



Meeting Minutes City Commission

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

7:00 PM

Commission Chambers

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order on the above date by Mayor Bill Ganz at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers, City Hall, Deerfield Beach.

Present:

Commissioner Todd Drosky
Commissioner Michael Hudak
Commissioner Ben Preston
Vice Mayor Bernie Parness
Mayor Bill Ganz

Also Present:

City Manager David Santucci
City Attorney Anthony Soroka
City Clerk Heather Montemayor

MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Ganz said Bill Stewart, Riverview Restaurant, passed away and asked all to keep him in their thoughts and prayers; thereafter, there was a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes - September 5, 2023
Special City Commission Meeting Minutes - August 22, 2023

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Parness, seconded by Commissioner Preston, to approve the meeting minutes as submitted. Voice Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Parness, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CITY BOARD MINUTES

Firefighters Pension Fund Meeting Minutes - June 5, 2023
Planning & Zoning Board Meeting Minutes - July 6, 2023
Cultural Committee Meeting Minutes - July 17 & August 21, 2023
Education Advisory Board Meeting Minutes - August 2, 2023
Code Compliance Meeting Minutes - August 7, 2023
Hillsboro Inlet District Meeting Minutes - August 28, 2023

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CITY BOARD MINUTES - CONTINUED

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Parness, seconded by Commissioner Preston, to acknowledge the board minutes. Voice Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Parness, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

APPROVAL OF CITY COMMISSION AGENDA

October 3, 2023

MOTION was made by Commissioner Preston, seconded by Vice Mayor Parness, to approve the agenda as submitted. Voice Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Parness, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

1. Certificate of Recognition presented to Britteny Sullivan Cali for breaking the Guinness World Records in two different burpee categories.

Mayor Ganz presented a Certificate of Recognition to Britteny Sullivan Cali and congratulated her for breaking the Guinness World Records in two different burpee categories.

2. Proclamation presented to city staff in recognition of Florida City Government Week.

Mayor Ganz presented a proclamation to Jonathan Salas, Director of Community Services, in recognition of Florida City Government Week.

3. Certificate of Recognition presented by Captain Hofstein to BSO Law Enforcement staff.

Captain Hofstein, BSO District X, presented certificates of recognition to the District's Behavioral Response & Crime Prevention Team. Thereafter, he provided a brief overview of their creation and the work they do.

Commissioner Drosky provided stickers to Jonathan Salas, Director of Community Services, to distribute at the fall festival for Florida City Government Week.

QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARINGS

4. P.H. 2023-115: APPLICATION NO. 15-B3c-22 Rev.2

Applicant: **PATHWAY VENTURES, LTD. REPRESENTED BY HEIDI DAVIS KNAPIK OF GUNSTER**

Proposal: Major site plan modification to demolish an existing commercial building and construct new 19,432 square foot Aldi's store on a 1.9-acre portion of a 17.2-acre site.

Location: The property is generally described as G & P PLAT 96-44 PARCELS C, D, & E AND CANAL EASMENT and located at **2301 W Sample Rd.**

Anthony Soroka, City Attorney, read the Resolution title only; thereafter, he explained the quasi-judicial proceeding and asked whether the applicant will proceed or waive.

Heidi Davis, representing the applicant, waived the quasi-judicial proceeding. Thereafter, she highlighted a brief PowerPoint presentation. The property is located at the Northwest corner of Sample Road and Powerline Road, and is part of a 17.20-acre master development plan, which includes Wawa, Wendy's and La Colonia. Although, the property was annexed into the City, it still maintains a Broward County B-3(c) zoning designation, which is an intense commercial district. Furthermore, the property has a commercial land use designation and is surrounded by industrial and heavy commercial uses. The subject parcel is 1.9 acres and the 26,000 square feet of commercial use will be replaced with a 19,420 square foot Aldi's, which

QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARINGS - CONTINUED

is a permitted use. Thereafter, a photograph of the facility was displayed, which will be completely demolished. Ms. Davis stated that the site plan consists of a one story, 19,420 square foot Aldi's with 105 parking spaces; and complies with all requirements of the City's Land Development Code. The maximum height of the structure will be 28 feet and 10 inches and the design of the site provides safe vehicular and pedestrian circulation. Thereafter, various elevations of the proposed facility were displayed. She explained that the building will have a contemporary design and all mechanical equipment will be screened with architectural features that enhance the structure and create dynamic roof elevations. Lastly, she said the property will include two layers of landscaping, one surrounding the building and one surrounding the parcel; large setbacks from right-of-way; and only 23.4% lot coverage.

In response to Commissioner Preston's question, Ms. Davis replied that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) requested that the applicant create a peanut within the median, which will no longer allow cars to cross the median; instead it will now be a right in and right out from the west location, which will provide safer vehicular accessibility.

Mayor Ganz closed the public hearing.

Katy Freitag, 418 SE 2nd Street, Deerfield Beach, said the applicant provided the current renters plenty of time to relocate their businesses, which is appreciated. Thereafter, she said the application will be an asset to the neighboring communities.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing.

Commissioner Drosky said it's a permitted use, and no variances are being requested; therefore, he supports the project.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Drosky, seconded by Vice Mayor Parness, to approve Item 4, adopted Resolution 2023/162. Roll Call:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Parness, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

5. P.H. 2023-116: APPLICATION NO. 23-P-235

Applicant: **Espin Realty represented by Juan Espinal**

Proposal: Request to amend 12,000 square feet of commercial use, to no development on Parcel B of the Hillsboro Food Bazaar Plaza Plat" (Plat Book 180, Page 174).

Location: The property is generally described as HILLSBORO FOOD BAZAAR PLAZA PLAT 180-174 B PARCEL B, more particularly described in the file, and located at **190 W Hillsboro Blvd.**

Anthony Soroka, City Attorney, read the Resolution title only; thereafter, he explained the quasi-judicial proceeding and asked whether the applicant will proceed or waive.

Juan Espinal, representing the applicant, waived the quasi-judicial proceeding. Further, he explained that the request is to amend the plat, so the area can be cleaned up for future investors.

Heather Montemayor, City Clerk, advised that pursuant to Ordinance 2009/006, City of Deerfield Beach Code of Ethics, the applicant Juan Espinal, made the following campaign contribution: Commissioner Ben Preston - \$1,000 on January 18, 2019.

David Santucci, City Manager, stated that the applicant has a deposit held up with the County, whereby, approving this designation of no development will remove that deposit and allow someone else to start from scratch on the property.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing; however, there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARINGS - CONTINUED

MOTION was made by Commissioner Preston, seconded by Vice Mayor Parness, to approve Item 5, adopted Resolution 2023/163. Roll Call:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Parness, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

6. P.H. 2023-117: APPLICATION NO. 22-I2-08

Applicant: LGL Realty LTD represented by Ahrens Companies

Proposal: Seeking Major site plan to improve the current site conditions by constructing a 1,990 square foot trailer style building, a 324 square foot masonry building for storage, an open structure with 8,324 square feet for pallet cleaning and refurbishment, and a 5,688 square foot future canopy expansion of the open structure barn on a 6.36-acre site

Location: The property is generally described as PARCEL "C", LESS THE EASTERLY 80.08 FEET AND THE WESTERLY 9.00 FEET THEREOF THE PAVEX PLAT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 151, PAGE 29, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA. THE EASTERLY 68.00 FEET OF PARCEL "A", ALL OF PARCEL "B" AND THE WESTERLY 9.00 FEET OF PARCEL "C", THE PA VEX PLAT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 151, PAGE 29, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, more particularly described in the file, and located at **1811 & 1815 S Powerline Rd.**

Anthony Soroka, City Attorney, read the Resolution title only; thereafter, he explained the quasi-judicial proceeding and asked whether the applicant will proceed or waive.

Rodney Crockett, representing the applicant, waived the quasi-judicial proceeding. Thereafter, he highlighted a brief PowerPoint presentation. He said the property is located in a heavy industrialized area and is a currently existing business that is seeking to make improvements for the employees. He explained that improvements include new parking to comply with code, creating new vehicular circulation for trucks and customers, outdoor lighting, etc. Further, the new structure will consist of an employee lounge, and house restrooms, lockers, and kitchenette. Thereafter, the proposed site plan was displayed. The site will have new asphalt paving that will consist of drainage inlet structures, a new retention area, new fire hydrant, etc. Thereafter, the landscape plan was displayed, as well as the proposed plantings. Additionally, photographs of the proposed buildings were displayed, which will help cleanup and improve the facilities.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing; however, there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

In response to Vice Mayor Parness' question, Mr. Crockett replied that this application does not share a parking lot with the medical building.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Hudak, seconded by Commissioner Preston, to approve Item 6, adopted Resolution 2023/164. Roll Call:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Parness, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

PUBLIC HEARINGS

7. P.H. 2023-120: Resolution 2023/165 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving the rankings and funding allocations to charitable and public purpose organizations for the Community Participation Grant Program in a total amount not to exceed \$150,000.00; providing for implementation and an effective date. (Funds from Account #001-8100-569-80-99 - Community Participation)

The Resolution was read by title only.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - CONTINUED

David Santucci, City Manager, said as part of the budget process, the City Commission approved the funding of the program, whereby, this item outlines and approves the funding allocation for each applicant.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing; however, there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Parness, seconded by Commissioner Preston, to approve Item 7, adopted Resolution 2023/165. Roll Call:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Parness, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

8. P.H. 2023-121: Resolution 2023/166 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, amending the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Community Development Block Grant Annual Action Plan; providing for implementation and an effective date.

The Resolution was read by title only.

David Santucci, City Manager, said the there was a minor change to the recently approved plan due to the funding allocation received.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing; however, there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Preston, seconded by Vice Mayor Parness, to approve Item 8, adopted Resolution 2023/166. Roll Call:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Parness, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

PUBLIC HEARINGS - FIRST READING

9. ORDINANCE 2023/ - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FLORIDA, VACATING AND ABANDONING THREE UTILITY EASEMENTS LOCATED AT 1345-1399 S. FEDERAL HIGHWAY CONNECTED TO THE KING HYUNDAI DEALERSHIP REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT (APPLICATION 23-A-200); PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Ordinance was read by title only.

Julian Bobilev, Greenspoon Marder, representing the applicant, highlighted a brief PowerPoint presentation. Thereafter, an aerial of the location was displayed. He said on June 20, 2023, the site plan and sign variances were approved, whereby, the first phase of remodeling has been completed; however, the easements must be vacated, so the applicant can pull building permits. Thereafter, the site plan was displayed. He explained that the easements, which are waterline, overlay on top of the buildings, so the request is to vacate all easements, except for a 10X10 portion, which was requested by the Utilities Department to be used for a fire water meter.

Heather Montemayor, City Clerk, advised that pursuant to Ordinance 2009/006, City of Deerfield Beach Code of Ethics, the applicant's representatives' firm, Greenspoon Marder, made the following campaign contributions: Commissioner Michael Hudak - \$500 on February 5, 2019 & \$500 on November 21, 2022; Commissioner Ben Preston - \$500 on February 9, 2023; Vice Mayor Bernie Parness - \$500 on January 19, 2021; and Commissioner Todd Drosky - \$500 on December 23, 2020.

PUBLIC HEARINGS - FIRST READING - CONTINUED

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing; however, there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

There was no discussion amongst the Commission.

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Parness, seconded by Commissioner Hudak, to approve Item 9 on first reading. Voice Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Parness, and Mayor Ganz
Nays: 0

PUBLIC HEARINGS - SECOND READING

10. P.H. 2023-118: ORDINANCE 2023/011 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 90 "FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT" OF THE CITY'S LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS FOR ACCESSORY STRUCTURES IN FLOOD HAZARD AREAS, SPECIFY ELEVATION OF MANUFACTURED HOMES IN FLOOD HAZARD AREAS, AND TO PROVIDE FOR CONSISTENCY WITH APPLICABLE BUILDING CODE AND FEMA POLICY PROVISIONS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Ordinance was read by title only.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing; however, there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

There was no discussion amongst the Commission.

MOTION was made by Commissioner Hudak, seconded by Commissioner Preston, to approve Item 10, adopted Ordinance 2023/011. Voice Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Parness, and Mayor Ganz
Nays: 0

PUBLIC COMMENT

Michael Lubin, 16 Little Harbor Way, Deerfield Beach, commented on commercial landscaping being permitted on Sunday's and asked that it not be permitted, as residents deserve one day of peace and quiet.

Daniel Shanetzky, 34 Keswick B, Deerfield Beach, commented on various disasters that have occurred around the world, i.e. fires, flooding, earthquakes, etc. He stated that an American Red Cross hub is located in Deerfield Beach near Powerline Road, which is a huge asset to the City. Thereafter, he provided a brief overview of their services.

Mayor Ganz closed the public hearing.

Vice Mayor Parness stated that he does not like being woken up on Sunday's either, but electrical lawnmowers are allowed within the Village.

Mayor Ganz disagreed with eliminating lawn service on Sunday, especially for the entire city and reiterated his suggestion that an HOA be formed. Furthermore, many people prefer to be home when their homes are being serviced, so offering the service for one day only does not benefit the community.

CONSENT - AGREEMENTS & EXPENDITURE REQUESTS

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing for Items 11 - 13; however, there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

There was no discussion amongst the Commission.

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Parness, seconded by Commissioner Hudak, to approve Items 8 - 11 in concert. Roll Call:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Parness, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

- 11. Resolution 2023/167 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving an amendment to Contract #JZ023-06-2024 with the Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc. for the Alzheimer's Disease Initiative Program to increase the funding allocation; authorizing execution of the Amendment; providing for implementation and an effective date.**
- 12. Resolution 2023/168 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving the award of a Community Participation Grant to the Deerfield Beach Economic Development Council in the amount of \$20,000; authorizing execution of the Grant Agreement; providing for an effective date. (*Funds from Account #001-1500-552-32-64 - Business Recruitment and Retention*)**
- 13. Resolution 2023/169 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving the award of Request for Proposals for wholesale compressed natural gas; authorizing the issuance of a purchase order to Interconn Resources, LLC, the lowest priced responsive and responsible bidder, for CNG for a one-year term; providing for implementation and an effective date. (*Funds from Account #450-4551-534-38-12 - Compressed Natural Gas*)**

DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS

- 14. Resolution 2023/170 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, authorizing the submission of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Program Loan Application; approving and authorizing execution of the Loan Agreement for a loan in the amount of \$6,158,816.00; establishing revenues pledged for the repayment of the loan; providing for implementation, conflicts, severability, and an effective date.**

The Resolution was read by title only.

David Santucci, City Manager, said this project funds the City's first reclaimed water line trunk, which is being installed as a part of the SW 10th Street Project. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has agreed to fund 50% of the project, which has a total project cost of just over \$11 million. The City will be taking out a low interest loan to cover 50% of the costs; therefore, staff is recommending approval of the item.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing; however, there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Drosky commented on a meeting he attended at Independence Bay regarding the SW 10th Street Project. Thereafter, he provided a brief history of the project and how far it has come. Commissioner Drosky stated that over the years progress has been made to the project to make it friendlier to the City of Deerfield Beach, and although he would prefer FDOT fund the entire cost, he spoke in support of them funding 50%, as they are not obligated to do so, which is considered a win for Deerfield Beach.

DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS - CONTINUED

MOTION was made by Commissioner Drosky, seconded by Commissioner Preston, to approve Item 14, adopted Resolution 2023/170. Roll Call:

Yeas: 4 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, and Mayor Ganz
Nays: 1 - Vice Mayor Parness

15. ORDINANCE 2023/ - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE II "NOISE CONTROL" OF CHAPTER 34 "ENVIRONMENT" OF THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS RELATING TO EMERGENCY BACKUP GENERATORS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Ordinance was read by title only.

Eric Power, Director of Planning & Development Services, stated that the Code will now include language for the use of generators and there hours of operations, whereby, generators will not be permitted to be used unless it's for an emergency or testing.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing; however, there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

There was no discussion amongst the Commission.

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Parness, seconded by Commissioner Preston, to approve Item 15 on first reading. Roll Call:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Parness, and Mayor Ganz
Nays: 0

COMMENTS BY ADMINISTRATION & LEGAL

CITY ATTORNEY - None.

CITY MANAGER

27th Annual Walk, Bike & Roll to School Day - David Santucci, City Manager, stated that the event will take place on Wednesday, October 4th at 7:30 a.m. at Deerfield Park Elementary.

CITY COMMISSION BUSINESS

16. ORDINANCE 2023/ - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 38, "FINANCE AND TAXATION", ARTICLE VII "TAXES", BY AMENDING SECTION 38-244 "ADDITIONAL HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FOR PERSONS 65 AND OLDER" OF THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES TO INCREASE THE ADDITIONAL SENIOR HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION FROM \$25,000.00 TO \$50,000.00 AND PROVIDE FOR AN ADDITIONAL LONG TERM RESIDENCY SENIOR HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION IN THE AMOUNT OF THE ASSESSED VALUE OF PROPERTY FOR CERTAIN PERSONS 65 AND OLDER WHO MEET CERTAIN RESIDENCY, INCOME, AND OTHER STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Ordinance was read by title only.

Anthony Soroka, City Attorney, stated that per state law, the second exemption regarding the additional long-term residency senior homestead exemption will require a 4/5 vote on second reading.

CITY COMMISSION BUSINESS - CONTINUED

David Santucci, City Manager, stated that the reduction in taxable value will be approximately \$18.7 million for the long-term and the additional \$25,000, whereby, the reduction in overall revenues is estimated at \$112,541; if the City adopted the \$50,000 exemption only, the reduction in taxable value to the City would be approximately \$18.2 million, whereby, the reduction in overall revenues is estimated at \$109,542; and if the City only adopted the long-term exemption it would be an approximate \$1.2 million reduction in taxable value, whereby, the reduction in overall revenues is estimated at \$7,351. Currently, there are 1,989 seniors that are eligible for the \$50,000 exemption and approximately 220 eligible for the long-term exemption.

Mayor Ganz closed the public hearing.

Paula Cook, 62 Centennial Court, Deerfield Beach, spoke in opposition to the Ordinance, as all residents should be treated equal and others will have to recoup the costs. Thereafter, she commented on the City not lowering the millage rate, and reiterated that these costs will fall onto others.

Katy Freitag, 418 SE 2nd Street, Deerfield Beach, spoke in opposition to the Ordinance, as she agreed that others will have to recoup the costs, and the City was unable to lower the millage rate or adjust any services, etc. Further, she suggested separating the items and allowing those that have lived in the same residence for 25+ years to qualify for the exemption and not provide it to all.

Karen Shelly, 190 Durham B, Deerfield Beach, spoke in support of the Ordinance, as the vulnerable seniors in our community must be taken care of.

Mayor Ganz closed the public hearing. Further, he reiterated that only 1,989 are eligible for the \$50,000 and 220 are eligible for the long-term exemption, which does not represent the entire city's senior population. Thereafter, he provided a brief explanation of the Ordinance.

In response to Mayor Ganz's question, Mr. Soroka replied that in order to qualify for the long-term exemption, the owner must maintain permanent residency at the property for at least 25 years and the property value cannot exceed \$250,000. Thereafter, he briefly outlined the income limitations for both exemptions.

In response to Mayor Ganz's questions, Mr. Santucci reiterated that the amount of lost revenue to the City under both exemptions is approximately \$112,000. Further, the City's budget for FY24 is \$340 million.

Mayor Ganz said this will not put pressure on the residents, nor negatively impact the budget. Further, he stated that we must assist those in dire need of help; therefore, he spoke in support of the Ordinance.

Vice Mayor Parness spoke in support of the Ordinance, as it will help those in need. Thereafter, he commented on the insurance rate increases.

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Parness, seconded by Commissioner Preston, to approve Item 16 on first reading. Roll Call:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Parness, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

COMMENTS BY MAYOR & CITY COMMISSION**COMMISSIONER HUDAK****DISTRICT 1**

Agenda Items - Commissioner Hudak asked that everyone educate themselves on the items, as it helps with the process. Furthermore, this commission represents the community; therefore, we are here to listen and take comments into consideration, but when information is incorrect it defeats the purpose of what is trying to be accomplished. Thereafter, he encouraged the community to continue attending the meetings, and educating themselves on what's brought forward.

COMMENTS BY MAYOR & CITY COMMISSION - CONTINUED**COMMISSIONER PRESTON****DISTRICT 2**

Jr. Anglers Day - Commissioner Preston thanked BSO and city staff for the event and asked that it be done twice a year, which was requested by various participants.

Accolades - Commissioner Preston thanked William Paulk, Manager 1, for his efforts with the volleyball program. Thereafter, he provided a brief overview of the program.

Building Renaming - Commissioner Preston stated that he originally requested for the old public works facility to be named after Bernard Adams, but there seems to be a misunderstanding on the building location.

David Santucci, City Manager, said after reviewing the minutes, Commissioner Preston did mention renaming the public works facility after Bernard Adams, whereby, the Central City Campus houses two buildings, Building A and B, which caused confusion; nevertheless, staff is working to move forward, but if the Commission desires to provide additional direction, staff will comply.

VICE MAYOR PARNESS**DISTRICT 3**

Registering to Vote - Vice Mayor Parness said a non-partisan table is set up in the lobby at City Hall every Friday from 9 a.m. to noon to assist people with registering to vote. Thereafter, he commented on the importance of voting and the ever-changing laws.

COMMISSIONER DROSKY**DISTRICT 4**

Dunn's Run - Commissioner Drosky thanked everyone for coming out for the event.

Community Participation Grant - Commissioner Drosky commended staff and the Commission for the Community Participation Grant, as the process was seamless. He thanked staff for vetting the applications.

MAYOR GANZ

Renaming - Mayor Ganz spoke in support of renaming the facility after Bernard Adams. Thereafter, he reiterated his request to rename the pool after former Mayor Peggy Noland and asked that staff reach out to Nora Rupert, School Board.

Issues - Mayor Ganz commented on lights being out along Hillsboro Boulevard near the beach, and asked that maintenance be performed to the swale areas, especially in the western part of the City near the Deerfield Mall.

Speeding - Mayor Ganz encouraged BSO to work with Coconut Creek again on a joint partnership for speeding along Hillsboro, as it is becoming a major issue again.

Public Safety Night - Mayor Ganz stated that the event will take place on October 6th from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Quiet Waters Park.

Accolades - Mayor Ganz thanked Sheriff Gregory Tony for the implementation of the District's Behavioral Response & Crime Prevention Team.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no additional business to discuss.

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Parness, seconded by Commissioner Preston, to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 p.m. Voice Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Commissioner Drosky, Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Preston, Vice Mayor Parness, and Mayor Ganz

Nays: 0

CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH

BILL GANZ, MAYOR

Heather Montemayor, CMC, City Clerk