



## Meeting Minutes City Commission

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Tuesday, April 2, 2019

7:00 PM

Commission Chambers

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### 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:** 5 - Commissioner Michael Hudak  
Commissioner Bernie Parness  
Commissioner Benjamin Preston  
Vice Mayor Todd Drosky  
Mayor Bill Ganz

**Also Present:** 3 - City Manager Burgess Hanson  
City Attorney Andrew Maurodis  
City Clerk Samantha Gillyard

### MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

There was a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

### APPROVAL OF CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular City Commission Meeting Minutes

*March 19, 2019*

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

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

**Nays:** 0

### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF CITY BOARD MINUTES

Planning & Zoning Board Meeting Minutes - February 7, 2019

Cultural Committee Meeting Minutes - December 17, 2018, January 7, January 16 & February 11, 2019

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

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

**Nays:** 0

## **APPROVAL OF CITY COMMISSION AGENDA**

*April 2, 2019*

**MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Commissioner Preston, to approve the agenda as amended. Voice Vote:**

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

**Nays:** 0

## **AWARDS & RECOGNITION**

### **1. Memorial proclamation presented to the family of Nina Syskova.**

Mayor Ganz read and presented a proclamation in the memory of Nina Syskova; he briefly highlighted the life that she lived and her desire to always help others.

### **2. Certificate of Appreciation presented to City staff and agencies for their hard work and dedication in the production of Sip & Stroll.**

Mayor Ganz presented certificates to various individuals for their hard work and contributions in making the 2nd Annual Sip & Stroll a major success.

### **3. Proclamation presented to the Department of Environmental Services in recognition of Water Conservation Month.**

Mayor Ganz presented a proclamation to the Department of Environmental Services in recognition of Water Conservation Month.

Thereafter, Adrian Mocanu, Water Plant Operations Supervisor, accepted the proclamation and informed the public of water saving devices, i.e. toilets; wherein, customers could receive a cash back incentive.

## **ADDENDUM**

### **A1 Proclamation presented to the Department of Information Technology Services, recognizing the month of April as Cyber Security Month.**

Mayor Ganz read a proclamation recognizing the month of April as Cyber Security Month in Deerfield Beach and encouraged citizens and businesses to be proactive in safeguarding passwords and internet access.

Ron McKenzie, Chief Information Officer, said throughout this month, staff will have a mandatory training addressing the importance of cyber security. He also mentioned a change to the water bills, whereby, the system has been upgraded and residents will be instructed to provide an identity key, such as a favorite color or team to safeguard their information. He also provided other tips regarding internet safety.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS - SECOND READING**

4. P.H. 2019-084: ORDINANCE 2019/008 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CITY CODE SECTION 46-29 "MOTORIZED SCOOTERS" TO CLARIFY THE RESTRICTIONS ON MOTORIZED SCOOTERS, REVISE THE DEFINITION OF "MOTORIZED SCOOTERS", ADD A DEFINITION FOR "MICROMOBILITY DEVICES" AND PROHIBIT THE USE OF MOTORIZED SCOOTERS AND MICROMOBILITY DEVICES ON PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY, PUBLIC SIDEWALKS AND PUBLICLY OWNED PROPERTY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Ordinance was read by title only.

Andrew Maurodis, City Attorney, said the Legislature is in session and is considering how to address motorized scooters. Due to the current standards of the law, staff wanted to move forward; however, if the Legislature decides to weigh in on this matter, it will be addressed at that time.

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

Commissioner Parness asked why not postpone this item until the Legislature makes a decision, as done with the straw ban.

Mr. Maurodis replied that the Legislature could decide to allow any ordinance adopted prior to a certain date survives. Further, he explained that there are dangers associated with use of the scooters and people leave them around, causing unsightly conditions. Lastly, he said the Ordinance is being made consistent to the State Statutes which is also important.

**MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Drosky, seconded by Commissioner Hudak, to approve Item 4, adopted Ordinance 2019/008. Roll Call:**

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

**Nays:** 0

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Rita Masi, 349 NE 19th Avenue, Deerfield Beach**, said there is a trailer on the beach and asked that the City not get involved like it did before, as it is a private matter.

**Katy Freitag, 418 SE 2nd Street, Deerfield Beach**, said the Rotary Club is sponsoring the Italian Festival this Saturday, in cooperation with the Wyndham and invited everyone to attend.

**Dan Herz, 330 SE 19th Avenue, Deerfield Beach**, said the Commission is planned to vote on the Ordinance amending section 98-53, 'B-1 Business Community' District to increase the minimum distance separation requirements for pharmacies and marijuana dispensaries in the B-1 zoning district from 250 to 500 feet. He said he does not understand why this is being voted on when both the District 1 & 2 Commissioners asked for consideration of a ban on future medical marijuana facilities. Thereafter, Mr. Herz outlined comments from a previous meeting on January 15, 2019 regarding permitting medical marijuana dispensaries as an accessory use. Mr. Herz opined that recreational marijuana use will soon be legalized and encouraged the Commission to act now, instead of being reactive.

**Michelle Peterson, 270 SE 5th Avenue, Deerfield Beach**, advised that a recreational vehicle is now parked on the beach in front of the Berkshire Beach Club and asked that the City not get involved as it did in 2015. She further commented on the amount paid for the land for six (6) parcels instead of negotiating with the property owner.

## AGREEMENTS & EXPENDITURE REQUESTS

5. Resolution 2019/034 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving the award of ITB #2018-19/22 for Sulfuric Acid 93% for Water Treatment Plant Operations to Sulphuric Acid Trading Company ("SATC"), Inc. for an annual cost of \$131,400.00; authorizing the execution of an agreement; providing for an effective date. (Funds from Account #401-5020-533-35-11 - Chemicals)

The Resolution 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 Parness, to approve Item 5, adopted Resolution 2019/034. Roll Call:**

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

**Nays:** 0

6. Resolution 2019/035 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving the award of ITB #2018-19/18 Hillsboro Blvd (S.R. 810) for Water Main Replacement/Directional Drill to R.P. Utility & Excavation Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$553,000; providing an effective date. (Funds from Account #413-5000-536-60-43 - Other Machine and Equipment)

The Resolution was read by title only.

Allen Fathi, Utilities Assistant Director, said there are three (3) water lines crossing the waterway and one (1) has been out of service since 2015. A consultant was hired to design the water line, which was completed late last year due to permitting and the difficulty of designing it. Mr. Fathi explained the bid process, whereby, five (5) bids were received and the lowest being from the contractor outlined. The existing line is about 10" and will be replaced with a 12" line; currently, only two (2) of the lines are being used to pressurize east of the waterway and the new line will do a better job of providing pressure throughout the east side of the City. The water line will run south of the bridge on Hillsboro Boulevard and north of Three George's restaurant, across and connects on the other side at SE 18th Avenue.

In response to Commissioner Parness' questions, Mr. Fathi explained that the pipe is about 28 to 30 feet from the top of the water; it will curve down and come back up. On one (1) side it will be shallow, about 4 to 5 feet and then under the water about 28 to 30 feet deep, then it comes back up. Additionally, the pipes are not on the shore, but near the restaurant and the drilling will go down.

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

**MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Commissioner Preston, to approve Item 6, adopted Resolution 2019/035. Roll Call:**

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

**Nays:** 0

## DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS

7. Resolution 2019/036 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving the State Housing Initiative Program ("SHIP") Local Housing Assistance Plan ("LHAP"); and providing an effective date.

The Resolution was read by title only.

Vicki Placide-Pickard, Director of Community Development, said the City is a recipient of State Housing Initiative Partnership Funds and has been since 1993. Upon receiving the funds every three (3) years, an action plan must be submitted to the State identifying what the funds will be used for annually. Three (3) projects are identified in the plan: purchase assistance, home repair and disaster funds. State funds are threatened every year; whereby, the City only received \$100,000 but it can increase or decrease dependent on the Legislature.

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

Commissioner Hudak asked how funds are divided between the cities.

Ms. Placide-Pickard replied that SHIP funds are from the Sadowski Act and whenever a property is sold, doc stamps go to the State. Broward County sends over approximately \$28 million to the State for funding. The State provides monies based on population and a formula they derived; however, over the past 8 to 10 years, the fund has been raided and used for general funds. If the City were to receive its full allocation, it would be approximately \$1 million, but each year the funding amount changes.

In response to Commissioner Preston's question, Ms. Placide-Pickard replied that 10 people are being assisted; they have full applications in. Another workshop will be done in May or June to bring more people in, and the program is being advertised through social media, civic organizations, churches, homeowner associations and press releases.

**MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Commissioner Preston, to approve Item 7, adopted Resolution 2019/036. Roll Call:**

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

**Nays:** 0

8. Resolution 2019/037 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, amending the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") Action Plan by reallocating CDBG funds to the Sidewalk Improvement Program; providing for an effective date.

The Resolution was read by title only.

Vicki Placide-Pickard, Director of Community Development, said she has been working with the Environmental Services Department to identify areas between Hillsboro south to 4th and MLK east to Dixie. Within this community, there are many areas that do not have sidewalks; thus, the funding will be used to complete those areas. Funding was allocated in the budget last year, but it was determined that additional funding is needed. Currently, proposals are being requested for the preparation of the construction documents and ADA route construction.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing; however, there were none to speak and the public hearing was closed. Thereafter, he asked if there have been any comments from residents being opposed to the sidewalks in the community.

Ms. Placide-Pickard replied no, not in this area and the sidewalks are on public property; nevertheless, during the community meetings, residents requested sidewalks.

**MOTION was made by Commissioner Preston, seconded by Commissioner Parness, to approve Item**

**8, adopted Resolution 2019/037. Roll Call:**

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

**Nays:** 0

**9. ORDINANCE 2019/ - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FLORIDA, VACATING AND ABANDONING A PORTION OF A 10-FOOT WIDE UTILITY EASEMENT LOCATED AT 27 SOUTH DIXIE HIGHWAY IN CONNECTION WITH THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB TEEN CENTER EXPANSION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Eric Power, Director of Planning & Development Services, said Items 9 and 10 pertain to the abandonment of a right-of-way and an easement. He highlighted a current site plan which will be presented at the next meeting for the addition of the Teen Center for the Boys & Girls Club. The area in yellow pertains to the right-of-way and the easement access is within the property of the Boys & Girls Club. The area in red is the property line and the area in green is the proposed expansion of the Teen Center. He explained that it is typical with easement abandonments that the request is not presented until after the project is built, but because the easement abandonment must be removed prior to building the Teen Center, it is being presented as first reading.

Mayor Ganz opened the public hearing.

**Theodus Times, 772 N. Deerfield Avenue, Deerfield Beach,** said he is the pastor of First Zion Missionary Baptist Church and this will encroach on their plans for expansion. He said the church has been in the same location for almost 117 years and wishes to expand the church. Mr. Times said they have been maintaining the easement for approximately 15 years and had spoken to both Commissioner Preston and Commissioner Battle, but never finalized the arrangement. He said with the roadway coming in behind the church, it will limit their desire to expand; nevertheless, they have other solutions with neighbors. Lastly, Mr. Times spoke in opposition to abandoning the easement and having the roadway coming in behind them and asked that there be another solution.

**Octavia McDougal, 49 S. Dixie Highway, Deerfield Beach,** suggested tabling the item. She said while they support the Boys & Girls Club expansion, there have been meetings about alternative solutions. Further, she said they feel the plan is extremely dangerous for the kids in the community, as many children walk across private property. Ms. McDougal suggested meeting with other stakeholders to come up with a plan for safety, including sidewalks, lighting and speed bumps. She explained that children walk through their property to the Boys & Girls Club and they are concerned from a liability standpoint. Moreover, they have already spoken with the Boys & Girls Club about working with them on use of a private road but would like to further discuss other measures.

**Matt Giani, Shah Drotos & Associates,** said he is the civil engineer on the project, representing the Boys & Girls Club of Broward County. Mr. Giani said he did meet with the property owner to the south regarding access to the site and no agreement has been made to utilize the prior road leading to the site. Therefore, plans have been revised to utilize the City owned right-of-way, which leads to SW 1st Terrace. Also, it is not an easement, it is City right-of-way and as recommended by the City, the Boys & Girls Club would be developing that right-of-way into a road and will remain a public road; whereas, the Boys & Girls Club would be dedicating an additional 10 feet on the north side of the right-of-way to provide a sidewalk connection from SW 1st Terrace for safe access to the Teen Center. There is not only safe access to the Teen Center, but adequate lighting over the sidewalk and street.

Mayor Ganz closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Preston said the Boys & Girls Club has been instrumental in helping the youth, but it is important to remember that First Zion has been there more than 100 years, and it must be taken into consideration that they also want to expand. Additionally, he agreed that the items should be tabled because people are working together to solve the issue and seem amenable to doing so. Lastly, Commissioner Preston said the church

should be given the utmost consideration as they have been there a long time.

Commissioner Hudak agreed with Commissioner Preston and the parties should be given a chance to come to an amicable solution.

Mr. Power displayed the proposed site plan that will be presented at the next commission meeting. He said the area of concern from the speakers is the area to the south of the Club. The area referenced is deemed city property and right-of-way; whereby, the applicant would be responsible for maintaining the adjacent property until the area has been developed. The area in yellow is on the property of the Boys & Girls Club and does not affect the solution proposed in this plan or a potential solution along 1st Avenue. The item simply removes the easement and right-of-way's that have access issues regarding the connection between the proposed facility and the existing Boys & Girls Club facility. The questions from the public will be discussed at the next meeting.

Mayor Ganz spoke in favor of moving the item forward since the discussion is on two (2) separate issues.

Mr. Power said they are separate issues but understands why they seem connected.

Commissioner Preston asked if the area outlined has an effect on the church.

Mr. Power replied no, the area in yellow is solely on the Boys & Girls Club property and does not affect the church's desire to expand to the north.

Commissioner Preston asked if the right-of-way (Item 10) has any effect on the church.

Mr. Power replied no. Thereafter, he explained what each legend represents, as well as the area location and then located the property on an aerial map. He outlined the areas of interest for the Boys & Girls Club, the City's right-of-way, property line for both the church and Boys & Girls Club.

**MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Commissioner Hudak, to approve Item 9 on first reading. Roll Call:**

**Yeas:** 4 - Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Parness, Vice Mayor Drosky, and Mayor Ganz

**Nays:** 1 - Commissioner Preston

**10. ORDINANCE 2019/ - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DEERFIELD BEACH, FLORIDA, VACATING AND ABANDONING A PORTION OF RIGHT-OF-WAY LOCATED ON SW 1ST AVENUE AT THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 27 SOUTH DIXIE HIGHWAY IN CONNECTION WITH THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB TEEN CENTER EXPANSION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY 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.

Eric Power, Director of Planning & Development Services, outlined Item 10, an abandonment of a right-of-way which was displayed from the map.

Commissioner Preston opined that the property lines will connect.

Mr. Power said the original intention to access the Teen Center was through SW 1st Avenue. He explained that the McDougals own a piece of the property as well as other property owners near the access point; thus, it is not possible for the applicant to utilize the road. Notwithstanding, the property owners are working in good faith with each other toward a solution that would not include having the roadway along the south property of the Boys &

Girls Club. If SW 1st Avenue became an entrance, an abandonment would still be necessary.

Commissioner Preston said once the Boys & Girls Club is permitted to move forward with their plan, it would prohibit the church from making any changes.

Mr. Power said staff has learned that there is an existing water line running along the right-of-way that cannot be removed or abandoned; therefore, the church's hope to expand north will not happen.

Mayor Ganz said he does not see how the church's expansion would be impacted unless they were trying to get the same type abandonment which seems like an odd layout for the church. Additionally, the right of way goes so deep into the Boys & Girls Club property that he cannot see it as a negative impact on either of the two (2) properties. Mayor Ganz spoke in support of the Boys & Girls Club having the ability to connect the properties, the current building to the proposed teen center.

**MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Vice Mayor Drosky, to approve Item 10 on first reading. Roll Call:**

**Yeas:** 4 - Commissioner Hudak, Commissioner Parness, Vice Mayor Drosky, and Mayor Ganz

**Nays:** 1 - Commissioner Preston

## COMMENTS BY ADMINISTRATION AND LEGAL

### CITY ATTORNEY

Medical Marijuana Dispensary - Mayor Ganz asked for comments regarding the distance separation for medical marijuana dispensaries and the new property recently purchased.

Andrew Maurodis, City Attorney, replied that if distance in the B-1 zoning district is increased from 250 feet to 500 feet, based on the location of the medical marijuana dispensary, another location of a dispensary could not be in that area.

Eric Power, Director of Planning & Development Services, provided a map displaying the location of the MedMen property; whereby, the property recently purchased could not be used as a dispensary as it is less than 250 feet. Further, Mr. Power mentioned another property near the parking garage which would be impacted by the proposed 500 feet ordinance; whereby, the entire area around the S-curve could not receive another dispensary.

### CITY MANAGER

Beach Lots - Burgess Hanson, City Manager, explained why the beach lots were purchased several years ago, to protect the quality of life for residents in that area.

Vehicular Speeding - David Santucci, Assistant City Manager, said there has been excessive speeding on Hillsboro Boulevard. BSO and staff are taking measures to prevent future occurrences. First, a slow-down, no speeding sign has been posted at the City border and another will be placed further east once the sign is available. Additionally, BSO will have patrols in the area in the morning, afternoon and late night when these events are occurring. The traffic officers will be placed in specific locations after the speeding patterns are studied.

Mr. Hanson said during the budget workshops, staff will propose installation of speed tables to reduce speeding in residential neighborhoods, like the Cove and other areas. The tables can be placed by staff in conjunction with BSO Law Enforcement as speed has increased. Additionally, the Environmental Services Director will be working with Broward County on traffic light timing. During rush hour, it makes sense to have the lights synchronized; however, it is believed that during off-peak hours, when there is a straightaway, people are increasing their speed. Synchronizing the lights will also help reduce speed.



Mayor Ganz encouraged the residents to talk with the elected officials about areas of concern for future action.

Vice Mayor Drosky commented on the ramifications of speeding; whereby, three (3) people have lost their lives. He said something needs to be done for the long term. Also, he said the interior roads of neighborhoods must be considered as well because cars find alternate routes to avoid speed tables.

## **11. Video presentation regarding Broward County's launch of Text-to-911.**

David Santucci, Assistant City Manager, said Broward County has decided to expand 911 capabilities, whereby, they are launching Text-to-911, which allows people to text instead of calling, but is being promoted as a last resort. Call when possible and only text when unable to talk; thereafter, a video was shown outlining how the program works.

*Andrew Maurodis, City Attorney, left the dais temporarily at 8:09 p.m. and returned at 8:14 p.m.*

Mr. Santucci said approximately 50% of the counties in the State have this program or are nearing implementation. The program is only available in English translation and no emojis, videos or pictures are allowed, as they will not go through the system. Additionally, the program works the same as a voice call, when a text is received, it is queued to the dispatch system and goes to the first dispatcher who will ask a series of questions for verification, including the address, which cannot be specifically pinpointed via mobile device.

Commissioner Parness said the program is functional as of today.

Mr. Santucci said the County has advised that they will monitor and enforce any abuse of the system.

## **COMMENTS BY ADMINISTRATION AND LEGAL - CONTINUED**

### **CITY MANAGER - CONTINUED**

SE 15th Avenue Bridge - Tom Good, Director of Environmental Services, said the construction plans have been completed and delivered to three (3) contractors who will provide quotes on the work. He said the process will require a complete demolition of the parapet wall and install a concrete crash rated traffic railing. Mr. Good said the construction will take between 6 to 8 weeks for completion. Once quotes are received, the award will be expedited as directed by the City Manager.

In response to Mayor Ganz's question, Mr. Good replied that all the parapet walls must be removed; once the bridge is touched, it must be brought up to current standards. Furthermore, staff recently received a response from Broward County regarding the request for all-way stops at various locations, particularly 13th, where it intersects with 5th and 6th Place and to reduce the speed limit in the community to 15 mph, which was denied since the traffic volume is not there.

Mayor Ganz said he will speak with Mayor Bogen about it.

## **12. Overview regarding the City's Financial Transparency Tool.**

Nicole Giordano, Program & Innovation Manager, provided an overview on the City's Transparency Tool. She said the City partnered with OpenGov to provide a web based financial transparency and intelligent tool that presents the City's revenues and expenses, from historical trends to line item level details. The tool gives residents and staff around the clock access to financial data, which is updated daily, but subject to adjustments. Thereafter, Ms. Giordano provided a brief tutorial on how to use the program and listed other features.

## **CITY COMMISSION BUSINESS**

13. Resolution 2019/038 - A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, urging all members of the Florida Legislature to support House Bill ("HB") 107 and Senate Bill ("SB") 76 to prohibit the operation of motor vehicles while using wireless communication devices for the purpose of nonvoice or voice interpersonal communications; directing the City Clerk to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Broward League of Cities, the Florida League of Cities, the Broward County Legislative Delegation and any other interested parties; providing an effective date.

The Resolution was read by title only.

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

Vice Mayor Drosky said he previously supported the proposed resolution last year, making texting while driving a primary offense, which it is currently not. Vice Mayor Drosky said he does not understand why it is not a primary offense; nevertheless, he supported moving forward with the Resolution.

Thereafter, there was a brief discussion on whether the Bill is related to voice calls and the use of a handsfree device while driving.

Andrew Maurodis, City Attorney, concluded that it focuses on texting while driving.

**MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Drosky, seconded by Commissioner Parness, to approve Item 13, adopted Resolution 2019/038. Voice Vote:**

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

**Nays:** 0

## ***ADDENDUM - CONTINUED***

### **A2** Reconsideration of voting delegate to the Broward League of Cities.

Vice Mayor Drosky said at the March 19th meeting, he failed to request appointment as the voting delegate to the Broward League of Cities and asked that it be reconsidered. He said he has been on the Broward League of Cities Legislative Policy Committee for the last two (2) years and wishes to serve as the delegate. He said he is open to having Commissioner Hudak serve as the voting delegate for the Florida League of Cities. Additionally, he volunteered to serve as the voting delegate at National League's conference since he will be in attendance.

Andrew Maurodis, City Attorney, explained that someone from the prevailing side would have to make a motion to reconsider. If passed, the matter would then be voted upon.

**MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Vice Mayor Drosky, to reconsider Commissioner Hudak as the voting delegate to the Broward League of Cities. Voice Vote:**

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

**Nays:** 0

### **A3** Consideration to appoint a voting delegate to the Broward League of Cities.

**MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Commissioner Hudak, to appoint Vice Mayor Drosky as the voting delegate to the Broward League of Cities. Voice Vote:**

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

Nays: 0

## CITY COMMISSION BUSINESS - CONTINUED

14. Discussion regarding the selection of a voting delegate to the Florida League of Cities 2019 Annual Conference, August 15 - 17 in Orlando.

**MOTION was made by Commissioner Parness, seconded by Vice Mayor Drosky, to appoint Commissioner Hudak as the voting delegate to the Florida League of Cities 2019 Annual Conference. Voice Vote:**

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

**Nays:** 0

15. Discussion regarding the selection of a voting delegate to the National League of Cities 2019 City Summit, November 20 - 23 in San Antonio, Texas.

**MOTION was made by Commissioner Hudak, seconded by Commissioner Parness, to appoint Vice Mayor Drosky as the voting delegate to the National League of Cities 2019 City Summit. Voice Vote:**

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

**Nays:** 0

## COMMENTS BY MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSIONERS

*Andrew Maurodis, City Attorney, left the dais temporarily at 8:34 p.m. and returned at 8:36 p.m.*

### COMMISSIONER HUDAK

#### DISTRICT 1

Friends of Deerfield Beach Island Park - Commissioner Hudak said Ira Wechterman is the president of the Friends of Deerfield Beach Island and received an award from Dan West. He said there have been wonderful changes at the park and additional funding will be received from Broward County due to the award.

Upcoming Events - Commissioner Hudak said a beach cleanup will be held this Saturday from 9 am - 12 pm. Volunteers will meet at the kiosk in front of the Fire Station, whereby, the Italian Festival will follow the cleanup. Lastly, he advised that a Chamber of Commerce breakfast will be held on April 4th.

Saturday Meetings - Commissioner Hudak said he will start Saturday meetings on April 13th from 10 am - 12 pm for District 1 residents; appointments can be made by contacting the City Manager's Office.

Formal Review Process - Commissioner Hudak said he would like to have a formal review process of the City Manager and wishes to spearhead the process as it is important for the City Manager and historical processes. He said there is no way to show how things have evolved and while the Manager has a lot of support from the Commission, it is important to formalize the process.

### COMMISSIONER PRESTON

#### DISTRICT 2

District 2 Meeting - Commissioner Preston said a District 2 meeting will be held on April 12th at 7 pm at the Oveta McKeithen Recreational Park in the Johnnie Tigner Center.

Contact Number - Commissioner Preston provided his cell number so residents may reach out to him.

Youth Sports - Commissioner Preston said his constituents shared their concerns with him regarding youth sports and because there have been a lot of misperceptions, he asked that the City Manager work with him to address the issues and concerns.

## COMMISSIONER PARNESS

## DISTRICT 3

Accolades - Commissioner Parness commended staff for installing speed bumps and monitoring the residential areas, which has slowed the traffic. He also thanked staff for their work in cleaning up Military Trail. Commissioner Parness suggested people placing their trash/bulk items out a day before instead of two to three days ahead of schedule. Lastly, he thanked the residents for their help in keeping the City clean.

## VICE MAYOR DROSKY

## DISTRICT 4

Saturday Office Hours - Vice Mayor Drosky said he will be at City Hall this Saturday, April 6th from 10 am - 12 pm and recommended contacting the City Manager's Office for an appointment.

Recognition - Vice Mayor Drosky said he took the opportunity tonight to recognize those who contributed to the success of Sip and Stroll and wishes to continue recognizing people at every meeting. He asked that staff and residents point people out that have made a difference.

## MAYOR BILL GANZ

Accolades - Mayor Ganz thanked BSO Police and Fire Rescue for responding to recent tragedies. Two (2) people were killed on Saturday, a grandmother and granddaughter in a horrific accident. He said the response time was fantastic, though it could not have been an easy scene to work. He also thanked George Sullivan who continually supports City events and helps in any capacity.

Seaweed Issue - Mayor Ganz said the seaweed issue is very bad all over the coast and is unusual to have this much. He asked residents and visitors to be patient as it is constant.

Haitian Flag Day - Mayor Ganz said May 18th is Haitian Flag Day and asked that it be recognized in the City, but to also expand on what has been done in the past.

Reckless Driving - Mayor Ganz said it is almost impossible to stop reckless driving, nevertheless, a comprehensive traffic calming plan for the City must be established. He commented on a past situation where some residents wanted speed bumps, but the other street did not, whereby, when installed, it pushed the traffic to another street in a different community. Mayor Ganz commented on the types of traffic calming and the policy currently in use, which requires residential consensus for installation. Lastly, he reminded staff to reach out to Broward County Mayor Bogen and Commissioner Fisher regarding reducing the speed limit and four-way stop that was rejected by Broward County; he said he will call them as well.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:49 p.m.