now wondering  
397 when we're gonna get to meet the spectacular Alexis Lockhart. We, we.., [Chuckle]. I  
398 don't think we've ever had such a rousing... And nobody spoke about the Library Board  
399 people. I mean, what, what are they? Cho'... Anyway. I do wanna make a statement  
400 before we move on from that, and it's actually a question to Mr. Evans. Can we be sure  
401 that we provide training in the form of, you know, code, Code of Conduct, Ethics training,  
402 Robert's Rules, for anybody who's on a board in the City? 'Cause as we have new people  
403 coming on these boards, I suspect maybe they're not really, you know, customed to  
404 working as a member of the board and I think it would be helpful if we provided them with  
405 that kind of support.

406 **City Manager Evans:** Absolutely, Madam Chair. We can schedule the opportunity  
407 for training to be provided at their first meeting, and then we can look to bring out a training  
408 series for Sunshine law, Chapter 286, public meetings, all those other elements, working  
409 with Legal and the Florida League of Cities as they already have training modules built  
410 and we can offer that to members of the public that may want to sit in for some of those  
411 trainings as well. So that's something that we can certainly build out.

412 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

413 **Councilperson Lanier:** I cer'.., I certainly agree with that, Madam Chair. Serving on  
414 two or three boards with the City of Riviera Beach, it was never a, you know, quote  
415 unquote training. There were people who came in and talked about, you know,  
416 parliamentary procedures, somebody came in one day and talked about Sunshine law,  
417 but there was never really any official training, so a lotta times it very difficult for us to get  
418 things done because we were not really sure how to do it.

419 **Chairperson Botel:** Right. Right. So...

420 **Councilperson Lanier:** So, I agree with that.

421 **Chairperson Botel:** We'll correct that. Thank you, Ms. Lanier. Okay.

422 **CONSENT AGENDA**

423 **Chairperson Botel:** ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THIS ITEM ARE  
424 **CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY ONE MOTION.**  
425 **THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A**  
426 **COUNCILPERSON SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE**

427 REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS  
428 NORMAL SEUQNECE ON THE AGENDA.

429 **MINUTES**

430 **BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

431

432 **1. APPOINTMENT OF THREE (3) NEW MEMBERS TO THE CITY'S LIBRARY**  
433 **ADVISORY BOARD**

434 **AMY DICKINSON, INTERIM LIBRARY DIRECTOR, (561) 840-0155**

435 **RESOLUTIONS**

436 **3. RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF**  
437 **THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENTERING INTO**  
438 **AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH PALM BEACH COUNTY FOR THE**  
439 **OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF A DECORATIVE STREET LIGHTING SYSTEM**  
440 **ON AUSTRALIAN AVENUE FROM FIRST STREET TO BLUE HERON BOULEVARD**  
441 **TO BE CONSTRUCTED BY FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**  
442 **UNDER PROJECT (FM#438384-1) AND ACCEPTING OBLIGATION FOR**  
443 **CONTINUED MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH**  
444 **THE STREETLIGHTS ONCE INSTALLED BY FDOT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN**  
445 **EFFECTIVE DATE.**

446 **TERRANCE BAILEY, INTERIM DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS (561) 845-4080**  
447

448 **4. RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF**  
449 **THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPOINTING**  
450 **ATTORNEY ALCOLYA J.L. ST. JUSTE AS SPECIAL MASTER FOR CODE**  
451 **ENFORCEMENT HEARINGS, UNSAFE BUILDING HEARINGS AND FOR OTHER**  
452 **CITY HEARINGS; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE**  
453 **LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE SAME; PROVIDING FOR**  
454 **SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

455 **DAWN WYNN, CITY ATTORNEY, (561) 845-4069**

456 **5. RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF**  
457 **THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPOINTING**  
458 **ATTORNEY ALCOLYA J.L. ST. JUSTE AS DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL MAGISTRATE**  
459 **TO CONDUCT HEARINGS AND MAKE FINAL DECISIONS REGARDING**  
460 **APPLICATIONS FOR VARIANCES AND FOR RELIEF FROM REQUIREMENTS OF**  
461 **THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, AND TO CONDUCT ADMINISTRATIVE**  
462 **APPEALS OF ANY ORDER OR REQUIREMENT MADE BY THE DIRECTOR OF**  
463 **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/DEVELOPMENT SERVICES IN THE ENFORCEMENT**

464 **OF ANY REGULATIONS IN THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE; AUTHORIZING THE**  
465 **MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR**  
466 **THE SAME; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE**  
467 **DATE.**

468 **DAWN WYNN, CITY ATTORNEY, (561) 845-4069**

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470 **Chairperson Botel:** Can we have a motion and a second to adopt the Consent  
471 Agenda?

472 **Councilperson Lanier:** So moved.

473 **Councilperson McCoy:** Pull No. 2, Madam Chair.

474 **Chairperson Botel:** I.., who just, who just spoke?

475 **Councilperson Lanier:** I said so moved. Mr. McCoy had a question.

476 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. McCoy.

477 **Councilperson McCoy:** No. I wanna pull No. 2 from Consent and have a discussion.

478 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle]. Okay. We'll pull No. 2 from Consent and have a  
479 discussion about the famous Alexis Lockhart. Anything else by any other members?  
480 [Pause]. Okay. With Item 2 pulled, can we have a roll call, please, Madam Clerk?

481 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, may I have [inaudible] didn't hear a second.

482 **Chairperson Botel:** I think Mr. McCoy se'.., Ms., Ms. Lanier made the motion and  
483 I believe Mr. McCoy second it with the condition that we remove Item 2. Am I right, Mr.  
484 McCoy?

485 **Councilperson McCoy:** You're wrong, Madam Chair.

486 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle]. Then correct me.....

487 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible].

488 **Chairperson Botel:** ...please.

489 **Councilperson McCoy:** I... No. I just wanted to make the notation that I wanted to  
490 have a discussion, ask some questions on No. 2. So I didn't, I didn't...

491 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible]...

492 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...make a motion.

493 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I'll second.

494 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Ms. Miller-Anderson. We have a motion and a  
495 second to approve the Agenda with Item 2 removed., the Consent Agenda with Item 2  
496 removed. Madam Clerk.

497 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

498 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

499 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

500 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

501 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

502 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

503 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson? [Pause]. Pro Tem Lawson?

504 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** I'm sorry. Yes.

505 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

506 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

507 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

508 **2. City Clerk Anthony:** Item No. 2.

509 **City Clerk Anthony:** **APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBER TO THE RIVIERA**  
510 **BEACH HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD.**

511 **RONNIE FELDER, MAYOR, (561) 845-4145**

512 **City Clerk Anthony:** Mayor Felder.

513 [Inaudible comment]

514 **Chairperson Botel:** Well, Mr. McCoy had a question I think. Mr. McCoy?

515 **Councilperson McCoy:** Thank you, Madam Chair. Mr. Mayor, I'm very interested in  
516 finding out how you and everybody know Alexis Lockhart to be the best person in the  
517 City, [chuckle]. But more, more importantly, I was interested in finding out what did your  
518 results yield when you indicated to the Members of the body that you were seeking out  
519 applications because I was looking for an application and I didn't see any, and I was  
520 looking for a resume and I didn't see one until one arrived in our inbox today. So, can  
521 you speak to how this person is someone that you're recommending?

522 **Mayor Felder:** Yes. When, when I first got elected, I was meeting with a group of  
523 college graduates that's from our City and been working in our City. And, from that group,  
524 got to know Alexis very well. She was very adamant about wanting to do more with our  
525 City. Got Pro'.., Madam Chair can, can understand this point being that she brought  
526 someone like Sandy on to give them a chance. As I, as I speak with these young adults,  
527 one of the big things that we're, we're, we're talking about is, they go.., they get their  
528 college degree and they leave, they don't come back. And so, what I wanted to do is  
529 really offer them a opportunity to take some of these boards because they wanna be  
530 invested in our City. She's been doing a lotta work in the City of Riviera Beach, her dad  
531 has done a lotta work in Riviera Beach so she's not new to this. I think everybody that  
532 called in was very genuine because she's been around for a little while now, putting in  
533 work for our City. So, you know, the relationship, I got to know her for the last year or so  
534 and, you know, I thought she would be a good candidate after talking to her about it,  
535 something that she would like to do. She feels like she can bring fresh res'.., perspective  
536 and ideas to that Board. And it gives her a opportunity to grow and learn.

537 So that, that was my reason for selecting her.

538 **Councilperson McCoy:** Follow up. [Pause]. Follow up, Madam Chair.

539 **Chairperson Botel:** Go ahead.

540 **Councilperson McCoy:** Mr. Mayor, so, how many applications did you receive? I  
541 mean, I know you, you had indicated that you were gonna seek applications.

542 **Mayor Felder:** Yeah. We put it out over a month ago, on a Council meeting. Said,  
543 'Anybody wants to call our office, you can get an application.' We received any'.., we  
544 didn't receive any.

545 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, she didn't even put one in? Or she just...

546 **Mayor Felder:** She put one in.

547 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...expressed interest?

548 **Mayor Felder:** Yeah. She put in.., she put in an application.

549 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Well that.., I...

550 **Mayor Felder:** Here, here it go, Councilman. I didn't know, I mean, following the  
551 procedures, it's my appointment, so I didn't know I have to give a Councilman a  
552 application. That application is for me. My job is to come and present the person to you  
553 and you guys approve [stammer].., approve or disapprove of that person. But, that  
554 appointment is mine, so I get the applications. I was never told or shown anywhere where  
555 a previous Mayor shared the application and all that with the other Members of the Board.

556 **Councilperson McCoy:** Actually, if I'm not mistaken, I was looking back and I do see  
557 the last member that was appointed, actually the last two members who were appointed,

558 they submitted an application and it was on a City's application. That's why I was a little  
559 concerned when I only see a memo on your backup, and then I did receive the email  
560 today from the City Attorney with her resume.

561 **Mayor Felder:** [Inaudible].

562 **Councilperson McCoy:** But, I., I'm really concerned and this is something I knew., I  
563 know Councilwoman Lanier and the Manager probably can identify with, that we are., we  
564 definitely have a shortage of people serving on a board but I was expecting that this was  
565 gonna be a competitive process, similar to our other board appointments. And you're  
566 saying she was the only applicant that we've received for this...

567 **Mayor Felder:** Well, well again, this, this is the Mayor's appointment. Remember, I,  
568 I really don't appoint with you., the other people that you guys [stammer] appoint. I don't  
569 see that information. This is, this is clearly my appointment to bring. So, you know, as  
570 far as me., I feel like she's the right person to be on that Board. I'm bringing it to you  
571 guys to approve or disapprove.

572 Now, you know, going into the logistics about, you know, I'm not a part of who you  
573 guys pick for other boards. So this is specifically me sitting on, on this Board or on this  
574 Council, to choose my appointment. And I take it very seriously, and I'm not trying to  
575 bring anybody, I'm trying to bring somebody., everything you heard about her is true.  
576 Now, where or not you don't know her is, is one thing but it's not that she's not known,  
577 and I think I'm bringing the, the best., the right person at this time, giving a college  
578 graduate a chance to sit on our Board. And I thought that's what we're all about, with this  
579 Council.

580 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Mr....

581 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

582 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...Mayor. Mr. Mayor, that didn't even answer the question.  
583 I'm, I'm not even speaking to whether or not it's your appointment or not, I was looking at  
584 the actual statue and it really, and I'm saying this respectfully, it's not your appointment.  
585 It says that the, the Mayor recommends to the governing body. The governing body  
586 makes the decision. So, similar to every other appointment that we seek, just like if you  
587 look at the other three appointments that's on the Agenda today, the all have applications.  
588 And at the very least, if you received an application, I think it's important to share it with  
589 us, if that's what you wanna recommend. But I definitely had some concerns about it,  
590 but, you know, I don't doubt her ability. And, even seeing her resume today, I was very  
591 much impressed, but I think you can't expect that we appoint anybody. And if you don't  
592 think I'm serious, you can ask the, the, the Attorney that I spoke to her over the weekend  
593 and I wanted to know the resume of the person that we were appointing to the special  
594 magistrate seat. So, it, it really is a decision of the Board.

595 And just similar to any other ratifications that happen at the federal or state level,  
596 obviously, the president can recommend a judicial candidate for Supreme Court but it's  
597 up to the Sup'., it's up to the members of Senate to ratify that. And that generally comes

598 by seeing some sort of credentials, or some sort of application. But if you think I'm...,  
599 should support this blindly, I think, perhaps, you, you've probably gotten the wrong  
600 impression. But that's certainly not what it is. It's not an appointment by the Mayor.

601 **Mayor Felder:** Well Council, you..., it's up to you to vote for her. Alright? It's not  
602 what I think...

603 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Stammer]...

604 **Mayor Felder:** ...[stammer]. I brought it to the table, you guys, you guys call it on  
605 the table, you vote for it or you don't but I don't think we have to spend a lotta time here,  
606 right now, discussing it.

607 **Councilperson McCoy:** You don't think we should have to see the..., this person's  
608 credentials? Just appoint them because you say...

609 **Mayor Felder:** Well...

610 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...it was...

611 **Mayor Felder:** Well you got..., you, you saw the credentials. You said you, you...

612 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well...

613 **Mayor Felder:** ...received it.

614 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, I seen it today, Mr. Mayor. And that's what I was asking.  
615 So, is this the only person that you received an application for?

616 **Mayor Felder:** Yes, it is.

617 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Well, I would ask that we temporarily postpone the  
618 appointment until after we finish the..., after we finish the presentations.

619 **Mayor Felder:** Well, I would a'..., I, I would ask if you put it on the table and let it be  
620 voted and if it's not gonna..., she's not gonna be voted for, we can move on and do that.

621 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, [stammer], can I finish?

622 **Chairperson Botel:** Go ahead, Mr. McCoy, and then we're gonna wrap this up.

623 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, obviously, there's a presentation from Heron Estates and  
624 I wanted to see if we could have some information be provided to us relative to Heron  
625 Estates, since the position you're appointing is a current member of, of the Housing  
626 Authority Board. That's here...

627 **Mayor Felder:** That... His [stammer]... His term, his term has expired. The person  
628 that she's, she's to replace, his term is expired. From the Board.

629 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Thank you. So noted. So, I, I move to temporarily  
630 postpone Item No. 2...

631 **Chairperson Botel:** Does anyone want...

632 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...to a later...

633 **Chairperson Botel:** Does anybody wanna second that motion? [Pause]. Okay...

634 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Second.

635 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Let's vote on whether or not we're going to.., you..,  
636 repeat your, your motion, Mr. McCoy, please.

637 **Councilperson McCoy:** I move to temporarily postpone until after we hear Item No. 8.

638 **Chairperson Botel:** We would like to move Item No. 2, to 8A, let's say? And that's  
639 your motion?

640 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes...

641 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible].

642 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...ma'am. Yes, ma'am.

643 **Chairperson Botel:** And we have a second on that. Madam Clerk, would you call  
644 the roll, please.

645 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

646 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

647 **Councilperson McCoy:** I just wanna, lastly, point emphasis to, we have a presentation  
648 from Board members of the Housing Authority. So, I don't want you to, you know,  
649 basically, appoint somebody in his place and then he technically is not even a member of  
650 the Board that can offer us any information.

651 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Miller-Anderson, turn your mic on first. Thank you.

652 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Clerk... Madam Chair, but, Mr. Mayor,  
653 ...

654 **Mayor Felder:** [Inaudible].

655 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...according to the backup, Mr. Thomas, his  
656 term expired January 18<sup>th</sup>. Is that correct?

657 **Mayor Felder:** Uhuh.

658 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So...

659 **Mayor Felder:** Yes.

660 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...even though in the backup it says that Mr.  
661 Thomas is a current Board member for the Housing Authority, that's not true.

662 **Mayor Felder:** No. His term is expired.

663 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Thank you.

664 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** So...

665 **Councilperson Lanier:** Ma'...

666 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Madam Chair?

667 **Councilperson McCoy:** Why would he get a vote on a member?

668 **Chairperson Botel:** Let's..., can I have one at a time? Who ju'..., who just... Mr.  
669 Lawson. Raise your..., it would help if you, like, wave at me. It's too hard to tell. [Chuckle].  
670 First...

671 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you, Madam Chair.

672 **Chairperson Botel:** I think I heard Mr. Lawson first, and then Ms. Lanier.

673 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you, Madam Chair. So, I... So, I guess I'm confused.  
674 Is., I believe Mr. Thomas is on the call, I thought he was presenting today, but he's an  
675 expired member of the Board, so is he not speaking on behalf of the Board?

676 And then also, I was also concerned, and I have the same concerns that  
677 Councilman McCoy had in regards to the backup, 'cause I had no information. And, I  
678 heard all these great accolades from residents about Ms. Lockhart, but I didn't even see  
679 the resume until late this afternoon. So, the..., to kind of get a, a feel for what residents...,  
680 or, who's gonna be sitting on this Board, I'm a little bit concerned with the fact that we're  
681 taking a twelve year member off the Board and we're bringing in a new intern onto the  
682 Board that's..., and we've have no other applications. I haven't seen the application. I...,  
683 from what I see, she's, I mean, she's an amazing candidate, but at the same time, I just  
684 wanted some additional information about this member.

685 But I did have that question for Ms. Wynn though, in reference to the appointments,  
686 because the Mayor did state that this is his appointment to bring. Are they..., are we  
687 required to provide any [stammer] documentation to the Council in regards to  
688 appointments?

689 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Wynn?

690 **City Attorney Wynn:** No. No, Chair Pro Tem. There's no required documentation.  
691 The statute says that it is the Mayor's appointment with approval of the governing body.  
692 Mr....

693 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay.

694 **City Attorney Wynn:** ...Thomas' term has expired. However, the statute also says  
695 that, that the, the term..., the person sits until the seat is filled. No one can...

696 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay.

697 **City Attorney Wynn:** ...fill the seat expect the Mayor. There is no requirement in  
698 the statute that an application be submitted. There is a requirement that a Certificate of  
699 Appointment be filed with the Clerk. And I had a discussion a few weeks ago with Mr.  
700 Hurt, and he was to send me the Cer'..., Certificate of Appointment because I conferred  
701 with the Clerk and in years past, with the previous Mayor, we have never..., the City has  
702 never received that Certificate of Appointment, so we don't know what it looks like.

703 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay. So, just for follow up, Madam Chair. That is the, the  
704 reason I actually seconded the motion, because if Mr. Thomas is gonna be on the call  
705 and be presenting for the Agenda Item, I would like to actually hear from him before we  
706 make this appointment, and move forward with that. That was the reason I seconded...

707 **City Attorney Wynn:** And...

708 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** ...the motion.

709 **City Attorney Wynn:** ...and I don't think... Excuse me, sir. I don't think that  
710 appointing Ms. Lockhart prevents Mr. Thomas from participating because again, the  
711 Certificate of Appointment hasn't been filed yet. So, until that Certificate of Appointment  
712 is filed with the Clerk, he's still on..., he's an expired member of the Housing Authority  
713 Board, but he's still on the Board. So he can still present tonight.

714 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay.

715 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Lanier.

716 **Councilperson Lanier:** I'm, I'm not sure what's happening here. If Mr. Thomas'  
717 expiration on the Board has expired, then he's still a part of the Board?

718 **Chairperson Botel:** Until..., my...

719 **Unk.:** Yes.

720 **Chairperson Botel:** ...understanding from our Attorney is that he is still in place,  
721 seated on the Board...

722 **Councilperson Lanier:** Oh, until somebody else comes?

723 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** [Inaudible].

724 **Councilperson Lanier:** Oh, okay.

725 **City Attorney Wynn:** Correct.

726 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay. I see.

727 **Chairperson Botel:** So, I believe we have a motion on the floor to move Item No.  
728 2 and let it become Item No. 8A. Am I correct in that motion, Mr. McCoy? [Pause]. Would  
729 you turn on your microphone? Thank you.

730 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes, ma'am.

731 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Madam Clerk.

732 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

733 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

734 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

735 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

736 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

737 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

738 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

739 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

740 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

741 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

742 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

743 **Chairperson Botel:** So Madam Clerk, you'll move that Item to after Item No. 8,  
744 please.

745 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes, Madam Chair.

746 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

747 **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

748 **Chairperson Botel:** I think that's the end of the consent Agenda. So we're up to  
749 Item No. 6. We have awards and prese'...

750 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair?

751 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes, Ms....

752 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I'm sorry. I couldn't get my thing unmuted. I  
753 have a question for Ms. Wynn. So, if someone's term expires that's on a Board, and they  
754 never get anyone to fill it, that person just remains on the Board?

755 **City Attorney Wynn:** On the...

756 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** If they...

757 **City Attorney Wynn:** ...Housing Authority Board, yes. Because that's what...

758 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Does it...

759 **City Attorney Wynn:** ...the statute provides. Just, just for...

760 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** For the Housing?

761 **City Attorney Wynn:** ...the Housing Authority Board, yes.

762 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Okay.

763 **City Attorney Wynn:** And, just to make sure, Madam Clerk, was the entire Consent  
764 Agenda adopted, or was just the motion to move Item No. 2 to 8A adopted?

765 **City Clerk Anthony:** The Consent Agenda was approved with Item 2 pulled by  
766 Councilperson McCoy, and they later came back and made a motion to approve...,  
767 approve Item No. 2, to have it moved to after Item No. 8, so it's now Item 8A.

768 **City Attorney Wynn:** Thank you.

769 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

770 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

771 **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING**

772 **AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**

773 **Chairperson Botel:** So, we have awards and presentations.

774 **6. PROCLAMATION HONORING THE EXEMPLARY SERVICES RENDERED TO**  
775 **THE CITY BY ELIZABETH WADE.**

776 **RONNIE FELDER, MAYOR, (561) 845-4145**

777 **Chairperson Botel:** Proclamation honoring... And this is from Mayor Felder.

778 **Mayor Felder:** Yes. I wanna do, Willie “BO” Davis, and Councilwoman Shirley  
779 Lanier is gonna do Ms. Elizabeth Wade. So, I’m...

780 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair?

781 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Go ahead.

782 **City Clerk Anthony:** We have no public comment cards on Item No. 6. The  
783 acceptance of public comments on Item No. 6 is now closed.

784 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms....

785 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes. Madam Chair, I, I asked the Mayor to be able to read  
786 this Proclamation, given that I lived next door to Liz..., Liz Wade my entire life. I’ve known  
787 her my entire life and I just really wanted to be able to read this into the record for her.

788 From the Office of the Mayor for the City of Riviera Beach and Memorium of former  
789 Council Member Elizabeth K. Wade.

790 WHEREAS, Elizabeth K. Wade, affectionately known as Liz, was a resident of the  
791 City of Riviera Beach, the place she held near and dear to her heart for fifty-five years;  
792 and

793 WHEREAS, she loved her City so much that, in 1989, she became an elected  
794 official, serving as the City Council representative for District 3. She served in this position  
795 for twelve years, [audio skipped] equates to two six-year terms; and

796 WHEREAS, Ms. Wade was not one to leave you guessing as to where she stood  
797 with you on personal or professional issues...

798 **Councilperson Lanier:** And I can attest to that.

799 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...and...

800 WHEREAS, during her tenure as Councilperson, she served as Chairperson and  
801 Vice Chairperson and advocated for smart growth in Riviera Beach, as well as programs  
802 for the City’s senior residents;

803 WHEREAS, recognizing the professional entertainment and cultural opportunity,  
804 her City had to offer, Ms. Wade was instrumental in bringing signature [inaudible] to  
805 Riviera Beach, such as Jazz on the Beach and Ms. Wade represented the City on such  
806 boards as the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council, the Palm Beach County  
807 Metropolitan Planning Organization, and sought to [audio skipped] of the City of Riviera  
808 Beach on behalf of elected..., of the elected officials, employees, administration and, most  
809 importantly, the residents of this great City [inaudible] the following words of comfort with  
810 the family of this resident giant, Ms. Elizabeth K. Wade.

811 God did not promise us days without pain, laughter without sorrow, or sun without  
812 rain, but God did promise us strength for the day, comfort for our tears and to be light...,  
813 and to be a light for our way. And for all who believe in his Kingdom of Love, he answers  
814 our faith with peace from above. Author unknown.

815 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the powers vested in me...

816 **Councilperson Lanier:** Which is the Mayor.

817 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...I hereunto call for the seal of the City of Riviera Beach to be  
818 imprinted on this Memorium with the original being placed with the family of Ms. Elizabeth  
819 K. Wade.

820 DONE this 25<sup>th</sup> day of April, in the year of our Lord, 2020.

821 **Councilperson Lanier:** Thank you.

822 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

823 **7. PROCLAMATION HONORING THE EXEMPLARY SERVICES RENDERED TO**  
824 **THE CITY BY WILLIE "BO" DAVIS.**

825 **RONNIE FELDER, MAYOR, (561) 845-4145**

826 **Mayor Felder:** From the Office of the Mayor for the City of Riviera Beach, Florida,  
827 in Memorium of former City employee, Willie "BO" Davis.

828 WHEREAS, Willie Davis, Sr. affectionately known as Willie "BO" was a lifetime  
829 resident of the City of Riviera Beach, the place he held near and dear to his heart; and

830 WHEREAS, Mr. Davis loved his City so much, he became an employee of Public  
831 Works Department in 1965 and served twenty years, retiring as the Superintendent of the  
832 Streets and Canals Division; and

833 WHEREAS, Willie "BO" was known for his fast talking, hugs and kisses..., kisses for the  
834 ladies, with a special kiss for the love of his life, former Riviera Beach City Clerk,  
835 Gwendolyn E. Davis; and

836 WHEREAS, during this time here and as long as his health allowed, Mr. Davis  
837 spoke out against injustice while instilling words of wisdom in young people; and

838 WHEREAS, designed to honor his father's legacy, Willie "BO" was instrumental in  
839 bringing into fruition, the Lindsey Davis Community Center, the facility that houses the  
840 City senior citizen's program; and

841 WHEREAS, in conjunction with the Riviera Beach Community Development  
842 Corporation, the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency and the Riviera  
843 Beach Parks & Recreation Department, the participants of the City senior program

844 established the Lindsey Davis Garden Club. The Club received funding from BB&T's  
845 lighthouse project, planted the garden and named it the Willie "BO" Davis Flower and  
846 Meditation Garden in honor of his contribution to the City and peace and love; and

847 WHEREAS, during the dedication ceremony, [inaudible] quoted the words of  
848 former City Clerk Gwendolyn Davis, 'This is a City that my husband loved dearly and to  
849 have you, the City of Riviera Beach, honor him with this garden and meditation center is  
850 truly a blessing. We are truly grateful for the efforts of everyone who worked on this  
851 project. It means a lot to our family and to have my husband's work acknowledged;' and

852 WHEREAS, Mr. Davis' love for the City of Riviera Beach was big and strong. Nothing  
853 was more extraordinary than his love for his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, his family and  
854 those he called friends, which seemed to be everyone Willie "BO" interacted with.

855 BE IT RESOLVED, as the Mayor of the City of Riviera Beach, I, Ronnie L. Felder,  
856 on behalf of elected officials, employees, administration and more important, the residents  
857 of the great City, leave the following words of comfort to the family of this [inaudible], Mr.  
858 Willie "BO" Davis.

859 God will take care of you. All you may need he will provide. God will take care of  
860 you. Trust Him and you will be satisfied. God will take care of you. For the lonely and  
861 sad, from friends apart, God will take care of you. He will give you peace to your aching  
862 heart. God will take care of you." Author, Civilia D. Martin.

863 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the powers vested in me, I hereunto call for the  
864 seal of the City of Riviera Beach to be imprinted on this Memoroiium with the original being  
865 placed with the family of Mr. Willie "BO" Davis.

866 DONE, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year of the Lord, 2020.

867 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mayor Felder.

868 **8. Chairperson Botel:** That bring us to Item 8.

869 **PRESENTATION: HERON ESTATES PHASE II - LOCAL MATCH GRANT.**

870 **JOHN HURT, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE RIVIERA BEACH HOUSING**  
871 **AUTHORITY, (561) 845-7450**

872 **Chairperson Botel:** Madam Clerk. [Pause]. Well, there's really nothing to read.  
873 Mr. Hurt. [Pause]. Mr. Hurt?

874 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair.

875 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Yes, I'm here.

876 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes, Madam Clerk. Oh, I'm sorry. Go ahead.

877 **City Clerk Anthony:** Before presentation...

878 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** I'm...

879 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...Before our presentation...

880 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** ...trying to turn my camera...

881 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible].

882 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** I'm sorry?

883 **City Clerk Anthony:** I just.., I need to annou'.., announce that the public comment..,  
884 acceptance of public comments is now closed for this Item.

885 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. I might just quickly add that for future Items, the..,  
886 someone asked me to rem'.., remind you that you will send an email to  
887 publiccomments@rivierabeach.org. Is it public comments plural, Madam Clerk?

888 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yes, Madam Chair.

889 **Chairperson Botel:** So, P-U-B-L-I-C-C-O-M-M-E-N-T-S@rivierabeach.org.  
890 Thank you. Mr. Hurt.

891 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Good evening, Madam Chair, Pro  
892 Tem and Council Members. I'm here this evening in response to your invitation to  
893 have a discussion with you. I have also asked the members of our, our Board and  
894 development team to join me. I have Commissioner Delvin Thomas with us, [stammer],  
895 our previous Board Chairman and we have Mr. Brian Finney, Vice president of Housing  
896 Trust Group, our co-development partner, and Mr. Ron Davis of the Mosnar Group, who's  
897 a part of our team.

898 We're here to certainly to provide you with any questions that you may have,  
899 regarding Heron Estates Phase II. Heron Estates Family, it's a seventy nine unit family  
900 development that we hope to close by August. I forwarded to you some information  
901 regarding selection of our general contractor for the project. That included some  
902 information about some section three contractors that we're advocating for, from the  
903 Housing Authority and, and some updated information about the status of Heron Estates  
904 Family.

905 I've seen, at a late hour, that there was an expectation of a formal presentation, so  
906 we're not prepared to have a formal presentation but we're certainly here to engage and  
907 to answer any questions that you may have regarding the status of Heron Estates Family.

908 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. Hurt. Does any Council Member have a  
909 question, or the Mayor? [Pause]. Thank you again, Mr. Hurt. We appreciate the work  
910 you do...

911 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** No.

912 **Chairperson Botel:** ...and...

913 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Ch'...

914 **Chairperson Botel:** Go ahead, Ms. Miller-Anderson.

915 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes. I do have a question. Good evening.

916 So, Mr. Hurt, you know, this mainly came up because I heard from many people in  
 917 the community that the.., I know back in October 2018, you recall that particular meeting  
 918 when you all were doing the Phase I and you were asking for the \$500,000 from the City  
 919 to go with your matching grant. And, that was going to be for Phase II, and the question  
 920 came up would you be maintaining the same organization that was a partnership in that.  
 921 I believe they received about thirty percent.., they had thirty percent partnership, were  
 922 they going to be maintained for Phase II and you eluded to the fact that, you know, as  
 923 long as things got done, they were okay and, you know, you made it through that particular  
 924 project, that you would try to maintain the local people in that particular project. And so,  
 925 that was one of the things that was pressed, in order for us to continue with the matching  
 926 funds. Is that the case still or where are we with that?

927 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Okay. If I may, Councilman Miller-  
 928 Anderson, first the status of the funding for Phase II, I'll certainly have Mr. Finney  
 929 elaborate on it but generally, when we came before this body at that time, we were  
 930 seeking [audio broke up] for a [audio skipped] a nine [audio skipped] tax credit application  
 931 to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation. And, we were [audio skipped]...

932 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** His mic'...

933 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** ...an application for Phase II.

934 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** He's breaking up a little bit.

935 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** And, at that time, that [audio  
 936 skipped]... I'm sorry.

937 **Chairperson Botel:** I, I think, Mr. Hurt...

938 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Okay.

939 **Chairperson Botel:** ...your...

940 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** [Inaudible].

941 **Chairperson Botel:** ...a little spotty there. Could you just repeat what you just  
 942 said? The last of it.

943 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Okay. At that time, we came  
944 before this body requesting a local government contribution for a application for a nine  
945 percent tax credit to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation. That application requested  
946 that we could get priority if we got a local contribution from the local government body. At  
947 that time, we submitted a nine percent tax application to the Florida Housing Finance  
948 Corporation. However, since that time, the code.., our code development partner and,  
949 and the Housing Authority has procured other funding sources for Phase II. And I would  
950 let Mr. Brian Finney elaborate on that. However, at this time, that matching grant is not  
951 required, or needed, for the type of funding we're going forward with now.

952 If I may ask Mr. Finney to elaborate.

953 **Mr. B. Finney:** Yes. Good evening.

954 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Good evening.

955 **Mr. B. Finney:** My name is Brian [audio skipped]. I'm with the Housing Trust Group.  
956 We're based in Coconut Grove, Florida and I'd like to thank.., take this opportunity to  
957 thank the Commission for the support that you've given us. We've completed the Phase  
958 I of the project, which is a hundred and one units, a hundred and two units of senior  
959 housing. It's a quality project, I think we've done very well. We are now working on Phase  
960 II. And Commissioner, to, to directly answer your question, the, the [inaudible] subs that  
961 worked on Phase I will be migrated to Phase II. That's, that's the word that we've given,  
962 and that's the word that we are going to keep. And they will be migrated [inaudible] work  
963 opportunity on Phase II. In addition, they're doing some additional outreach to get other,  
964 other companies to participate in the project.

965 Now, what John is eluding to or, or not eluding to but what he was saying was that  
966 the funding facility that you gave us we could not use because the funding we applied to,  
967 although our application was ranked as number one and fundable, we were deemed  
968 ineligible because of an external circumstance. So, we did not have the.., we do not need  
969 to use the monies that you so graciously allocated for us. But we were very fortunate at  
970 the time that when we submitted for a nine percent applications, we also submitted for a  
971 four percent application. And we got, we got the other one funded.., we got that four  
972 percent application funded, therefore, we got the dollars to start Phase II.

973 And I hope I answered your question.

974 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** You, you, you answered a question but  
975 [stammer], you did say something about the subcontractors that were on there, the very  
976 first time, they are being maintained on the second one you said?

977 **Mr. B. Finney:** [Stammer] they will be, yes, ma'am. Yes, Commissioner. They will  
978 be migrated to Phase II, yes.

979 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** And, and those are the people that you had in  
980 this memo as Green.., [Inaudible] Landscaping, Brown Electric, those groups of people?

981 **Mr. B. Finney:** No, ma'am. Those are new. There's, there's the other group...  
982 [Pause].

983 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** If, if I may?

984 **Mr. B. Finney:** Yeah.

985 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** If I may? Councilwoman Botel?

986 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes, Mr. Hurt.

987 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Yes. Councilwoman Anderson...

988 **Mr. B. Finney:** It's Newbold and Randolph. I'm sorry, it's Newbold and Randolph.  
989 They will be migrated to Phase II.

990 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** If, if, if I can add to that,  
991 Commissioner Miller-Anderson, is that in the memo we sent for you, we outlined four  
992 section three contractors advocating their involvement for Phase II. Those four section  
993 three contractors were available in Phase I. We tried to get them involved but for various  
994 reasons, they didn't have direct opportunity to be involved in Phase I, and we committed  
995 to them that we would try to get them involved in Phase II. So those four contractors are,  
996 are certified section three, RBHA contractors.

997 The other two that Mr. Finney just made reference to were partners with Gulf  
998 Construction. And, Gulf Construction is, is not the selected contractor for Phase II.

999 Mr. Finney.

1000 **Mr. B. Finney:** I don't know if that's the question you asked but that, that is true but,  
1001 but Randolph and Newbold will be part of Phase II, yes.

1002 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So, Randolph and Newbold were..., in Phase I,  
1003 they were in as subcontractors or as partners? [Inaudible]...

1004 **Mr. B. Finney:** They were...

1005 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...[inaudible]?

1006 **Mr. B. Finney:** They were in a joint venture partnership with Gulf Construction. But  
1007 as you know...

1008 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay.

1009 **Mr. B. Finney:** ...when you deal with federal and state money, you have to go  
1010 through a procurement process.

1011 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Right.

1012 **Mr. B. Finney:** And...

1013 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** And so...

1014 **Mr. B. Finney:** [Inaudible]...

1015 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** But do you all...

1016 **Mr. B. Finney:** ...process.

1017 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** That was an advertised procurement process  
1018 with a public open bid?

1019 **Mr. B. Finney:** Well, this is, this is... For affordable housing tax credits, we have the  
1020 ability to directly solicit proposals directly from contractors. This is a private sector  
1021 transaction. So, what happen was.., and Gulf did bid on the project. But their bid was  
1022 \$1.2MM higher than the lowest bidder. And we, we, we were forced to go with the lowest  
1023 bidder, just because of the economics. And we have limited dollars.

1024 **Chairperson Botel:** Are you through, Ms. Miller-Anderson?

1025 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** No. I was looking at the memo. So, are they  
1026 coming back on as partners or subcontractors, which would be different from...

1027 **Mr. B. Finney:** No.

1028 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...Phase I?

1029 **Mr. B. Finney:** We, we cannot... When, when Gulf originally came to us, they came  
1030 to us with the partnership, including the, the two companies that I just mentioned.

1031 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Mhmm.

1032 **Mr. B. Finney:** We legally cannot force them to be partners on the second phase,  
1033 we legal can't... They don't have a partnership with the company who, who competed  
1034 for the work. So, we legally [audio skipped] force that on them.

1035 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** And, and you said Gulf was.., came in too high?

1036 **Mr. B. Finney:** Yeah. Their, their bid was \$1.2MM in excess of where we needed to  
1037 be.

1038 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So, for those local.., for the locals, have you  
1039 already provided some sort of contract and, and that in writing, stating that they're gonna  
1040 be a part of it?

1041 **Mr. B. Finney:** What, what we've done is, is we've gone to my construction  
1042 department and we actually gave them bids. We said, 'Listen, here are the bids on this  
1043 project, and you need to bid.' Now, some of them did not comply for bids. So, what we

1044 did is, we went to Ron Davis in Mosnar Group and he's got the list of all those people who  
1045 worked on the first Phase and the new contractors and we're going directly to them, solicit  
1046 bids from them and we're gonna bring them to the contractor and get them work on the  
1047 project. We are gonna be very aggressive from the, from the construction and contracting  
1048 standpoint, and they will work. And Newbold and, and, and his partnership will make as  
1049 much money on the construction side, this, this go around, as they did on the first one.

1050 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** My que'.., also, my question, when you all..,  
1051 when did you all figure out that you weren't going to need the five hundred some odd  
1052 thousand from us? 'Cause I don't think that was brought to our attention prior to this being  
1053 added to the Agenda.

1054 **Mr. B. Finney:** Ma'am, I, I.., we realized [pause]. I, I, I, I don't know. That was an  
1055 error, we should've notified you. But since we didn't think we needed to take the money..,  
1056 usually what happens is that we crunch our numbers and get our project done and make  
1057 sure that there's no need for the dollars. But in this case, I apologize, we should've  
1058 [inaudible] earlier because we did not get a nine percent allocation, the UCO dollars was  
1059 contingent upon a nine percent application and we erred in that, in that we didn't  
1060 communicate with you, and I take full responsibility for it.

1061 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** That's it for me for now. Mr. McCoy.., McCoy  
1062 has his hand up.

1063 **Chairperson Botel:** I think Ms. Lanier had hers up. Ms. Lanier did you have...

1064 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay.

1065 **Chairperson Botel:** ...your up?

1066 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

1067 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes, Ms. Lanier.

1068 **Councilperson Lanier:** Given this conversation, I have a couple of questions. It  
1069 seemed like I heard Mr. Finney say that they did not.., or, were not able to use the money  
1070 that we gave to them. Did they give it back to us?

1071 **Councilperson McCoy:** They never got it.

1072 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible] gave it to them.

1073 **Mr. B. Finney:** We never received the money, ma'am. We never asked for a draw  
1074 down.

1075 **Councilperson Lanier:** So, you never got the funding? Alright.

1076 **Mr. B. Finney:** Yes, ma'am.

1077 **Councilperson Lanier:** So, the second question is this. Who were the previous  
1078 contractors and what was the compensation in terms of, in terms of dollars?

1079 **Mr. B. Finney:** The previous contractor was Gulf. The new contractors is Newport.  
1080 And the difference between their bids was..., Newport was \$1.2MM less than Gulf.

1081 **Councilperson Lanier:** So Gulf, so Gulf was how much?

1082 **Mr. B. Finney:** They were \$1.2MM over Newport.

1083 **Councilperson Lanier:** No, you're not giving me a figure. I'm saying how much was  
1084 Gulf and how much was Newport?

1085 **Mr. B. Finney:** Oh, I, I, I don't have the exact numbers. It's somewhere between ten  
1086 and \$12MM. They're pretty substantial figures we're talking about. Construction  
1087 [inaudible].

1088 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay. Could you give us those figures so we could know what  
1089 these...

1090 **Mr. B. Finney:** You mean...

1091 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...[inaudible]?

1092 **Mr. B. Finney:** ...total project cost on construction?

1093 **Councilperson Lanier:** No. I'm asking you, I'm asking you for the previous  
1094 contractors on the project, and how much money they received.

1095 **Mr. B. Finney:** What their...

1096 **Councilperson Lanier:** That's what I'm...

1097 **Mr. B. Finney:** ...profit was? Okay.

1098 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...asking for. No. I'm not asking for profit. I'm asking for  
1099 some'..., something simple. Who are the previous contractors on the project and how  
1100 much money did they received?

1101 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Councilwoman, are you talking about on Phase I? How much  
1102 they received?

1103 **Councilperson Lanier:** Phase I, yes.

1104 **Mr. B. Finney:** Is she talking about the total construction cost?

1105 [Inaudible comments]

1106 **Councilperson Lanier:** Hold on, hold on, hold on, hold on, hold on, hold on.

1107 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** I'm showing that this bid was  
1108 just...

1109 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I can't hear...

1110 **Councilperson Lanier:** Hold on a second.

1111 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Lanier, could you be very specific? I think what I...

1112 **Councilperson Lanier:** I'm, I'm...

1113 **Chairperson Botel:** ...hear you say'...

1114 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...being, I'm being very [stammer] specific. I'm saying,  
1115 number one, who were the previous contractors on Phase I? Number two, how much  
1116 money did they receive for their contracting bid? I'm not talking about overall costs, I'm  
1117 not talking about... I'm just saying, how much did they receive? You give me a name  
1118 and you give me a number.

1119 **Mr. B. Finney:** I don't have that information in front of me, ma'am.

1120 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay. Can we get that information?

1121 [Inaudible comment]

1122 **Mr. B. Finney:** Surely.

1123 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes. Okay. Now, second of all, the.., what was the condition  
1124 of the City's money that they.., that you didn't draw down? Was it based on local  
1125 participation?

1126 **Unk.:** No.

1127 **Mr. B. Finney:** No, ma'am.

1128 **Councilperson Lanier:** No?

1129 **Mr. B. Finney:** No, ma'am.

1130 **Councilperson Lanier:** So the City's... Okay. So the money that you didn't draw  
1131 down was not based on local participation?

1132 **Mr. B. Finney:** Yes, correct.

1133 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay. So, this amount.., this, going forward, Phase II, is it  
1134 based on local participation?

1135 **Mr. B. Finney:** No, ma'am.

1136 **Councilperson Lanier:** Why?

1137 **Mr. B. Finney:** We're not a' [audio skipped] any money..., we're not asking any  
1138 money from the City.

1139 **Councilperson Lanier:** No, I didn't ask you that. I'm asking you why is not based on  
1140 local participation?

1141 **Unk:** There's no money.

1142 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Madam...

1143 **Mr. B. Finney:** We...

1144 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** ...Madam Chair, may I respond?

1145 [Inaudible comment]

1146 **Chairperson Botel:** Who, who wanted to respond? Mr. Hurt?

1147 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Yes. If I may. Councilwoman,  
1148 Lanier, as I understand your, your question, you're, you're asking, first of all, how much  
1149 did the general contractor make on Phase I? Or, are you asking how much all the  
1150 contractors made on Phase I?

1151 Second of all, in regards to local participation, the commitment for the local  
1152 government contribution was not based upon local contri'.., local participation, however,  
1153 our code development partner in the Housing Authority committed to make every effort to  
1154 enhance local participation, which we have done.

1155 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay. So, my question is, and you can still get me this  
1156 information, the contractors that you paid in Phase I, how much did they get? And number  
1157 two, if the City's money is not an issue, what, what are we talking about? Why, why are  
1158 we here for this?

1159 **Mr. B. Finney:** Ma'am, ma'am, we are here out of.., because we've been asked to,  
1160 to make this presentation and we're doing this as a courtesy to the City because they  
1161 asked us to be here.

1162 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay.

1163 **Mr. B. Finney:** We're [inaudible]...

1164 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...So now

1165 **Mr. B. Finney:** ...[inaudible].

1166 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay. I understand. So, so you're telling me that, even if you  
1167 give me this information about Phase I, you.., there is no local participation in Phase II at  
1168 all, in our City?

1169 **Mr. B. Finney:** Well there is...

1170 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** That's...

1171 [Inaudible comments]

1172 **Mr. B. Finney:** Excuse me, John. We, we, we have our own standards for local  
1173 participation. We will pursue that, but we will respect any feedback that we receive from  
1174 the City.

1175 **Councilperson Lanier:** Well, the feedback you're going to get from the City is that we  
1176 want local participation. We want...

1177 **Mr. B. Finney:** And, and...

1178 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...people who work and, and do business in the City to be a  
1179 part of this project. And I am assuming that's what you're here for, to be able...

1180 **Mr. B. Finney:** Yes, ma'am.

1181 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...to give us an update about what's happening with the  
1182 project, but also, to get feedback from us. And one of the biggest feedbacks, of course,  
1183 is that you guys need to ensure that there's local participation from contractors and  
1184 electricians and whomever else there may, on Phase II.

1185 **Mr. D. Thomas:** And if I may...

1186 **Unk.:** [Inaudible]...

1187 **Mr. D. Thomas:** ...ma'am.

1188 [Inaudible comments]

1189 **Mr. D. Thomas:** Ms., Ms. Lanier, I'm sorry... Ms. Botel, I apologize.

1190 **Chairperson Botel:** Go ahead, Mr. Thomas. Go ahead. You.., I.., it's hard to tell  
1191 who, who's voices are coming through, but I hear you, Mr. Thomas. Go ahead.

1192 **Mr. D. Thomas:** Okay. Ms. Lanier, in all due respect, from the beginning of this  
1193 project, since we started over ten years ago, we have always led with local participation.  
1194 Previous Board Members that sat with me around the table, we have always led with local  
1195 participation. Mr. Finney, the Housing Trust Group, understood that...

1196 **Councilperson Lanier:** Mr. Thomas, let me stop you right there. Let me stop you right  
1197 there. You just said that you did not have local participation.

1198 **Mr. D. Thomas:** What...

1199 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms., Ms. Lanier...

1200 **Councilperson Lanier:** So...

1201 **Chairperson Botel:** What they said was...

1202 **Councilperson Lanier:** So, it wasn't... Hold, hold, hold on one second. Let me finish  
1203 this. You said you didn't have local participation, so we're asking, instead of going through  
1204 all this and being all night with this, we're asking that you negotiate in Phase II for local  
1205 participation.

1206 **Mr. D. Thomas:** We did not ever..., it was never stated we did not have local  
1207 participation, Ms. Lanier.

1208 **Councilperson Lanier:** Mr. Finney just said it.

1209 **Chairperson Botel:** No. Ms. Lanier, I [inaudible] if I can clarify if I might. What he  
1210 was saying was there is no need for the City to., the, the City's money is not involved in  
1211 this because they don't...

1212 **Councilperson Lanier:** I understand that.

1213 **Chairperson Botel:** Therefore... I don't think he said there was no local  
1214 participation, I think what he was trying to say was, there was no need for them., there  
1215 was no contingency that they provide us with information about their local participation  
1216 'cause they're not looking for any money. However, they do have local participation. And  
1217 I think if we could wrap this up, we're looking for...

1218 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay. Yes.

1219 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Somebody else was trying to speak. Maybe that  
1220 was it. So I think that we..., well, thank you very much. I think there are no other que'...  
1221 Ms. Miller-Anderson.

1222 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** No. We need to be very clear. First of all, the  
1223 reason why... First of all, Mr. McCoy was trying to talk, so I, I would imagine at some  
1224 point he's coming back. But, the reason why this was brought to the Agenda, okay, is  
1225 because of word in the community, and from various contractors that were on Phase I,  
1226 were not a part of Phase II. And, the conversation that was had in the meeting in October  
1227 2018 when the Housing Authority came before the Board, they, they eluded to the fact,  
1228 or actually were asked point blank, will they maintain the same people on the job from  
1229 Phase I to Phase II, which included some local contractors. And let's be very clear, they  
1230 were not on as subcontractors, they were earning thirty percent, and that's different. They  
1231 were almost like a partner, they were not coming in as, like, an electrician, those people  
1232 and those subcontractors. They were getting thirty percent of the job, so it was a little  
1233 more profit than a sub. And, during that conversation in October 2018 when they were

1234 asking for the five hundred odd thousand dollars to go along in..., for future use, if they got  
1235 the tax credit for Phase II, the question was, before this amount, we agreed to set this  
1236 amount away to provide it to you, are you going to maintain the same group of people,  
1237 local people, from Phase I? I heard that this particular Phase II was not actually publicly  
1238 noticed, and therefore, there were several..., I guess there were only two that, according  
1239 to the..., to this memo, there were only two people that..., or two organizations that put in  
1240 a bid for it. But, some people said that they've asked for the, the public records and have  
1241 yet to receive them. And so, when I started hearing all of that, that's why..., and I think it  
1242 was our April 15<sup>th</sup> meeting, that was brought up in public comment at the end by Mr.  
1243 McCoy and myself because I'm sure some of us got calls and asked for it to be on this  
1244 Agenda. The reason for them being on the call is because they're the ones that can  
1245 provide the answer.

1246 So now..., well, yesterday when we received the memo, today it's, 'Well, we don't  
1247 need your \$500,000 now because we're not going to use the tax credit.' So, that was not  
1248 known until now. So, being that that information is just now coming up then, of course,  
1249 now it's like, 'Oh, well, I don't know why we're here because it really doesn't impact the  
1250 City.' Well it did up until this memo came. But I do still think...

1251 **Unk.:** [Inaudible].

1252 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...it impacts our City because of the fact that we  
1253 have, you know..., we wanna make sure, Mr. Mayor, you, you appoint people to the Board  
1254 so we wanna make sure that we're just, the City in [stammer] as itself, is doing things  
1255 properly. And so, you stated that it was advertised on your website or where was it  
1256 advertised for people to bid on this project?

1257 **Mr. B. Finney:** [Stammer] it's, well again, we're a private company, ma'am. We  
1258 don't have to publicly advertise and we reached out to a set of contractors who we know  
1259 have the ability to undertake the project. That's...

1260 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So, [stammer]... With multi'..., multi-million  
1261 dollar projects and getting government funds, you don't have to publicly...

1262 **Mr. B. Finney:** We, we, we, we...

1263 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...advertise?

1264 **Mr. B. Finney:** We are under the Florida Housing guidelines.

1265 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Mhmm.

1266 **Mr. B. Finney:** And, and our contract that we do produce will be reviewed by Florida  
1267 Housing and it will..., it will be evaluated to make sure that it's within the scope of the  
1268 guidelines. So the only thing that'll be scrutinized, from a federal level, a state level and  
1269 of course we have to again bid competitively. And that's, and that's the problem that...,  
1270 not the problem but the issue that we did..., do have here, is because Gulf did bid on the

1271 project and we wanted to embrace them but their number was higher than the, the  
1272 company that we, we have to go with.

1273 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. So, the same way that you, you reign  
1274 your procurement process in Phase I, is the way you're doing it now in Phase II?

1275 **Mr. B. Finney:** Yes, ma'am. Technically.

1276 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay.

1277 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Madam Chair?

1278 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** What do you mean technically though? What,  
1279 what does that mean?

1280 **Mr. B. Finney:** Yes. I'm sorry. Yes.

1281 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay.

1282 **Chairperson Botel:** I think, Mr. Lawson, Mr. McCoy... Mr. McCoy, were you  
1283 waiting to speak?

1284 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes. Thank you, Madam Chair.

1285 Have we done zoning comprehensively on the whole project of Heron Estates, or  
1286 was that done separately?

1287 **Mr. B. Finney:** We, we did one plan urban development. There was..., [stammer]  
1288 the, the entire project was, was planned. And, with zoning approvals.

1289 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. So, what are [audio skipped] streams of financing that  
1290 you got? I think I seen sale somewhere.

1291 **Mr. B. Finney:** We have four percent bonds, we have sale and then we have private  
1292 debt that we borrow.

1293 **Councilperson McCoy:** And...

1294 **Mr. B. Finney:** And I think...

1295 **Councilperson McCoy:** Sales as...

1296 **Mr. B. Finney:** ...we have some in Palm Beach County as well.

1297 **Councilperson McCoy:** And, the, the..., Palm Beach County is the sale dollar?

1298 **Mr. B. Finney:** No. There's a, there's, there's a \$500 fixed asset facility from Palm  
1299 Beach County.

1300 **Councilperson McCoy:** And none of those authoritative agencies being sale in Palm  
1301 Beach County, require a public procurement process?

1302 **Mr. B. Finney:** No, sir.

1303 **Councilperson McCoy:** And you said.., the four percent bond, is that through Palm  
1304 Beach County's Housing Finance?

1305 **Mr. B. Finney:** No, sir. That bond is issued by Florida Housing.

1306 **Councilperson McCoy:** So Florida Housing doesn't require public procurement  
1307 process?

1308 **Mr. B. Finney:** It, it doesn't require a public [stammer].., it doesn't pr'.., require a  
1309 public procurement but it re'.., requires a competitive process. And that's why we are  
1310 where we are right now because through the competitive process, we have a \$1.2MM  
1311 [inaudible].

1312 **Councilperson McCoy:** And that competitive process is the direct, direct solicitation  
1313 that you spoke of earlier?

1314 **Mr. B. Finney:** Yes, sir.

1315 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay.

1316 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Madam Chair?

1317 **Councilperson McCoy:** My'...

1318 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Hurt.

1319 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** I'm s'... I'm sorry. Is, is  
1320 Commissioner McCoy finished? I'm sorry, I thought he was finished.

1321 **Councilperson McCoy:** No, no, sir. I got a few more questions, Mr. Hurt.

1322 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** I'm sorry.

1323 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, I share the same sentiments and I shared with Mr. Hurt  
1324 that I think you guys should at least come on to share with us something, because I  
1325 actually went back further than 2018, Councilwoman Miller-Anderson, I actually found  
1326 back in 2016, the initial number was \$551,000 was the local match. But I don't know what  
1327 happened, and it came up in 2018 to \$567,000 match. And I told Mr. Hurt yesterday..,  
1328 this, this was Phase II so I told Mr. Hurt yesterday, certainly we're holding this money as  
1329 a grant restricted on our books. I think, you know, at very least, especially that we have  
1330 contractors coming out to ask us are we not going back with minority participation, that  
1331 this is a conversation that should at least come to the Board.

1332 I wanna go further to discuss the process in which you're seeking minority  
1333 participation. Now, I don't know where you are on that, but I heard someone mention  
1334 Brown Electric. Were they in on Phase I because I didn't think so?

1335 **Mr. B. Finney:** May I, may I respond?

1336 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** [Inaudible].

1337 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Finney.

1338 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** I, I would like to respond, Mr.  
1339 Finney. If you don't mind. [Stammer]..., Councilman McCoy, you've seen four contractors  
1340 that are certified section three contractors from the Riviera Beach Housing Authority.  
1341 Those four contractors, we tried to get involved in Phase I, Brown Electric, Miller Paradise  
1342 Air Conditioning, Green to Greener and Knowles Johnson. Of those four section three  
1343 contractors, Green to Greener got a con'..., got a contract on Phase I. They got the  
1344 landscape contract and they were compensated over six figures for their work. I don't  
1345 have the exact number, but it's like a hundred and s'..., I think it was in the low two's that  
1346 they got compensated. The other three contractors we could not work out participation  
1347 in Phase I so we committed to them, at that time, that we would advocate their  
1348 participation in Phase II. That's why I, I forwarded a memo to Housing Trust, indicating  
1349 that these are four section three contractors we're advocating right now, and as we  
1350 continue our outreach, which we plan to do for other section three contractors, and other  
1351 local participation, that we will continue, you know, to provide names for opportunities for  
1352 participation.

1353 [Pause]

1354 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. McCoy are you done?

1355 **Councilperson McCoy:** And that is gonna be facilitated by whom and when?

1356 **Mr. B. Finney:** Well, we plan to have outreach within the next thirty to forty-five days  
1357 from the Housing Authority's perspective. Mr. Finney certainly can, can comment. We  
1358 are working in conjunction with the Housing Trust Group and, and their outreach  
1359 consultants and we will be working with the general contractor.

1360 Mr. Finney.

1361 **Mr. B. Finney:** The process is already started.

1362 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. Last question. So, now that I heard from Mr. Finney  
1363 and Mr. Hurt, you have secured financing and there's no need for a local match from  
1364 Riviera Beach?

1365 **Mr. B. Finney:** Yes, sir.

1366 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. So, Mr. Evans and Ms. Wynn, I hope we can take note  
1367 of it because I imagine there is a Resolution that out there that kinda appropriated funds  
1368 for that and, you know, we can, I guess, have Finance to handle that accordingly. So,  
1369 that's all I have with that.

1370 But I just wanna make sure that there is some, not just outreach, but some sort of  
1371 guarantee for having some local participants that are within our community that can serve  
1372 as subs, and also, you know, I would've like to see, you know, those partners continue  
1373 but, you know, this is kinda where we are now and I, I just wanna [inaudible] see as much  
1374 as we can. And I know, certainly, the former Councilwoman that held this seat before, I  
1375 don't even recall her name, but she was very adamant about making sure that we had  
1376 local participation. You re'.., I see you chuckling, Chairwoman. You remember her  
1377 name?

1378 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes, I do, Mr....

1379 **Councilperson McCoy:** But certainly, Mr. Hurt, I, I mean really, we, we have to deal  
1380 with this every single day and I wanna expect that, you know, as a partner, that we can  
1381 really make sure that we keep the people in our community working in, in the field. And I  
1382 was looking at some of the zoning bonuses that we offer for minority.., for minority  
1383 employment components doing.., to construction, but I think we're already beyond that  
1384 phase but certainly, I wanna make sure that we keep the folks in our community with an  
1385 opportunity to have a seat at the table.

1386 **Chairperson Botel:** I...

1387 Thank you, Madam Chair.

1388 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. McCoy. I think we're all in agreement on that  
1389 point. And I believe Mr. Lawson was looking to speak? Mr. Lawson.

1390 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you, Madam Chair.

1391 Mr. Finney, a few quick...

1392 **Mr. B. Finney:** Yes, sir.

1393 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** ...questions for you. First question. You said that the  
1394 contractors from Phase I will make as much money on this go around as they did last  
1395 time. How can you...

1396 **Mr. B. Finney:** The...

1397 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** ...guarantee that to this Board?

1398 **Mr. B. Finney:** The subcontractors.

1399 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yeah. The subcontractors. Were they considered  
1400 subcontractors...

1401 **Mr. B. Finney:** [Inaudible]...

1402 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** ...during Phase I?

1403 **Mr. B. Finney:** HTG will negotiate with the prime contractor, to make it very clear of  
1404 what we expect.

1405 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay. So, but, but you're telling me...

1406 **Mr. B. Finney:** We are the owner'...

1407 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** ...that they're gonna make... I'm sorry, go ahead, Mr. Finney.

1408 **Mr. B. Finney:** We are the owner, we understand the budgets, we make sure that  
1409 they get an amount equal to or more than work than they got on Phase I.

1410 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay. So...

1411 **Mr. B. Finney:** [Inaudible]...

1412 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** So, Ms. Wynn, question for you, Ms. Wynn. What recourse  
1413 do we have as a City to make sure that these local small business and minority  
1414 businesses are not left out, or that these changes don't happen when we go to different  
1415 phases? Do we have any recourse as a City?

1416 **City Attorney Wynn:** Not with the Housing Authority, you don't.

1417 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay. And the land that, that these phases are being built on,  
1418 was it conveyed to the Housing Authority or has it always been owned by the Housing  
1419 Authority?

1420 **Mr. B. Finney:** John? John?

1421 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** [Inaudible]...

1422 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** [Inaudible] still talking to Attorney  
1423 Wynn.

1424 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Sorry, Mr. Hurt. I was asking about the land.

1425 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Yes. So, the land is under a  
1426 Declaration of Trust with the federal government, Department of Housing and Urban  
1427 Development. That land was acquired when the Housing Authority was created and Ivy  
1428 Green Village was built. The property is in'.., indebted.., was indebted with the federal  
1429 government and as we built on it and/or tore it down and/or planned to build on it again,  
1430 we have to get federal approval, through a disposition application, in order to do anything

1431 with that property. The property is still owned by the Housing Authority. It's under long  
1432 term lease to the entities that own Heron Estates Senior and Heron Estates Family.

1433 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay. Thank you, Mr. Hurt. And, also Ms. Miller-Anderson,  
1434 going back to that meeting back in October 2018, I watched the comments and I think  
1435 that was kind of the issue because Mr. Hurt's comments were..., they were very concise  
1436 but somewhat vague in regards to the contractors. They did utilize the option of using  
1437 these contractors if all went well with Phase I, but they also gave an out in regards to  
1438 being able to move forward or move on. And I think that it's gonna be difficult, like you  
1439 said, since we just found out within the last few hours that we're not gonna be providing  
1440 the grant funds to the Housing..., I'm sorry, to the developers, that we cannot demand that  
1441 they use certain participation.

1442 So, this is part of..., colleagues, this is part of the reason that I want us to push for  
1443 that disparity study, so that we can kind of put this demand on developers that are coming  
1444 into the City. It wouldn't fit within this parameter because we don't have the, the governing  
1445 authority over the Housing Authority but I do believe that we should give the option of  
1446 working together and expressing our concerns and our needs to actually providing that  
1447 local participation. I think the reason that we've all discussed this is because we're getting  
1448 bombarded with the locals and the subs feel like they're being left off this project. And,  
1449 Mr. Finney, there's no guarantees that you can give us that these locals will be  
1450 compensated in the exact amount as they received prior or if anything. So, I appreciate  
1451 your word as of what you're saying, but as of right now, there's nothing to put in, in, in  
1452 writing to say these contractors are gonna receive the same revenue.

1453 **Mr. B. Finney:** [Stammer]...

1454 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Or, if any revenue.

1455 **Mr. B. Finney:** Commissioner, with, with, with, with complete and entire..., complete  
1456 respect...

1457 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Sir.

1458 **Mr. B. Finney:** ...I do understand your perspective. You're actually correct that, that  
1459 the documentation at this juncture is very..., is difficult. But what I would like to say is that  
1460 we would like to get some credit for what we've done. We have had minorities and, and  
1461 locals work on our projects. We've done that. And so, we'd like to be given the benefit  
1462 of the doubt to say, 'Okay. You, you did it on Pha'..., on Phase I, which was successful,  
1463 and so I don't think there's any reason why we're not gonna do it on Phase II.' It actually  
1464 worked. In terms of...

1465 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** But, Mr. Finney... Pardon the interruption, Mr. Finney, but I  
1466 have a question. What amount of..., what, what was the total revenue that these local  
1467 contractors received from Phase I?

1468 **Mr. B. Finney:** And again...

1469 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** [Inaudible].

1470 **Mr. B. Finney:** I don't have those numbers in front of me.

1471 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** So, your s'.., your success, in regards to what was actually  
1472 accomplished for Phase I, is different than my success. So, I understand what you're  
1473 saying, that you're saying is successful, 'cause a building was built, but at the same time,  
1474 I do not know the exact numbers of what dollars went to our contractors in our local  
1475 community. Which would be local, meaning throughout Palm Beach County. So,  
1476 Randolph and Newbold Construction, those are Palm Beach County contractors. And I  
1477 don't know what they received from this project so, if you're telling me that one, five, thirty  
1478 percent is successful for you, I understand what you're saying but I wanna see these  
1479 numbers. I need some tangible evidence to say, 'Okay, this is what we received for local  
1480 participation within our community.'

1481 **Mr. B. Finney:** Understood.

1482 **City Manager Evans:** [Inaudible].

1483 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Lawson, if you're done, Mr. Evans would...

1484 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** I'm...

1485 **Chairperson Botel:** ...like to speak.

1486 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** I'm sorry, Madam Chair, I wasn't finished.

1487 **Chairperson Botel:** Go ahead.

1488 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** In regards to the property management of the project,  
1489 currently, I see that there's some shortcomings, 'cause we're having a discussion with  
1490 Phase II right now, but there's some fallbacks from Phase I that I'm still concerned with  
1491 as well. The property management, the, the setup of the property and moving forward  
1492 with Phase II, I mean, we have no control because, at the end of the day, I believe the  
1493 contract that was negotiated, was not in the best interest of the City, but I do commend  
1494 the Housing Authority for getting a project out of the ground. So again, Mr. Finney, thank  
1495 you guys for bringing that housing for our seniors, and we're excited about the  
1496 townhouses that are coming, but we wanna be very concise so that there's no vague  
1497 options moving forward, so that everybody's on the same page.

1498 So, the property management is currently in place, what is the property  
1499 management plan for this project, Phase I and Phase II? And then a follow up for you is  
1500 going to be, when will this property be transferred back to the Housing Authority?

1501 **Mr. B. Finney:** So, Housing Trust Group, we have a property management arm, that  
1502 manages all our properties. We have over two thousand units in the State of Florida, so  
1503 we actually manage. And, the reasons why we manage is because the Housing Trust  
1504 Group is on.., is guaranteed one hundred percent construction, one hundred percent of

1505 the financing project with the [inaudible] in excess of \$21MM. And we have to, we have  
1506 to make sure the property's managed well so we can protect that investment. In about  
1507 thirty-five .., your second question is that we ground lease the property. We didn't buy it,  
1508 we ground leased the property from the Housing Authority and we will.., and, and within  
1509 thirty years, we'll transfer that asset back to the Housing Authority.

1510 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay. So, it's thirty years? 'Cause I was understanding it was  
1511 fifteen years. Mr. Hurt, could you give us some clarity, please?

1512 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Yes, sir.

1513 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Hurt.

1514 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** If I may comment, Councilman  
1515 Lawson. First of all, to further answer your question regarding the property management.  
1516 The Housing Trust Group prop'.., management arm is currently managing Heron Estate  
1517 Senior and scheduled to manage Heron Estates Family. The Housing Authority, under  
1518 our business terms, our negotiating future management of that site by an entity controlled  
1519 by the Housing Authority. We're negotiating to do that within a three to five-year period  
1520 of time. The issue is, what Mr. Finney did not say, is that the property management entity  
1521 for these Florida Housing Finance Corporation funded properties has to be a property  
1522 management entity that is qualified by them as well. The pro'.., the, the management  
1523 companies have, have to be a qualified Florida Housing Finance corporation  
1524 management entity. So, we hope to gain that certification over the next wo to three years,  
1525 our Housing Authority entity, so that we'll be in the position to comanage and, ultimately,  
1526 manage the site.

1527 Now those, those are s'.., some of the terms that we are negotiating with the  
1528 Housing Trust group as we speak, to be finalized before closing.

1529 I'm sorry, you, you had another point that I wanted to address. [Pause]. I'm sorry.

1530 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible]...

1531 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Can you reiterate your second  
1532 point, Commissioner Lawson?

1533 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** The property management's the, the first one, and the thirty-  
1534 year term of the property being conveyed back to the Housing Authority.

1535 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Yes. Mr. Finney indicated that it  
1536 will be within thirty years, but we anticipate that it'll be closer to fifteen. Generally, in these  
1537 kinds of partnerships, that transfer takes place after the tax credits burn off. Once the tax  
1538 credits are paid off, generally we, at that point, have the first right of refusal to purchase  
1539 the property and its existing debt.

1540 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** So, Mr. Hurt, what are the tax credits that we're waiting to burn  
1541 off for these thirty years?

1542 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** I, I'll ask Mr. Finney to elaborate  
1543 on that further but generally, the issuance and the syndication of the tax credits normally  
1544 expire... We..., please understand that this whole tax credit thing is an..., a Internal  
1545 Revenue Service controlled phenomenon. So, once the tax credits burn..., are satisfied  
1546 within that generally fifteen year period of time, normally it's resyndicated or conveyed to  
1547 the Housing Authority.

1548 **Mr. B. Finney:** If I may, a tax credit is, is, is, is a facility that we still in the marketplace  
1549 to raise capital. So, the project, let's say is more than \$21MM in tax credits, then we go  
1550 to Bank of America, we go to Wall Street and we sell those tax credits, they give us the  
1551 hard dollars and then those hard dollars are invested into the project. Now, in order for  
1552 our investors to, to truly benefit the tax credit over the fifteen or thirty period, the property  
1553 has to be managed and continue to be affordable over that time. If anything happens to  
1554 the property, it's no longer affordable, it's not managed properly, the investors will lose  
1555 the, the cash benefit of, of the tax credits. So management is an, an important element  
1556 'cause we use those tax credits, again, to convert to cash to build the project.

1557 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay.

1558 **Chairperson Botel:** Anything...

1559 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you, Dr. Botel. The..., so, just as a follow up. The  
1560 concerns that we're seeing is the phone calls that we're receiving in regards to the local  
1561 participation. There's no way that we should be getting these calls instead of you guys  
1562 coming to us, because if we're wor'..., truly working as a partnership, Mr. Hurt, we wanna  
1563 be on the same page prior to this kind of, you know, hitting the fan so that we can know  
1564 how to move forward. I don't want contractors emailing and calling, and calling from other  
1565 offices, to give me details of what's going on with the project, the fact that they're no  
1566 longer being utilized and what is the City doing when it comes to local participation.  
1567 Because, as you know from day one, I've advocated, and previous Council Members  
1568 have [stammer] advocated, as I've seen Ms. Miller-Anderson and Dr. Botel, for local  
1569 participation. So, right now, going into tonight, we still have no idea who are gonna be  
1570 these subs because they have not been contacted, there's no contracts in place, there's  
1571 literally no guarantee. And I know that that's a push, that I've seen from Mr. Delvin  
1572 Thomas and Mr. Hurt from the Housing Authority, but I'm just not confident in moving  
1573 forward with additional projects 'cause, essentially, Phase II is done. There's nothing we  
1574 can do about it so [inaudible] we, we wasted about an hour of time talking about  
1575 something we have no control over.

1576 But colleagues, I wanna make sure that we just never let this happen again.

1577 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. Lawson. I..., Mr. Evans...

1578 **City Manager Evans:** Thank you.

1579 **Chairperson Botel:** ...was [audio skipped] to speak, and then Mr. McCoy. Mr.  
1580 Evans. Your mic is off. Thank you.

1581 **City Manager Evans:** Thank you, Madam Chair and Members of the Council, as well  
1582 as members of the Housing Authority.

1583 One of the things that we can look to ensure local participation is considered, and  
1584 this would be a question to the Housing Authority, would you be willing to enter into a  
1585 interlocal agreement between the City and the Housing Authority that in return we may  
1586 be able to assist in expediting permitting, and by doing so, and some other elements that  
1587 we have to have discussions with Development Services, that we can look at for future  
1588 projects and some documentation that provides the clarity and the desires of the elected  
1589 body? And so, I, I wanted to proffer that, and if that was something that you all would be  
1590 interested in, that we can get those agreements in place to effectively accomplish what  
1591 the Board's desires are.

1592 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Hurt?

1593 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Madam Chair, I...

1594 **Councilperson Lanier:** Mr.... I, I had my hand up for a long time.

1595 **Chairperson Botel:** I think he just wanted to respond very quickly to Mr. Evans  
1596 and then we'll... I'm sorry. It's hard to see. You're down in the corner in my screen  
1597 [chuckle], Shirley. Sorry. You'll be next after Mr. Hurt responds. Mr. Hurt.

1598 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Thank you, Madam Chair. In  
1599 response to the City Manager's suggestion, we're certainly open to that. And, we look  
1600 forward to a cooperation agreement with the City. We have one with the C'., the CRA,  
1601 we have one with the CDC, and so, we have always had the commitment for local  
1602 participation. Our Board, ever since I've been here in the past nine years, has been very  
1603 adamant about local participation. We have worked very hard towards that end. During  
1604 Phase I, we held outreach at every Councilman's District, we held, we held general  
1605 outreach through the Mayor's office, ACG held outreach. We [stammer] have expended  
1606 a lot of energy and resources to gain local participation.

1607 I'd like to also comment to Councilman Lawson's statement about [stammer] local  
1608 persons and companies being concerned. I have not heard from any other local  
1609 contractor other than Mr. Newbold, and I've spoken with him, and we've always been  
1610 committed for local participation. We will continue to do that, we plan to do that and, and  
1611 we're open to do that. Our, our Board has always and is currently very committed to local  
1612 participation. So, if the Members around this Board have rec'., recommendations or  
1613 referrals, we are certainly open to it. During this process, it's moved along. I, I think we  
1614 got ahead of ourselves 'cause we thought our closing would be later in the year. We're,  
1615 we're shooting to get a, a closing in August and it takes a lot of., a lot of documents and  
1616 et. cetera, and our resources for local participation are in place, and we're open to that. I  
1617 just wanted to be very clear. I don't know where we are saying that the Housing Authority  
1618 and/or our code developer are not open to local participation. We've made every effort.  
1619 And we'll continue to make that effort. So, if you hear from anyone, please refer them to  
1620 me. I will ensure they're heard and we'll make every effort for their participation. You

1621 know, bottom line., bottom line it's all a, a numbers games, it's a money game but within  
1622 that context, we try to get as much involvement as we can.

1623 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. Hurt. Councilwoman Lanier.

1624 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yeah. Thank you, Madam Chair. I wanted to ask a couple of  
1625 questions and I wanna wrap this up because this is supposed to be a presentation. It's  
1626 on the Consent Agenda, and who knew that it was gonna bring out all these questions,  
1627 because I have a lot to ask and they really need to be able to show us something.

1628 First of all, I, I thought there was no tax credits in this project. Somebody  
1629 mentioned something about tax credits. Second of all, you said you're not using [audio  
1630 skipped] City money, it's a private deal, you can do local participation if you want to. But,  
1631 gentlemen, Riviera Beach Housing Authority, in the last eighteen months, you have been  
1632 on our Agenda ten or eleven times, asking for either property or asking for something  
1633 from us. So, I feel that if it's going to be a partnership, that we're also., we're asking for  
1634 local participation. It is that simple. We're saying that if you're going to do deals in our  
1635 City, then we should have some expectation of what, you know, local participation should  
1636 be. And I understand it's a private entity. There's a lot of private entities in this City. But  
1637 if you wanna do business with the City, then you have to give something. You can't just  
1638 come and say, 'Give me some land,' or, 'Give me a grant,' and then we're not supposed  
1639 to ask any questions or hold you to the fire in terms of local participation.

1640 Second of all, I want the City Attorney to look at the specifics of both SAIL and  
1641 PBC requirements for local participation. Because, you know, you, you know, when you  
1642 come and you, you ask us to say, you know, 'We'll work on local participation, we'll do  
1643 what we can,' you haven't done it. So, when we're going into Phase II, the people who  
1644 are in Phase I, they're not there anymore, so it's a whole lotta things that are up in the air.  
1645 And as I said before, and I'll say again, you've been on our Agenda at least ten times in  
1646 the past eighteen months, asking for something. So, why should not we have the  
1647 opportunity to ask for something as well? And all we're asking for, simply, is a local  
1648 participation. We don't need an agreement. If you do it, you do it. Enter [stammer] a  
1649 local participation agreement means that we're getting into the weeds with all of this. No.  
1650 You know that this is the requirement of any City you go into. If you go into the City of  
1651 Lake Worth, they're going to expect you to have people in that City, who are contractors  
1652 or who are electricians or who, who, whoever, they're going to expect that you're gonna  
1653 use those people in that City. You're building in their city.

1654 So, you know, let's kill this conversation. When they come back with more  
1655 information, when they come back with something that is assuring us that they're going  
1656 to do business with the City in fairness, because we've given up a lot, then we can have  
1657 that conversation. But for right now, as a Consent Agenda, let's just move on.

1658 Thank you, Madam Chair.

1659 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Councilwoman. I have three people asking to be  
1660 heard. The first was Mr..., was Mayor Felder and then Mr. Thomas and then

1661 Councilwoman Miller-Anderson. And then, I think after that, we will call this conversation  
1662 to a halt, with the knowledge that we have a lot of questions, that we're demanding local  
1663 participation and that I think if we want to have a partnership, and we do want to have a  
1664 partnership with the Housing Authority, we probably need to have a workshop, some kind  
1665 of a meeting where we can air out all these things, listen to what their plans for the future  
1666 are and, and really get the information we need.

1667 But let's start with Mayor Felder, and then go to Mr. Thomas, and then Ms. Miller-  
1668 Anderson. Mayor Felder.

1669 **Mayor Felder:** Thank you, Madam Chair.

1670 Mr. Hurt, do you have a list of local contractors now? That you've been in contact  
1671 with? Or, if, if you don't at that the moment, could you get us a list? To the Council?  
1672 Your Board?

1673 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Was that Mr. Mayor?

1674 **Mayor Felder:** Yes.

1675 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

1676 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Yes, we do have one. We have a  
1677 list of two pages of contractors that we've engaged during our last outreach, that's  
1678 available. We're going back through that list to, to update it as we speak.

1679 **Mayor Felder:** Could we get a copy of that list?

1680 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** You certainly can.

1681 **Mayor Felder:** Okay. That's it for me.

1682 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. Thomas.

1683 **Mr. D. Thomas:** I just wanna, you know, respond to Ms. Lanier. From the beginning,  
1684 again, local participation has always been our goal. I'm from this City, I was born pretty  
1685 much and raised here. I went to Greater [inaudible] Christian School and a lot of these  
1686 contractors I know personally. So, my goal [audio skipped] at the beginning of all of this,  
1687 was bringing them to the table, to have a seat at the table, to be able to talk to the  
1688 developers, that a lot of them never had the opportunity to doing other jobs that they never  
1689 worked on. So, when you say you were looking for local participation, we have definitely  
1690 been diligent in that local participation. With our past Councils, myself and Mr. Hurt went  
1691 around this City on numerous occasions and had workshops and things like that, for these  
1692 contractors to come and participate in. Some came, some didn't but we did it on  
1693 numerous occasions. Ms. Miller was here for that, Ms. Botel was on the end of that, and,  
1694 and so, it just bothers me that you, you're attacking us and saying that we're not doing  
1695 that but we...

1696 **Councilperson Lanier:** No, sir. I, I... Let me...

1697 **Mr. D. Thomas:** I mean, we have truly...

1698 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...stop you right there.

1699 **Mr. D. Thomas:** ...we have truly been doing this.

1700 **Councilperson Lanier:** I'm a Councilperson, let me stop you right there.

1701 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible].

1702 **Councilperson Lanier:** I am not attacking anyone. All I'm asking is that you provide  
1703 us with information about who was the l'..., local participation originally. I mean, in Phase  
1704 I. Who is gonna be in Phase II, the money that you spent on that. That's the, that's the  
1705 least we could ask of, of you being in our City. I'm not attacking the Housing Authority.  
1706 You have come to us, asking us for land and for property and for help. So, as a  
1707 partnership, it works both ways.

1708 **Mr. D. Thomas:** I, I totally...

1709 **Councilperson Lanier:** If we're, if we're gonna...

1710 **Mr. D. Thomas:** ...understand and respect...

1711 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...if we're gonna do local participation, then show us.

1712 **Mr. D. Thomas:** Absolutely. And I respect that Ms. Lanier.

1713 **Councilperson Lanier:** Provide [inaudible] information.

1714 **Mr. D. Thomas:** And we have the doc'..., we have the documentation and the  
1715 paperwork to show that we did the outreach. Mr. Davis has a booklet...

1716 **Councilperson Lanier:** Well, I haven't seen it so bring that to us. We're gonna move  
1717 on and we're gonna go through our Agenda and we'll, we'll come back to this. But, if  
1718 whatever you say that's going on, you're doing local participation, then show it to us, prove  
1719 it to us and then we'll move on.

1720 Thank you.

1721 **Chairperson Botel:** I'm gonna take one more comment from Ms..., Councilwoman  
1722 Miller-Anderson and then we're gonna move on.

1723 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I just wanted to say a couple things. Mr. Finney,  
1724 you..., what were you referring to when you said it was private? Housing Authority or the  
1725 Housing Trust Group?

1726 **Mr. B. Finney:** The Housing Trust Group, ma'am.

1727 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. So, the Housing Authority does not have  
1728 to..., they're not the ones that put out the public bid and publicly do so? It's the Housing  
1729 Trust Group...

1730 **Mr. B. Finney:** No. We...

1731 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...that does it?

1732 **Mr. B. Finney:** Yes. Yes, ma'am.

1733 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** And then the other thing is, so, if the Council  
1734 really doesn't have much to say..., I know you all have..., the Housing Authority has their  
1735 own Board, but why does the Mayor appoint the people, Ms. Wynn?

1736 [Feedback noise]

1737 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Getting some feedback. Since the Council or  
1738 the, you know, the City of Riviera Beach doesn't have much input, why does the Mayor  
1739 do the appointing?

1740 **City Attorney Wynn:** It's required by statute.

1741 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. But that's the only involvement, it's just  
1742 that the Mayor is the one that provides the appointments and nothing else happen'...,  
1743 nothing..., the Council has nothing else to do with any of it? Outside of that?

1744 **City Attorney Wynn:** That's correct. [Stammer] appoints and re'..., and removals for  
1745 cause.

1746 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. And then the other thing, Mr. Hurt or Mr.  
1747 Finney, the, the two bids that you..., that were submitted to the..., to your organization, I  
1748 would like to see it because, you know, I'm hearing that, and I'm only hearing it so I would  
1749 like to see for myself, is that the amounts that you're quoting are not accurate. And so,  
1750 therefore, it's not off by as much as you're saying. So, that's my only thing. So, if you  
1751 could please provide that to me, that would be great.

1752 **Mr. B. Finney:** Understood...

1753 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** And I just wanna make sure that everything is  
1754 on the up and up because, as I said, we are, you know, trying to be partners here and we  
1755 need to make sure that everyone in the community knows that we're gonna do things  
1756 fairly, if we're going to be providing assistance or land, as Ms. Lanier said, in the future.  
1757 We do have other things that I'm sure we need to work on together. We just wanna  
1758 assure the community that we are trying to do the right thing and make sure that  
1759 everybody's held accountable.

1760 **Mr. B. Finney:** And I, and I..., and, and I..., Commissioner, I thank you for those, those  
1761 sentiments and from the Housing Trust Group, and especially me personally, it's

1762 important that we have a good relationship with the City. I'm currently working on four or  
1763 five projects now with Housing Authorities throughout the state, so our reputation is very  
1764 important to us. So, we will continue to give you the information. We, we have been  
1765 successful, we will continue to be successful and we would like to work with the City in  
1766 the future. We look forward to it.

1767 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. Finney. Thank you, Mr. Hurt, for joining us.  
1768 Thank you, Mr. Thomas and anyone else who happens to be on, on the call from the  
1769 Housing Authority.

1770 **8A. ITEM NO. 8A**

1771 **Chairperson Botel:** I think we can move on now to Item 8A, the illustrious Ms.  
1772 Lockhart.

1773 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, being that the time is now 7:49, would you like  
1774 to take care of Item 8A or would you like to move to public comment.

1775 **Chairperson Botel:** Well, it would be nice to get Item 8A finished while we., if  
1776 there are any additional questions for Mr. Hurt, because it relates to the Housing Authority,  
1777 if we could do that quickly. Does Council think we can move 8A quickly? Mr. McCoy, I  
1778 think you were the one that had the most questions.

1779 **Councilperson McCoy:** I did. I [stammer]. So, I, I, I wanna go back to Mayor Felder.  
1780 Mayor, I, I, I much respectfully disagree and I wanna make sure that I'm clear when you  
1781 s'.., when I say this. In the spirit of transparency, we need to have this information. Why  
1782 you can recommend anybody, if it's not ratified by the Board then it means nothing. And  
1783 I'm particularly concerned because, here's why. I know we had this issue brought up  
1784 before late last year, related to the current member but my position is this, I've known that  
1785 current member since 2000 and probably '12, working on just Heron Estates and when I,  
1786 when I really noticed him, it was when he was in Tallahassee, along with Mr. Hurt. And I  
1787 don't know if Mr. Finney is still on but all of those gentlemen were in Housing., I'm sorry,  
1788 in Florida Finance Housing Authority., Florida Finance Housing Corporation in  
1789 Tallahassee, advocating and fighting for those dollars. Not to mention,.., and I think back  
1790 where the Housing Authority came from and when they were in receivership and I can tell  
1791 you, I remember when Delvin Thomas was on this Board, and we're talking about nine,  
1792 ten years ago, and I think they've made significant progress and I think for you to bring  
1793 us an appointment and only say just because you did it, and it's because your  
1794 appointment, that just doesn't cut the mus'.., cut, cut the mustard for me. You know, I  
1795 know this guy's been, you know, certainly working behind the scenes and I wanna make  
1796 sure that everybody has a fair shot. Nothing to Ms. Lockhart, but certainly, I just think the  
1797 process to select someone and not even bring forth an application, tends to lend to me  
1798 that there is something about their credential that doesn't line up with the mission and  
1799 goals of the Housing Authority.

1800 That's why I first asked for a resume or application because I would expect that  
1801 based on their goals and visions, you know, certainly they would like to have people that

1802 kinda align with their viewpoint. But, we can appoint anybody to any Board, but certainly,  
1803 does it help them to appoint somebody that doesn't necessarily mesh with their Board?  
1804 Does it, does it help them to then dis'.., disjoint a organization that's really been growing  
1805 and literally halfway through on a \$24MM project. So certainly, I know Mr. Thomas was  
1806 on that Board, and for those reasons, I can't support anybody being appointed to that  
1807 Board, much less somebody that doesn't even live in the City or have the same  
1808 connections to this community that Mr. Thomas does.

1809 So, you know, it's certainly your prerogative to appoint but I don't think that we  
1810 need to kinda throw away that synergy that's been going on in Development because  
1811 clearly, if they weren't doing anything, they wouldn't be here in front of us. And, it's a lot  
1812 more than what we've seen over the last ten years. And I, and I certainly wanna commend  
1813 you guys. Let me definitely say that, Mr. Finney, Mr. Hurt, Board Chairperson Jeffrey  
1814 Jackson and all the members of the Housing Authority Board for the hard work that they're  
1815 doing but certainly... I wanna also add, I was looking back at one of our prior Agendas.  
1816 Interesting enough, I did find where one of the Agenda Item says, 'Because of FRS, we  
1817 determined and learned that Riviera Beach Housing Authority is a dependent Special  
1818 District of the City of Riviera Beach. Now I don't know if we knew that or if that was  
1819 relevant, but certainly, they are a arm of the City and I wanna certainly treat them like a  
1820 arm and expect that when we have these kinda concerns related to minority participation,  
1821 that you guys come to the table and be willing to work with us.

1822 But, you know, that's what I have for that and I'm going to really ask my [audio  
1823 skipped] Members to, to support Delvin Thomas on being reappointed.

1824 **Chairperson Botel:** First, Mayor Felder, [stammer].., Ms. Anthony, I think we have  
1825 neglected to ask for a motion and a second on this Item. Am I right? [Pause]. You're,  
1826 you're muted. I see you nodding though, so I will.., before we proceed with...

1827 **Unk.:** Okay.

1828 **Chairperson Botel:** ...any further discussion, if we could have a motion and a  
1829 second on what was Item 2 and is now Item 8A. Ms. Anthony, do you wanna read it?

1830 **City Clerk Anthony:** And Madam Chair, we do have public comment cards on this  
1831 Item since it was moved to Item No. 8A. And the acceptance of public comments on this  
1832 Item is now closed.

1833 **APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEMBER...**

1834 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible]...

1835 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...TO THE RIVIERA BEACH...

1836 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

1837 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...HOUSING AUTHORITY.

1838 **Councilperson McCoy:** Usually, we already closed public comment so, I mean, are  
1839 we go do this every, every moment? I mean, really...

1840 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible].

1841 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...we, we would've closed public comments for Consent  
1842 already.

1843 **Chairperson Botel:** Are, are there many, Ms. Anthony?

1844 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, being that a new Item..., Agenda Item number  
1845 was assigned to the Item we have to accept public comments on this Item.

1846 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

1847 **City Clerk Anthony:** And they're now... It's now closed. We do have  
1848 approximately [pause], about ten.

1849 **Mayor Felder:** Madam, Madam Chair? [Inaudible]...

1850 **Councilperson Lanier:** Were those ready already?

1851 **Chairperson Botel:** Excuse me. One minute. We have to, we have to have a  
1852 motion and a second on this Item and then we can have discussion. Can I get a motion  
1853 to... Ms. Anthony, do you wanna read that again, please? And we can have a motion  
1854 and a second.

1855 **City Clerk Anthony:** Appointment of..., appointment of the member to the Riviera  
1856 Beach Housing Authority.

1857 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

1858 **City Clerk Anthony:** Alexis Lockhart.

1859 **Chairperson Botel:** Can I have a motion?

1860 **Councilperson Lanier:** So moved.

1861 **Chairperson Botel:** Can I get a second?

1862 [Pause]

1863 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Second.

1864 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. It's been motioned and seconded, and we have  
1865 public comments. Ms. Anthony.

1866 **City Clerk Anthony:** Public comment from Alicia Ward. I support Alexis Lockhart  
1867 for this position. This will be an excellent choice.

1868 Public comment from Olivia Brown. Hello, good afternoon. I support Alexis  
1869 Lockhart wholeheartedly. As a recent college graduate, I feel that she could help move  
1870 this City forward with [stammer] ideas that will set our City to higher heights. She will  
1871 definitely bring a fresh perspective to this Housing Board.

1872 Public comment from Monterique Freeze. Please put Item No. 2 in the subject  
1873 line. Alexis Lockhart is dependable and a hard worker. She delves into the details and  
1874 makes sure that everything always is for the good of everyone. I., I support.

1875 Next public comment from Colby Hicks. Alexis Lockhart is dependable and a hard  
1876 worker. She delves into the details and makes sure that everything always is for the good  
1877 of everyone. I support.

1878 Next public comment from Life of Sam. Alexis has been a true reader of what is  
1879 right, very mature and does not deal with mess the most classiest way. She brings  
1880 something to the table for everyone. I definitely support.

1881 Next comment is from Rosa Martin. Alexis Lockhart is definitely the person for this  
1882 position. Her conduct and her work ethic and her leadership skills are exactly what this  
1883 Board needs.

1884 Next comment is from Cameren Anai. Dear Riviera Beach Committee, I support  
1885 Alexis Lockhart for the appointed position on the Housing Board. She is dependable,  
1886 effective, innovative and she will definitely bring a fresh perspective to the Housing Board.

1887 The next public comment is from Gilberto Davilla. Good afternoon. Alexis  
1888 Lockhart is definitely a credible candidate. She is., she is not afraid to take on new  
1889 challenges and she always has something new to bring to the table. Sincerely, Gilberto  
1890 Davilla, Information Technology Specialist, Roosevelt Community Middle School. A  
1891 math, science, technology and leadership magnet school.

1892 Last comment is from Malcolm Sommons. Alexis Lockhart has been a true leader  
1893 for years in the community, providing opportunities for young adults through her platform,  
1894 Lockhart District. She does what is right, is very mature and deals with situations, very  
1895 classy and professional. She has a lot that she will bring to the table that will help  
1896 everyone. I definitely support her being a part of the Riviera Beach team in any way.

1897 Madam Chair, that concludes public comments on this Item.

1898 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Madam Clerk. I believe Mayor Felder wanted to  
1899 speak.

1900 **Mayor Felder:** Yes. With all due respect, Councilman McCoy, and you said you  
1901 have a relationship with Delvin and, and that's cool. I have a relationship with Alexis.  
1902 You know, we put this out a couple months ago, Councilman, saying we're, we're putting  
1903 out applications, we gave our phone number. My Chief of Staff received no... We even  
1904 reached out to Mr. Hurt saying was there anybody that you, you guys knew. Alright? We  
1905 got one application from Alexis. Alright? But with all due respect, it, it is my appointment.

1906 Right? And it's to bring it to you guys for approval. I'm asking the Board, right, we can  
1907 bring a fresh, new ideas. I'm not saying Mr..., Mr. Thomas isn't or wasn't a good Board  
1908 member. After twelve years, I think we can always give somebody else a opportunity.  
1909 Because each one of us., people voted us in to give us a opportunity. Right? They  
1910 could've stayed with the old but they put the new in. So, sometimes, you have to make  
1911 a move to bring in a fresh, new perspective, a fresh new idea. Some innovation.

1912 So, I'm asking the Board to please appoint Alexis to the Housing Board tonight.  
1913 Thank you.

1914 **Councilperson McCoy:** Mr. Mayor?

1915 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair?

1916 **Councilperson McCoy:** In the spirit of transparency...

1917 [Inaudible comments]

1918 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...[inaudible]...

1919 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. McCoy. Mr. McCoy, you have not been recognized. I  
1920 would like to recognize Commissioner Miller-Anderson and then I'll get back to you. She  
1921 hasn't spoken yet on this topic. Thank you. Ms. Miller-Anderson.

1922 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I, I just had a question. Is she a Riviera Beach  
1923 resident? And, is there a requirement for them to be a resident, to be on the Board?

1924 **Mayor Felder:** No it's not.

1925 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** It's not a requirement, Ms. Wynn?

1926 **City Attorney Wynn:** There's no requirement in the statue.

1927 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. [Inaudible].

1928 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam... Madam Chair?

1929 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I...

1930 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm sorry. I see Ms. Lanier.

1931 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms. Lanier, go ahead.

1932 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair, I just wanted to say that, I mean, I understand  
1933 that Mr. Thomas was an excellent addition to the Board but the [stammer] but the Mayor  
1934 has put forth a new, fresh idea. I want to impart because I'm going to vote for this person,  
1935 for Alexis Lockhart. I just wanna impart to her that she has to bring to the Board the  
1936 issues of local participation, the issues of making sure that the Board, the Riviera Beach  
1937 Board, is a good steward of the funds, not only for their own agency but in partnership

1938 with the City of Riviera Beach. Now, they've been partners for a long time but tonight,  
1939 this back and forth between the, the City and the, and the Housing Authority, it's, it's, it's,  
1940 it's just not, it's not good. And we've always been good stewards and we've always been  
1941 partners with the Housing Authority. So I just wanted to make sure that this new member  
1942 understands and doesn't have all this back story, and understands that we're gonna move  
1943 forward with local participation and we're gonna move forward with making sure that it's  
1944 a partnership between the City and the Housing Authority.

1945 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Ms. Lanier. Mr. Lawson, did you have something  
1946 to say before I go to Mr. McCoy?

1947 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes, Madam Chair. In regards to Ms. Lockhart, her  
1948 appointment. How many board members does our Mayor have the ability to appoint? Is  
1949 it just one Board member of the Housing Authority?

1950 **City Attorney Wynn:** It's all of them.

1951 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** And so... Okay. Do we have any other vacancies then on the  
1952 Housing Authority? Or any other expired seats?

1953 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Hurt, would you be able to answer that?

1954 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Yes, Madam Chair. Currently, of  
1955 the five commissioners we have on the Board, two members terms have expired, that of  
1956 Mr. Delvin Thomas and also Ms. Jessica Thurmond, who is our resident Board  
1957 Commissioner.

1958 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. Lawson.

1959 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay. So..., and Mayor, you said that you only got one  
1960 application, which was Ms. Lockhart, when you put out the, the position previously?

1961 **Mayor Felder:** Yes.

1962 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay. And Mr. Hurt, Jessica Thurmond, she is the resident  
1963 serving member. She has to actually... Can you give some details on what that means  
1964 please?

1965 **Executive Director of the Housing Authority Hurt:** Yes, Councilman Lawson. The  
1966 statute requires that a member of the Board of Commissioners be a, a resident or recipient  
1967 of assistance from HUD. At the time that she was appointed, we did not have any public  
1968 housing residents. She is a, a participant in the Housing Choice Voucher Program, or  
1969 either Section 8 program. So, she does benefit from the governmental program, so she,  
1970 given that we had no other public housing residents, did fit the bill for being a resident  
1971 commissioner. The idea of having a resident commissioner on all public housing boards  
1972 is to have a, a member that understood and could advocate for the residents, and  
1973 participants in our programs that the Housing Authority operates.

1974 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Okay. Thank you, Mr. Hurt. Thank you. I just wanted to get  
1975 some clarity on that.

1976 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. Lawson. Mr. McCoy, do you have another  
1977 comment?

1978 **Councilperson McCoy:** No. I just wanna make sure I just state this. So, Mr. Mayor, I,  
1979 I certainly respect your position and your decision, but as a collegial body, at the very  
1980 least... I mean, when I say collegial, I mean we work together, the application is  
1981 something that should be shared with us just like in any other appointment. Just like in  
1982 the appointment we had recently for the Audit Services. So, you know, at the very end,  
1983 we shouldn't have to have this discussion.

1984 So, that's all I have, Madam Chair.

1985 **Chairperson Botel:** Any other comment?

1986 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair? Yes. One, one quick thing. I, I certainly agree  
1987 with Mr. McCoy because, you know, we, we.., I'm, I'm always complaining about the fact  
1988 that we don't get information in time. I really do, 'cause we're really supposed to have  
1989 everything that we need to make a decision. I agree with him. But I don't agree with the  
1990 fact that we should appoint Mr. Thomas over Ms. Lockhart. I really wanna go with Ms.  
1991 Lockhart, I'm gonna vote for her but I do agree with Mr. McCoy in principle, in terms of  
1992 always having information in front of us to make the right decision.

1993 Thank you.

1994 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Councilwoman Lanier. Madam Clerk, would you  
1995 call the roll, please?

1996 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

1997 **Councilperson McCoy:** No.

1998 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

1999 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

2000 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

2001 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

2002 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

2003 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

2004 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

2005 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

2006 **City Clerk Anthony:** That motion is approved with Councilperson McCoy  
2007 dissenting.

2008 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. We have a little housekeeping to do in terms of  
2009 the people participating right now in this conference call. I would have to ask Ms. Hemsel,  
2010 Ms. Gillett, Mr. Gerwig and Ms. Latumba to join in our meeting, please, and to have  
2011 anyone else who is not involved in the meeting, henceforth, to drop off. Thank you very  
2012 much, Mr. Hurt, for your participation. Thank you, Mr. Thomas and thank you..., where,  
2013 he's gone already. Okay. If you would.., Mr. Hurt, thank you. End the call from your side.  
2014 We have a limited number of people who can be on, on this call so we have to ask people  
2015 who are no longer involved in the meeting to drop off. I see Latumba, I see Gerwig, I see  
2016 Hemsel. I don't see Gillett. Yes, I do. Okay. I think we're all here. We can continue with  
2017 Item No. 9. Madam Clerk.

2018 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair? Are we gonna...

2019 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

2020 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...start public comments now, Madam Chair?

2021 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Thank you very much. I almost forgot. Thank you, thank  
2022 you. Keep me honest.

2023 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair, please, can we take a brief intermission so I  
2024 can run to the... Please, just...

2025 **Chairperson Botel:** If it's... You [audio skipped]...

2026 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...five minutes just...

2027 **Chairperson Botel:** ...right now to your own bathroom there, so you can take a...,  
2028 we will do a five minute break. You know, you could just turn your...

2029 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair?

2030 **Chairperson Botel:** ...[audio skipped] off but that's okay.

2031 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair?

2032 **Chairperson Botel:** You wanna just turn...

2033 **Councilperson Lanier:** I don't wanna...

2034 **Chairperson Botel:** ...your camera...

2035 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...miss anything.

2036 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Madam Chair?

2037 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Chuckle].

2038 **Chairperson Botel:** Ms..., Commissioner...

2039 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** When'.., whenever we were in the Council, we  
2040 never stopped for me to go to the restroom...

2041 **Councilperson Lanier:** Right.

2042 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...so...

2043 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...but guess what though...

2044 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** And we're doing...

2045 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...I walked...

2046 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...public comment.

2047 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...behind all ya'll.

2048 **Chairperson Botel:** Excuse me. Ms. Lanier.

2049 **Councilperson Lanier:** This is, this is a whole different ballgame here.

2050 **Chairperson Botel:** One thing, you see the length of this next statement?

2051 **Councilperson Lanier:** That's what I know.

2052 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** We're doing public comment.

2053 **Chairperson Botel:** [Stammer] oh, public comment. That's right.

2054 [Chuckles].

2055 **Chairperson Botel:** Alright.

2056 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay. Okay. Whatever ya'll need to do, that's fine. I'm just  
2057 gonna blackout for a minute to go, you know, and whatever. But, that's fine.

2058 **Chairperson Botel:** Alright. Thank you. Public comment.

2059 [Chuckles]

2060 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay, Miller-Anderson. I'm gonna remember that.

2061 [Chuckles and inaudible comments]

2062 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** We're gonna make a motion as soon as Ms. Lanier gets up.

2063 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle]. Stop.

2064 [Chuckles]

2065 **Chairperson Botel:** Clerk, public comment. Please.

2066 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** You gotta read the statement. You gotta read  
2067 the statement...

2068 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, you have your statement you have to read.

2069 **Chairperson Botel:** I'm sorry, I'm sorry, I'm sorry. I have to get there.

2070 **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – 7:30 P.M., NON AGENDA ITEM SPEAKERS**  
2071 **(Three Minute Limitation)**

2072 **Chairperson Botel:** Alright. Okay.

2073 **Chairperson Botel:** PUBLIC COMMENT SHOULD BE RESTRICTED TO  
2074 ISSUES, MATTERS OR TOPICS PERTINENT TO THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH.  
2075 PLEASE BE REMINDED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED RULES OF  
2076 DECORUM GOVERNING PUBLIC CONDUCT DURING OFFICIAL MEETINGS.  
2077 PUBLIC COMMENT SHALL BEGIN AT 7:30 UNLESS THERE IS NO FURTHER  
2078 BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL WHICH, IN THAT EVENT, IT SHALL BEGIN  
2079 SOONER. IN ADDITION, IF AN ITEM IS BEING CONSIDERED AT 7:30 P.M., THEN  
2080 COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC SHALL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE ITEM  
2081 HAS BEEN CONCLUDED.

2082 ANY MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC WISHING TO COMMENT PUBLICLY ON ANY  
2083 MATTER, INCLUDING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA, SHALL SUBMIT THEIR  
2084 COMMENTS BY EMAIL TO CITY CLERK CLAUDENE ANTHONY AT  
2085 PUBLICCOMMENTS@RIVIERABEACH.ORG. THAT'S P-U-B-L-I-C -C-O-M-M-E-N-T-  
2086 S@RIVIERA BEACH.ORG. THE EMAIL SHALL CONTAIN THE APPLICABLE  
2087 AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS ALONG WITH PRECISE WORDING TO BE READ INTO  
2088 THE RECORD. EXPLICIT LANGUAGE WILL NOT BE READ. EMAILS WITHOUT  
2089 APPLICABLE AGENDA ITEM NUMBERS WILL BE READ UNDER THE GENERAL  
2090 PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION. BE ADVISED, PUBLIC COMMENTS WILL BE  
2091 ACCEPTED FOR EACH APPLICABLE ITEM IN THE GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT  
2092 SECTION UNTIL CLOSURE IS ANNOUNCED BY THE CHAIRPERSON OR THE CITY  
2093 CLERK. ALL EMAIL ADDRESSES AND SUBMITTED COMMENTS ARE AND WILL  
2094 BE PUBLIC RECORD. THE CITY CLERK OR DESIGNEE WILL READ PUBLIC  
2095 COMMENTS INTO THE RECORD AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME FOR NO MORE  
2096 THAN THREE MINUTES. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT THE  
2097 CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT (561) 845-4090 OR EMAIL  
2098 CROBINSON@RIVIERABEACH.ORG.

2099 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

2100 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comments, at this  
2101 time, is now closed. Ms. Hall may proceed.

2102 **Ms. D. Hall:** The first public comment comes from Joseph Brenner with the SEIU Florida  
2103 Public Services Union.

2104 Mr. Mayor, ladies and gentlemen of the Council, thank you for taking the time to  
2105 read my comment I'm writing today to be sure that the unions position [inaudible] is clear.  
2106 Our concerns are thus, the fairness of compensating high level City management above  
2107 others, fiscal responsibility and FEMA reimbursement. The SEIU Florida Public Services  
2108 Union, which represents approximately two hundred front line City of Riviera Beach  
2109 employees, and about a third of the City's workforce, the majority of whom live in the City,  
2110 as well as several hundred other members of our union and sister SEIU local, did not  
2111 initiate discussions with the City demanding additional pay for our membership during this  
2112 current health crisis.

2113 This conversation started only after the union learned of the special pandemic pay  
2114 policy implemented by the City April 1<sup>st</sup> that, among other things, specifically benefits  
2115 nonunion employees with extra compensation. Most who are top level management.  
2116 After our membership learned of and questioned why some office Staff and their  
2117 departments were all of a sudden recei'.., receiving special time and a half pay, and they  
2118 weren't, I emailed City Manager Jonathan Evans on Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup> to initiate  
2119 discussions between the union and the City. To this date, we have had two discussions  
2120 and the union has made its position clear to the City management that we believe this  
2121 additional compensation to nonunion Staff, and the exclusion of union Staff, is unjust and  
2122 bad policy. To wit, the SEIU Florida Public Services Union represents municipal workers  
2123 across Florida and locally in West Palm Beach, Palm Beach Gardens, Boynton Beach,  
2124 Delray Beach, Boca Raton and the Village of Palm Springs, as well as the Palm Beach  
2125 County School District and Palm Beach County Transit. A few, such as Boca Raton and  
2126 the Village of Palm Springs, have implemented special pay policies for frontline  
2127 employees reporting during this crisis. But, we have not seen any other public employer  
2128 in the entire state implementing a plan that increases compensation for only nonunion,  
2129 i.e., management employees, excluding frontline workers represented by the union. Each  
2130 of the Palm Beach public employees listed above, as well as most all across the State  
2131 Florida, have kept workers whole, paying their regular earning while shifting schedules,  
2132 primarily to reduce the risk of spreading CV-19 and not penalize workers unable to report  
2133 because of the outbreak.

2134 Across the state, the largest city that we represent, the City of St. Petersburg, has  
2135 recognized the need to increase compensation for frontline essential workers, reporting  
2136 during the crisis, as well as the need to be mindful of the City's long term economic  
2137 outlook, implementing in consultation with the unions, including ours, a policy that rewards  
2138 workers with an additional twenty-five hours of annual leave for such hours work.

2139 [Inaudible]

2140 **Ms. D. Hall:** Okay. And the rest of the letter will be included in the record.

2141 The next public comment comes from Marvelous Washington. Question for the  
2142 Mayor, what is your goal to replace Commissioner Thomas on Board? Why would you  
2143 replace the person that led the Housing Authority to the first affordable housing in the City  
2144 in over forty years? We were in a housing desert and he took it and made it happen,  
2145 more than what the CRA has done for housing. What is your intentions? Are your  
2146 intentions to improve our City by continuing to offer affordable housing accommodations  
2147 or set our City back another forty years?

2148 The next public comment comes from Fane Lozman. These comments are from  
2149 Fane Lozman. Over a year ago, the Chief Building Official, Ladi March, was illegally fired  
2150 because she refused to rescind a fence permit that she issued to me and a dock permit  
2151 that she issued to my neighbor. Ms. March's firing was orchestrated by Jeff Gagnon and  
2152 Councilperson Julie Botel. I recently had to retain an attorney because the City has hired  
2153 the Torcivia law firm to threaten me with a legal action over my fence that was put up with  
2154 a valid, legal permit because Botel and Gagnon want my fences removed.

2155 A further investigation into Botel with information gathered from the City Manager's  
2156 office, reflects an unsettling truth, mainly that Botel met with the principles of CAP, the  
2157 outside firm that was hired to fill the position of Chief Building Off'.., of the Chief Building  
2158 Official with one of CAP's employees after Ladi March was fired. Botel promised to retain  
2159 the CAP firm indefinitely at a great expense by the City taxpayers if CAP would agree to  
2160 prevent any development on my property, or on my neighbor's. This deal also included  
2161 seeing to it that my fence was removed and my neighbor's dock permit revoked. The  
2162 significance of Botel's and Gagnon's illegal actions, that were later approved by the City  
2163 Manager, were reprehensible because the Assistant Building Office, Mr. Bovell Richards,  
2164 a fifteen-year employee with the City, has his State license to be the Chief Building  
2165 Official. The taxpayers are being ripped off by needle'.., needlessly paying hundreds of  
2166 thousands of dollars to a company based out of Miami, instead of making Mr. Richards  
2167 an Interim or a permanent Chief Building Official.

2168 The elected City leaders are the final policymakers of the City. The current  
2169 Councilpersons have ratified not only Botel's illegal actions, but also those of two other  
2170 policymakers, the City Manager and City Attorney. By doing so they are now all parties  
2171 to the multiple instances of illegal retaliation that has been directed at me, which are  
2172 blatant violations of the personal protections afforded in the United States Constitution.  
2173 There is certainly a legal action for this type of retaliatory behavior. It is unfathomable  
2174 that after paying me an \$875,000 settlement in connection with retaliatory false arrest and  
2175 illegal seizure and destruction of my floating home, a settlement that only covered  
2176 retaliatory actions through the winter of 2015, that the City's elected leaders and it's senior  
2177 Staff, will continue their pattern of retaliation for the last four and a half years. The public  
2178 can rest assured that I will continue this fight with the support of many west side residents,  
2179 to clean up Riviera Beach, a City that is still a cesspool of political corruption.

2180 The next public comment came from Skilled Management & Maintenance Services  
2181 Kena Brown. And the question posed is, what will ensure local participation in Phase I?

2182 The next public comment comes from J.B. Dixon, and it reads: Too often people  
2183 are..., too often people use public comment time only to criticize the Council or the City  
2184 Staff, neglecting an opportunity to pay a compliment when one is deserved. I would like  
2185 to say how impressed I have been with the hard work and professionalism I have exhibited  
2186 during this pandemic, and by the City leaders and department heads. Whether it was the  
2187 very impressive operation of the COVID-19 testing site or the distribution of food or mask  
2188 giveaways, I have seen the City Attorney, the City Manager, the head of Parks  
2189 Recreation, the Acting Fire Chief and many, many other department heads working under  
2190 the hot sun, often on weekends to serve our City. I might add that these were not just  
2191 higher level mana'.., managerial tasks that they were performing, but rather many more  
2192 mundane jobs too, such as directing traffic or hauling heavy boxes, or signing people up  
2193 for various services, jobs that many people at their professional level might refuse to do  
2194 as being beneath them to have to perform.

2195 Our department heads and other City leaders not only did all these things but did  
2196 so with good cheer, greeting us, the citizens, with friendliness and helpfulness even after  
2197 spending hours on their feet under the sun. I am happy to be able to thank them in this  
2198 public forum and send my compliments for a job, or rather many jobs, well done. J.B.  
2199 Dixon.

2200 And, Madam Chair, that is the end of public comments

2201 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

2202 **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

2203 **ORDINANCE ON SECOND AND FINAL READING**

2204 **9. ITEM NO. 9**

2205 **Chairperson Botel:** And now I believe we're back to Item 9.

2206 **City Clerk Anthony:** **ORDINANCE NUMBER 4146 AN ORDINANCE OF THE**  
2207 **CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,**  
2208 **FLORIDA, TOLLING THE CURRENT MORATORIUM PREVIOUSLY ENACTED BY**  
2209 **ORDINANCE NO. 4133, AND EXTENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 4141, FOR THE**  
2210 **PERIOD REMAINING ON THE MORATORIUM FROM APRIL 1, 2020, WHEN**  
2211 **GOVERNOR DESANTIS ENACTED EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-91 DIRECTING ALL**  
2212 **CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA TO LIMIT THEIR MOVEMENTS AND REMAIN**  
2213 **AT HOME IN RESPONSE TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY OF COVID-19 FOR**  
2214 **THE DURATION OF THE EXECUTIVE ORDER 20-19, INCLUDING ANY**  
2215 **MODIFICATIONS OR EXTENSIONS THEREOF BY GOVERNOR DESANTIS AS TO**  
2216 **THE FILING, RECEIVING OR PROCESSING OF ANY APPLICATION OR PERMIT**  
2217 **ASSOCIATED WITH LANDS HAVING A SPECIAL PRESERVATION FUTURE LAND**  
2218 **USE DESIGNATION, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, INCLUDING SUBMERGED LANDS**  
2219 **AND UPLANDS, OR LANDS DEFINED AS WETLANDS OR A WETLANDS**  
2220 **PRESERVATION AREA WITHIN CHAPTER 23, ARTICLE III, OF THE CITY'S CODE**  
2221 **OF ORDINANCES, IN ORDER TO REVIEW, AMEND AND DEVELOP CODES AND**

2222 LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CITY'S  
2223 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND THE SPECIAL PRESERVATION FUTURE LAND USE  
2224 DESIGNATION, ALONG WITH CODES FOR COASTAL CONSTRUCTION AND  
2225 WETLANDS PRESERVATION, IN ORDER TO PROTECT AND CONSERVE THE  
2226 CITY'S NATURAL RESOURCES; PROVIDING FOR THE BOUNDARIES SUBJECT TO  
2227 THE MORATORIUM; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS AND SEVERABILITY; AND  
2228 PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

2229 JEFF GAGNON, AICP, ACTING DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR (561)  
2230 845-4060

2231 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comments on this  
2232 Item is now closed. And we do have public comments on this Item.

2233 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

2234 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

2235 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

2236 **Councilperson McCoy:** If I can just deviate just for a moment, procedurally and  
2237 preliminarily, I just wanna confirm that we got all the public comments because I just had  
2238 two people send me a text message that indicated that public comments were not read  
2239 into the record, and they didn't designate an Item number. So, can we have someone to  
2240 clarify? And, is there a way that we can perhaps tee up, I guess on a separate monitor,  
2241 what those comments are so we don't leave an Item and then someone [stammer]  
2242 contacts us personally to say that their Item wasn't heard. But, I wanna make sure from  
2243 the Clerk and their Staff that those Items are, in fact, read and public comments are  
2244 complete.

2245 **Councilperson Lanier:** He, he is...

2246 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair?

2247 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...absolutely right.

2248 **City Clerk Anthony:** [Inaudible].

2249 **Councilperson Lanier:** He is absolutely right.

2250 **City Clerk Anthony:** I have two...

2251 **Councilperson Lanier:** I just got three comments that they said were not read. So,  
2252 he's absolutely right about that one.

2253 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay.

2254 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, can we please finish...

2255 **City Clerk Anthony:** [Inaudible]...

2256 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...the Item, Madam Chair?

2257 **Chairperson Botel:** Just a minute. Madam Clerk, do you see that you have...  
2258 Where'd she go?

2259 **City Clerk Anthony:** I'm here.

2260 **Chairperson Botel:** Did you see that you have three that came in and did they  
2261 come in, in a timely manner?

2262 **City Clerk Anthony:** I have two Staff members here, they are manning that. I will  
2263 have to wait 'til they advise whether or not they were received in a timely fashion.

2264 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, Madam Chair, while we're waiting on that, Mr. Evans  
2265 and also Ms. Anthony...

2266 [Inaudible comment]

2267 **Councilperson McCoy:** It would make sense, if we can have another computer  
2268 monitor solely for public comments, that way I don't have to get folks calling me to say  
2269 that they didn't get their public comments read into the record. And all we have to do is  
2270 allow individuals to make those comments. And I don't wanna ever deprive anybody of  
2271 that opportunity, even it's against me. And I know there's a couple people out there that  
2272 probably will say some things about me, but that's alright. But...

2273 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible].

2274 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...yes. Because it...

2275 **Councilperson Lanier:** Mr. McCoy? It's all of us. It's not just you.

2276 **Councilperson McCoy:** It's definitely not you, Ms. Lanier.

2277 **Councilperson Lanier:** It's all of us.

2278 **Chairperson Botel:** Alright. Mr. McCoy, are you suggesting that we have a  
2279 camera set up or that we have... What are you...

2280 **Councilperson McCoy:** I think there might be a delay. And I don't know who's  
2281 receiving it, Mr., Mr. Manager?

2282 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, if I may? They're all..., there is a delay as it  
2283 relates to when somebody sends it, to when it is received because of the process that an  
2284 email goes through, as far as through our security system to then become populated. So,  
2285 somebody may send it at 7:15, and it doesn't come into our system 'til 7:30 or what have  
2286 you. We can look to address that, and maybe even look to create a almost a chatbox  
2287 type forum to where they can populate information and we can get something real time.

2288 I'll work with IT to see if there's a better mechanism that can get citizen comments in a  
2289 more expeditious fashion.

2290 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. But for the purposes of this evening, can we be  
2291 lenient and allow those comments to be read please? Because we don't wanna  
2292 disenfranchise anyone who might be out there, just because our technology wasn't  
2293 keeping up with our, the will of our people? Can we have those comments read? Does  
2294 anybody object to that? [Pause]. Okay. Madam Clerk, would you read tho'.., would have  
2295 those three comments read, please?

2296 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, I'm being advised by my Staff that we need to  
2297 know what email address they're using because they don't see them.

2298 **Chairperson Botel:** Alright. Mr. McCoy and Ms. Lanier, I think you were the ones  
2299 who got messages from people. Their comments did not come in. Is it possible that they  
2300 sent it...

2301 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well I...

2302 **Chairperson Botel:** ...to the wrong [inaudible]?

2303 **City Clerk Anthony:** The last [audio skipped]... Madam Chair, Staff is saying that  
2304 the last public comment that we received was at 8:10 p.m. If you all can take those  
2305 comments that you all received, Councilpersons, and send them to my email address,  
2306 and as soon as I get them...

2307 **Councilperson McCoy:** No. I'm not doing that. I'm not.

2308 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay.

2309 **Councilperson McCoy:** I, I can't do that. But we...

2310 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay.

2311 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...just gotta figure out a better system because there's no way  
2312 that I'm gonna be able to pay attention to everything that's going on. And they said they  
2313 sent it wat 7:18. So, we just gotta figure out a better system, but I'm not about to be the  
2314 intermediary [inaudible].

2315 **Councilperson Lanier:** Exactly. I agree, 'cause I have two and, and they..., all they  
2316 said was that I sent a public comment at 6:45 and maybe as Mr. Evans noted, and he's  
2317 right because I work for the county and sometimes I'll send an email at 8:00 o'clock in the  
2318 morning but it don't get in 'til, like, 8:45. So, I totally agree with that but we...

2319 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr....

2320 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...need to have a system in place that people who are sending  
2321 in public comments, because the deadline is 7:00 p.m., so if they sent it in at 6:59 and we

2322 don't get it until, you know, you know, 7:59, then it's no..., I mean, if you look at the, the  
2323 stamp on it, it still says 6:59 but I just really want to... I mean, I can't do it now. I can't go  
2324 in and, and ask them about what email address it was, I can't do all of that. But, what we  
2325 can do in the future is to make sure that..., maybe the cutoff time needs to be at 6:00. I  
2326 mean, I don't know but what needs to happen is that, and I agree with Mr..., Mr. McCoy  
2327 on the fact that instead of it being read into the comment, there's a [stammer] scrolling  
2328 email that we can see what they say. Because you don't have to read it, they can read it  
2329 as we're looking at it and then we know it's legit.

2330 **Chairperson Botel:** Alright.

2331 **City Manager Evans:** Madam, Madam Chair, if, if I may? One of the things I can  
2332 talk with IT about, there's..., when I was in Sarasota County, there was an email inbox that  
2333 actually was on the city's homepage, and a form, and you can put in the form and actually  
2334 it pops up right there. So, it's available for the entire public to see, so in essence, you  
2335 would be able to have the City website and you can be able to see the emails that come  
2336 in. But, I would have to talk to Tony in IT to set that up, but we'll have a better model in  
2337 place for subsequent meetings.

2338 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, in the meantime, and even though I know we went to  
2339 three different..., I think we went to three different handles on our email system, we've got  
2340 dot com, dot org, at least wo. Can we make sure that that's constantly being displayed,  
2341 or some sorta caption box or something, so that...

2342 **Chairperson Botel:** I...

2343 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...in the event that they're sending something to a wrong email  
2344 address, then there's some clarification on the Channel 18 screen because...

2345 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah.

2346 **City Manager Evans:** We can, we can do that and also, I'll, I'll look to possibly  
2347 incorporate text, that somebody can text in comments as well. But I'll, I'll work with IT to  
2348 expand the system and, and be able to get the public comments read into the record.

2349 **Councilperson Lanier:** And, and one, and one additional thing. I just want to make  
2350 sure that it is easy for people who are in the public, who don't have access to, you know,  
2351 [stammer], internet, they don't have access to but they are the people who show up at the  
2352 meetings in person. So, I really wanna make sure that the people who..., they can text,  
2353 they can email but make it easier for public comments. And I know that this is a work in  
2354 progress, and I'm not blaming anyone at this point. I just wanna make sure that we, as  
2355 we keep going along with this, 'cause it may last for a minute here, in terms of how we're  
2356 doing business, that the public..., because we can talk all day about issues, but I want the  
2357 public to be able to come in and to either text or to even, even call in and say, 'Listen.  
2358 This is my comment,' to make it easier for the public because, guess what, we are doing  
2359 the business for the residents of the City. So, let them have the easiest way to be able  
2360 to get online.

2361 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair...

2362 **Chairperson Botel:** I think we all...

2363 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...can you reread the email address into the record and...

2364 **Chairperson Botel:** Public com'...

2365 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...[inaudible].

2366 **Chairperson Botel:** I will. And it should be in a string across the bottom for future  
 2367 reference so that we can..., it'll be constantly down'.., appearing down there. It's public  
 2368 comments, plural, P-U-B-L-I-C-C-O-M-M-E-N-T-S@RIVIERABEACH.ORG. Riviera  
 2369 Beach, that's all it's vowels in it. We brought the vowels, and it's dot org, rather than dot  
 2370 com. So, it's publiccomments@rivierabeach.org, for future reference.

2371 **Councilperson Lanier:** And if we...

2372 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

2373 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...can do something, like... I'm sorry. I don't mean to  
 2374 interrupt, Madam Chair, but, you know, we advertise the Census, we advertise everything  
 2375 that goes on with the City, if we can advertise that, to let people know, if you have any  
 2376 type of comments, if you want to know anything about what's happening with the City,  
 2377 send in your public comments because there's gonna be a meeting on Wednesday at  
 2378 6:00. So that it is just..., it is marketed the same way that everything else is.

2379 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Well, Mr. Evans will take care of that I'm sure. Did we  
 2380 have a second.., a motion and a second on this Item No. 9?

2381 **Councilperson McCoy:** So moved, Madam Chair.

2382 **Chairperson Botel:** Is there a second?

2383 **Councilperson Lanier:** Second.

2384 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Now we have public comments on this Item.  
 2385 Madam Clerk. [Pause]. You're muted, Madam Clerk. Thank you.

2386 **City Clerk Anthony:** The following public comment comes from Kerri Barsh. Dear  
 2387 City Clerk, please read the following comment into the record with respect to It'.., Agenda  
 2388 Item No. 9. I am writing on behalf of Halo Development, LLC, Fane Lozman and  
 2389 Renegr'.., Renegade Trust No. 2, the owners of real property located within the  
 2390 geographic area of the proposed Special Preservation Zoning District, Ordinance No.  
 2391 4133. And more particularly, described in Exhibit A attached, which an exhibit was  
 2392 provided, together Halo Development, LLC, Fane Lozman and Renegade Trust 2,  
 2393 collectively the owners, own approximately fifty-one acres of land, which accounts for  
 2394 thirty-four percent of the property subject to the proposed Special Preservation Zoning

2395 District and twenty percent or more either of the area of the lots included in such proposed  
2396 change. The City of Riviera Beach Code, Section 31-5, the owners objected and continue  
2397 to object to the new Special Preservation District for the reasons outlined in my letter of  
2398 May 14, 2019, which, which is attached and hereby incorporates by reference. Halo  
2399 Development, LLC, Fane Lozman and Renegade Trust 2, also objects to the extension  
2400 of the moratorium that the City is considering to impose on their real property on grounds,  
2401 including without limitation, that the owners respective vested and/or judicially determine  
2402 property rights will be inordinately burdened and/or abrogated by the City's actions,  
2403 resulting in a regulatory taking. The City Staff has not provided a proper legal justification  
2404 for extending the moratorium and the owners urge the City Council to deny Agenda No.  
2405 9.

2406 Respectfully submitted, Kerri L. Barsh, shareholder, Greenburg, Traurig.

2407 Madam Chair, that concludes the public comments on Item No. 9.

2408 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Do we have any comments? Oh, Mr. Gagnon,  
2409 please.

2410 **Acting Development Services Director Gagnon:** Good evening, Honorable Mayor,  
2411 City Council, Staff. It's nice to see you all.

2412 What you have before you is the second reading of an Ordinance that would extend  
2413 the existing moratorium adding the tolling period per the Governor's Executive Order, so  
2414 it adds approximately thirty days to the existing moratorium. Really, the intent behind that  
2415 is we wanna follow a typical public hearing process and really allow an on the ground type  
2416 of discussion versus our digital process that we have tonight.

2417 City Staff is recommending that you consider approval of this and we thank you for  
2418 your consideration.

2419 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. Gagnon. Any questions from the Council?  
2420 [Pause]. Thank you. Madam Clerk, could you call the roll, please?

2421 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy? [Pause]. Councilperson McCoy?

2422 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

2423 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

2424 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

2425 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

2426 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

2427 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

2428 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

2429 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

2430 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

2431 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

2432 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

2433 **Acting Development Services Director Gagnon:** Thank you.

2434 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes, Mr. McCoy.

2435 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm just interested in what's the convention of the roll call?  
 2436 'Cause it seems like my name is becoming first more often than not and literally, I, I got  
 2437 a.., I got somebody else I have to take care of so I'm trying to do both at the same time.  
 2438 So, I just need to know, am I.., should be expected to be called first?

2439 **City Clerk Anthony:** Yeah. You are...

2440 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm sorry...

2441 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...District 1, Mr. McCoy.

2442 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...KaShamba. I know your kids are all grown adults.

2443 [Chuckles]

2444 **Chairperson Botel:** Madam Clerk? Madam Clerk, is that the convention that Mr.  
 2445 McCoy is first and is there any rhyme or reason for that?

2446 **City Clerk Anthony:** He is District 1. The names are called by district.

2447 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you very much.

2448 **Councilperson McCoy:** That, that's clearly new. Thank you.

2449 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Thank you. Okay. So, Items ta'.., are there any...  
 2450 No. That's crossed out.

2451 **DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION**

2452 **Chairperson Botel:** Discussion and deliberation.

2453 **10. Chairperson Botel:** Number.., Item No. 10.

2454 **City Clerk Anthony:** DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION CONCERNING  
2455 THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN – COMMITTEE  
2456 ASSIGNMENT(S).

2457 **JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, (561) 812-6590**

2458 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comments on this  
2459 Item is now closed. And we do not have any public comments on this Item.

2460 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. Evans.

2461 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair and Members of the Board. This Item is to  
2462 memorialize the actions that were taken by the Board at your April 15, 2020 meeting,  
2463 establishing the Staff committees to assist in facilitating the groups that were established.

2464 Under Health and Human Services, we have Councilperson Lanier who will be  
2465 chairing that committee; Public Safety will be Councilperson Miller-Anderson; Hospitality,  
2466 Tourism and Maritime Industry, Chairperson Botel; Small and Medium Business  
2467 Assistance is Councilperson McCoy; Fast Tracking Permitting is Chair Pro Tem Lawson;  
2468 and Community and Faith Based Services is Mayor Felder. These committees are  
2469 committees that have to operate within the Sunshine, so when you do go to establish your  
2470 committees, we ask that you work with City Administration and the City Clerk's office to  
2471 ensure that we appropriately notice those committee meetings. We won't be recording  
2472 those meetings but notes will be taken to comply with the statute. Also, City Staff will be  
2473 convening a committee that looks at our capital projects and how do we bring our capital  
2474 projects to fruition. And so, this is the committees that have been built out. I will be also  
2475 having in depth conversations with the Board to set each individual member of the Board  
2476 to have additional conversations with regards to building out an agenda and outlining  
2477 what their goals and objectives are as it relates to their involvement with the committee,  
2478 and what the committee will focus on. Also, I would like to have a place holder on  
2479 subsequent agendas for committee representatives to report out as it relates to any policy  
2480 modifications or areas of focus that the committee has discussed, and things that may  
2481 need to move pretty quickly as we look to restart our economy, as well as looking at some  
2482 of the social needs of our community. So, this memorandum speaks to the discussion  
2483 that we had at your previous meeting and establishes the committees and the Staff  
2484 support that will be accommodating each of the elected officials.

2485 And Staff stands prepared to answer any questions the Board may have as a result  
2486 of this Item.

2487 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. Evans. Does anyone have a question? Ms.  
2488 Lanier.

2489 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair, I wanted to ask, we, we talked about, you know,  
2490 when, when we were discussing these committees, we talked about the CRA's  
2491 involvement in terms of funding and in terms of partnership. How has that panned out,  
2492 Mr. Evans?

2493 **City Manager Evans:** That conversation has been left to the CRA to have a  
2494 discussion with you all at the CRA Board. I have provided the information to Mr. Evans,  
2495 and so, he has the framework. And so, in the event that the CRA wishes to partner with  
2496 the City, I can see the expansion of the roles and responsibilities but also the Staff  
2497 complement to assist in the facilitation of the objectives for those committees. But we're  
2498 waiting on legislative action from the CRA Board before we start comingling both  
2499 operations because the CRA can only spend their money in that specific CRA District.  
2500 So, it would be somewhat different but it, it does lend itself to a, a partnership that I think  
2501 will bear some fruit for the City because they do have some depth in their agency that can  
2502 help facilitate some of the topics that were discussed as part of the Economic Recovery  
2503 Plan.

2504 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Anyone else have a question or have a comment?  
2505 [Pause]. No one else. Mr. Evans, I have already met with.., I had one initial meeting with  
2506 a group of people on the Hospitality, Travel and Tourism question, and I have a meeting  
2507 set up which was recorded.., we took notes and the Clerk.., Madam.., Ms. Anthony is, is  
2508 aware that we had that meeting. We took notes and so on. I will have a meeting on  
2509 Monday with a group of the marine industry people. That will be Monday the 11<sup>th</sup>. I do  
2510 have something that came up as a result of my first meeting with the hospitality group,  
2511 and we were hoping to put it on the Agenda for May 20<sup>th</sup>, but I'm wondering if I can ask  
2512 Councils' indulgence and ask this evening to consider it. It's, it's.., I don't think it's gonna  
2513 be terribly controversial. The Item is that the hot'.., the restaurant folks in the Ocean Walk  
2514 Mall, once the Governor decides that we will be part of Phase I, and we're hoping that will  
2515 happen in the near future, hopefully before the 20<sup>th</sup> which is why I'm raising it this evening,  
2516 that those restaurants will be able to have outdoor seating, in addition to some indoor  
2517 seating, but the outdoor seating right there at the Ocean Walk Mall is so important for  
2518 them. And what they're asking is, the road that's now closed, the road that's on the ocean  
2519 side of the Ocean Walk Mall, they're asking if we can continue to keep it closed and that  
2520 would require a vote of the Council, so they can extend their outdoor seating out into that  
2521 area. They are not only looking to do six feet apart, they're looking to do seven or eight  
2522 feet apart in, in terms of the tables so they'd like to use that whole area as much as  
2523 possible. Is that something that, that Council would indulge me and, and taking a vote  
2524 this evening to allow them to do that?

2525 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Madam Chair?

2526 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam.., Madam Chair? Oh.

2527 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. I think it was Mr. Lawson.

2528 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes. The only concern, before we take a vote on that, would  
2529 be the impact on the parking, the occupancy of the restaurants and what guidelines are  
2530 set within Phase I. So, if we're gonna be operating at a fifty percent occupancy and if  
2531 we're gonna not require all the parking necessary for our restaurants.

2532 And then also, the direction of actually reopening our beach, if we're gonna be in  
2533 line with what the county decides with, with the beaches, or if because of the community

2534 and the dynamic of our community, are we gonna extend that even longer? So, there's  
2535 a few things before we can kind of make that vote, that I would say is, is..., would... We,  
2536 we wanna get that information first, just in regards to the parking, the occupancy and then  
2537 the beaches and the timeframe of opening.

2538 **Chairperson Botel:** I...

2539 **Chair Pro Tem Lawson:** But I, I do..., I do com'... I'm sorry, Dr. Botel. But I do actually  
2540 support that actual outdoor seating and think that it's definitely something those  
2541 restaurants and those businesses will be needing, but it's just to make sure that we have  
2542 those answers so we can move forward with it.

2543 **Chairperson Botel:** I think Mr. Evans was part of a 4:30 phone call this afternoon  
2544 about the beach topic, so I'll ask him to weigh in on that. Mr. Evans.

2545 **City Manager Evans:** Not, not to get too far off of the, the topic and the discussion  
2546 that we're having this evening specific to the, the committee assignments but there is a  
2547 discussion that will happen at the county level, I believe as early as Friday. And they  
2548 have asked that the municipalities provide some insight and perspective with regards to  
2549 reopening the beach. The comments that I shared with the County Administrator and the  
2550 committee, is that it has to be uniformed and consistent throughout the county. A lot of  
2551 other municipalities and entities are looking to put stipulations and restrictions and what I  
2552 said is that's just going to confuse the public. If you look at Clearwater, if you look at  
2553 Sarasota County, they have decided to allow for people to utilize the beach in the form  
2554 and fashion that they are accustomed to, but adhering to a lot of the recommendations  
2555 that have been provided by the CDC, no groups larger than ten, social distancing.  
2556 Because trying to police our beach will be increasingly more challenging, in addition to, it  
2557 puts our law enforcement personnel in a compromised situation where you say, you can  
2558 sit on a towel but you can't sit on a chair, those types of things. So, from what we've  
2559 heard from the collective, is that it looks like that there's gonna be movement to reopen  
2560 the beach. Broward County is still on the fence and, and doesn't look like they would  
2561 move to open the beach. Miami-Dade and Monroe to the south, doesn't look like there's  
2562 gonna be any deviation but that can soon change. But, we can anticipate something  
2563 happening as it relates to the beach here pretty quickly.

2564 We had an internal conversation today about preparing our lifeguard personnel, to  
2565 be prepared one..., one way or another because on our beach, we have the county's park,  
2566 the City's park, the private facilities, as well as Palm Beach Shores, so, there has to be  
2567 uniformity and consistency. One of the things that were communicated is that restricting  
2568 parking. I'm adamantly opposed to restricting parking because then it adversely impacts  
2569 our residents that will try to utilize the beach. The other side of it is, they'll just park in  
2570 neighborhoods, and then that becomes another problematic situation. So, we're looking  
2571 at it holistically but my comments were that I think we need to listen to the science and  
2572 the data, but it's easier to peel the, the band aid off quickly then try to put in rules and  
2573 regulations that may be different in Boca, Delray, Riviera Beach, Juno, et. cetera. So, I  
2574 anticipate something coming out shortly to provide a little bit clearer direction. The county  
2575 did say that they would write the emergency order that would give the cities to have more

2576 restrictions with regards to that, but not a lot of other communities have the abundant  
2577 amount of private beaches that we have, and so it, it complicates things. And that was  
2578 what the, the conversation we had.

2579 Back to North Ocean, that roadway behind the businesses, I would tell the Board  
2580 that we can look at that cautiously, maybe looking at it a way that during the weekends  
2581 you can look to open that. Because I also think that other businesses would look to, 'Can  
2582 I have seating in the parking lot of my business,' or can I,' for instance, the tiki operation  
2583 over at the marina, they may want to go into some of the common areas. And what's the  
2584 liability and risk and liquor and all those other nuances associated with it, allowing for us  
2585 to build out a model because maybe it's something that we allow for our local businesses  
2586 to have a special event type permit that they can do it on the weekends to utilize the  
2587 additional space to create the social distancing. So there's some things that we need to  
2588 work on but I think the, the business community does want to see if there's an appetite  
2589 from the elected body to consider that, that approach.

2590 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Ms. Miller-Anderson.

2591 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yeah. I can certainly understand where the  
2592 businesses are coming from but I, I do not want to vote on that tonight. One, it's not on  
2593 the Agenda and then two, I'd rather have some more information, as Mr. Evans just  
2594 pointed out, but I do wanna make sure that we're, you know, following all guidelines. And  
2595 so, if we need to have a special meeting, which I don't foresee that needing to happen,  
2596 I'm thinking even putting it on the next Agenda, if we have the information in time.

2597 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. McCoy.

2598 **Councilperson McCoy:** I wanted to see.., so, if we're speaking specifically of the  
2599 Ocean Mall, this is a conversation that I wanna have also with the management of O'..,  
2600 Ocean Mall, those folks that are managing it because, conveniently I wanted to have this  
2601 conversation about the restaurant at the Event Center but, 'Where's Waldo?' It seems  
2602 that I wanna make sure that we can have an opportunity to understand what impact this  
2603 has had on those that have businesses that are currently on lease agreements, and when  
2604 we've really forced everybody to shut down, and not only did we force [stammer] force  
2605 them to shut down, our police officers went over personally and told them that they  
2606 couldn't operate. And, we definitely have to have those individuals who actually, under  
2607 property management of both the Ocean Mall, and also the CRA, who does the property  
2608 management of the Event'.., of the Event Center to have a seat at the table because I  
2609 don't wanna make a decision in a vacuum when I think... Have we been close for two  
2610 months now? You know, at least in this current state, as to what the impacts and what's  
2611 important because, you know, we only are here from a legislative perspective and until  
2612 we.., I think we're all consumers by, by, by any, any estimation but I don't want to forget  
2613 the fact that we're also de facto landlords in how this impacts our tenants and the people  
2614 that actually represent us when they have businesses at our City facilities. So, the'..,  
2615 those who manage it should definitely have a seat at the table, as well as, as well as us  
2616 because, you know, I certainly thought it was a great idea, and I seen a couple things  
2617 online that seem.., that I seen other municipalities were doing but I wanna see that... You

2618 can't move forwards without those who manage the day to day operations of those  
2619 properties, to have a seat at the table.

2620 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. I, I will have..., I'll, I'll tell you that I'm having another  
2621 meeting with the hospitality group on the 15<sup>th</sup> and Jim Boyce? Is that his name, Mr.  
2622 Evans? From [inaudible] Management.

2623 **Councilperson McCoy:** James..., James...

2624 **Chairperson Botel:** We'll, we'll... Sorry, sorry.

2625 **Councilperson McCoy:** Jim James, yeah. I think it...

2626 **Chairperson Botel:** He'll be, he'll be at that meeting, so we can have that  
2627 conversation with him. If you have questions that you'd like to direct to him, let's see, it's  
2628 a public meeting...

2629 **Councilperson McCoy:** Not, not so much, Madam Chair. But let me tell you this, I just,  
2630 you know, and I, and I've seen this with those that are having businesses, especially  
2631 restaurants, you know, it's like, how do you expect somebody to pay up when they've lost  
2632 all their staff and they haven't even opened their doors? So, I, I at least would like to see  
2633 that, when you go into that meeting, that conversation occurs because, you know, it's  
2634 really a tough time for everybody and I wanna make sure that we aren't putting somebody  
2635 in a situation to open up after they've now lost two months worth of revenue and are in  
2636 the hole for rent, or whatever they..., whatever the case may be.

2637 That's all I wanted to add to it. So you can take that back to your meeting.

2638 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Thank you. Anyone else? Ms. Shirley Lanier, yes.

2639 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes. Uh, although I wholeheartedly agree with, you know,  
2640 opening the beaches and being able to go outside, I mean, it's really a very good idea.  
2641 But, every Thursday, I'm on a call with Dr. Alonzo, who's the Public Health Department  
2642 Director for Palm Beach County, and I think that your group would do well to speak with  
2643 her, and other public health officials. Public health, not public government..., public health  
2644 officials about, you know, starting this process. Not saying that it won't happen, not saying  
2645 that we can't do it, it's just saying that we wanna be able to have everything in place to  
2646 be able to do this.

2647 **Chairperson Botel:** Mhmm.

2648 **Councilperson Lanier:** So, I really want and [stammer] you know, offline and, you  
2649 know, tomorrow I'll give you a call, make the introduction to Dr. Alonzo so that we can at  
2650 least have the science behind it. So that when...

2651 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank...

2652 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...we do, do this, we'll be able to do it the right way.

2653 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. They, they actually have some protocols already  
2654 developed, the Restaurant Association and well..., as well as the association that the hotel  
2655 [inaudible] belong to, have some very strict protocols developed for when they do open  
2656 up. And I think the, the real concern here is that they don't have a lot of space outside,  
2657 so when they, when they do..., when we have availability of outdoor seating, they wanna  
2658 be able to expand so that their ch'..., their tables can be eight feet apart, even [inaudible]...

2659 **Councilperson Lanier:** No. I, I, I totally agree because you can, you, you have to  
2660 social distance, not between people but between the tables. I mean, you know, it's...,  
2661 when you do tables at eight feet apart but you got ten people at one table, that's, that,  
2662 that's no good. So, you know, having these conversations about making sure that we're  
2663 doing the right thing, I'm all for it.

2664 **City Manager Evans:** And, and...

2665 **Chairperson Botel:** So, we'll put [audio skipped] for the 20th and by then we  
2666 should have more information. I'll just tell them they have to wait a little bit longer. That's  
2667 all.

2668 Mr. Evans.

2669 **City Manager Evans:** Yes. And, and we've had conversations with, with Dr. Alonzo  
2670 on, on a multitude of different things and in our communications with the managers, we  
2671 did say that we should let the science and to..., and, and the information drive us.  
2672 Unfortunately, I think what's happening is, the, the political pressures have inserted  
2673 themselves into the process and that's why the Board has now given direction to the  
2674 County Administrator to move forward with regards to reopening the beaches in some  
2675 form or some fashion. So, we are going to do everything on our side, as it relates to our  
2676 beach, to ensure that guidelines are provided, that we really do something to police that  
2677 as much as possible. But, you know, the momentum does look like there's going to be  
2678 some movement on that within the next three to five days.

2679 **Councilperson Lanier:** And I'd just like to say, if you saw that County Commission  
2680 meeting yesterday, that lasted 'til 6:00 o'clock last night, people are pushing for things to  
2681 be opened up. And that's fine. Everybody wants that, but we wanna be able to ensure,  
2682 especially that ninety to eighty..., eighty to ninety percent of COVID-19 deaths are among  
2683 African-Americans. We are a City that has eighty percent African-American. So we have  
2684 to be very careful about how we do this. Not saying that we won't do it, but that we are  
2685 very careful about how to do it. And guess what, there is a way that we can do it.

2686 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Are..., is that, is that it for that topic? Mr. Evans?

2687 **City Manager Evans:** That is, Madam Chair.

2688 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Item No. 11, Madam Clerk.

2689 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair?

2690 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Mr. McCoy.

2691 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, do we circle back and get an update on any other  
2692 comments that have been received due to some delays and...

2693 **Chairperson Botel:** Madam Clerk...

2694 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...[audio skipped].

2695 **Chairperson Botel:** ...did you receive any of those public comments that were  
2696 floating around in the ether?

2697 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, we have not.., we reviewed the public  
2698 comments again and have not seen any that we have missed. There was a person that  
2699 stated that we missed their comment, however, we did not. Their comments are actually  
2700 on Item No. 13. So, that's the only, only thing that we see at this time.

2701 **Councilperson McCoy:** Right.

2702 **Chairperson Botel:** And...

2703 **Councilperson McCoy:** But, let me be clear. So, here's what I would like to do. So,  
2704 can we have a dedicated computer for public comments, so that when they come in we  
2705 can see them on the screen? On the screen that we're currently looking at, because  
2706 literally, I had folks now saying 7:02, 7:08 and, I mean, I don't feel comfortable with having  
2707 a meeting when we have, perhaps, and I don't know if this is the case but, likely, a, a  
2708 problem with infrastructure or technology that is causing some sort of delay and it's gonna  
2709 basically disenfranchise somebody. So, you know, we need to figure out how to make  
2710 sure that every elected Member, or every Member that has to make a decision on this  
2711 can have that there for us to view during...

2712 **Chairperson Botel:** Well...

2713 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...deliberation...

2714 **Chairperson Botel:** I don't... Mr. McCoy, I don't think that's possible for tonight  
2715 but Mr. Evans has promised that for the next meeting we'll straighten out all these  
2716 problems. So, for tonight, I think if it didn't come in, if, if Ms. Anthony doesn't have them,  
2717 there's not much we can do about that. Mr. Evans...

2718 **Councilperson Lanier:** And also, Madam Chair, I, I just wanted to make a suggestion  
2719 that having audio, with someone calling in, which is cueing the calls during the 7:00  
2720 o'clock hour, we can do that. There's a lotta ways that we can make this happen but we  
2721 have to understand that we are a, you know, we, we're, we're in progress of all of this.  
2722 This is all new to us. This is the new normal for us, so we are looking at it and especially  
2723 if you're gonna have people just to call in, not just, you know, send emails, they don't  
2724 have an email address or they don't have internet access that they have. They can just  
2725 call in, we cue them in, from 7:00 to 8:00 and that's how we do it.

2726 **Chairperson Botel:** Right. Mr. Evans.

2727 **City Manager Evans:** We, we can look at that. Most..., and, and I can tell you, we've  
 2728 done pretty extensive research. Most municipalities that have gone to a digital platform  
 2729 require the comments to be submitted twenty-four hours, or forty-eight hours, before the  
 2730 meeting. We actually take comments throughout the meeting. If we do open the phone  
 2731 lines, here's the challenge. We can't filter the comments that have been said so  
 2732 inappropriate language could potentially be a reality, in addition to...

2733 **Councilperson Lanier:** We never could filter them.

2734 **City Manager Evans:** ...we have

2735 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Chuckle].

2736 **Councilperson Lanier:** Well, it, it's, it's, it's easier... But, the other side is, how would  
 2737 you know that it's not the same person calling on five different lines on a certain item, you  
 2738 know, without...

2739 **Councilperson Lanier:** I, I...

2740 **City Manager Evans:** ...[inaudible]...

2741 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...agree, but just..., could you just look into it to see how that  
 2742 would work because I know that if somebody's calling in and saying, 'Oh, you know, I'm  
 2743 not the same person,' you know...

2744 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle].

2745 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...it's, it's all kinds stuff could happen but at least just look into  
 2746 it. You know, I'm not...

2747 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah.

2748 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...saying it'll work, but just kinda look into it and see if it could  
 2749 work.

2750 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah. We will. We will.

2751 **Councilperson Lanier:** Thank you.

2752 **REGULAR**

2753 **11. Chairperson Botel:** Item No. 11 then.

2754 **City Clerk Anthony:** **RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE**  
 2755 **CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,**  
 2756 **FLORIDA, APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF**

2757 **\$125,000.00 FROM CONTINGENCY TO THE ECONOMIC RECOVERY PLAN; AND**  
2758 **PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2759 **JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, (561) 812-6590**

2760 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comments on this  
2761 Item is now closed. And we do not have any public comments on this Item.

2762 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Can I have...

2763 **Councilperson Lanier:** So moved.

2764 **Chairperson Botel:** And a second? [Pause]. Can I get a second?

2765 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Second.

2766 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Any... Mr. Evans.

2767 **City Manager Evans:** Madam Chair, Members of the Board, this is the  
2768 corresponding Resolution that effects'.., effectively appropriates \$125,000 from  
2769 contingency to fund the Economic Recovery Plan that was provided to the City Council.

2770 And Staff stands prepared to answer any questions that you may have.

2771 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Do we any questions? [Pause]. Okay. Madam  
2772 Clerk, would you...

2773 **Councilperson Lanier:** We like...

2774 **Chairperson Botel:** ...call the roll...

2775 **Councilperson Lanier:** We like it. [Chuckle].

2776 **Chairperson Botel:** We like it, yeah. Madam Clerk, would you [chuckle] call the  
2777 roll?

2778 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

2779 [Pause]

2780 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible].

2781 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson...

2782 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Chuckle].

2783 **Chairperson Botel:** Alright.

2784 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

2785 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

2786 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

2787 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

2788 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

2789 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

2790 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

2791 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Would you call Mr. McCoy again, please?

2792 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

2793 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

2794 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

2795 **12. Chairperson Botel:** Item No. 12.

2796 **City Clerk Anthony:** **RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_-20 A RESOLUTION OF THE**  
 2797 **CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY,**  
 2798 **FLORIDA, APPROVING AN EMERGENCY WORK ORDER WITH MURRAY LOGAN**  
 2799 **CONSTRUCTION OF WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA FOR CONSTRUCTION**  
 2800 **SERVICES FOR BRIDGE STABILIZATION OF STRUCTURES OVER THE**  
 2801 **WATERWAYS IN THE PALM BEACH ISLES COMMUNITY IN THE AMOUNT OF**  
 2802 **\$76,000; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE CHANGE ORDERS UP**  
 2803 **TO TEN PERCENT (10%); AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND**  
 2804 **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO MAKE PAYMENT FOR SAME FROM PROJECT**  
 2805 **NUMBER 18097 AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

2806 **TERRENCE BAILING, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR, (561) 845-4080**

2807 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comments on this  
 2808 Item is now closed. The.., and, Madam Chair, we do not have any public comments on  
 2809 this Item.

2810 **Councilperson Lanier:** So moved.

2811 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Second.

2812 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. Bailey.

2813 **Public Works Director Bailey:** Yes. As you are familiar, for the last four years Staff  
 2814 has been working with our consultant to address the bridges in Palm Beach Isles.  
 2815 Malinger [sp], Wick & Associates, the structural engineers, made many presentations to  
 2816 the community and Staff about eighteen months ago, concern for the condition of the

2817 bridges elevated in the community to the point that there was a request that there was  
2818 monthly monitoring of the bridges by the structural engineer. Approximately three weeks  
2819 ago, the structural engineer notified the City that there was a change in the condition of  
2820 the bridges and it brought to their attention concern that the project needed to be  
2821 expedited. Following multiple meetings at the site with Mr. Evans, the Legal team and  
2822 Procurement, it was determined that we need to move forward with the temporary fixes  
2823 to the bridge, and move immediately into full replacement of the bridges.

2824 For some more context, unfortunately, during the process permitting with the Army  
2825 Corp of Engineers, it was determined or discovered that Johnson's seagrasses existed in  
2826 the impacted area. As these grasses are endangered and protected, it has added an  
2827 approximately two years to the permit process in order to acquire the Army Corp permits  
2828 for replacement of the bridges. At current pace, we anticipate nearly an additional year  
2829 of permitting in order to allow us to replace those bridges, but due to the analysis and  
2830 determination that the bridges need immediate attention, the Army Corp has allowed us  
2831 to move into a expedited emergency permitting position. Luckily, ninety percent of the  
2832 documents were prepared and already under review, so we will..., the only item left was  
2833 the mitigation necessary for these Johnson seagrasses. The Army Corp has agreed to  
2834 allow us to immediately move to replace the bridges and continue to work on the  
2835 mitigation program and plan while construction is ongoing.

2836 The \$76,000 work order that you see in front of you is for temporary stiffening of  
2837 these bridges. They will provide the level of comfort and assurance that the Staff and the  
2838 residents will need for approximately eight months while we move immediately into the  
2839 full procurement of replacement, permanent replacement of the bridges.

2840 And, with that, I have the consultant available and ready to answer any questions  
2841 the Council may have.

2842 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Anyone have questions? [Pause]. So, Mr. Bailey,  
2843 you know, this has been a critically important thing for my constituents on the Island. So  
2844 you're, just to be clear, it will be eight months from now..., for the next eight months, there  
2845 will be some security in place by virtue of this \$76,000 shoring up, if you will. And then,  
2846 subsequent to that, the real work will take place of replacing the bridges?

2847 **Public Works Director Bailey:** No. Ms. Pemsel and I and Ms. Jacobs are meeting  
2848 ongoing to attempt to put the full construction replacement out to bid within the next four  
2849 weeks. So...

2850 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

2851 **Public Works Director Bailey:** ...in, probably the early June, the bids will go out. A  
2852 multimillion dollar project of this nature will probably have, have to be out on the street a  
2853 month or so, so you could see as early as late July, if not early August, the Staff bringing  
2854 back the con'..., full construction contract for the full replacement. Now obviously, if we  
2855 come to the Council in early August, a bridge is not a easy item to construct. There are  
2856 gonna be staging of materials and things of that nature, but we do not wanna waste any

2857 time on getting those full construction of the bridges completed. So we're, we're shoring  
2858 them up immediately and then we're also moving immediately to the full replacement at...,  
2859 because the Army Corp is letting us move to construction immediately.

2860 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Great. Ms. Lanier.

2861 **Councilperson Lanier:** I just wanted to ask, we're spending \$76,000 to shore up, so  
2862 [stammer] when, when you come back in late July/August, what is it..., what does the  
2863 figure look like? In terms of the cost?

2864 **Public Works Director Bailey:** I believe the full..., the current estimate is just  
2865 something'..., just north of \$2MM to replace all five bridges.

2866 **Councilperson Lanier:** Is that something that was currently in the budget?

2867 **Public Works Director Bailey:** Yes, ma'am. It is in the capital budget. It has been  
2868 there for approximately four years.

2869 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay. Very good.

2870 **City Manager Evans:** And, Madam Chair, if I may? To the, to the point, yes, the  
2871 project is fully funded. Our intent is to be able to have crews mobilized and move forward  
2872 with the permanent construction in the early summer months. We have heard from the  
2873 engineers and, in the abundance of caution, we wanted to shore up the structures to  
2874 ensure that there was no issues. But, we don't want to..., because what was  
2875 communicated to us, by shoring up those structures, we can conceivably buy additional  
2876 time but this project has lagged on for so long that we want to move forward with the long  
2877 term construction concurrently. This is just to provide the assurances and peace of mind  
2878 to the residents that the bridges are safe and we're gonna go ahead and move forward  
2879 with the long term solution that will cost approximately a little over \$2MM, but it's a fully  
2880 fund'..., fully funded, fully budgeted project, and it is going to be like for like. So it's not  
2881 gonna be something that is outside of what they currently have now.

2882 **Chairperson Botel:** Knowing that community there, do you think it would be  
2883 possible for us to do a GoToMeeting kinda of a explanation for them, in the next week or  
2884 so, where they could have... I'm sure they have questions that I can't even imagine.  
2885 Could we set something up so that I can let them know cer'..., on a certain evening, if the  
2886 can dial in to GoToMeeting or even if it's a Zoom meeting which is what people are more  
2887 familiar with. We could have Mr. Bailey there and someone from the engineering firm, so  
2888 that they can answer their questions?

2889 **City Manager Evans:** We can do a, a GoToWebinar. It allows for up to 1,500  
2890 people.

2891 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

2892 **City Manager Evans:** And six..., and six presenters to go ahead and present. But  
2893 we can, we can build out that. It may..., my recommendation is to maybe allow for us to

2894 get the bid documents and all the things that we need to get tightened up so when we do  
2895 have the communications with the residents, that we can say all these things are  
2896 packaged together out on the street, et. cetera, as, as opposed to, 'We're working on it,  
2897 working on it.'

2898 **Chairperson Botel:** Late, late...

2899 **City Manager Evans:** So that, that's kinda the intent...

2900 **Chairperson Botel:** Late June? You were saying, early..., late, late July, or late  
2901 July? Mr. Bailey.

2902 **Public Works Director Bailey:** For the webinar? July would be best. We would be  
2903 well into the bid process and can give better dates when they can expect to see activity.  
2904 The project should be already out on the street by then and we'll have anticipated dates  
2905 for returning on bids.

2906 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. So, we'll, we'll begin to plan for something in late July.  
2907 Thank you very much.

2908 Anyone else have a question about this?

2909 **Councilperson Lanier:** Madam Chair? It's been..., the question is, it's been four  
2910 years?

2911 **Chairperson Botel:** It has been four long years with people who are so afraid to  
2912 go over those bridges. They're in very poor condition, which is why this is a necessary  
2913 step to shore them up. It's been a very, very long time coming, yes.

2914 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay.

2915 **Chairperson Botel:** Any other questions? [Pause]. Madam Clerk.

2916 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

2917 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yes.

2918 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

2919 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

2920 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier?

2921 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes.

2922 **City Clerk Anthony:** Pro Tem Lawson?

2923 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

2924 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel?

2925 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

2926 **City Clerk Anthony:** Unanimous vote.

2927 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

2928 **DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER**

2929 **13. Chairperson Botel:** Item 13.

2930 **City Clerk Anthony:** **DISCUSSION AND REVIEW OF THE PANDEMIC POLICY**  
2931 **BY CITY MANAGER**

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2933 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, the acceptance of public comments on this  
2934 Item is now closed, and we do have public comments.

2935 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Let's., can I have a... Oh, this is a discussion...

2936 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** [Inaudible].

2937 **Chairperson Botel:** It is [inaudible]...

2938 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** It's a discussion.

2939 **Chairperson Botel:** Yeah. Do you wanna read the public comments, Madam  
2940 Clerk?

2941 **City Clerk Anthony:** Our first comment is from Cheryl Austin. Is it true that the City  
2942 Manager, the Assistant Manager, the City Attorney, the Finance., the Financial Director  
2943 and other administrations are getting paid time and a half for this pandemic? But the first  
2944 responding officers aren't getting paid time and a half? Can you explain why the first  
2945 responders, who's literally the first ones to risk their lives, aren't getting paid the same  
2946 amount.

2947 Thank you. Concerned citizen.

2948 Our next public comment comes from Phil Austin. I want to know how come the  
2949 officers hashtag our first responders, aren't getting paid time and a half, but yet the City  
2950 Manager, City Attorney, other members of the City are. The officers are the ones out  
2951 risking their lives every day while the rest are be'., behind a desk. Sounds like to me  
2952 they're ripping off our officers when they most definitely deserve the pay, as well  
2953 [stammer].., when they most definitely deserve the pay as well, with ya'll knowing the  
2954 COVID-19 is real.

2955 Or final comment comes from J.B. Dixon. The criticism of pay policies during the  
2956 pandemic is, in my opinion, is unjustified. Perhaps because people do not understand  
2957 where it originated. The fact is, the City of Riviera Beach is following FEMA guidelines in  
2958 this pay policy. The City did not just dream up this pay, pay level for its employees. This  
2959 policy was recommended by FEMA back in 2005, and this City, as well as other cities,  
2960 have followed those recommendations during crisis ever since.

2961 Secondly, I really fail to understand why people get upset about a policy that affects  
2962 only seventy employees and is, quite frankly, a drop in the bucket of our budget. There  
2963 are certainly many, many ways in which the City should be saving money but supporting  
2964 our employees during a pandemic is not one of them. If in fact there are employees sitting  
2965 at home and not working, or refusing to leave their homes to work, then those employees  
2966 should be removed from this generous pay policy and told to use up their own leave time.  
2967 To do otherwise would be unfair to the majority of our employees who willingly come out  
2968 to serve the public at their own risk.

2969 Finally, I would like to repeat what I said during public comments about the very  
2970 visible and very impressive job our leadership is doing to deserve their time and a half  
2971 pay. Whether it was the very impressive operation of the COVID-19 testing site, or the  
2972 distribution of food, or mask giveaways. I have seen the City Attorney, the City Manager,  
2973 the heads of Parks & Recreation, the Acting Fire Chief and many, many other department  
2974 heads, working under the hot sun, often on weekends, to serve our City. I might add that  
2975 these were not just higher level managerial tasks they were performing, but rather, many  
2976 more mundane jobs too, such as directing traffic or hauling heavy boxes or signing people  
2977 up for various services, jobs that many people at their professional level might refuse to  
2978 do as being beneath them to have to perform. Our department heads and other City  
2979 leaders, not only did all these things, but did so with good cheer, greeting us, the citizens,  
2980 with friendliness and helpfulness, even after spending hours on their feet under the sun.  
2981 J.B. Dixon.

2982 **City Clerk Anthony:** Madam Chair, that concludes public comments on this Item.

2983 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mr. Evans, is our City Attorney taking this one?

2984 **City Manager Evans:** Yes. I'm, I'm leading off on this one. Madam Chair and  
2985 Members of the Board, the Item before you this evening is a discussion with regards to  
2986 the pandemic policies. To provide some clarity with regards to the comments that were  
2987 expressed earlier, this policy was emailed out to all City employees on March 20<sup>th</sup> and  
2988 again when it was modified on April 1<sup>st</sup>. The policy documents, as well as a memorandum  
2989 that incorporated those documents, spoke to how the City was able to school up three  
2990 policies to address this pandemic. There is no roadmap, there is no exact science to  
2991 dealing with this particular situation and City Staff has done exceptional work with regards  
2992 to handling this pandemic. And, I'll show you in a slideshow some of the things that were  
2993 able to be created.

2994 We created a pandemic pay policy, as it was communicated that it consistent with  
2995 the policy that we adopted back in 2005, the disaster pay policy. The one difference that

2996 you will see, is that the individuals are getting paid for time related to COVID response.  
2997 And so, in a hurricane, when we do keep employees overnight, their activities and they  
2998 are compensated at time and a half because they are doing responsibilities and duties  
2999 associated with the disaster and that particular situation. The pandemic pay policy is  
3000 modeled after the same model. In the event that Public Safety works overtime, they do  
3001 get the time and a half, whether that's Police and Fire. And, the only difference that you're  
3002 seeing is that in our policy, the pandemic pay policy, it does pay for all the part time  
3003 employees that traditionally would be left out as it relates to the policy. We worked very  
3004 hard to ensure that individuals would not have to deal with the financial hardship, in that  
3005 we moved and removed some of the employees that had preexisting conditions or were  
3006 under the category that was communicated by the Governor, in the abundance of caution.  
3007 As we had a conversation today about reopening operations, we still look to have a hybrid  
3008 situation, and a remote situation. We have a lot of our crews that will be working one  
3009 week or two weeks on, and then they're off for an entire week. We have some folks that  
3010 will work a twenty-four hours and be compensated for forty. We wanted to make sure  
3011 that individuals were whole in every conceivable way.

3012 We also developed a telecommuting policy, a policy that allows folks in multiple  
3013 bargaining units, as well as those that are unrepresented, to telecommute, a policy that  
3014 the City had never had in place until we put that policy together. And then ultimately, a  
3015 return to work policy that allows for our employees to go out and get the necessary testing  
3016 and if they do test positive, or they have issues with regards to any sicknesses, we  
3017 encourage them early on to stay home and the process that they would have to undertake  
3018 to come back to work.

3019 At this particular moment, I'm going to, if the Board would indulge me, to share my  
3020 screen with you, as I have a PowerPoint. [Pause]. Okay. I believe everybody can see  
3021 that. So, the first slide is the Operational Summary. It, it breaks down, since March 20th  
3022 when the policies were adopted to April 25<sup>th</sup>, the total hours of hours worked. You have  
3023 Public Safety, totaling roughly about 39,000 hours; you have other employees, the other  
3024 forty-one percent, working about 44,000; and then you have 25,000 hours of time in which  
3025 people did not work and they were compensated for.

3026 **Councilperson McCoy:** Is there, is there any... Never mind. I'm sorry. Go ahead.

3027 **City Manager Evans:** The, the next slide goes into the hours worked per employee,  
3028 and it breaks it down as it relates to each of the bargaining units, as well as those that are  
3029 grant positions, PMSA, SEIU Management and PBA, you can see that here you have, in  
3030 most cases, your PBA, IAFF, your Fire and Management are working that forty hours, as  
3031 the other individuals that are in your PMSA or SEIU are working less hours since the  
3032 activation. Now, realize that on April 1<sup>st</sup>, we made a modification that significantly  
3033 diminished the amount of people that were on a remote status and move them to reserve  
3034 or, if they were on a onsite status, move them to reserve. And so, that changed when we  
3035 looked at the individuals that worked from April 1<sup>st</sup> on because we did take a more  
3036 aggressive approach to ensure that we separated individuals and adhere to the safer at  
3037 home order that was articulated by the Governor.

3038 The next slide here speaks to the cost of hours not worked, when you look across  
3039 the entire spectrum. The total for the hours that no service was not provided to the  
3040 residents, totals about \$574,000, and then you can see as it relates to the different units  
3041 as we broke this down. As it was articulated in one of the comments about management,  
3042 that, that tile management lumps in some of your Public Safety personnel, as far as  
3043 Police, Fire, Communications. There's a whole bunch of other individuals that are  
3044 incorporated in there, it's not exclusively to department directors and City management,  
3045 et. cetera so I, I wanted to make sure that that's clear for the record.

3046 Additionally, this is the reserve status. Reserve status is the status that we put  
3047 employees on reserve status that there was no obligation for them to render any support  
3048 services to the City, that we just asked for them to stay at home and to stay safe, and  
3049 they would receive their normal compensation as a result of the pandemic. So this just  
3050 breaks it down for you as it relates to each of those units that we spoke about earlier.

3051 The next slide just shows holiday hours and actually, you know, we had some  
3052 holidays and some times that were utilized by folks during this pandemic and this shows  
3053 you the amount of holidays hours that were utilized.

3054 COVID related hours. And, and I think this is an important slide. When we look at  
3055 the COVID related hours, these are hours that are associates specifically to COVID-19  
3056 and the City's response. When you look at IAFF's number, the thirteen hundred hours,  
3057 that's associated with the Fire Departments spooling up and creating a COVID response  
3058 vehicle to address COVID related calls. So these are the calls that.., or, these are the  
3059 hours that are associated with COVID related operations. Additionally, these are the  
3060 costs that.., or, the hours that will be provided with the costs that will be furnished to FEMA  
3061 for consideration for reimbursement. Obviously, we know that reimbursement throughout  
3062 the nation may be somewhat challenging, but based on the guidance and direction that  
3063 we've been provided by the federal agencies, we're complying with what they're  
3064 recommendations are to ensure that those hours are set aside for the purposes of  
3065 reimbursement activities.

3066 COVID related costs. This is.., if you lump in salary benefits by group and  
3067 operational expenses, this shows you the cost associated with COVID. You have  
3068 \$147,000, that includes salary and benefits, and, operational expenses for management.  
3069 PPE's, that's personal protective equipment and sanitation that we have done at multiple  
3070 City facilities to ensure that those are safe for the occupancy of our employees. And then  
3071 some of the other things that we've acquired for Fire Rescue and, and other units.

3072 This, I think, is, is one slide that we're significantly proud of as an agency. I firmly  
3073 believe that we, in the City of Riviera Beach, have done exceptional work with regards to  
3074 keeping our COVID cases down. We are at under one person, per thousand residents in  
3075 our community, and if you look at the slide at Palm Beach County, is at over two; Lake  
3076 Park is 0.79; Riviera Beach is 0.92; Wellington, 1.3; North Palm, 1.98; Palm Beach, 2.04;  
3077 Palm Beach Gardens, 2.05; Jupiter, 2.2; and then you have Boca Raton, all the way to  
3078 Belle Glade that goes from 4.7 all the way to 5.56. And then Lake Worth Beach at 11.5  
3079 per thousand. I think that shows the.., and, and understanding how diverse our

3080 community is, that we had been on the forefront of educating, informing and putting out  
3081 some preventative measures and messaging that the public has adhered to and we have  
3082 seen that it has had a drastic impact when you look at the municipalities that we compare  
3083 to with regards to positive cases per thousand residents.

3084 This is something that was provided to us from WebEOC. Every municipality is to  
3085 provide information on WebEOC to look at the cost relate to COVID because it's reported  
3086 to the county and then, ultimately, to the state and the feds. But if you look at Riviera  
3087 Beach, we're reporting about \$9 per resident for a total of about \$320,000 of reported  
3088 costs when you can look at other municipalities that are well over \$2MM in Palm Beach  
3089 Gardens; Boca Raton, \$2MM; West Palm, \$1.3, et. cetera. So, we have done a very  
3090 good job on combating this virus and some of the things that we've done to, to be  
3091 associated with the costs are preventative measures that we put in place to assist the,  
3092 the public and the community, whether it's the distribution of masks, et. cetera, those are  
3093 costs that are all associated with the COVID related costs.

3094 **Councilperson McCoy:** Question on that slide.

3095 **Chairperson Botel:** Go, go ahead, Mr. McCoy and then I have one as well.

3096 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, I have a question on a lot of things that have been  
3097 presented but I didn't know when there was gonna be an opportunity to respond. So, can  
3098 we get some guidance on how we're gonna, you know...

3099 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Evans, how many more slides do you...

3100 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...dispose of these Items?

3101 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Evans?

3102 **City Manager Evans:** Yes.

3103 **Chairperson Botel:** How many, how many more slides about do you have?

3104 **City Manager Evans:** About six slides.

3105 **Chairperson Botel:** Is it appropriate for us to stop at this point and ask a question  
3106 about this slide or would you rather we wait 'til the end? I [audio skipped] have to go back  
3107 to this. It'd be easier for us...

3108 **City Manager Evans:** Yes.

3109 **Chairperson Botel:** ...to be able to ask you now.

3110 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah. That's fine.

3111 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, I was.., I wanted to ask on the first one, Madam Chair,  
3112 but we've kinda gotten this far and I guess I didn't see this before and it wasn't something  
3113 that I was aware that was going to be presented but, you know, whatever you guys decide.

3114 **Chairperson Botel:** Well, go head. Do you have a question?

3115 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, yes. So, speaking.., I have one of many questions but  
3116 speaking of this one in particular, am I being seen? Let me make sure I can turn on so I  
3117 can be seen.

3118 **Chairperson Botel:** You're, you're hiding there, Mr. McCoy. Please.

3119 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, you know, that's what I've been known to do.

3120 **Chairperson Botel:** Reveal yourself. [Chuckle].

3121 **Councilperson McCoy:** You see me now, don't you?

3122 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible].

3123 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. So, my question is, is that nine dollars per thousand  
3124 residents? Is that what I'm understanding, Mr. Manager?

3125 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, sir.

3126 **Councilperson McCoy:** For COVID related cost?

3127 **Chairperson Botel:** No. These...

3128 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, sir.

3129 **Chairperson Botel:** ...are not... They're in thousands, Mr. McCoy. This is \$9,000.  
3130 See above, it says in thousands? In the little tiny print above the Palm Beach Gardens  
3131 line?

3132 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yeah. Right, right. So, \$9,000 per one thousand residents?

3133 **Chairperson Botel:** Right.

3134 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. So this covers.., so we have \$320,000 total reported  
3135 cost? Is that what I'm seeing?

3136 **City Manager Evans:** \$320,000. Yes, sir.

3137 **Councilperson McCoy:** Related to the specific COVID related activities?

3138 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, sir.

3139 **Councilperson McCoy:** Does that include the amount of time and half that's been  
3140 designated for pandemic pay?

3141 **City Manager Evans:** None of this information that's contained in this, doesn't  
3142 account for any pay or any payroll. If you did add that into, I think the cost for that, and I  
3143 believe Mr. Sherman's on the line, was about \$147,000 I believe, for COVID related  
3144 expense, just for management. But if you look holistically, I think that's on a previous  
3145 slide.

3146 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. So, my follow up question is, so if that's only related to  
3147 specific direct costs related to COVID, we've incurred \$320,000. What's the start date?

3148 **City Manager Evans:** The start date, most likely on that, was once we issued the  
3149 Declaration. Mr. Sherman, are you on the, on the call? If you can provide some...

3150 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes.

3151 **City Manager Evans:** ...perspective on that, sir.

3152 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Yes, yes. Good evening.  
3153 This is Randy Sherman, Finance Director.

3154 First, let me backup. The \$320,000 does include the salaries that have been paid  
3155 out, the PPE and sanitizing costs and, and the like, or just shy of a \$120,000. And then,  
3156 the salaries were about.., less than \$200,000. The \$320,000 that I reported to the  
3157 WebEOC, you know, it's a rounded figured. Some of the costs do actually precede the  
3158 Declaration. There were some costs that were incurred in early March and I have  
3159 included them in here. Whether we are able to recoup those costs, will be something that  
3160 we'll certainly find out at later point, but the \$320,00 does include all costs through April  
3161 25<sup>th</sup>.

3162 **Councilperson McCoy:** Yeah. Well, I, I'm just.., these are clearly estimates because  
3163 there's no way that we can possibly have what [stammer] an organization like Boynton  
3164 Beach or Jupiter or even Belle Glade for that matter, would even spend related to COVID  
3165 related expenses when clearly we're in COVID right now, and I don't know how their  
3166 reporting system is but that number seems like that must be nothing more than an  
3167 estimate. But my main concern is, you said it does include some actual costs of salaries.  
3168 But my question was, what's the real true cost of what management's, whether it's COVID  
3169 related or not, completely related to pandemic pay has cost the City up 'til today. And  
3170 that's what I wanna see.

3171 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Yeah. That was actually on  
3172 a previous slide.

3173 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah.

3174 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** [Inaudible].

3175 **City Manager Evans:** I'll, I'll back up...

3176 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** [Inaudible]

3177 **City Manager Evans:** I think...

3178 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Yep. Right there.

3179 **Chairperson Botel:** There, yeah. \$147,297.

3180 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, is this the cost for management? And that exists of how  
3181 many individuals?

3182 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** [Inaudible]w...

3183 **City Manager Evans:** In totality...

3184 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** ...seventy...

3185 **City Manager Evans:** ...it's about... About seventy.

3186 **Councilperson McCoy:** Impossible. Everybody who's included under management?

3187 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, sir.

3188 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, how many employees? You said seventy? I didn't...

3189 **City Manager Evans:** Yes, sir.

3190 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...see those seventy positions listed in a memo.

3191 **City Manager Evans:** We, we didn't list out the seventy positions in the, in the  
3192 memo.

3193 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, these are the seventy individuals that's taking the time and  
3194 a half?

3195 **City Manager Evans:** That is correct.

3196 **Councilperson McCoy:** So who are the individuals that's in SEIU that represents the  
3197 \$6,136?

3198 **Chairperson Botel:** I...

3199 **Councilperson McCoy:** Because I... And the reason I ask is because I got individuals  
3200 who aren't a part of SEIU, who are full time, that actually walked up to me and said they  
3201 don't take time and half. So I, I really want an explanation of every one of those columns.  
3202 And, and here's the other thing, so what, what I'm understanding also is, there's a  
3203 difference between being in a union and being covered by a union. So basically, you

3204 enjoy the benefits of protections of a union and you pay dues into the union but you're  
3205 not a part of the collective bargaining agreement. Is there any distinction between that  
3206 for SEIU, IAFF and also for PBA? Because I understand top level captains and so forth  
3207 are a part of PBA but they're not a part of the collective bargaining agreement.

3208 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** May... This is Randy  
3209 Sherman again. The majors and captains are not part of PBA.

3210 **Councilperson McCoy:** But they do contribute to PBA and they have protections from  
3211 PBA, so they wouldn't be...

3212 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** I...

3213 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...represented on your end, right?

3214 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Correct. I believe that the  
3215 union allows them to continue to pay into the union but they are not a part of that collective  
3216 bargaining group.

3217 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. And the PPE in sanitation.

3218 **City Manager Evans:** We have that broken down on a future slide, what...

3219 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. But before...

3220 **City Manager Evans:** ...what that...

3221 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...we go further I wanna ask a question about that \$118,000.

3222 [Background video]

3223 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle].

3224 **Councilperson McCoy:** A City phone, can you imagine?

3225 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle].

3226 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, the \$118,000, those are all union workers?

3227 **Chairperson Botel:** I think...

3228 **City Manager Evans:** No. Thi'... This is personal [stammer] protective equipment  
3229 and sanitation.

3230 **Chairperson Botel:** Materials.

3231 **City Manager Evans:** Materials.

3232 **Councilperson McCoy:** No, no, no. So...

3233 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes, yes.

3234 **Councilperson McCoy:** So, well, where are the individuals that aren't covered by  
3235 SEIU, that are receiving pandemic pay? Where is that displayed at? Because, you know,  
3236 I don't know where it would be. Because, if they're not management... And, and I guess  
3237 that probably makes perfect question, how do you describe what management is?

3238 **City Manager Evans:** Man'.., management is referred to as non-represented, for all  
3239 intent and purpose. That's just a, you know, we could've put non-represented or what  
3240 have you but, you know, it's, you know, your communications team, it's, it's a multitude  
3241 of, of folks that are in that particular group to include department directors, administration,  
3242 et. cetera.

3243 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, I, I, I think it's important to lay out who that represents  
3244 because \$147,000, I thought that represented the City Manager, the City Attorney, the  
3245 Finance Director and a couple other department heads. So, are you suggesting that  
3246 communication personnel are included in this management...

3247 **City Manager Evans:** Communication...

3248 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...category?

3249 **City Manager Evans:** Communication, meaning our multimedia producer, would be  
3250 considered in this particular group.

3251 **Councilperson McCoy:** And this is just time and a half, or is this also other individuals  
3252 who aren't on the collective bargaining agreement who are getting paid?

3253 **City Manager Evans:** Mr. Sherman, if you wanna provide some...

3254 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Yeah.

3255 **City Manager Evans:** ...context on the number.

3256 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** The, the man'.., the  
3257 management group is basically, first of all, managers up. Supervisors are in the PMSA  
3258 group. That's where we draw the, draw the line. The managers and assistant directors  
3259 and directors, excuse me, they, they all fall in the management group. There are a few  
3260 individuals that are what we call confidential, or administrative employees, that are not,  
3261 excuse me, that are not represented, due to the nature of their jobs. For example, my  
3262 payroll coordinator is not a member of a union. So, you have some individuals like that,  
3263 that we classified in this management group and we certainly can provide a list.

3264 **Councilperson McCoy:** I would like to see that. Particularly, I would like to see  
3265 everyone, because I have individuals who work in the Public Works Department that  
3266 aren't a part of SEIU but don't receive time and a half, and aren't.., are not covered by  
3267 the pandemic pay policy.

3268 **City Manager Evans:** If they, if they... Oh, sorry. If they work over forty hour'... So,  
3269 for instance, an example would be, if a Utility District employee works their twenty-four  
3270 hours and is asked to come in on Saturday, 'cause they work twenty-four hours, are  
3271 compensated for forty, but if we bring them in on a Saturday or an [stammer] for a time  
3272 that is outside of what their normal schedule is, Mr. Sherman correct me if I'm wrong,  
3273 that's when they qualify or are eligible for the pandemic pay. Just like...

3274 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Mhmm.

3275 **City Manager Evans:** ...PBA and IAFF and SEIU.

3276 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible].

3277 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Yeah. [Inaudible]. We  
3278 count the time not worked, and we're calling that the reserve status, as time worked when  
3279 we calculate overtime. So, if there are three days and you had twenty-four hours in a  
3280 nonwork status, and they come in and then work twenty hours 'cause they came in on  
3281 Saturday, they're getting time and a half for that extra time over and above forty. So, the  
3282 [stammer], the twenty-four hours at home, we are counting as time worked when we  
3283 calculate overtime.

3284 **Councilperson McCoy:** Okay. But my question is, does that apply to everybody  
3285 throughout the organization? Because I have people that are working forty hours, that  
3286 are not a part of a collective bargaining agreement, that's not a part of management, that  
3287 is not receiving the pandemic pay. And I'm, for obvious reasons I won't share their names  
3288 but...

3289 [Pause]

3290 **City Manager Evans:** And, and see..., and, and we can have that, you know, the  
3291 names or, or what have you, we can have the discussion online'.., or, offline, but if, if they  
3292 are..., 'cause it.., you have some cases where people are working.., their schedule may  
3293 be to work Monday thru Friday, forty hours a week and they are not working, or, they're  
3294 not on reserve status, or they're not on telecommuting or what have you, so you may  
3295 have that particular situation but you do have the situation where, for instance, back to  
3296 the Utility District, you have folks working twenty-four hours and then they're  
3297 compensated their, their other hours that are remaining if they come in, they're getting  
3298 paid time and a half. So, without seeing exactly and knowing exactly the situation or the  
3299 circumstance, it, it's hard to be able to look at their.., that particular situation. And, and  
3300 that's why that we have said to the employees, on numerous occasions, talk to us, let us  
3301 know what's going on and if there's any clarity that we can provide, we would be willing  
3302 to provide that.

3303 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, Mr. Evans, I'm gonna be honest with you and Ms. Wynn,  
3304 and also Mr. Sherman, it's not that easy for them to say that. You know why? Because  
3305 that's the reason why we've been inundated with all of these calls and dropby's and home  
3306 visits about this.

3307           So, my question is, and this is what I would like to see, we have over five hundred  
3308 employees, I want a list to see exactly who's been getting and receiving pandemic pay,  
3309 their position and what they were receiving before we went under the State of Emergency.  
3310 That's my request from the Manager.., to the Manager, to provide me with that  
3311 information. And then I can better understand exactly what we're looking at because the  
3312 classification seems to be different, whether you're in a union or not, you work in a  
3313 department... Like, for instance, a person may work in the Fire Department, but is not  
3314 covered under IAFF, and that presents a little bit of a distortion when I'm looking at  
3315 \$39,374, when I know truly that doesn't represent everybody that works in the Fire  
3316 Department, that are not...

3317 **Councilperson Lanier:**   Madam Chair?

3318 **Councilperson McCoy:**   ...that are not covered under IAFF.

3319 **Councilperson Lanier:**   Madam Chair?

3320 **Chairperson Botel:**       Do you mind if Ms. Lanier weighs in, and you'll.., we'll come  
3321 back to you if you have more questions? Councilwoman Lanier.

3322 **Councilperson Lanier:**   Pardon me...

3323 **Councilperson McCoy:**   Is that a question...

3324 **Councilperson Lanier:**   ...pardon me...

3325 **Councilperson McCoy:**   ...do I mind?

3326 **Councilperson Lanier:**   Pardon me...

3327 **Councilperson McCoy:**   Of course I...

3328 **Councilperson Lanier:**   ...Mr. McCoy.

3329 **Councilperson McCoy:**   ...mind. I got a bunch of questions. I...

3330 **Councilperson Lanier:**   I know. Mr. McCoy...

3331 **Councilperson McCoy:**   ...ask for some questions [inaudible]...

3332 **Councilperson Lanier:**   Can I just get one in, please, Mr. McCoy?

3333 **Councilperson McCoy:**   Of course. Anything for you, colleague.

3334 **Councilperson Lanier:**   [Chuckle]. Thank you, Mr....

3335 **Chairperson Botel:**       Go ahead.

3336 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...McCoy. I just wanna., I just wanna get one question in.  
3337 One of the questions is that, is, is this pay allowable under the FEMA and the pandemic  
3338 policy? The, the pay that is in question, is it allowable under these policies?

3339 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Evans...

3340 **City Manager Evans:** Mr. Sherman...

3341 **Chairperson Botel:** ...or Ms.... Mr. Sherman. [Pause]. Mr. Sherman, did you  
3342 hear the question?

3343 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** Well, it certainly is  
3344 allowable under the pandemic pay policy. And again...

3345 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay. And it's...

3346 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** ...the pandemic policy was,  
3347 was modeled after the hurricane policy, or the disaster pay policy and that disaster pay  
3348 policy has held up for fifteen years, and been fully compensated by FEMA. So...

3349 **Councilperson Lanier:** So...

3350 **Finance and Administrative Services Director Sherman:** ...again...

3351 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...it is, it is allowable under the pandemic slash FEMA policy,  
3352 the union members are getting paid. Now, Mr., at Mr. McCoy, I just wanted to just get  
3353 this out right quick and I'll, I'll give you back your mic to ask your, ask your other questions.  
3354 Now, my understanding is this, that you have employees. Now, you were talking about  
3355 seventy employees, now please do not get me wrong with this, everybody deserves to be  
3356 able to be compensated for the work that they do. Hear me, the work that they do. Now,  
3357 it is my understanding, and that's the reason why I wanted to put this out 'til the next  
3358 meeting because there's still information coming in, it is my understanding that there are  
3359 employees who work twenty-four hours a week, but they're still getting paid for forty hours.  
3360 That means that they're three days on, two days off, they still get paid for the forty hours,  
3361 they don't go to work and they're still getting paid. So, now listen, I work for Palm Beach  
3362 County. There is no way that I can work twenty-four hours [chuckle] and get paid for forty.  
3363 It is not going to happen. They tell me that the Library Staff does not even come to work.  
3364 There is no telework for them, there's no telework for a lot of employees. Now, I'm not  
3365 begrudging them that. Please, just understand me, I am not begrudging any employee  
3366 that receives their fair share of what they work for. But I do know that, number one, if you  
3367 work, then you get paid. It's just that simple, that is just the American way. You work,  
3368 you get paid. But my understanding is that, there's twenty-four hours that employees  
3369 work, there are sixteen hours that they don't work but they still get paid for those sixteen  
3370 hours. That's a beautiful thing. No other county, no other municipality in this s'..., cou'...,  
3371 county is getting that. And certainly not with me with Palm Beach County. I'm not going  
3372 to work for twenty-four hours and getting paid for forty. It's not gonna happen. And no  
3373 other municipality is doing that. That is the reason why the news led with the story that  
3374 said, 'The City of Riviera Beach,' [chuckle], 'is paying its employees a hundred percent of

3375 what they, of what they..., what they earned.’ But guess what? When you look down, Mr.  
3376 McCoy, into the fine print, they’re working twenty-four hours, they’re getting paid for forty,  
3377 and there’s nothing wrong with that. But what is it that now that you’re looking at  
3378 Executive Staff, people who I call at 1:00 o’clock in the morning and they answer my call,  
3379 people who I’ve had conference calls with, Executive Staff, at 11:00 o’clock at night. So,  
3380 of course, the Executive Staff is going to be paid time and a half. They’re on call twenty-  
3381 four hours. And, Mr. McCoy, you have to admit, you have called them all times of night  
3382 and they’ve had to answer the phone. But you can’t call the, the, the person who’s in  
3383 Public Works who, who does the sidewalks and say..., at 12:00 o’clock at night, ‘Hey, what  
3384 about that sidewalk on, on, on,’ you know, ‘in Federal Gardens.’ It’s not gonna happen.

3385 So, what I want to say, Mr. McCoy, and I really, really, really, hear me now, I really  
3386 understand where you’re coming from, and I understand the reason why you want to be  
3387 able to get some clarity on this. I do. But, what I wanna say is that, based on what I  
3388 know, and guess what, I don’t know everything because I haven’t got all the information,  
3389 but what I do know, is that there are people who are getting forty hours a week who are  
3390 only working for twenty-four hours. And, as I said, that’s fine. The, the, the news had a  
3391 story about it, it’s a wonderful thing. But guess what, if you’re going to say that Executive  
3392 Staff cannot have time and a half based on a policy that’s already in place, and you’re  
3393 saying change the policy but you’re still getting paid. I don’t understand what the issue  
3394 here is, and I will digress and Mr. McCoy, I’m sorry for butting in on your time but please  
3395 proceed, Mr. McCoy.

3396 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, gentlelady...

3397 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr....

3398 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...from the 3<sup>rd</sup> District, I’m gonna correct you on a few things.  
3399 So, first of all, I’m not speaking for those individuals that are getting paid. I have folks  
3400 that are genuinely working forty hours a week that are not getting the pandemic pay.  
3401 They’re not a part of management and they aren’t receiving it. So, I don’t necessarily...,  
3402 me having a issue with management getting it, is a whole other story, my question solely  
3403 deals with, at this moment, just this moment because let me tell you something, we’re at  
3404 9:44, we might as well extend because I do anticipate on having a special meeting and I  
3405 want you, Shirley Lanier, ‘cause I’m looking at the camera, to tell those working class  
3406 people that stop me inside the grocery store, that’s working on the Utility District, that I  
3407 didn’t even know works on Saturdays...

3408 **Councilperson Lanier:** And they’ve been calling me too...

3409 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...to tell me...

3410 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...Mr. McCoy.

3411 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...that they are not getting time and a half and they’re out on  
3412 the frontlines of this very pandemic. So, my, my question is this, while I certainly wanna  
3413 say that it’s a kumbaya moment, that we all agree on everything, what I think you may be

3414 missing is those facts that you said you, you don't have. And the truth is, this doesn't  
3415 apply to everybody equally. And...

3416 **Councilperson Lanier:** But, Mr. McCoy, I, I, I, I urge you, please, because you are  
3417 absolutely right. You are absolutely correct. Let's have a special meeting because I'm  
3418 telling you, is this...

3419 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, I'll see you on Saturday morning at 9:00 o'clock.

3420 **Councilperson Lanier:** Let's do it. I hear these...

3421 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible] 7:00?

3422 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...things you are saying. Guess what? Everything that you're  
3423 saying to me...

3424 **Councilperson McCoy:** Wanna do 7:00 a.m.?

3425 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes. No. No, 7:00 o'clock, don't start that now. I'm starting  
3426 at 9:00.

3427 **Chairperson Botel:** I'm gonna... Can I have a little word here?

3428 **Councilperson Lanier:** Okay.

3429 **Chairperson Botel:** It's nine...

3430 **Councilperson Lanier:** All I'm saying, Mr. McCoy, is that I agree with you and that the  
3431 same...

3432 **Councilperson McCoy:** I don't think you do.

3433 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...way KaShamba Miller-Anderson said the same thing, is that  
3434 you're...

3435 **Chairperson Botel:** I wanna...

3436 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...telling me things, Mr. McCoy, that I have not heard. So yes,  
3437 we do need to hash this out.

3438 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. We're gonna...

3439 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well...

3440 **Chairperson Botel:** ...hash it out...

3441 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, let me make sure that...

3442 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible].

3443 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...I'm clear, Madam Chair.

3444 **Chairperson Botel:** No. Mr. McCoy, one moment, please. I beg your indulgence.  
3445 It is 9:46 now. If we're gonna have a special meeting about this, which it sounds like  
3446 [audio skipped] at least Ms. Lanier would like to have and I don't know, maybe others,  
3447 then I think that we should either extend for a few min'..., ten minutes maybe to let Mr.  
3448 Evans finish his slides and save our other questions for an upcoming meeting. And I think  
3449 we can have that in the relatively near future. So, if I can have your indulgence, Mr.  
3450 McCoy, I know you're anxious to ask more questions, could we let Mr. Evans finish his  
3451 slide deck and see if he can get that done before 10:00 o'clock, and then we can set a  
3452 time for a special meeting about this?

3453 **Councilperson McCoy:** You wanna know my true response?

3454 **Chairperson Botel:** I, I... Yes, I do.

3455 **Councilperson McCoy:** I respect you, so I'm gonna say yes. He can do it.

3456 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle]. Thank you. Mr. Evans, would you finish your slides  
3457 and then we can move on. Thank you, Mr. McCoy.

3458 **City Manager Evans:** Alright. I believe we were here. We'll move on to the next  
3459 slide. This looks at COVID related costs versus positive tests. And here, if you look at  
3460 Riviera Beach, again, we are out there as far as leading the most municipalities in Palm  
3461 Beach County with regards to what we're doing to combat the virus and educate and  
3462 inform the, the public and putting some of the safety protocols and procedures that are in  
3463 place, in place to keep that number relatively low.

3464 Here are some of the breakdowns for the commodities that we've acquired as it  
3465 relates to the pandemic, and so there's that \$118,000. The PPE's, masks, gloves, et.  
3466 cetera, we have given out, and with our latest mask drive that I'll provide some additional  
3467 information, about thirty..., it will be about \$30,000 worth of masks to the community. So  
3468 that's the cost for COVID.

3469 This is something that I think is, is very important to the discussion, just to show  
3470 what the Staff has been doing. And I would venture to say, if you looked at all the  
3471 municipalities in Palm Beach County, we are the leaders. Feeding South Florida, in  
3472 totality, we've fed over five thousand families or five thousand car loads of individuals,  
3473 however you want to handle that. We've provided hot lunches, produce, four hundred  
3474 and fifty cars, we've assisted in providing help for hospitality and Helping Hands for  
3475 Seniors. Heron Estates, we've dropped off massive quantities of food, masks, PPE's,  
3476 everything that we, we can do. We provided assistance to St. George, as well as other  
3477 individuals throughout the community when you look at the basic necessities that are  
3478 needed to sustain life. We've also moved forward with mass distributions. We opened  
3479 up four sites in our community for surgical mask distributions and we gave out roughly  
3480 about, close to thirteen to fourteen thousand masks. We have also assisted some funeral  
3481 homes, as well as some folks in our community that are having funerals, with providing  
3482 them the appropriate PPE so they can be safe. And, we are rolling out something that is

3483 very innovative and creative that no other municipality, I would argue in the state, is doing,  
3484 as early as Friday. We will be mailing out thirteen thousand surgical masks to individuals  
3485 within our community and we have provided a letter from the City Council that will be a  
3486 part of the distribution of those surgical masks. We are probably one of, one of the only,  
3487 if not the only, City in Palm Beach County to enter into a exclusive relationship for  
3488 employee testing, with American Care that is located off Broadway. They have been  
3489 testing our employees that are exhibiting symptoms, and we have worked with them to  
3490 ensure that it is a seamless process. Prior to the conversation that we had with Dr.  
3491 Garcia, American Care was not accepting Aetna. Dr. Garcia made a call to the CEO of  
3492 Aetna and they are accepting our insurance and doing everything to make sure that our  
3493 employees get the appropriate testing. And you're getting test results from American  
3494 Care within three days, where if you go to any other facility, you may see something that  
3495 takes anywhere from seven to ten days. We've ab'.., we were able to open up a public  
3496 testing site under the direction and guidance and leadership by the City Council and we  
3497 were able to spool that up within a five day notice to have testing for our community, and  
3498 we're also gonna be offering additional testing again here on Saturday.

3499 One of the other things that we've been able to work on is making sure that our  
3500 City Staff is trained in NIMS training, National Incident Management System. One of the  
3501 things that is critically important, anyone that is to be an emergency operations leader as  
3502 it relates to a section chief is required to have the training that is provided by FEMA. And  
3503 one of the things we ask for all our employees to do was to get ICS 100, 200, 700 and  
3504 800, and that was an edict that was provided by Administration. So, for all intent and  
3505 purpose, you have hundreds of hours that was expended.., thousands of hours, by the  
3506 employees to be certified in FEMA policies and procedures that assist us in making sure  
3507 that our employees are certified and understand how we would operate. I think I skipped  
3508 a, a slide here.

3509 **Chairperson Botel:** You did that one.

3510 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah. I did this one. Okay. Sorry. There was another slide  
3511 that spoke to... Ah, here we go. This slide is, is very important, it talks about how we've  
3512 led the county with regards to social media posts, over a hundred and seven posts. We've  
3513 reached over a hundred and thirty-five thousand people through Facebook. Our  
3514 Facebook engagements are well over twenty-two thousand, Instagram views are at fifteen  
3515 thousand and YouTube views over a thousand. If you look at the series of meetings that  
3516 we've had since the pandemic started, there's a total of about sixty-four meetings, and I  
3517 can assure you every individual that's on the ICS team is having conversations with the  
3518 employees, with the community, with the elected officials, with department heads. We've  
3519 also had multiple conversations with medical professionals to get a little bit of a better  
3520 understanding as it relates to this virus and how this virus operates. And then, I've had  
3521 conversations with other local municipalities to understand what's happening, so there's  
3522 unity and continuity as it relates to our operation.

3523 We've established a.., an employee call line where, if an employee is exhibiting  
3524 symptoms and they go for testing, we literally call them every day to check on them. That  
3525 has been well over two hundred plus calls. We have scheduled over forty-five tests for

3526 employees. We follow up on them, we have provided a copious amounts of public  
3527 notices, memorandums, posters, letters to the tune of about a hundred and thirty-nine  
3528 and we are putting out multiple pieces of information on a daily basis to ensure that the  
3529 public is informed and engaged of.., about what's going on.

3530 So, there has been a, a lot of work and a lot of effort that has been done by the  
3531 members of the team. Everybody is playing a particular role but, I can tell you from the  
3532 communications from the employees that I've had, is that they are appreciative of the  
3533 information and the, and the content that is provided and they're always informed of  
3534 what's going on. And so, if they have any questions, I think our Administration has made  
3535 ourselves accessible and available to the employees and still we'll remain to do so and  
3536 keeping the, the community and the Council abreast of what's going on as it relates to  
3537 COVID. But there's been a lotta good work and I really do believe some of the things that  
3538 we've done can be a case study as it relates to communication and community efforts  
3539 and some of the operations that we've been able to spool up to support the City and the  
3540 residents.

3541 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. Evans. Given that it is 9:55 p.m., could we get  
3542 somebody to make a motion to extend 'til 10:15, no later so that we can finish up this  
3543 meeting and part of that finishing up will be to set a time to have the special meeting so  
3544 that Mr. McCoy's questions, and others, Ms. Lanier's questions and, and mine, and I'm  
3545 s'.., all of us, can be answered about this pandemic pay. So, can somebody make that  
3546 motion? To extend? [Pause]. Or not. [Pause]. No one's interested. Okay.

3547 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I make a motion to extend for fifteen minutes.

3548 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Second.

3549 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Can I get a s'... Thank you. Okay. Madam Clerk.

3550 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson McCoy?

3551 [Pause]

3552 **Chairperson Botel:** McCoy, a motion to extend for fifteen minutes. 'Til ten after,  
3553 eleven after. [Pause]. McCoy.

3554 **City Clerk Anthony:** It looks like he's frozen.

3555 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle]. He...

3556 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** He's not frozen. He's moving.

3557 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. Councilperson...

3558 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** He hears us.

3559 **City Clerk Anthony:** ...Miller-Anderson?

3560 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Yes.

3561 **City Clerk Anthony:** Councilperson Lanier? [Pause]. Okay. Pro Tem Lawson?

3562 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yes.

3563 **City Clerk Anthony:** Chair Botel? [Pause]. Chair Botel?

3564 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Yes. I'm on. I said yes. Yes.

3565 **City Clerk Anthony:** Okay. [Chuckle]. Councilperson McCoy?

3566 [Pause]

3567 **Chairperson Botel:** He must not be [inaudible]. He does look frozen. Well, we  
3568 got three votes. We can extend for fifteen minutes. So, let's address the first issue, I  
3569 think, before we proceed which is to say, Mr. McCoy, did you... You know, I hate to  
3570 proceed with him frozen like that. Mr. McCoy? He's not frozen, he's kidding. Look at  
3571 him laugh.

3572 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** He is not frozen. He's, he's not frozen at all.  
3573 He's heard us the entire time, I'm sure.

3574 **Councilperson McCoy:** I was...

3575 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr....

3576 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...sleep. I'm sorry.

3577 **Chairperson Botel:** Are you still desirous of having a special meeting?

3578 **Councilperson McCoy:** I'm gonna call a special meeting.

3579 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. So, we don't...

3580 **Councilperson McCoy:** I can just...

3581 **Chairperson Botel:** ...have to ...

3582 **Councilperson McCoy:** I can determine what the Items are on the Agenda. If you  
3583 don't mind.

3584 **Chairperson Botel:** No, not at all. Thank you.

3585 **Councilperson McCoy:** Specifically, we discussed, and my idea was pandemic pay,  
3586 but clearly this has went somewhere else and I don't wanna be included on a vote for  
3587 extending anything other than adjourning because I think.., I would love to see those who  
3588 have opposition, especially the woman from the 3<sup>rd</sup> District who indicated that she didn't  
3589 have enough information but she seemed to be the most opinionated, and I would love to

3590 see that she stands up and tell the members of the working class families, and the unions  
3591 here in the City, that she doesn't wanna discuss what's important to them. So we'll do it  
3592 on a special meeting. And...

3593 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yes. Let's...

3594 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...I don't want the whole Council... I want somebody to get to  
3595 the meeting and tell those folks no. So...

3596 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay.

3597 **Councilperson Lanier:** No, no. No, no. Let's have a special meeting because, Mr.  
3598 McCoy...

3599 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, you go...

3600 **Councilperson Lanier:** I said...

3601 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...ahead and [inaudible] it then.

3602 **Chairperson Botel:** Can we have...

3603 **Councilperson Lanier:** Mr. McCoy.

3604 **Chairperson Botel:** Discussion by City Attorney.

3605 **Councilperson Lanier:** I said, I said before that I wanted to hear all the arguments, I  
3606 wanted to hear all the evidence. You brought things to...

3607 **Councilperson McCoy:** But you debated me...

3608 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...the table tonight...

3609 **Councilperson McCoy:** You debated...

3610 **Councilperson Lanier:** You brought things to the table tonight that I have not heard...

3611 **Chairperson Botel:** We're not having this conversation...

3612 **Chairperson McCoy:** [Inaudible].

3613 **Chairperson Lanier:** [Inaudible].

3614 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Point of order, people. Point of order.

3615 **Councilperson Lanier:** Let's go.

3616 **Chairperson Botel:** Do we have a...

3617 **Councilperson McCoy:** Shirley?

3618 **DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY**

3619 **Chairperson Botel:** Discussion by City Attorney.

3620 **City Attorney Wynn:** No, thank you.

3621 **Councilperson McCoy:** She don't have...

3622 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you.

3623 **Councilperson McCoy:** I know she didn't have anything. Do you have anything,

3624 **Chairperson Botel:** Do we have...

3625 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...Ms. Wynn?

3626 **CITY COUNCLI COMMITTEE REPORTS**

3627 **Chairperson Botel:** City Council committee reports?

3628 **Councilperson McCoy:** You don't have nothing, do you?

3629 **STATEMENTS BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**

3630 **Chairperson Botel:** Statements by Mayor and City Council, starting with the  
3631 Mayor.

3632 [Chuckle]

3633 [Pause]

3634 **Chairperson Botel:** Mayor, are you still there? Mayor Felder. I can't... I'm not  
3635 hearing you. He says I have nothing. I., teachers of the deaf know how to read lips.  
3636 Thank you. Mr. McCoy, anything from you?

3637 **Councilperson McCoy:** No, ma'am.

3638 **Chairperson Botel:** Okay. Thank you. Ms. Miller-Anderson?

3639 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I just wanted to... Well, first of all, are we  
3640 identifying a date or you're just going to make up a date...

3641 **Chairperson Botel:** He's, he's gonna...

3642 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...Mr. McCoy?

3643 **Chairperson Botel:** He's gonna put the Agenda together and run it..., he's gonna...,  
3644 he's on his own out there.

3645 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. Alright.

3646 **Councilperson McCoy:** Former Chairperson, I'm sure you have nothing to do. I mean,  
3647 the District is closed.

3648 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** I'm still on the clock and I still work every day.  
3649 Thank you very much. Mr. Evans, the Board committees, are we gonna bring that for our  
3650 next meeting? For like the League of Cities, the PPA, those Board mee'..., Board  
3651 committees? So that we can select them.

3652 **City Manager Evans:** Yes. We can, we can bring them.

3653 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Okay. And, so, I just... The \$500,000 that  
3654 we're..., that's no longer needed for the Housing Authority, are we able to utilize that  
3655 money for road projects? For..., maybe to help out Mr. McCoy over in his area? Since a  
3656 whole new...

3657 **Councilperson Lanier:** Federal Garden' too.

3658 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah. We, we can reappro'...

3659 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Monroe Heights.

3660 **City Manager Evans:** We can re-appropriate those monies but I do want to say that  
3661 I believe...

3662 **Councilperson Lanier:** Singer Island too.

3663 **City Manager Evans:** ...Mr.... Mr. McCoy does have substantial sector...

3664 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Oh.

3665 **City Manager Evans:** ...monies that is available as well

3666 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Oh.

3667 **Unk.:** Ms. Miller-Anderson...

3668 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Well, he can use that too. We still need to go  
3669 back over to the Park Manor area because of those bicycle...

3670 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah.

3671 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...lanes. So that is certainly something you all  
3672 may wanna keep on your radar.

3673 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah.

3674 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Because, McCoy, you were part of the ones  
3675 cheering that on so I know I have your full support with that.

3676 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, [stammer]... Madam... Former Chair...

3677 [Gavel]

3678 **Councilperson McCoy:** ...Park Manor is not represented just by you, just so you know.

3679 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** That's... I know that, that's exactly...

3680 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible].

3681 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...why I said that. That's why I said [inaudible]...

3682 [Inaudible video playing in background]

3683 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Is somebody watching an old... You wanted to  
3684 hear my voice, from when I was the Chair or something, Mr. McCoy?

3685 **Councilperson Lanier:** Somebody, somebody watching it.

3686 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** [Stammer]...

3687 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Inaudible] you, KaShamba.

3688 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** He's been watching other videos, obviously.

3689 [Chuckles]

3690 **Pro Tem Lawson:** It was definitely McCoy. It looks like [audio skipped] McCoy.

3691 **Councilperson Lanier:** KaShamba, look at his head, KaShamba.

3692 [Chuckles]

3693 **Chairperson Botel:** [Inaudible] be able to mute the microphones for the next  
3694 meeting.

3695 [Inaudible comments]

3696 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** So, the Board committees, the \$500,00, Mr.  
3697 Evans, we'll talk about that. You can come with some ideas of how we can re'...  
3698 redistribute that money.

3699 And then also, I just wanna say thank you...

3700 **Councilperson McCoy:** You won't...

3701 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** ...to...

3702 **Councilperson McCoy:** No. You won't...

3703 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Thank you everyone again. You know, looking  
3704 at the PowerPoint that you just showed, Mr. Evans, I knew there was a lot going on behind  
3705 the scenes but that really put forth a major point of the things that the City has done that  
3706 many cities have not been doing. And I've also gotten calls and, you know, people saying,  
3707 you know, that's a really good thing that we've been doing and so, I appreciate all the  
3708 hard work that all, all workers have put in. You know? Everybody. I'm not just talking  
3709 about Mr. Evans or the department heads, all of our employees have really done a great  
3710 job in trying to make sure that Riviera Beach was really supporting our residents. So, I'd  
3711 like to thank you all for the mask giveaways, the food giveaways, the testing site, and just  
3712 all of that., all of the things that we've done during this time.

3713 So, thank you all so much.

3714 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Ms. Lanier.

3715 **Councilperson Lanier:** I'd like to thank Mr. Evans for that wonderful presentation. It  
3716 brought to light some of the things I didn't know. Thank you, Mr. McCoy for bringing some  
3717 things to light that I did not know. Also, thanks to Mr. Lawson for., Mr. Lawson for the  
3718 testing. I really, really appreciate that. We have another testing coming up this Saturday.  
3719 Mr. Lawson, awesome job. I really can appreciate that because I've been talking about  
3720 testing, I was talking about masks, I've been talking about trying to keep our community  
3721 safe, you know, talking with Ms. Botel in terms of trying to open up things, trying to make  
3722 sure everybody is safe. So, Mr. Lawson, I really appreciate that.

3723 Also, if we have employees who are not being compensated, we need to bring  
3724 them in and to compensate them. So, however that needs to work... And, Mr. McCoy, I  
3725 totally agree with you. There are things that I did not know. There are things that., the  
3726 reason why me and Ms. Miller-Anderson said that, you know, there's a lotta things that  
3727 we don't know. I got four emails as we were speaking about this subject. So yes, we  
3728 could do a special meeting and to add all of this so every employee in the City... And  
3729 guess what? There are thirty-seven municipalities in Palm Beach County. Riviera Beach  
3730 is the only one who has given a hundred percent pay for people who are in the field and  
3731 who are still working. So yes, we want to make sure that all of our four hundred plus  
3732 employees are being compensated.

3733 Now, on, on that note, I want to also say I really appreciate the Mayor giving me  
3734 the opportunity to read the Proclamation for Liz Wade, I want to thank our Chair which  
3735 means that everything that we do people, has to go through our Chair. And the Chair  
3736 decides those issues that we need to be able to look at and to be able to discuss. Now,  
3737 we can bring things to the table but we also need to recognize that we do have a Chair  
3738 and that most things need to be able to come through her to be able to make sure that  
3739 we're all on the same page with this.

3740 And also, a shout out to all of the Riviera Beach Staff, City Staff, everybody from  
3741 Public Works, everybody from Walter over..., and making this happen for us, and  
3742 everybody who is a City employee. I really appreciate it. And then, guess what, we are  
3743 going to get this right and we are going to make sure because, as I said before in the  
3744 beginning, this is a process in the making here. This is a new normal and someone said,  
3745 you know what, you know, you guys are doing these things online, guess what, we are in  
3746 the middle of a pandemic. We are not working from home, we are working from home  
3747 during a pandemic. So, we have to understand that everything is not gonna go smoothly,  
3748 we are learning as we go. And Mr. Evans, thank you again for all your hard work and  
3749 especially for Ms. Deirdre Jacobs and ReChee Huff for the work that they do. Thank you  
3750 guys so much, I appreciate it.

3751 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you. Mayor Felder, I think I missed you earlier and then  
3752 I'm gonna do Mr. Lawson. Mayor Felder, any comments? Or did you say no? Was I  
3753 reading your lips before? Yeah. We still can't hear...

3754 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Mayor Felder said no.

3755 **Chairperson Botel:** Sorry, Mayor. Mr. Law'..., Councilwoman..., Councilperson  
3756 Lawson.

3757 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you, Madam Chair. I actually had a request for Mr. Evans. I  
3758 wanted to get an update, because I received a message yesterday from Brother Willie Bo  
3759 that recently passed, Councilman McCoy's uncle, and there was a request in regards to  
3760 a street naming from his youngest daughter. I had a question, do we ever implement a  
3761 process to go ahead and talk about the street renamings? Because I know we had had  
3762 this discussion when we talked about the cost of the street naming, we talked about the  
3763 process, the, the pa'..., the survey, we wanted to take from residents. There was a few  
3764 things but I don't know if we put a process in place.

3765 **City Manager Evans:** We..., I have the research. We haven't put a process in place  
3766 but that's something that I can bring back to the Council for a discussion, 'cause I've seen,  
3767 you know, multiple cities from the research, handle it multiple ways and so I can provide  
3768 you...

3769 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Right.

3770 **City Manager Evans:** ...a matrix and some policy recommendations.

3771 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Yeah. I definitely wanna have something in place, 'cause we have  
3772 some very well qualified residents, but if we're gonna take a uniformed approach at it, I  
3773 wanna make sure we do the right thing.

3774 Also, I wanted to commend Ms. A'..., the City, actually, on the parade that was  
3775 hosted for Ms. Allie May. That was amazing. We literally had a resident that turned a  
3776 hundred years old and all of our colleagues were out there in support and it was an  
3777 amazing..., amazing thing to see. And some of the things that I see here in the City, a lot  
3778 of other municipalities are kinda looking at us as the pillars of the community, of the staple

3779 of what a municipality is supposed to look like. And, I, I really commend my Staff because  
3780 they're just literally the spokespersons for our residents, but you guys are executing  
3781 everything that the residents are asking for and I wanna thank everybody for that.

3782 I do have a request though. On May 15, 2019, we discussed the disparity study.  
3783 There was the discussion with Ms. Deirdre Jacobs and our Procurement Director, Mr.  
3784 Little and we talked about, and actually passed a vote, 5-0, to talk about collecting and  
3785 starting to collect data immediately. We also talked about hiring a consultant to start  
3786 looking at the process of implementing a WMBE program for the City. We were instructed  
3787 that, in October 2018, we adopted a system, Tyler Munis, that would allow for us to start  
3788 collecting the data and I was instructed that we would start doing that. So, I wanted to  
3789 make sure that, Mr. Evans, that we're putting this in place because, as of today, we still  
3790 haven't begin collecting the data, and I know that we voted on this back in May or 2019  
3791 to begin doing it. So, we are almost a year behind collecting the data right now. So, while  
3792 we have this time and the ability to do it, I really want this to kinda be an initiative that we  
3793 take aggressive approach of.

3794 **Chairperson Botel:** Thank you, Mr. Lawson. Was that it?

3795 **Pro Tem Lawson:** Thank you.

3796 **Chairperson Botel:** I have just a couple of things. You know, we only have about  
3797 two minutes left. If you look over toward the Island, look toward the ocean, you'll see that  
3798 the Tiara is lit up in blue, all blue lights, all forty-four stories of it and that is because we're  
3799 participating on Singer Island in a project called Light it Blue, which is a national project  
3800 designed to [audio skipped] put blue lights on their houses and businesses to say thank  
3801 you to the essential workers in our community. And, all of Singer Island, including Palm  
3802 Beach Shores will be doing that, and if any of my colleagues are interested in doing the  
3803 same kinda thing with their constituencies and their Districts, I'm happen to tell you where  
3804 we're getting our lightbulbs and where we're getting our blue gel and so on. I think it's  
3805 kind of a fun thing, something for us to do to really say thank you. We'll be having a, a  
3806 very small virtual ceremony to kick it off officially on Tuesday of next week. Everyone is  
3807 invited to come to the Ocean Walk Mall. Wear your masks, we'll be socially distancing  
3808 and I hope to get some drone footage of the whole Island lit up in blue. Even the Marriott,  
3809 the sign on the Marriot has blue gel in front of it. So, that'll be a fun...

3810 **Councilperson Lanier:** And, and Chair Botel, I don't mean to interrupt you but could I  
3811 ask the Councilman from District 1 to be able to provide me with some sector funding for  
3812 my blue lights, please?

3813 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle]. I'm sure he'd be happy to do that.

3814 **Councilperson McCoy:** Well, Madam Chair, if I may?

3815 **Chairperson Botel:** Yes. Go ahead.

3816 **Councilperson McCoy:** The, the, the distinguished Member from District 1 doesn't  
3817 own any sector one funding, so it's not my money.

3818 **Councilperson Lanier:** [Chuckle].

3819 **Councilperson McCoy:** As long as it's used in District 1. Anybody...

3820 **Chairperson Botel:** [Chuckle]. Well, you two can take that offline. I.., I just...

3821 **Councilperson McCoy:** No, we can't. Uh-uh-uh.

3822 **Chairperson Botel:** No, you can't. I'm sorry. I didn't say that.

3823 **Councilperson McCoy:** Madam Chair, you won't set me up like that.

3824 **Chairperson Botel:** I wanna remind parents from Lincoln, Washington, Bethune,  
3825 JFK, which are the four schools I'm working with to provide food, please, if you don't.., if  
3826 you can't get to the feeding sites, let your principals know and we'll deliver food to you.  
3827 And thank you again to Mr. Evans for helping us with that project.

3828 I will be looking to find a Library Board volunteer from Singer Island. Apparently,  
3829 there's [inaudible] now and [inaudible] from District 4. So I'll be, at our next meeting, I'll,  
3830 I'll give a little description of what the Library committee involves.

3831 I also want to thank you, Mr. Evans, for a wonderful presentation. It's amazing  
3832 how much work you've been doing and I really appreciate it. I know we all do.

3833 I have a question. Someone came to me lately.., today, about campaign signs.  
3834 Do we have any idea how much in advance of a campaign people can put signs up? I  
3835 thought it was thirty days but I could be wrong. Maybe by the next [audio skipped].

3836 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah. I'll, I'll check.., I'll check with Code Compliance and  
3837 Legal and all that, 'cause that's always a, a contentious point and we'll send out an email  
3838 for direction for that. So.., and I see a lot of heads shaking no. So [chuckle]... We'll,  
3839 we'll...

3840 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible].

3841 **City Manager Evans:** ...provide some additional clarity.

3842 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** We do this every three years around this time,  
3843 we bring that up. Yeah.

3844 [Chuckles]

3845 **Councilperson Miller-Anderson:** Ms. Anthony knows what I'm talking about.

3846 **Councilperson McCoy:** Mr. Bailey knows. There's Mr. Bailey, he knows.

3847 **Councilperson Lanier:** Yeah. Somebody... KaShamba...

3848 **Councilperson McCoy:** [Inaudible].

3849 **Councilperson Lanier:** ...signs but I digress.

3850 **Chairperson Botel:** Alright. Anyone else for the good of the order? If not...

3851 **City Manager Evans:** [Stammer]...

3852 **Chairperson Botel:** Mr. Evans.

3853 **City Manager Evans:** Yeah. And, and, and for, for all the mothers out there, Happy  
3854 Mother's Day, and if you haven't gotten your mom flowers, you still have a little bit of time.  
3855 Flowers dot com just sent me a notification, so don't forget.

3856 **Chairperson Botel:** Right. Anything else? Good.

3857 **ADJOURNMENT**

3858 **Chairperson Botel:** This meeting is adjourned. Thank you.

3859 **Councilperson McCoy:** Happy Mother's Day.

3860 [End of video]

**City Employees, Public Comment Speakers and Others**

John Coyle Poe

Norman Bain

Micala Jeune

Keith Whitaker

Alexa Guy

Jermaine Haynes

Noble Mays

Byron Russell

Leondra Swalis

Alphons Brenet

Portia Lockhart

Tiana Holman

Alana Ward

Executive Director of the Housing Authority .....Executive Director of Housing  
John Hurt John Hurt

Housing Trust Group Brian Finney .....Mr. B. Finney

Housing Authority Chair Delvin Thomas.....Mr. D. Thomas

Alicia Ward

Olivia Brown

Monterique Freeze

Colby Hicks

Life of Sam

Rosa Martin

Cameren Anai

Gilberto Davilla

Malcolm Sommons

Deborah Hall

Ms. D. Hall

Joseph Brenner

Marvelous Washington

Fane Lozman

Skilled Management & Maintenance Services Kena Brown

J.B. Dixon

Kerri Barsh

Acting Development Services Director Jeff Gagnon

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Public Works Director Terrence Bailey

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Cheryl Austin

Phil Austin

Finance and Administrative Services Director Randy Sherman

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**DATE APPROVED:**   **JUNE 3, 2020**

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 6/3/2020

**Agenda Category:** CONSENT RESOLUTION

**Subject:** Resolution to Extend the Palm Beach County CDBG Agreement For Avenue "M".

**Recommendation/Motion:** Staff recommends that the City Council approve the resolution.

<b>Originating Dept</b>	Public Works	<b>Costs</b>
<b>User Dept.</b>	Public Works	<b>Funding Source</b>
<b>Advertised</b>	No	<b>Budget Account Number</b>
<b>Date</b>		
<b>Paper</b>		
<b>Affected Parties</b>	Not Required	

**Background/Summary:**

The City's annual submission of an application to Palm Beach County Department of Economic Sustainability for receipt of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for FY 2018-2019 for the reconstruction of Avenue "M" from West 23rd Street to West 27<sup>th</sup> Street; which is identified in the Northwest Neighborhood Strategy Area has been granted. This means that Palm Beach County has approved the application and is providing grant funding in the amount of \$160,890 for the aforementioned project.

Avenue "M" Neighborhood Improvement Projects have been scheduled for reconstruction for fiscal year 2018-19. The Projects consist of demolition of the roadway, construction of asphalt pavement roadway, water system, sanitary sewer system, curb, gutter and improvements to sidewalks. The Project initiated construction in April 2019 and due to startup delays, Hurricane Dorian, and other logistical challenges, the Contractor has requested a contract time extension.

At the October 2, 2019 City Council meeting, Resolution 95-19 was authorized for the execution of Amendment 001 extending the contract with Palm Beach County to January 31, 2020. The contractor has requested another extension extending the Project's time for construction until June 30, 2020 which also requires an amendment to the agreement with Palm Beach County.

<b>Fiscal Years</b>	2019				
<b>Capital Expenditures</b>					
<b>Operating Costs</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>External Revenues</b>					
<b>Program Income (city)</b>	NA				



Public Works	Bailey, Terrance	Approved	5/21/2020 - 2:28 PM
Purchasing	Pemsel, Althea	Approved	5/28/2020 - 9:16 AM
Finance	sherman, randy	Approved	5/28/2020 - 11:11 AM
Attorney	Wynn, Dawn	Approved	5/28/2020 - 11:19 AM
City Clerk	Robinson, Claudene	Approved	5/28/2020 - 11:46 AM
City Manager	Jacobs, Deirdre	Approved	5/28/2020 - 5:50 PM



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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH – MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** HON. MAYOR, CHAIRPERSON AND CITY COUNCIL

**THROUGH:** JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, MPA, MBA, ICMA-CM

**FROM:** TERRENCE BAILEY, P.E., INTERIM PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

**SUBJECT:** CDBG FY 18-19 AVENUE “M” AGREEMENT- AMENDMENT 003

**DATE:** CITY COUNCIL MEETING, 6/3/2020

**CC:** GENERAL PUBLIC

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**Background:**

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**Citywide Goal:**

The Citywide Goal is to “*Build Better Neighborhoods*”.

**Budget/Fiscal Impact:**

The Project as described above is currently in the City’s 5-year capital budget.

**Recommendation(s):**

It is recommended that the Council approve the CDBG FY18-19 Avenue “M” Agreement-Amendment 003.

**Attachment(s):**

1. Resolution
2. Location Map
3. Agreement Amendment 001
4. Agreement Amendment 002
5. Agreement Amendment 003

RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AMENDMENT 003 TO THE EXISTING PALM BEACH COUNTY CDBG AGREEMENT (R2018-2001) FOR THE STREET IMPROVEMENTS ALONG AVENUE "M" FROM WEST 23<sup>RD</sup> STREET TO WEST 27<sup>TH</sup> STREET - NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AMENDMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City has been awarded Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds in the amount of \$160,890 through Resolution No. 112-18 as well as Amendment 001 by Resolution 95-19; and

**WHEREAS**, Palm Beach County has approved said application to be utilized for the reconstruction of Avenue "M" from West 23<sup>rd</sup> Street to West 27<sup>th</sup> Street; and

**WHEREAS**, due to the startup delays, COVID - 19, and other logistical challenges, the contractor has requested a contract extension which simultaneously impacts the City's agreement with Palm Beach County; and

**WHEREAS**, The Mayor and City Clerk may execute the amendment to adjust the project schedule.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA as follows:**

**SECTION 1.** The Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to execute the Contract Amendment.

**SECTION 2.** That the Resolution takes effect upon its passage and approval by City Council.

**PASSED and APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
Page 2 of 2

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REVIEWED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

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DAWN S. WYNN, CITY ATTORNEY

K. MILLER-ANDERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

S. LANIER: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

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D. LAWSON: \_\_\_\_\_

AVENUE "M" IMPROVEMENT PROJECT  
LOCATION MAP

60 30 0 60 Feet



**AMENDMENT 001 TO THE AGREEMENT  
WITH  
CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH**

**Amendment 001** entered into on \_\_\_\_\_ by and between **Palm Beach County** and the **City of Riviera Beach**

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, Palm Beach County entered into an Agreement (R2018-2001) with the City of Riviera Beach on October 22, 2018, to provide \$160,890 of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for street improvements along Avenue M in Riviera Beach; and

**WHEREAS**, the Subrecipient has requested the County to extend the Agreement and update the monthly performance requirements contained therein; and

**WHEREAS**, both parties desire to amend the original Agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, and various other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

**A. INCORPORATION OF RECITALS**

The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference. Terms not defined herein shall have the same meaning as ascribed to them in the Agreement.

**B. SECTION 6: MAXIMUM COMPENSATION**

Delete "December 31, 2019" and replace it with "February 28, 2020".

**C. SECTION 7: TIME OF PERFORMANCE**

Delete "January 31, 2020" and replace it with "February 28, 2020".

**D. EXHIBIT A – WORK PROGRAM NARRATIVE: SECTION I.G – MONTHLY PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Delete the Monthly Performance Requirements and dates and replace them with the following:

Advertise, Accept Bids and Award Contract by:	March 2019
Start Construction by:	June 2019
34% of Funds Expended by:	July 15, 2019
Complete Construction by:	December 2019
Submit Final Reimbursement by:	January 2020
100% of Funds Expended by:	February 2020

**NOTE: 100% of the CDBG funds awarded must be expended by February, 2020, and all necessary reimbursement documentation to meet this expenditure requirement must be submitted to HES, no later than January, 2020.**

Except as modified by this Amendment 001, the Agreement remains unmodified and in full force and effect in accordance with the terms thereof. This Amendment 001 is expressly contingent upon the approval of the County and shall become effective only when signed by all parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Subrecipient and the County have caused this Amendment 001 to be executed on the date first above written.

(MUNICIPALITY SEAL BELOW)

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ronnie L. Felder , Mayor

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Claudene L. Anthony, CMC, City Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney for Municipality (Optional)

**PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, a  
Political Subdivision of the State of Florida  
For its BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jonathan B. Brown, Director  
Department of Housing & Economic Sustainability

Approved as to Form and  
Legal Sufficiency

Approved as to Terms and Conditions  
Department of Housing & Economic Sustainability

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Howard J. Falcon III  
Assistant County Attorney

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sherry Howard  
Deputy Director



PALM BEACH COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & ECONOMIC SUSTAINABILITY

DOCUMENT TRANSMITTAL

TO: City of Riviera Beach

December 17, 2019

RE: Amendment 002: Avenue M Project

**PLEASE RETURN YOUR AMENDMENT PER THE FOLLOWING:**

**1. BLUE INK:** SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS IN BLUE INK

**2. SEAL:** INCLUDE AGENCY/MUNICIPALITY SEAL ON ALL DOCUMENTS

IF YOUR ORGANIZATION DOES NOT HAVE A SEAL, 1) ATTACH A LETTER ON YOUR LETTERHEAD STATING SO, **AND** 2) PRINT THE WORD “SEAL” WITHIN A CIRCLE AT THE LOCATION INDICATED FOR THE AGENCY SEAL.

**3. DO NOT INSERT A DATE** ON THE DOCUMENTS. HES WILL INSERT THE DATE

**Please forward a copy of your insurance certificate with the executed Amendment 002**

PLEASE RETURN ALL DOCUMENTS TO:

Joe Greco  
Department of Housing & Economic Sustainability  
100 Australian Avenue, Suite 500  
West Palm Beach, FL 33406  
Phone: 561-233-3617;  
e-mail: [jgreco2@pbcgov.org](mailto:jgreco2@pbcgov.org)

JAN 06 2020

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH

**AMENDMENT 002 TO THE AGREEMENT**  
**WITH**  
**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH**

Amendment 002 entered into on \_\_\_\_\_ by and between **Palm Beach County** and the **City of Riviera Beach**

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, Palm Beach County entered into an Agreement (R2018-2001) with the City of Riviera Beach on October 22, 2018, as amended by Amendment 001 (R2019-1768) on October 31, 2019, to provide \$160,890 of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for street improvements along Avenue M in the City of Riviera Beach; and

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Delete the Monthly Performance Requirements and dates and replace them with the following:

Complete Construction by: April 2020  
Submit Final Reimbursement/Close-out Documentation by: June 2020

Except as modified by this Amendment 002, and previously by Amendment 001, the Agreement remains unmodified and in full force and effect in accordance with the terms thereof. This Amendment 002 is expressly contingent upon the approval of the County and shall become effective only when signed by all parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Subrecipient and the County have caused this Amendment 002 to be executed on the date first above written.

(MUNICIPALITY SEAL BELOW)

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ronnie L. Felder , Mayor

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Claudene L. Anthony, CMC, City Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney for Municipality (Optional)

**PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, a  
Political Subdivision of the State of Florida  
For its BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jonathan B. Brown, Director  
Department of Housing & Economic Sustainability

Approved as to Form and  
Legal Sufficiency

Approved as to Terms and Conditions  
Department of Housing & Economic Sustainability

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Howard J. Falcon III  
Assistant County Attorney

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sherry Howard  
Deputy Director

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**AMENDMENT 003 TO THE AGREEMENT  
WITH  
CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH**

**Amendment 003**, with an effective date of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020, by and between **Palm Beach County** and the **City of Riviera Beach**.

**WITNESSETH:**

**WHEREAS**, Palm Beach County entered into an Agreement (R2018-2001) with the City of Riviera Beach on October 22, 2018, as amended by Amendment 002 (R2020-0258) on February 11, 2020 to extend monthly performance requirements due to construction delays, and Amendment 001 (R2019-1768) on October 31, 2019 to provide \$160,890 of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for street improvements along Avenue M in the City of Riviera Beach, and

**WHEREAS**, the Subrecipient has requested a time extension for project completion due to the project construction delays and the COVID-19 Pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, both parties desire to amend the original Agreement in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, and various other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

**A. INCORPORATION OF RECITALS**

The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference. Terms not defined herein shall have the same meaning as ascribed to them in the Agreement.

**B. SECTION 6 - MAXIMUM COMPENSATION**

Replace the **Project Completion date** of "April 30, 2020" with "**June 30, 2020**".

**C. SECTION 7 – TIME OF PERFORMANCE**

Final **Reimbursement/Close-out date** of "June 30, 2020" remains "**June 30, 2020**".

**D. EXHIBIT A – WORK PROGRAM NARRATIVE: SECTION I.G - MONTHLY PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS**

Delete this Section and replace it with the following:

"The time-frame for completion of the outlined activities shall be June 30, 2020".

Complete Construction by:	June 2020
Submit Final Reimbursement/Close-out Documentation by:	June 30, 2020

**NOTE: The City of Riviera Beach must submit all necessary reimbursement documentation to DHES no later than June 30, 2020.**

Except as modified by this Amendment 003, and previously by Amendment 002 and Amendment 001, the Agreement remains unmodified and in full force and effect in accordance with the terms thereof. This Amendment 003 is expressly contingent upon the approval of the County and shall become effective only when signed by all parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Subrecipient and County have caused this Amendment 003 to be executed on the date first above written.

(MUNICIPALITY SEAL BELOW)

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ronnie L. Felder, Mayor

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Claudene L. Anthony, CMC, City Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Attorney for Municipality (Optional)

**PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, a  
Political Subdivision of the State of Florida**

**For its BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jonathan B. Brown, Director  
Dept. of Housing & Economic Sustainability

Approved as to Form and  
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By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Howard J. Falcon III  
Chief Assistant County Attorney

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sherry Howard,  
Deputy Director

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 6/3/2020

**Agenda Category:** DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

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**Subject:** TRAIN CROSSINGS/QUIET ZONES

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**Recommendation/Motion:** Verbal presentation only.

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<b>Originating Dept</b>	CITY MANAGER/PUBLIC WORKS	<b>Costs</b>	NA
<b>User Dept.</b>	PUBLIC WORKS	<b>Funding Source</b>	
<b>Advertised</b>	No	<b>Budget Account Number</b>	
<b>Date</b>			
<b>Paper</b>			
<b>Affected Parties</b>	Not Required		

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**Background/Summary:**

Verbal presentation only.

**Fiscal Years**

**Capital Expenditures**

**Operating Costs**

**External Revenues**

**Program Income (city)**

**In-kind Match (city)**

**Net Fiscal Impact**

**NO. Additional FTE Positions  
(cumulative)**

**III. Review Comments**

A. Finance Department Comments:

B. Purchasing/Intergovernmental Relations/Grants Comments:

C. Department Director Review:

Contract Start Date

Contract End Date

Renewal Start Date

Renewal End Date

Number of 12 month terms this renewal

Dollar Amount

Contractor Company Name

Contractor Contact

Contractor Address

Contractor Phone Number

Contractor Email

Type of Contract

Describe

REVIEWERS:

<b>Department</b>	<b>Reviewer</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Date</b>
City Manager	Huff, ReChee	Approved	3/11/2020 - 7:02 PM

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 6/3/2020

**Agenda Category:** REGULAR RESOLUTION

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**Subject:** Request to appropriate fund balance in the Major Disaster Fund Account for Hurricane Preparedness.

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**Recommendation/Motion:** The Police Department and the Hurricane Preparation Committee recommends that this Resolution be approved for the appropriation of the fund balance for Hurricane Preparedness.

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<b>Originating Dept</b>	Police	<b>Costs</b>
<b>User Dept.</b>	Police	<b>Funding Source</b>
<b>Advertised</b>	No	<b>Budget Account Number</b> 607-00-271000
<b>Date</b>		
<b>Paper</b>		
<b>Affected Parties</b>	Not Required	

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**Background/Summary:**

The City of Riviera Beach is currently preparing for Hurricane Season 2020, which occurs from June 1 through November 30.

City staff will be utilizing the temporary Public Works facility as the City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in the event of a Hurricane or other natural disaster, which may require staff to remain on-site for extended periods of 24 hours or more. City staff, Police, and Fire Personnel are also housed at other City facilities.

In order to ensure the safety of City Staff assigned to the EOC or other facilities during such major weather events, staff recommends various enhancements to the facilities. Accordingly, staff requests to appropriate fund balance in the Major Disaster Fund account.

There is no conflict with any existing City Policy in this Agenda Item.

**Fiscal Years**  
**Capital Expenditures**  
**Operating Costs**

**External Revenues**  
**Program Income (city)**  
**In-kind Match (city)**  
**Net Fiscal Impact**  
**NO. Additional FTE Positions**  
**(cumulative)**

**III. Review Comments**

A. Finance Department Comments:

B. Purchasing/Intergovernmental Relations/Grants Comments:

C. Department Director Review:

Contract Start Date  
 Contract End Date  
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 Number of 12 month terms this renewal  
 Dollar Amount  
 Contractor Company Name  
 Contractor Contact  
 Contractor Address  
 Contractor Phone Number  
 Contractor Email  
 Type of Contract  
 Describe

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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PD- Memo_Allocation_of_Disaster_Funds_for_2020_Hurricane_Preparedness.pdf	Disaster Fund Appropriation - Council Memo - 2020	5/28/2020	Cover Memo
PD- Resolution_Allocation_of_Disaster_Fund_for_2020_Hurricane_Prepareness.pdf	Resolution - Disaster Fund Appropriation 2020	5/28/2020	Resolution
Budget_-_Major_Disaster_Fund_FY2020_05-26-2020.xlsx	Disaster Fund Appropriation	5/26/2020	Backup Material

REVIEWERS:

<b>Department</b>	<b>Reviewer</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Date</b>
Police	Madden, Michael	Approved	4/28/2020 - 5:52 PM
Purchasing	Pemsel, Althea	Approved	4/29/2020 - 11:25 AM
Finance	sherman, randy	Rejected	5/11/2020 - 10:52 AM
Police	Madden, Michael	Approved	5/26/2020 - 8:15 AM
Purchasing	Pemsel, Althea	Approved	5/28/2020 - 9:19 AM
Finance	sherman, randy	Approved	5/28/2020 - 11:09 AM
Attorney	Wynn, Dawn	Approved	5/28/2020 - 11:18 AM
City Clerk	Robinson, Claudene	Approved	5/28/2020 - 11:45 AM
City Manager	Jacobs, Deirdre	Approved	5/28/2020 - 5:50 PM



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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH – MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** HON. MAYOR, CHAIRPERSON AND CITY COUNCIL

**THROUGH:** JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, MPA, MBA, ICMA-CM

**FROM:** NATHAN OSGOOD, CHIEF OF POLICE

**SUBJECT:** **THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT SEEKS APPROVAL TO APPROPRIATE THE FUND BALANCE IN THE MAJOR DISASTER FUND ACCOUNT FOR HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS**

**DATE:** JUNE 3, 2020

**CC:** GENERAL PUBLIC

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**Background:**

The City of Riviera Beach is currently preparing for Hurricane Season 2020, which occurs from June 1 through November 30.

City staff will be utilizing the temporary Public Works facility as the City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in the event of a Hurricane or other natural disaster, which may require staff to remain on-site for extended periods of 24 hours or more. City staff, Police, and Fire Personnel are also housed at other City facilities.

In order to ensure the safety of City Staff assigned to the EOC or other facilities during such major weather events, staff recommends various enhancements to the facilities. Accordingly, staff requests to appropriate fund balance in the Major Disaster Fund account.

There is no conflict with any existing City Policy in this Agenda Item.



**Citywide Goal:**

These enhancements are necessary to ensure that the City's Emergency Management staff can plan and respond appropriately to the City's needs during a disaster.

**Budget/Fiscal Impact:**

EOC Infrastructure funds in the amount of \$100,000, will be used to secure/rent a large capacity generator and the required diesel fuel to power the Emergency Operations Center for the 6-month hurricane season. Additionally, funds will support miscellaneous enhancements for food preparation areas, which proved to be inadequate during Hurricane Dorian, as well as other unforeseen hardening measures.

Disaster Fund appropriation request for FY2020 is \$100,000.

**Recommendation(s):**

The Police Department and the Hurricane Preparation Committee recommends that this Resolution be approved for the appropriation of the fund balance for Hurricane Preparedness.

**Attachment(s):**

1. Resolution
2. Disaster Fund Appropriation Budget 2020

RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO APPROPRIATE FUND BALANCE IN THE MAJOR DISASTER FUND NUMBER 607-00-271000 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000 FOR HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS; AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO SET UP A BUDGET FOR SAME; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, The City is preparing for the 2020 Hurricane Season, which occurs June 1 through November 30; and

**WHEREAS**, City staff will be utilizing the temporary Public Works Facility as the City's Emergency Operations Center as well as to house emergency personnel during an event; and

**WHEREAS**, City staff recommends various enhancements to the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) to ensure that the health and safety of employees are not compromised during potential inclement weather events; and

**WHEREAS**, the recommended enhancements are necessary to ensure that the City's emergency management staff is adequately equipped to strategically plan and readily respond to the community's needs during a disaster.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA, that:**

**SECTION 1:** The City Council authorizes the Director of Finance and Administrative Services to appropriate fund balance in the Major Disaster Fund Number 607-00-271000 in the amount of \$100,000 for Hurricane Preparedness.

**SECTION 2:** The City Council authorizes the Director of Finance and Administrative Services to set up a budget for same.

**RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_**

**PAGE 2 of 3**

**SECTION 3:** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its passage and approval by the City Council.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.**

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RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

PAGE 3 of 3

APPROVED:

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RONNIE L. FELDER  
MAYOR

\_\_\_\_\_  
JULIA A. BOTEL, Ed.D  
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

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KASHAMBA MILLER-ANDERSON  
COUNCILPERSON

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SHIRLEY D. LANIER  
COUNCILPERSON

MOTIONED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

REVIEWED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

SECONDED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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DAWN S. WYNN, CITY ATTORNEY

J. BOTEL: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

D. LAWSON: \_\_\_\_\_

T. MCCOY: \_\_\_\_\_

K. MILLER-ANDERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

S. LANIER: \_\_\_\_\_

## Major Disaster Fund Appropriation - FY2020

	Description	QTY	Unit Price	Cost
<b>EOC Infrastructure</b>				
Back-up Generator	Generator Rental (rented by the month) to power PW Facility/EOC	6	12,000	72,000
Generator Fuel	Diesel Fuel	1	8,000	8,000
Miscellaneous	Miscellaneous EOC items for food prep, hardening, etc.	1	20,000	20,000

**Total Budget Request      #REF!**

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 6/3/2020

**Agenda Category:** REGULAR RESOLUTION

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**Subject:** A resolution authorizing the purchase and delivery of a Global M4 Street Sweeper from Southern Sewer Equipment Sales by utilizing the Florida Sheriffs Association Contract number FSA19-VEH17.0 and Sourcewell Contract #2020-120716 NAF; authorizing the Director of Finance and Administrative Services to make payment for same from account number 460-321101-564000 in the amount of \$268,287.00.

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**Recommendation/Motion:** Staff recommends that the City Council approve the Resolution.

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<b>Originating Dept</b>	Public Works	<b>Costs</b>	\$268,287.00
<b>User Dept.</b>	Public Works	<b>Funding Source</b>	
<b>Advertised</b>	No	<b>Budget Account Number</b>	
<b>Date</b>			
<b>Paper</b>			
<b>Affected Parties</b>	Not Required		

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**Background/Summary:**

In 2014, the City purchased a Schewarze Freightliner A7 sweeper truck. The purpose and intent of the sweeper truck serves as a critical component of the stormwater maintenance network. Sweeper trucks remove dirt and debris from the curblin in an attempt to keep these materials from entering the stormwater system. Organic material such as tree limbs, leaves, and grass clippings, if left to enter the network, will oxidize and decompose releasing soluble nutrients into the water column. This surcharge of nutrient loading significantly impacts water quality in the receiving water bodies of the Intracoastal. In addition, dirt and debris entering the network will clog pores of exfiltration trenches which shortens their useful life, decreases efficacy, and increases maintenance costs.

The purchase of the Global M4 will decrease the down time of dumping debris to East Central Regional Water Reclamation Facility drying beds, which is a 22 mile round trip. The City will be able to dump the debris into roll off dumpsters which should save a significant amount of disposal dump fees or into a dump truck so the sweeper can resume sweeping.

The Global M4 is a non-CDL vehicle which broadens the usage among personnel. It operates at 76 dBA level, just short of the sound of a garbage disposal at 80 dBA level. This is ideal considering early morning or night sweeping activity.

The street sweeping system's primary goal is to improve water quality by reducing pollutants in stormwater

runoff. The Stormwater Master Plan identified street sweeping as a key activity for the operation and maintenance of the City of Riviera Beach stormwater system. Street sweeping is recognized as a Best Management Practice (BMP) as part of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) requirements that apply to the City of Riviera Beach with respect to stormwater. Streets and parking lots accumulate pollutants that contribute to stormwater pollutant runoff to surface waters. Pollutants, including sediment, debris, trash and trace metals can be minimized by street sweeping. Street sweeping can also control dust and decrease the accumulation of pollutants in catch basins.

Further, street sweeping serves to improve the appearance of the City of Riviera Beach in general and in particular the aesthetics of municipal roadways. Streets that are swept on a regular cycle support the removal of litter and other debris from curb to curb (area within the curb limits of the street including medians, intersections and street ends).

The Public Works Department determines the final conduct of sweeping services to include the scheduling and suspension or cancellation of such operations for any given period or time. As such, street sweeping operations are not performed during moderate to heavy rainfall seasons and events.

<b>Fiscal Years</b>	2020	
<b>Capital Expenditures</b>	\$268,287.00	
<b>Operating Costs</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>External Revenues</b>	NA	
<b>Program Income (city)</b>	NA	
<b>In-kind Match (city)</b>	NA	
<b>Net Fiscal Impact</b>	\$268,287.00	
<b>NO. Additional FTE Positions (cumulative)</b>	N/A	

### III. Review Comments

A. Finance Department Comments:

B. Purchasing/Intergovernmental Relations/Grants Comments:

C. Department Director Review:

Contract Start Date

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PW-Memo-Stormwater_Street_Sweeper_Replacement.pdf	City Council Memorandum	5/28/2020	Cover Memo
PW-Resolution_Purchase_Street_Sweeper_Replacement.pdf	Resolution	5/28/2020	Resolution
GLOBAL_M4_BRO_V-022019_VERT_150DPI.pdf	G4 Info Sheet	5/21/2020	Backup Material
Street_Sweeping_Schedule.pdf	Location Map	5/21/2020	Backup Material

REVIEWERS:

<b>Department</b>	<b>Reviewer</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Date</b>
Public Works	Bailey, Terrance	Approved	5/21/2020 - 5:56 PM
Purchasing	Pemsel, Althea	Approved	5/28/2020 - 9:15 AM
Finance	sherman, randy	Approved	5/28/2020 - 10:54 AM
Attorney	Wynn, Dawn	Approved	5/28/2020 - 11:01 AM
City Clerk	Robinson, Claudene	Approved	5/28/2020 - 11:46 AM
City Manager	Jacobs, Deirdre	Approved	5/28/2020 - 5:51 PM



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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH – MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** HON. MAYOR, CHAIRPERSON AND CITY COUNCIL

**THROUGH:** JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, MPA, MBA, ICMA-CM

**FROM:** TERRENCE BAILEY, P.E., PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

**SUBJECT:** **STORMWATER STREET SWEEPER REPLACEMENT**

**DATE:** CITY COUNCIL MEETING, 6/3/2020

**CC:** GENERAL PUBLIC

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**Background:**

In 2014, the City purchased a Schewarze Freightliner A7 sweeper truck. The purpose and intent of the sweeper truck serves as a critical component of the stormwater maintenance network. Sweeper trucks remove dirt and debris from the curblin in an attempt to keep these materials from entering the stormwater system. Organic material such as tree limbs, leaves, and grass clippings, if left to enter the network, will oxidize and decompose releasing soluble nutrients into the water column. This surcharge of nutrient loading significantly impacts water quality in the receiving water bodies of the Intracoastal. In addition, dirt and debris entering the network will clog pores of exfiltration trenches which shortens their useful life, decreases efficacy, and increases maintenance costs.

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The street sweeping system's primary goal is to improve water quality by reducing pollutants in stormwater runoff. The Stormwater Master Plan identified street sweeping as a key activity for the operation and maintenance of the City of Riviera Beach stormwater system. Street sweeping is recognized as a Best Management Practice (BMP) as part of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) requirements that apply to the City of Riviera Beach with respect to stormwater. Streets and parking lots accumulate pollutants that contribute to stormwater pollutant runoff to surface waters. Pollutants, including sediment, debris, trash and trace metals can be minimized by street sweeping. Street sweeping can also control dust and decrease the accumulation of pollutants in catch basins.

Further, street sweeping serves to improve the appearance of the City of Riviera Beach in general and in particular the aesthetics of municipal roadways. Streets that are swept on a regular cycle support the removal of litter and other debris from curb to curb (area within the curb limits of the street including medians, intersections and street ends).

The Public Works Department determines the final conduct of sweeping services to include the scheduling and suspension or cancellation of such operations for any given period or time. As such, street sweeping operations are not performed during moderate to heavy rainfall seasons and events.

**Additional Information:**

**Special Sweeping Events:** Sweeping services shall be provided by special request for such things as parades, carnivals, festivals, and etc.

**Emergency Response Call-Out:** Occasionally, the City of Riviera Beach is required to provide emergency response street sweeping services for material spills or other emergencies that would occur outside of the normal sweeping schedule

**Travel Speed:** The speed of the street sweeper during the street cleaning operation shall be monitored and not exceed more than 7 mph while in sweeping operation.

**Citywide Goal:**

The Citywide Goal is to Build Great Neighborhoods.

**Budget/Fiscal Impact:**

The purchase as described above is currently in the City's 5-year capital budget and the proposal as presented is within the budgeted amount.



**Recommendation(s):**

It is staff's recommendation to approve the Resolution authorizing the purchase of a new street sweeper for the continued operation and maintenance of the City's stormwater network.

**Attachment(s):**

1. Resolution
2. G4 Info Sheet
3. Location Map

RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF A GLOBAL M4 STREET SWEEPER FROM SOUTHERN SEWER EQUIPMENT SALES BY UTILIZING THE FLORIDA SHERIFFS ASSOCIATION CONTRACT NUMBER FSA19-VEH17 AND SOURCEWELL CONTRACT # 2020-120716 NAF; AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO MAKE PAYMENT FOR SAME FROM ACCOUNT NUMBER 460-32101-564000 FOR THE PURCHASE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$268,287.00; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Public Works Department has currently identified the existing street sweeper as a critical asset within the City that has met or exceeded its useful life; and

**WHEREAS**, the existing vehicle is increasing maintenance and repair costs lowering reliability and is no longer cost effective to remain in the fleet; and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Works Department desires to purchase the new vehicle to replace the existing unit; and

**WHEREAS**, the purchase of this new vehicle will ensure fleet reliability, department productivity and lower maintenance and repair costs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA as follows:**

**SECTION 1.** That the City Council authorizes the purchase of a new 2020 vehicle from Alan Jay Fleet Sales by utilizing the Florida Sheriffs Association Contract number FSA19-VEH17.0 and Sourcewell contract # 2020-120716 NAF.

**SECTION 2.** The Director of Finance and Administrative Services is authorized to make payment for same from account number 460-32101-564000 in the amount of \$268,287.00.

**SECTION 3.** That the Resolution take effect upon its passage and approval by City Council.

**PASSED and APPROVED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

APPROVED:

\_\_\_\_\_  
RONNIE L. FELDER  
MAYOR

\_\_\_\_\_  
JULIA A. BOTEL, Ed.D  
CHAIRPERSON

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COUNCILPERSON

MOTIONED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

REVIEWED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

SECONDED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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DAWN S. WYNN, CITY ATTORNEY

K. MILLER-ANDERSON: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

S. LANIER: \_\_\_\_\_

J. BOTEL: \_\_\_\_\_

D. LAWSON: \_\_\_\_\_



# **GLOBAL LM4**

**High-Speed Purpose-Built Street Sweeper  
Designed for Your Needs**

- ▶ 18.5' Turning Radius
- ▶ Cab-Over Design with Unmatched Visibility
- ▶ Large 47" Gutterbrooms designed to clean the curb
- ▶ High-Performance Sweeping Package
- ▶ Unmatched Access to Engine and Sweeping Components
- ▶ Largest in its' class; 5.6 Cubic Yard Hopper with Access Door
- ▶ Lots of Power with Excellent Fuel Efficiency

## **Available Alternative Fuel Options**

- ▶ Compressed Natural Gas
- ▶ Electric Hybrid

*Over 50% Fuel Savings*

# GLOBAL M4

## ULTIMATE PERFORMANCE, SPEED AND POWER

From the modern, comfortable and well appointed operator's cab, to the toughest and most rugged mechanical sweeping system ever built, the **Global M4** is designed to take on the worst of the worst sweeping conditions. **Global M4** will outperform the competition in daily sweeping conditions such as heavy sweeping and leaf pick up.

With a Standard Heavy Duty Sweeping Package, **Global M4** will sweep sand, gravel up to **3-Tons per Minute**. The sweeping speed of 3-11 mph allows for a very efficient operation.

The compact design, exceptional maneuverability (**18.5' Turning Radius**), perfect for any cul-de-sac, and superb visibility make this a perfect choice for any municipal/ governmental agency that is looking for a street sweeper that can simply fit and reduces travel time.

### Global M4 Standard Equipment

- Air Conditioned and Pressurized Cab
- In-Cab Gutterbroom Pressure Adjustment
- Rear View Camera and LCD Monitor
- Leaf Gate System
- Heavy Sweep Package
- Hopper Access Door
- Hopper Automatic Safety Props

### Global M4 Options

- 100% Stainless Steel Hopper
- In-Cab Gutterbroom Tilt
- In-Cab Gutterbroom Speed Control
- AM/FM/CD Stereo with AUX/USB Port & BlueTooth
- Air-Ride Seat
- Elevator and Hopper Wash-Out
- Automatic Greasing System
- (SCAQMD) PM-10 Water System
- Power and Heated Mirrors



## THE BEST PURPOSE-BUILT SWEEPER IN THE INDUSTRY

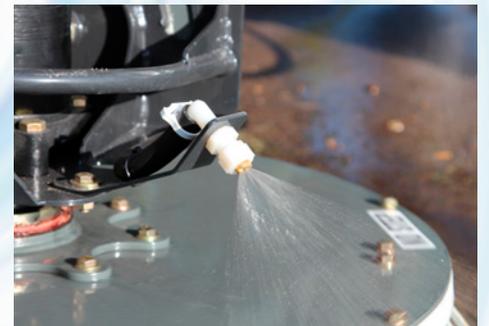


The inherent design of the **Global M4** makes it the logical choice among heavy-duty mechanical sweepers. With the center mounted/cab forward layout the operator has unsurpassed visibility of the road surface as well as pedestrians and surrounding traffic. The large hopper capacity equals more lane miles swept between dump cycles and the **18.5-foot turning radius** makes the **Global M4** highly efficient and comfortable.

**LONG LASTING Polyurethane Dirt Shoes** are designed so that operator can sweep over potholes and rail road tracks and will not damage while sweeping. **Long Life of 1000 hours** is guaranteed. **47" Gutterbrooms** assist in cleaning curbs and heavy Road Millings.



**DUST SUPPRESSION SYSTEM** • **Global M4** includes **250-Gallon Water Tank Capacity** combined with Two(2) Diaphragm Water pumps and Two(2) Modes (LOW/HIGH) provide versatility and superb dust control.



**HEAVY SWEEP PACKAGE** Elevator Type: Standard 11 Flight squeegee with replaceable corded rubber tips; Continuous molded rubber belts combined with standard Heavy Sweep Package make **Global M4** the logical choice for sweeping heavy debris such as road millings, sand and gravel up to **3-Tons per-Minute**. That is one ton of sand every 20 seconds! Standard leaf gate system assists in picking up large debris, bottles, large branches and leaves.



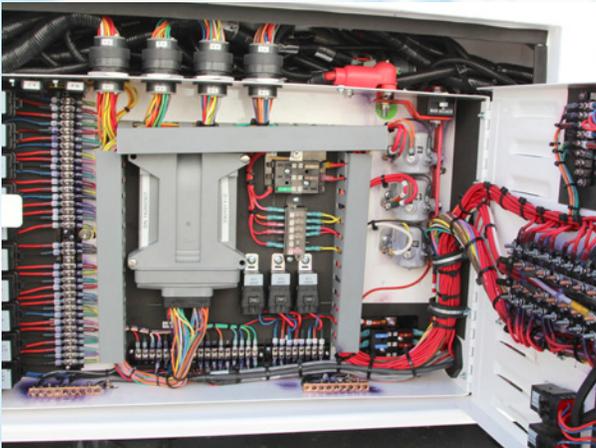
**Global M4** includes a **5.6 cu/yd hopper capacity** compared to 4.5 cu/yd for competitive machines resulting in more curb miles swept between dump cycles. With near Full Useable Capacity, 12,000 Lift Capacity, and the Optional Elevator and Hopper Wash Out System, **Global M4** is **Affordable, Reliable and Innovative**.

# GLOBAL M4

## THE BEST PURPOSE-BUILT SWEEPER IN THE INDUSTRY



**THREE POWERFUL BROOMS** *Optional* Front Articulating brush allows for extra reach to shoulders and center islands. Via In-cab joystick, the articulating front brush can be positioned on left or right side allowing for sweeping on right or left without changing seating positions.



### EASY TROUBLESHOOTING

A centralized, weatherproof systems locker fully protects electrical components from the elements while it allows maintenance staff easy accessibility for inspection and troubleshooting.

### SINGLE ENGINE DESIGN REDUCES MAINTENANCE COSTS

Cummins ISB 6.7L 280 HP turbocharged Engine offers superb performance, less maintenance, and exceptional fuel savings compared to Dual Engine Street Sweepers, while meeting 2019 EPA/CARB Certification.



**ACCESS IT ALL** The *Global M4* features many maintenance-friendly attributes, such as a rear swing-out radiator, easy access front mounted AC condenser, brake and windshield washer fluid reservoirs, and cab fresh air filter.

**REAR VIEW CAMERA IS STANDARD** Rear view camera with In-Cab 7" LCD Monitor is standard on every *Global Street Sweeper*.



**IT'S ALL IN THE OPEN** Hydraulic Hoses are NOT hidden in the frame of the sweeper, while all Manifolds and Filters are located in a central location.

The *Global M4* features many maintenance-friendly attributes, such as access to the engine, alternator, drive belt, and hydraulic oil cooler.





# GLOBAL M4



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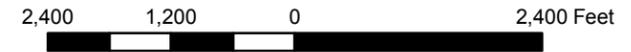
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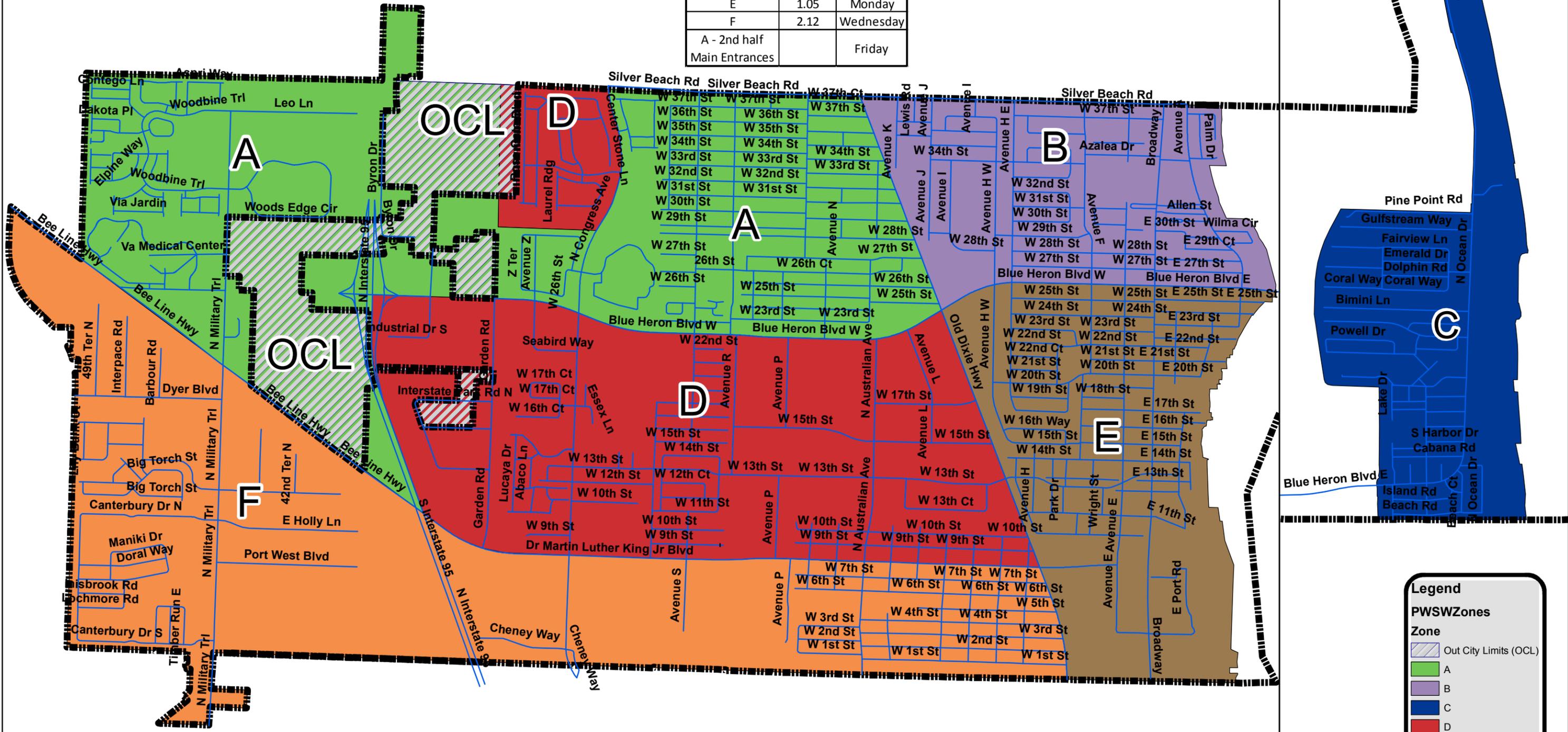


**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
STORM WATER ZONES**



# Street Sweeping Schedule

Zone	Area	Days
A	2.34	Tuesday
B	0.77	Monday
C	0.80	Monday
D	1.90	Thursday
E	1.05	Monday
F	2.12	Wednesday
A - 2nd half Main Entrances		Friday



**Legend**

**PWSWZones**

**Zone**

- Out City Limits (OCL)
- A
- B
- C
- D
- E
- F
- CENTERLINE\_LN
- rivmunbdy

Disclaimer: This map is provided for informational purposes only. Schedule is subject to changes and only streets with existing curb & gutter are scheduled. Map Produced by Engineering Division on 02/09/2015

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 6/3/2020

**Agenda Category:** REGULAR RESOLUTION

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PALM BEACH COUNTY - URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM AMENDMENT 001 TO THE  
**Subject:** INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT

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**Recommendation/Motion:** Staff is recommending approval of the Resolution authorizing execution of Amendment 001 to the Agreement between Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners and the City.

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<b>Originating Dept</b>	Office of the City Manager	<b>Costs</b>	none
<b>User Dept.</b>	Office of the City Manager	<b>Funding Source</b>	
<b>Advertised</b>	No	<b>Budget Account Number</b>	
<b>Date</b>			
<b>Paper</b>			
<b>Affected Parties</b>	Notified		

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**Background/Summary:**

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At this time, Palm Beach County (County) is requesting that the City formally inform it of the City's intent to continue participation in the Urban County Program for the Fiscal Year 2021-2023 time period. Further, the County is also notifying the City that HUD has amended Clause 11 of the referenced Agreement to include Section 3 language which ensures that employment and other economic opportunities generated by HUD financial assistance shall, to the greatest extent feasible, be directed to low- and very-low-income persons, particularly those who are recipients of government assistance for housing and to business concerns which provide economic opportunities to low- and very-low-income persons.

Thereby, the County has provided the City with a document referencing the new language pertaining to Section 3, for the City to review and execute which shall become Amendment 001 to the Inter-local Cooperation Agreement.

**Fiscal Years**

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**Capital Expenditures**  
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C. Department Director Review:

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**REVIEWERS:**

<b>Department</b>	<b>Reviewer</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Date</b>
City Manager	Jacobs, Deirdre	Approved	5/28/2020 - 12:05 PM
Purchasing	Pemsel, Althea	Approved	5/28/2020 - 12:24 PM

Finance	sherman, randy	Approved	5/28/2020 - 1:14 PM
Attorney	Wynn, Dawn	Approved	5/28/2020 - 1:45 PM
City Clerk	Robinson, Claudene	Approved	5/28/2020 - 1:46 PM
City Manager	Jacobs, Deirdre	Approved	5/28/2020 - 5:50 PM



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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH – MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** HON. MAYOR, CHAIRPERSON AND CITY COUNCIL

**THROUGH:** JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, MPA, MBA, ICMA-CM

**FROM:** DEIRDRE M. JACOBS, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER, MPA

**SUBJECT: PALM BEACH COUNTY - URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM  
AMENDMENT 001 TO THE INTERLOCAL COOPERATION  
AGREEMENT**

**DATE:** JUNE 3, 2020

**CC:** GENERAL PUBLIC

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**Background:**

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**Citywide Goal:**

The City-wide Goal is to “*Build Great Neighborhoods*”.

**Budget/Fiscal Impact:**

There is not a Budget/Fiscal Impact as a result of this Amendment to the Inter-Local Cooperation Agreement.

**Recommendation(s):**

Staff is recommending approval of the Resolution authorizing execution of Amendment 001 to the Agreement between Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners and the City.

**Attachment(s):**

1. Resolution

RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT 001 TO THE INTER-LOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AND THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, FLORIDA AND APPROVING THE CONTINUED PARTICIPATION IN THE URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEARS 2021-2023 IN ORDER TO RECEIVE FEDERAL FUNDS TO INCLUDE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP GRANT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, Palm Beach County qualifies as an Urban County under the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development federal regulations to receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds; and to directly impact the residents and businesses within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, it is mandated by Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, that a county must enter into Inter-Local Cooperation Agreements with municipalities within its jurisdiction for the purposes of awarding federal funds to support the implementation of eligible activities within said municipalities corporate limits; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida Statutes, 163, Part III, grants municipalities the power to participate in CDBG, Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME) activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Riviera Beach is not an entitlement municipality and is therefore ineligible per federal regulations to receive such funds independently due to the size of its population as a result of the data collected for the Census 2010; and

**WHEREAS**, the authorizes the approval of Amendment 001 to the Inter-Local Cooperation Agreement between the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners and the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the existing Inter-Local Cooperation Agreement with Palm Beach County will expire on September 30, 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Riviera Beach is desirous of continuing its participation in the Urban County Program with Palm Beach County through the Inter-Local Cooperation Agreement to continue receipt of federal funds including the CDBG, ESG and HOME Programs.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS that:**

**SECTION 1.** The City Council agrees to enter an Amendment to the Inter-Local Cooperation Agreement with Palm Beach County in order to effectuate the adherence to Section 3 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968. A copy of the Amendment to the Inter-Local Cooperation Agreement has been attached and is made a part of this Resolution as Exhibit "A".

**SECTION 2.** The City Council approves of the City's continued participation in the Palm Beach County Urban County Program for the Fiscal Years 2021, 2022 and 2023 to be able to receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and HOME Investment Partnership Grant (HOME) funds.

**SECTION 3.** The City Council finds that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to sign the Inter-local Cooperation Agreement between Palm Beach County and the City of Riviera Beach.

**SECTION 4.** Should any one or more of the provisions or elements of this Resolution be held invalid, such provision or element shall be null and void, and shall be deemed separate from the remaining provisions or elements and shall in no way affect the validity of any of the remaining provisions or elements of the Resolution.

**SECTION 5.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

**PASSED and APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020.**

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RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
Page 3 of 3

APPROVED:

\_\_\_\_\_  
RONNIE L. FELDER  
MAYOR

\_\_\_\_\_  
JULIA A. BOTEL, Ed.D  
CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
CLAUDENE L. ANTHONY  
CERTIFIED MUNICIPAL CLERK  
CITY CLERK

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DOUGLAS A. LAWSON  
CHAIR PRO TEM

\_\_\_\_\_  
KASHAMBA L. MILLER-ANDERSON  
COUNCILPERSON

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SHIRLEY D. LANIER  
COUNCILPERSON

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TRADRICK McCOY  
COUNCILPERSON

MOTIONED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

SECONDED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

K. MILLER-ANDERSON \_\_\_\_\_

J. BOTEL \_\_\_\_\_

S. LANIER \_\_\_\_\_

D. LAWSON \_\_\_\_\_

T. McCOY \_\_\_\_\_

REVIEWED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY

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DAWN S. WYNN  
CITY ATTORNEY

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**AMENDMENT 001 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH**

**Amendment 001**, effective as of \_\_\_\_\_, by and between **Palm Beach County** (County), and the **City of Riviera Beach** (Municipality).

WITNESSETH:

**WHEREAS**, Palm Beach County entered into an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement (R2014-1168) (the "Agreement") with the City of Riviera Beach on August 19, 2014, to formalize the City of Riviera Beach's participation in the urban county qualification process for Federal Fiscal Years 2014, 2016, and 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the Agreement is renewable every three years and is now due for renewal; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has expressed in its most recent Instructions for Urban County Participation in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program for FY 2021-2023 that all interlocal agreements should contain specific language regarding Section 3 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1968; and

**WHEREAS**, the Interlocal Cooperation Agreements between Palm Beach County and the municipalities participating in the urban county program did not contain this specific language; and

**WHEREAS**, both parties desire to amend the Agreement approved on August 19, 2014, to comply with HUD's requirements.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, and various other good and valuable considerations, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference. Terms not defined herein shall have the same meaning as ascribed to them in the Agreement.

**A. DELETE THE FOLLOWING CLAUSE 11:**

The Municipality and the County shall take all actions necessary to assure compliance with the County's certification required by Section 104(b) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, regarding Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Fair Housing Act, and affirmatively furthering fair housing. The Municipality and the County shall comply with Section 109 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, which incorporates Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and other applicable laws. The County shall not fund any activities in, or in support of, the Municipality should the Municipality not affirmatively further fair housing within its jurisdiction or should the Municipality impede the County's actions to comply with the County's fair housing certification.

**B. REPLACE DELETED CLAUSE WITH REVISED CLAUSE 11:**

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jurisdiction or should the Municipality impede the County's actions to comply with the County's fair housing certification.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, the Municipality and the County have caused this Amendment 001 to be executed on the date first written above:

(MUNICIPAL SEAL BELOW)

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, a  
municipality duly organized and existing by  
virtue of the laws of the State of Florida**

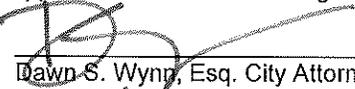
ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ronnie Felder, Mayor

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Claudene Anthony, City Clerk

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jonathan Evans, City Manager

Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency

  
Dawn S. Wynn, Esq. City Attorney

Date: 5/13/2020

(COUNTY SEAL BELOW)

**PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, a  
Political Subdivision of the State of Florida**

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

ATTEST: SHARON R. BOCK,  
Clerk & Comptroller

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dave Kerner, Mayor

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Document No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved as to Form and  
Legal Sufficiency

Approved as to Terms and Conditions  
Dept. of Housing and Economic Sustainability

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Howard J. Falcon, III,  
Chief Assistant County Attorney

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sherry Howard  
Deputy Director

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 6/3/2020

**Agenda Category:** DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

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**Subject:** CITY'S VOTING DELEGATE FOR THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES

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**Recommendation/Motion:** SELECT A VOTING DELEGATE FOR THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH TO THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES.

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<b>Originating Dept</b>	OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK	<b>Costs</b>
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<b>Affected Parties</b>	Not Required	

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**Background/Summary:**

EVERY YEAR THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES UPDATE THE VOTING DELEGATE ROSTER.

AN EMAIL WAS RECEIVED BY THE CITY CLERK ON MAY 18, 2020 FROM AZIZA ISLES REQUESTING AN UPDATE ON THE CITY'S VOTING DELEGATE FOR THE ORGANIZATION.

THE CITY'S CURRENT REGULAR MEMBER IS COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON WITH THE ALTERNATE BEING COUNCILPERSON MCCOY.

STAFF IS ASKING THE BOARD TO SELECT THE CITY'S VOTING DELEGATE FOR THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES.

**Fiscal Years**  
**Capital Expenditures**  
**Operating Costs**  
**External Revenues**  
**Program Income (city)**  
**In-kind Match (city)**  
**Net Fiscal Impact**

**NO. Additional FTE Positions  
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**III. Review Comments**

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B. Purchasing/Intergovernmental Relations/Grants Comments:

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Contract Start Date

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Contractor Email

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Voting_Delegate_Form.pdf	VOTING DELEGATE FORM	5/18/2020	Other

**REVIEWERS:**

<b>Department</b>	<b>Reviewer</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Date</b>
City Manager	Robinson, Claudene	Approved	5/20/2020 - 4:38 PM



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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH – MEMORANDUM**

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**TO: HON. MAYOR, CHAIRPERSON AND CITY COUNCIL**

**THROUGH: JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, MPA, MBA, ICMA-CM**

**FROM: CLAUDENE L. ANTHONY, CITY CLERK**

**SUBJECT: SELECTION OF A VOTING DELEGATE FOR THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES**

**DATE: MAY 20, 2020**

**CC: GENERAL PUBLIC**

**Background:**

City Clerk Claudene Anthony received an email from Aziza Isles of the Palm Beach County League of Cities requesting the voting delegate for the City of Riviera Beach.

At the April 17, 2019 City Council Meeting you, as a board, made decisions on who would be the city's representative for various entities throughout the county. During this meeting Councilperson Miller-Anderson was chosen as the regular member and Councilperson McCoy was chosen as the alternate member.

As previously stated, the Palm Beach County League of Cities is requesting the city clerk complete the submitted form indicating the city's voting delegate; this determination is made by the board.

**Citywide Goal:**

To ensure the city is represented during discussions pertaining to governmental entities throughout the county.

**Budget/Fiscal Impact:**

There is no fiscal impact.



**Recommendation(s):**

The board selects a Palm Beach County League of Cities voting representative for the city.

## Robinson, Claudene L

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**From:** Aziza Isles <Aisles@pbcgov.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 18, 2020 2:10 PM  
**To:** Jeriise Hansen  
**Subject:** Palm Beach County League of Cities - Voting Delegate Form  
**Attachments:** Voting Delegate Form.pdf

Good Afternoon,

We are updating our voting delegate records. Please see the attached Voting Delegate form to fill out and return to us by Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup>.

Thank You,

### **Aziza Isles**

Administrative Assistant

The Palm Beach County League of Cities

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# Designation of Voting Delegate & Alternate(s) to the Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc.

In accordance with Article Four of the Bylaws of the Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc., as amended January 25, 2017, the governing body of (City, Town, or Village name):

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Took the official action and designated the following voting delegate and alternate(s) to vote on behalf of the above named municipality at any League of Cities general membership meeting, special general membership meeting and/or function of the general membership. This designation applies **ONLY** to weighting voting items for the General Membership.

*Voting Delegate:* \_\_\_\_\_ *Email:* \_\_\_\_\_

*Alternate(s):* \_\_\_\_\_ *Email:* \_\_\_\_\_

Action taken this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020

\_\_\_\_\_ *Mayor Signature*

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_ *Clerk Signature (SEAL)*

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 6/3/2020

**Agenda Category:** DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

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**Subject: ELECTED OFFICIAL(S) REPRESENTATION ON VARIOUS BOARDS**

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**Recommendation/Motion: SELECT REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE VARIOUS  
BOARDS**

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<b>Originating Dept</b>	CITY CLERK'S OFFICE	<b>Costs</b>
<b>User Dept.</b>	CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE	<b>Funding Source</b>
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<b>Affected Parties</b>	Not Required	

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**Background/Summary:**

**ELECTED OFFICIAL(S) REPRESENTATION FROM THE CITY IS NEEDED ON VARIOUS  
BOARDS THROUGHOUT PALM BEACH COUNTY FOR 2020/21**

**Fiscal Years**  
**Capital Expenditures**  
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**REVIEWERS:**

<b>Department</b>	<b>Reviewer</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Date</b>
City Manager	Robinson, Claudene	Approved	5/27/2020 - 4:05 PM

## **Bio-Science Land Advisory Board**

Regular:

*The purpose of the Board shall be to protect those lands which each of the Cities has identified as being subject to a bioscience research area protection overlay. to protect those lands which each of the Cities has identified as being subject to a bioscience research area protection overlay and consider amendments to their respective comprehensive plans that establish a Bioscience Research Protection Overlay.*

[www.pbcgov.com/corridor](http://www.pbcgov.com/corridor)

[http://discover.pbcgov.org/PDF/Publications/boards\\_committees.pdf](http://discover.pbcgov.org/PDF/Publications/boards_committees.pdf)

561-355-2428

Riviera Beach Resolution No.30-06

## **Coastal Council**

Regular: J. Botel

Alternate. K. Miller-Anderson

*The Florida Oceans and Coastal Council was created by the 2005 Legislature through The Oceans and Coastal Resources Act. The Council is charged with developing priorities for ocean and coastal research and establishing a statewide ocean research plan. The Council also coordinates public and private ocean research for more effective coastal management.*

*The Oceans Council creates an annual report recommending research priorities. They examine the management needs of those Florida agencies having coastal and marine resource management responsibilities. The research needed to address these management needs is identified and prioritized based upon overall state importance. This prioritized list is sent to the Legislature for use in constructing the state budget.*

*The Council is comprised of three non-voting members and fifteen voting members appointed by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) and Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (DACS). Membership and meeting archives are available upon request.*

<https://floridadep.gov/southeast>

561-681-6600

561-681-6642

### **Issues Forum**

Regular: J. Botel

Alternate: T. McCoy

*The Multi-Jurisdictional Issues Coordination Forum was established by an interlocal agreement in October 1993. The intent is to achieve consensus building through identification and potential resolution of multi-jurisdictional issues. This is done by providing a place to go to for consensus building, research, debate on such issues, and providing direction on steps to address, resolve, or implement a program to do so. In addition, the Issues Forum can take a countywide position on multi-jurisdictional and growth management needs at the County, Regional, and State level. The intent is also to have a place to provide input to proposed countywide legislation prior to its drafting and to provide clarification and technical assistance in understanding Regional and State initiatives.*

*Anna Yeskey -*

*Palm Beach County Intergovernmental Coordination Program*

*Clearinghouse <amykey@bellsouth.net>*

*(561) 434-2575*

### **North County Intergovernmental Committee:**

Regular: J. Botel

Alternate: T. McCoy

*Transportation & Intergovernmental Relations*

*This committee addresses municipal concerns relating to transportation and highway safety, as well as aviation, affordable housing (and homelessness), billboards, building codes, charter schools, rights-of-way and veterans affairs*

<http://www.floridaleagueofcities.com/advocacy/policy-committees/tir>

## **North Palm Beach Chambers of Commerce**

Regular: D. Lawson                      Alternate: J. Botel

*The Palm Beach North Chamber of Commerce is pleased to serve the 10 municipalities that make up Palm Beach North. Founded in 2007 as a result of a merger from two previous chambers, the Jupiter Tequesta Juno Beach Chamber of Commerce (founded in 1948) and the North Palm Beach County Chamber of Commerce (founded in 1947), the Palm Beach North Chamber of Commerce strives to be a dynamic organization that serves as a vital business and community resource. We focus on the development and retention of businesses by taking an active role in issues that affect the profitability of local companies, protecting and improving the quality of life for residents and, above all, providing superior services and resources to our members.*

<http://www.pbnchamber.com>

561-746-7111

[beth@pbnchamber.com](mailto:beth@pbnchamber.com)

## **Palm Beach County League of Cities General Members**

Regular: K. Miller-Anderson                      Alternate: T. McCoy

*The purpose of the Palm Beach County League of Cities, Inc., is to promote and advance the collective interest of the municipalities of Palm Beach County, Florida; to analyze municipal issues and seek positive results through cooperative efforts; to respect the principles of Home Rule; and to encourage and enhance the quality of life of the citizens of Palm Beach County.*

<http://palmbeachcountyleagueofcities.com>

561-355-4484

[rradcliffe@pbcgov.org](mailto:rradcliffe@pbcgov.org)

## **Palm Beach County School District**

Regular: K. Miller-Anderson

Alternate: J. Botel

*The City and PBC School District Liaison*

[www.palmbeachschools.org](http://www.palmbeachschools.org)

561-434-8000

[boardoffice@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:boardoffice@palmbeachschools.org)

[debra.robinson@palmbeachschools.org](mailto:debra.robinson@palmbeachschools.org)

## **Palm Beach Northern Chamber of Commerce - Economic Development Council**

Regular: T. McCoy

Alternate: J. Botel

*This is a newly formed **working** committee comprised of representatives from Palm Beach North's business, government and education sectors. This group is dedicated to the prioritization, provision of resources and implementation of key strategies outlined in the Chamber's 5-year Strategic Plan.*

*Chairperson: Chip Armstrong; meetings held 4th Thursday of every month at 8:00 a.m. at Palm Beach Gardens City Hall; staff contact Sydney Dickinson Higgins, Finance Manager, [sydney@pbnchamber.com](mailto:sydney@pbnchamber.com), (561) 748-3948*

*(Land Use & Economic Development-info found on the FLOC site)*

*This committee addresses policies specific to municipal concerns with community redevelopment, economic development, growth management and land use planning issues, annexation, eminent domain, tort liability and property rights.*

<http://www.floridaleagueofcities.com/advocacy/policy-committees/lued>

561-748-3954

[lisa@pbnchamber.com](mailto:lisa@pbnchamber.com)

## **Palm Beach Northern Chamber of Commerce - Government Affairs Committee**

Regular: J. Botel

Alternate: D. Lawson

*The Government Affairs Committee represents the interests of business in government, informs Chamber members of legislative issues affecting their community, supports our elected officials, and encourages the business community to take an active role in the legislative process.*

Contact: Lisa Latona

561-748-3954

[lisa@pbnchamber.com](mailto:lisa@pbnchamber.com)

## **Palm Beach Transportation Planning Agency (fka: Metropolitan Planning Organization)**

Regular: S. Lanier

Alternate: D. Lawson

*That organization required by the Department of Transportation, and designated by the Governor as being responsible for coordination within the State, to carry out transportation planning provisions in a Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area.*

[www.palmbeachtpa.org](http://www.palmbeachtpa.org)

561-684-4170

Info@PalmBeachTPA.org

## **Port of Palm Beach**

Regular: S. Lanier

Alternate: D. Lawson

### *PORT LIAISON DUTIES*

*Advise the Port and its Board of Commissioners on matters relating to planning and expanding that may affect the Port of Palm Beach District. Take a proactive approach to communication and address local port-related issues. Facilitate discussions about port-related impacts. Work collaboratively to find potential solutions*

[www.portofpalmbeach.com](http://www.portofpalmbeach.com)

561-383-4124

[vhoward@portofpalmbeach.com](mailto:vhoward@portofpalmbeach.com)

## **Riviera Beach Business Council**

Regular: J. Botel

Alternate: S. Lanier

*The Riviera Beach Business Council acts as an advocate to establish Riviera Beach as a preferred business environment, a second-to-none innovation center and global economic force. This council facilitates the growth of existing Riviera Beach businesses and fosters the recruitment of new businesses in order to bring about a sustainable, diversified business base and promote job creation in collaboration with our public sector partners.* <http://www.pbnchamber.com/about/committees-councils/riviera-beach-business-council/>

561-748-3948

[sydney@pbnchamber.com](mailto:sydney@pbnchamber.com)

[murrell@tropical.com](mailto:murrell@tropical.com)

## **Riviera Beach Education Advisory Committee**

Regular: K. Miller-Anderson

Alternate: J. Botel

*The Riviera Beach Education Advisory Committee (RBEAC) shall serve as a fact-finding and advisory committee to make recommendations to the City Council on issues related to public schools within the city's boundaries and public school students who attend said school or schools within a 5 mile radius. In addition, it will administer the annual award of educational scholarships. City Council representative serves as the liaison between the elected officials and the committee for the purpose of keeping the City Council apprised of pending actions and final decisions made by the Palm Beach County School Board*

[City of Riviera Beach Resolution 50-17](#)

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 6/3/2020

**Agenda Category:** DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

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**Subject:** ART IN PUBLIC PLACES (AIPP) DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION.

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**Recommendation/Motion:** City staff requests City Council feedback on this discussion item.

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**Originating Dept** Development Services      **Costs** N/A

**User Dept.** City      **Funding Source** N/A

**Advertised** No      **Budget Account Number** N/A

**Date**

**Paper**

**Affected Parties** Not Required

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**Background/Summary:**

City staff will be providing their findings to date and options for City Council's consideration associated with enactment of an Art in Public Places (AIPP) Ordinance. The presentation will include potential program scope, types of artwork commonly utilized, use of an advisory board, and possible funding sources.

**Fiscal Years** N/A

**Capital Expenditures** N/A

**Operating Costs** N/A

**External Revenues** N/A

**Program Income (city)** N/A

**In-kind Match (city)** N/A

**Net Fiscal Impact** N/A

**NO. Additional FTE Positions  
(cumulative)** N/A

**III. Review Comments**

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REVIEWERS:

Department	Reviewer	Action	Date
Community Development	Gagnon, Jeff	Approved	5/20/2020 - 2:50 PM
Purchasing	Pemsel, Althea	Approved	5/21/2020 - 12:16 PM
Finance	sherman, randy	Approved	5/21/2020 - 12:58 PM
Attorney	Wynn, Dawn	Approved	5/21/2020 - 1:10 PM
City Clerk	Robinson, Claudene	Approved	5/21/2020 - 1:46 PM
City Manager	Jacobs, Deirdre	Approved	5/28/2020 - 5:49 PM



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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH – MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** HON. MAYOR, CHAIRPERSON AND CITY COUNCIL

**THROUGH:** JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, MPA, MBA, ICMA-CM

**FROM:** JEFF GAGNON, ACTING DIRECTOR, DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

**SUBJECT:** **ART IN PUBLIC PLACES (AIPP) DISCUSSION**

**DATE:** JUNE 3, 2020

**CC:** GENERAL PUBLIC

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**Background:**

As follow up to recent City Council discussions, City staff will be providing their findings to date and options for City Council’s consideration associated with enactment of an Art in Public Places (AIPP) Ordinance. The presentation will include potential program scope, types of artwork commonly utilized, use of an advisory board, and possible funding sources.

**Citywide Goal:**

Accelerate operational excellence and build great neighborhoods.

**Budget/Fiscal Impact:**

N/A

**Recommendation(s):**

City staff requests City Council feedback on this discussion item.

**Attachment(s):**

N/A

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 6/3/2020

**Agenda Category:** DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

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**Subject:** Discussion and Deliberation on Race Gender Neutral Policy Development

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**Recommendation/Motion:**

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<b>Originating Dept</b>	DISTRICT 5	<b>Costs</b>
<b>User Dept.</b>		<b>Funding Source</b>
<b>Advertised</b>	No	<b>Budget Account Number</b>
<b>Date</b>		
<b>Paper</b>		
<b>Affected Parties</b>	Not Required	

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**Background/Summary:**

Verbal presentation only.

**Fiscal Years**  
**Capital Expenditures**  
**Operating Costs**  
**External Revenues**  
**Program Income (city)**  
**In-kind Match (city)**  
**Net Fiscal Impact**  
**NO. Additional FTE Positions**  
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REVIEWERS:

**Department**

**Reviewer**

**Action**

**Date**

District 5

Huff, ReChee

Approved

5/27/2020 - 9:13 PM

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 6/3/2020

**Agenda Category:** DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION

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**Subject:** AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO CONDUCT NEGOTIATIONS FOR A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE OPTION TO PURCHASE AND/OR AN AGREEMENT TO ACQUIRE THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2129 N. CONGRESS AVENUE

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**Recommendation/Motion:** Staff recommends the City Council to authorize the city manager and the city attorney to negotiate the terms and conditions for a lease with an option to purchase and/or an agreement to acquire the 2129 N. Congress Ave parcel.

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<b>Originating Dept</b>	Office of the City Manager	<b>Costs</b>	
<b>User Dept.</b>		<b>Funding Source</b>	The fiscal impact will result in approximately \$2.1 million to \$2.7 million.
<b>Advertised</b>	No	<b>Budget Account Number</b>	
<b>Date</b>			
<b>Paper</b>			
<b>Affected Parties</b>	Not Required		

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**Background/Summary:**

At the April 15, 2020 city council meeting, city administration presented on the possibility of temporarily relocating the Library and Youth Empowerment Program (YEP) in the facility located at 2129 N. Congress Avenue. The presentation detailed the process and research that took place to support the consideration of the 2129 N. Congress Avenue parcel.

City Council directed staff to obtain additional information to bring forward at a subsequent council meeting for further consideration. Therefore, city administration conducted more research to provide clarity and address any questions or concerns the council may have.

City Administration believes that this facility is the optimal choice for immediate and future needs. It can temporarily house various city operations as we look to rebuild several facilities as part of the capital construction initiatives. It can serve as a community center geared towards economic recovery by facilitating education and workforce development and can transform into a space that accommodates city hall operations or other functions as well.

**Fiscal Years**  
**Capital Expenditures**  
**Operating Costs**  
**External Revenues**  
**Program Income (city)**  
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Resolution_Authorizing_the_City_Manager_to_Negotiate_for_Lease_or_Acquisition_of_2129_N._Congress.docx	Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate for Lease or Acquisition of 2129 N. Congress Ave	5/27/2020	Cover Memo

REVIEWERS:

Department	Reviewer	Action	Date
City Manager	Noel, Marsha	Approved	5/27/2020 - 7:58 PM
Purchasing	Pemsel, Althea	Approved	5/28/2020 - 9:23 AM
Finance	sherman, randy	Approved	5/28/2020 - 10:52 AM
Attorney	Wynn, Dawn	Approved	5/28/2020 - 10:56 AM
City Clerk	Robinson, Claudene	Approved	5/28/2020 - 11:45 AM
City Manager	Jacobs, Deirdre	Approved	5/28/2020 - 5:50 PM



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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH – MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** HON. MAYOR, CHAIRPERSON AND CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, MPA, MBA, ICMA-CM

**SUBJECT:** **AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE A LEASE WITH THE  
OPTION TO PURCHASE AND/OR AN AGREEMENT TO  
ACQUIRE THE 2129 N. CONGRESS AVE PARCEL**

**DATE:** JUNE 3, 2020

**CC:** GENERAL PUBLIC

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**Background:**

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City Council directed staff to obtain additional information to bring forward at a subsequent council meeting for further consideration. Therefore, city administration conducted more research to provide clarity and address any questions or concerns the council may have.

City Administration believes that this facility is the optimal choice for immediate and future needs. It can temporarily house various city operations as we look to rebuild several facilities as part of the capital construction initiatives. It can serve as a community center geared towards economic recovery by facilitating education and workforce development and can transform into a space that accommodates city hall operations or other functions as well.



**Citywide/Organizational Goal**

Goal 1.5 Prosperous, Resilient and Sustainable Economy

Goal 2.3 Great Neighborhoods

Goal 3.3 Operational Excellence

Goal 4.5 Government Stewardship and Accountability

Goal 5.3 Community Engagement and Empowerment

**Fiscal/Budget Impact:**

The fiscal impact may result in approximately \$2.1 million to \$2.7 million.

**Recommendation(s):**

Staff recommends the City Council to authorize the city manager and the city attorney to negotiate the terms and conditions for a lease with an option to purchase and/or an agreement to acquire the 2129 N. Congress Ave parcel.

**Attachment(s):**

Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate for Lease or Acquisition for 2129 N. Congress Ave.

RESOLUTION NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO CONDUCT NEGOTIATIONS FOR A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE OPTION TO PURCHASE AND/OR AN AGREEMENT TO ACQUIRE THE REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2129 N. CONGRESS AVENUE, PALM BEACH COUNTY, PARCEL CONTROL NUMBER 56-43-42-30-16-000-0100 FOR THE PROPOSED PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING A TEMPORARY SPACE FOR CITY SERVICES SUCH AS THE LIBRARY DEPARTMENT AND YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Riviera Beach is in need of a municipal services complex that can accommodate the City Library, as well as the Youth Empowerment Program, and offer a flexible space for other City operations and activities; and

**WHEREAS**, on the April 15, 2020, at the regular City Council meeting, City staff identified an ideal property located at 2129 N. Congress Avenue, more particularly described as Palm Beach County Parcel Control Number: 56-43-42-30-16-000-0100; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council directed City staff to obtain additional information regarding the subject property; and

**WHEREAS**, City staff believes that a Lease Agreement with an option to purchase and/or acquire the subject property will satisfy the City's desire to temporarily locate the City Library and Youth Empowerment Program while the new construction of Library facilities is under way, thereby providing additional services to the community through education, workforce development and community engagement; and

**WHEREAS**, City staff also believes that the Lease Agreement with option to purchase and/or acquire the subject property will provide a flexible space upon the construction of the new library to accommodate other City operations during the City's capital construction initiatives;

**WHEREAS**, City staff believes it is in the best interests of the City for the City Council to authorize the City Manager to negotiate the terms of a Lease with

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an option to purchase and/or a contract to purchase the property and bring back a final agreement for approval by the City Council.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, as follows:**

**SECTION 1.** The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

**SECTION 2.** That the City Council hereby delegates any and all authority to the City Manager to conduct negotiations on behalf of the City in order to secure a Lease Agreement with option to purchase or a contract to purchase the property located at 2129 N. Congress Avenue, Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County Parcel Control Number 56-43-42-30-16-000-0100.

**SECTION 3.** That the Resolution take effect upon passage and approval by the City Council.

**PASSED and APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of May, 2020.**

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**APPROVED:**

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**RONNIE L. FELDER**  
**MAYOR**

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**JULIA BOTEL, Ed.D**  
**CHAIRPERSON**

**ATTEST:**

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**CLAUDENE L. ANTHONY**  
**CERTIFIED MUNICIPAL CLERK**  
**CITY CLERK**

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**DOUGLAS A. LAWSON**  
**CHAIR PRO TEM**

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**TRADRICK MCCOY**  
**COUNCIL MEMBER**

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**KASHAMBA MILLER-ANDERSON**  
**COUNCIL MEMBER**

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**SHIRLEY D. LANIER**  
**COUNCILMEMBER**

**MOTIONED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SECONDED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**T. MCCOY** \_\_\_\_\_

**K. MILLER-ANDERSON** \_\_\_\_\_

**S. LANIER** \_\_\_\_\_

**J. BOTEL** \_\_\_\_\_

**D. LAWSON** \_\_\_\_\_

**REVIEWED AS TO LEGAL  
SUFFICIENCY**

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**Dawn S. Wynn**  
**CITY ATTORNEY**