

City of Lauderhill

City Commission Chambers at City Hall
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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Monday, May 12, 2025

6:00 PM

City Commission Chambers

City Commission Meeting

LAUDERHILL CITY COMMISSION

**Mayor Denise D. Grant
Vice Mayor Sarai "Ray" Martin
Commissioner Richard Campbell
Commissioner Melissa P. Dunn
Commissioner John T. Hodgson**

**Kennie Hobbs, Interim City Manager
Andrea M. Anderson, City Clerk
Hans Ottinot, Interim City Attorney**

I CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Grant called to order the Regular City Commission Meeting at 6:00 PM.

II ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Commissioner Richard Campbell, Commissioner Melissa P. Dunn, Commissioner John T. Hodgson, Vice Mayor Sarai Martin, and Mayor Denise D. Grant

ALSO PRESENT:

Kennie Hobbs, Jr., Interim City Manager
Hans Ottinot, Interim City Attorney
Constance Stanley, Police Chief
Andrea M. Anderson, City Clerk

III COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (AND CITY MANAGER RESPONSES TO THE PUBLIC, IF THE TIME PERMITS DURING THIS PORTION OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION)**IV ADJOURNMENT (NO LATER THAN 6:30 PM)****I CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR MEETING****II HOUSEKEEPING**

A motion was made by Vice Mayor S. Martin, seconded by Mayor D. Grant, to ACCEPT the Revised Version of the City Commission Meeting Agenda for May 12, 2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner R. Campbell, Commissioner M. Dunn, Commissioner J. Hodgson, Vice Mayor S. Martin, and Mayor D. Grant

Abstain: 0

III PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG FOLLOWED BY GOOD AND WELFARE**IV APPROVAL OF MINUTES****V PROCLAMATIONS / COMMENDATIONS (10 MINUTES MAXIMUM)**

- A. A PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 2025 AS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH (REQUESTED BY MAYOR DENISE D. GRANT).
- B. A PROCLAMATION DECLARING JUNE 2025 AS PEACE MONTH (REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER MELISSA P. DUNN).
- C. A PROCLAMATION HONORING OFFICER THOMAS YOPPS AND CHRYSTINA HARTER, REGISTERED NURSE (REQUESTED BY MAYOR DENISE D. GRANT).

D. A PROCLAMATION DECLARING MAY 2025 AS SMALL BUSINESS MONTH (REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER RICHARD CAMPBELL).

VI PRESENTATIONS (15 MINUTES MAXIMUM)

- A. A PRESENTATION OF THE VOICES OF THE CARIBBEAN ANNUAL CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH (REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER RICHARD CAMPBELL).
- B. A PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING NEW HIRES IN THE LAUDERHILL POLICE DEPARTMENT (REQUESTED BY INTERIM CITY MANAGER KENNIE HOBBS, JR.).
- C. A PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING EMPLOYEES OF HAITIAN DESCENT IN HONOR OF HAITIAN HERITAGE MONTH (REQUESTED BY INTERIM CITY MANAGER KENNIE HOBBS, JR.).

VII QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS

1. ORDINANCE NO. 250-05-115: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, GRANTING TO AMBASSADOR INVESTMENT & REALTY LLC, A VARIANCE TO ALLOW A SPECIAL RESIDENTIAL FACILITY (CATEGORY 2) IN THE MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (RM-18) ZONING DISTRICT RELIEF FROM THE CITY'S LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ARTICLE III, SECTION 5.36. SPECIAL RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES, REQUIRING A MINIMUM 1,200 FEET DISTANCE FROM ANOTHER SPECIAL RESIDENTIAL FACILITY, ANY FAMILY DAY CARE HOME, OR ANY LARGE FAMILY DAY CARE HOME, SAID PROPERTY IS LOCATED ON AN APPROXIMATELY 0.17 ACRE SITE LOCATED AT 5940 NW 19 CT., LAUDERHILL, FL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attachments: [250-05-115 Variance - Ambassador ALF - 5940 NW 19 Ct](#)

[AR 250-05-115](#)

[Attachment A - Application](#)

[Attachment B - Development Review Report \(DRR\)](#)

[Attachment C - Narrative](#)

[Attachment D - Survey](#)

[Attachment E - Public Notice Affidavit](#)

[Exhibit A - Legal Description](#)

[Item 1 - Ambassador ALF - Presentation 5.12.25 v2](#)

City Attorney Hans Ottinot swore in all parties planning to testify. Development Services Director Daniel Keester-O'Mills explained this quasi-judicial variance required at least four votes for approval. He clarified that special residential facilities must be separated by 1,200 feet minimum, but the applicant was requesting to restart a facility within 400 feet of an existing one. The property had previously operated as a special residential facility until discontinuing in 2022.

Attorney Hope Calhoun presented for the applicant, explaining they sought a variance from distance separation requirements. She argued they satisfied all

variance criteria due to unique circumstances: the property previously operated as an ALF, the applicant had numerous meetings with city staff over two years believing they were following proper procedures, and there was a lapse in the 45-day zoning approval window while staff was aware of their intentions.

Commissioner Campbell expressed concerns about the history of ALFs in the area, particularly on 19th Street and 28th Court, where clustering had caused resource strain. He initially indicated difficulty supporting the application.

After discussion about modifying the resident type, applicant Clarence Woods and partner Richard Charlemon explained they would pivot from senior care to serving special needs young adults, specifically those with autism and developmental disabilities. Mr. Woods, identifying himself as a public servant, assured the commission they would operate reputably with proper security, gates, and staffing, unlike previous absentee landlords.

Mr. Charlemon detailed his extensive experience, including his parents housing over 150 people that produced 40 college degrees, sending 200 foster care youth to colleges through the HANDY program, and running Reyna Group Home for 15 years with no Baker Acts in five years. He explained their partnership with ChildNet and various state agencies, providing comprehensive services including therapy, adoption services, and normalized community living for children aged 3-18.

Mayor Grant questioned staffing, medical professionals, and security arrangements. Mr. Charlemon explained staff receive 40 hours annual training, cameras monitor homes, nurses provide training, and they maintain appropriate staff-to-child ratios including one-on-ones for children with severe behaviors.

Planning staff maintained their recommendation against approval, citing failure to meet variance criteria and concerns about precedent. City Planner Molly Howson provided historical context about the central neighborhood's struggles with concentrated special residential facilities, describing decades of effort to decentralize these facilities and the negative impacts on families trying to raise children in areas with wandering residents with mental health issues.

Following extensive discussion about ensuring this would serve only special needs youth and not revert to senior care, Ms. Calhoun stated the applicant would execute a declaration to be recorded against the property limiting use to special needs young adults.

A motion was made by Commissioner J. Hodgson, seconded by Commissioner R. Campbell, that this Ordinance be approved on first reading to the City Commission Meeting, due back on 6/9/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner R. Campbell, Commissioner M. Dunn, Commissioner J. Hodgson, Vice Mayor S. Martin, and Mayor D. Grant

Abstain: 0

VIII CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice Mayor S. Martin, seconded by Commissioner R. Campbell, that this be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner R. Campbell, Commissioner M. Dunn, Commissioner J. Hodgson, Vice Mayor S. Martin, and Mayor D. Grant

Abstain: 0

4. RESOLUTION NO. 25R-05-91: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE REMETERING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL AND CLAUDIA BLAKE TO ALLOW SUBMETERS AT THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5951-5953 N.W. 19TH STREET, LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, IN ORDER TO SEPARATELY BILL EACH INDIVIDUAL USER BASED UPON ACTUAL WATER CONSUMPTION AT THE SAME RATE UTILIZED BY THE CITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY INTERIM CITY MANAGER, KENNIE HOBBS, JR.).

Attachments: [25R-05-91 Approving Remetering 5951-5953 NW 19th St](#)
[AR 25R-05-91](#)
[REMETERING AGREEMENT APP 5951-5953 NW 19 St.](#)

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda. (See Consideration of Consent Agenda for vote tally.)

7. RESOLUTION NO. 25R-05-94: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS TO AUTHORIZE AN AGREEMENT WITH HYDROMAX USA, LLC AND WSD CONTRACTING FOR FIRE HYDRANT MAINTENANCE, REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT SERVICES BASED ON A PIGGYBACK FROM BROWARD COUNTY'S CONTRACT NO. BLD2128387B1; AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$200,000.00 FROM THE APPROPRIATE BUDGET CODE NUMBER; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY INTERIM CITY MANAGER KENNIE HOBBS).

Attachments: [25R-05-94 AGREEMENT WITH HYDROMAX USA](#)
[AR 25R-05-94](#)
[BROWARD COUNTY FIRE HYDRANT RF](#)
[BROWARD COUNTY AWARD](#)
[Agenda Request Memo. Fire Hydrant Maintenance](#)

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda. (See Consideration of Consent Agenda for vote tally.)

8. RESOLUTION NO. 25R-05-95: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) STATE HIGHWAY LIGHTING, MAINTENANCE, AND

COMPENSATION AGREEMENT FOR MAINTAINING FDOT FACILITIES WITHIN THE CITY; AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE SEVEN YEAR AGREEMENT, NEGOTIATE THE COMPENSATION AND TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY EFFECTUATE THE TERMS OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY INTERIM CITY MANAGER KENNIE HOBBS, JR.).

Attachments: [25R-05-95 approving Maintenance Agreement with FDOT](#)

[AR 25R-05-95](#)

[ASM27- City of Lauderhill](#)

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda. (See Consideration of Consent Agenda for vote tally.)

VIII RESOLUTIONS (NOT ON CONSENT AGENDA)

2. RESOLUTION NO. 25R-04-84: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY AND THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL TO COLLABORATIVELY SUPPORT AND PROMOTE SAVE PROMISE CLUBS TO HELP PREVENT VIOLENCE WITHIN SCHOOLS AND THE BROADER COMMUNITY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE LAUDERHILL PEACE 365 INITIATIVE IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME FORM ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A"; AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER MELISSA P. DUNN).

Attachments: [RES 25R-04-84 approving the MOU with Broward County](#)

[AR 25R-04-84](#)

[Lauderhill MOU -SBBC Peace 365-SAVE Clubs draftv2](#)

Vice Mayor Martin asked about financing sources and amounts. Commissioner Dunn explained funding would come from her budget and collaborative partners, but couldn't specify exact amounts since the clubs would be co-created with students.

Mayor Grant expressed concerns about the language stating "responsibilities of the city" without clear funding limits or definitions. She worried about long-term impacts and exposure, referencing previous experiences where her signature on items and resolutions was cited years later for different purposes than originally intended.

After extensive discussion, amendments were made to change "responsibilities of the city" to "responsibilities of LHPP and partners," specify funding up to \$10,000 from Commissioner Dunn's budget, and clarify no general fund monies

would be used without commission approval.

City Attorney Ottinot clarified the amendments would ensure only Commissioner Dunn's discretionary funds would be used, with no general fund expenditure without commission approval.

Public speakers included Madeline Noel, expressing sadness about funding debates when children are dying, emphasizing the city was allocating zero funds for Peace 365 clubs. Varion Harris questioned why funding caps were placed on the program. Dr. Brooks George explained how the Peace Clubs initiative would expand the successful Parkway Mentorship model to other schools.

Mayor Grant clarified that all commissioners fund their programs from discretionary funds totaling \$37,000 annually per commissioner, explaining this was standard practice not unique to this situation.

A motion was made by Commissioner M. Dunn, seconded by Vice Mayor S. Martin, that this Resolution be approved as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner R. Campbell, Commissioner M. Dunn, Commissioner J. Hodgson, Vice Mayor S. Martin, and Mayor D. Grant

Abstain: 0

3. RESOLUTION NO. 25R-05-90: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA ACCEPTING A GRANT AWARD OF FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000.00) FROM THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE SOUTHERN CITIES ECONOMIC INITIATIVE; FURTHER APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL AND NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES INSTITUTE TO WORK ON THE SOUTHERN CITIES ECONOMIC INITIATIVE IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME FORM ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A"; AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER MELISSA P. DUNN).

Attachments: [25R-05-90 MOU with National League of Cities Institute](#)

[AR 25R-05-90](#)

[Lauderhill SCEI MOU 2025](#)

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[SCEI Toolkit 2025 - FINAL](#)

[Welcome Lauderhill FL](#)

[SCEI Grant Application Answers](#)

[FL Lauderhill Budget](#)

Commissioner Dunn explained Lauderhill was one of 20 cities nationally

selected for this research project to create economic mobility opportunities. She detailed the \$15,000 budget allocation: \$5,800 for staff boot camp participation, \$3,800 for data collection through surveys and focus groups, \$1,300 for dashboard technology, \$1,500 for outreach materials, \$900 for postage, \$800 for training, and \$700 for meeting refreshments.

Commissioner Dunn emphasized this would help understand small business challenges using data from Lauderhill Shines, Target Market, and SBE programs. She noted 60% of Lauderhill Shines participants are city residents, highlighting how supporting businesses expands residents' economic mobility.

Commissioner Campbell questioned the budget preparation and specifically asked about salary allocations. City Manager Hobbs confirmed it would cover existing LHPP personnel. Commissioner Campbell expressed concerns about voting on budgets not prepared by city staff and the complications of having unclear program definitions.

City Manager Hobbs then read a memorandum stating that in compliance with Resolution 25R-04-88 passed at the last commission meeting regarding forensic audits, he was placing a hold on city resources for LHPP-related activities. This included freezing contractual services, salaries, partnerships, supplies, advertising, community grants, and training associated with HHS and LHPP-related grants.

Commissioner Dunn strongly objected, arguing the HHS grant had nothing to do with LHPP and that language referencing LHPP managing grants had been struck from the resolution. She questioned how LHPP could function without access to these resources, listing specific impacts: frozen salaries for two staff members, inability to make copies, cancelled advertising for the peace rally, and halted community projects in Lauderhill Point and Devon Hut.

Mayor Grant attempted to clarify that LHPP is a city program, not a department or separate entity, emphasizing all city grants should be managed by the finance department under the city manager's direction. She explained commissioners cannot manage money directly and must fund programs through their discretionary accounts.

Commissioner Campbell argued the lack of clear definition for LHPP created ongoing complications, noting it appears sometimes as a commissioner-run program and sometimes as a city program. He mentioned in October 2024 the administration recognized the arrangement of the program was complicated and discussed making LHPP a 501(c) organization. He questioned how an entity with major city responsibilities could operate without being registered as a corporation or nonprofit.

Following heated discussion about LHPP's status and the implications of the freeze, City Attorney Ottinot explained the commission could approve the grant with authority for the city manager to seek modifications from the grantor.

Public comments included Sam Wilkerson expressing frustration that after three meetings discussing the same issues, the commission hadn't made

progress. Mr. Harris questioned whether all grants would now require city manager modification.

A motion was made by Commissioner R. Campbell, seconded by Commissioner J. Hodgson, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner R. Campbell, Commissioner M. Dunn, Commissioner J. Hodgson, Vice Mayor S. Martin, and Mayor D. Grant

Abstain: 0

5. RESOLUTION NO. 25R-05-92: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE REMETERING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL AND KENNETH MYERS TO ALLOW SUBMETERS AT THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1980-1988 N.W. 58TH TERRACE, LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, IN ORDER TO SEPARATELY BILL EACH INDIVIDUAL USER BASED UPON ACTUAL WATER CONSUMPTION AT THE SAME RATE UTILIZED BY THE CITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY INTERIM CITY MANAGER, KENNIE HOBBS, JR.).

Attachments: [25R-05-92 Approving remetering agreement for 1980-1988-5953 NW 58th Terrace](#)
[AR 25R-05-92](#)

[Remetering 1980 NW 58th](#)

Mayor Grant questioned why submeter agreements required commission approval. City Manager Hobbs explained city code requires commission approval for submetering agreements where property owners with multiple units can meter individual units after city water passes through the main meter. City Attorney Ottinot confirmed staff was working on code amendments to streamline this process without requiring individual commission approval.

A motion was made by Commissioner J. Hodgson, seconded by Vice Mayor S. Martin, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner R. Campbell, Commissioner J. Hodgson, Vice Mayor S. Martin, and Mayor D. Grant

Abstain: 0

Off Dais: 1 - Commissioner M. Dunn

6. RESOLUTION NO. 25R-05-93: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING SPECIFIC REQUESTS, INCLUDING THE PUBLIC CLOSURE OF THE LAUDERHILL SPORTS PARK, FROM THE VOICE OF THE CARIBBEAN, THE ORGANIZER OF THE CELEBRITY SOCCER MATCH AND FUN DAY TO BE HELD AT ON MONDAY, MAY 26, 2025 FROM NOON TO 9 PM; AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF VARIOUS FEES UP TO \$7,550; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER RICHARD CAMPBELL).

Attachments: [25R-05-93 SPORTS PARK FEE WAIVER](#)
[AR 25R-05-93](#)
[Celebrity Soccer Event Flyer](#)
[Voice of the Caribbean Special Event Application](#)
[Agenda Request Memo Voice of the Caribbean Special Event \(002\)](#)
[Fee Waiver Request Form](#)
[CITYOFLAUDERHILL_Certificate_GL_Primary_Sport](#)

Mr. Wilkerson questioned why the fee waiver was reduced from \$13,000 to \$7,550 and whether players were from Lauderhill. Commissioner Campbell explained these were in-kind services, not money, and items like the show mobile were removed from the request, reducing the total. He compared it to requesting city facilities where dollar values are assigned to services. He also confirmed that some of the teams were from Lauderhill, though some were from out of town but that no funding was being provided to any of the teams.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor S. Martin, seconded by Commissioner J. Hodgson, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner R. Campbell, Commissioner M. Dunn, Commissioner J. Hodgson, Vice Mayor S. Martin, and Mayor D. Grant

Abstain: 0

IX ORDINANCES & PUBLIC HEARINGS - FIRST READING (AS ADVERTISED IN THE SUN-SENTINEL) (NOT ON CONSENT AGENDA)

9. ORDINANCE NO. 250-05-116: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE II, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, DIVISION 3, RETIREMENT, PART 2, GENERAL EMPLOYEES PENSION FUND, SECTION 2-70 ADMINISTRATION TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF YEARS AN APPOINTED OR ELECTED PERSON MAY SERVE FROM TWO TO FOUR YEARS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, CODIFICATION AND SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attachments: [250-05-116 - Lauderhill General Employees Pension Term of Office](#)
[AR 250-05-116](#)
[AIS LUG No Impact - Trustee Term extension](#)

Mayor Grant clarified that the subject item was bringing the General Employee Pension Board terms into line with those of the other pension boards and they would all be four years.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor S. Martin, seconded by Commissioner J. Hodgson, that this Ordinance be approved on first reading to the City Commission Meeting, due back on 6/9/2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner R. Campbell, Commissioner M. Dunn, Commissioner J. Hodgson, Vice Mayor S. Martin, and Mayor D. Grant

Abstain: 0

X ORDINANCES & PUBLIC HEARINGS - SECOND READING (AS ADVERTISED IN THE SUN-SENTINEL) (NOT ON CONSENT AGENDA)

10. ORDINANCE NO. 250-02-107: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY'S LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS BY AMENDING ARTICLE III, ENTITLED "ZONING DISTRICTS," SECTION 5.30A ENTITLED "PHARMACY" BY MODIFYING STANDARDS; AMENDING SECTION 5.50, ENTITLED "MEDICAL MARIJUANA HEALTH CARE ESTABLISHMENT" AND RENAMING IT "MEDICAL MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS" AND ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSING CENTERS; AMENDING SCHEDULE A, ENTITLED "LAND USE CLASSIFICATIONS" BY CLARIFYING DEFINITIONS FOR MEDICAL MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS AND DISPENSING CENTERS; AMENDING SCHEDULE B, ENTITLED "ALLOWABLE USES," SCHEDULE B-2, ENTITLED "USES IN NON-RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS" TO PROVIDE ZONING DISTRICT REGULATIONS FOR MEDICAL MARIJUANA DISPENSING CENTERS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attachments: [250-02-107 - Amendment to LDR Medical Marijuana Dispensary](#)

[AR 250-02-107](#)

[Attachment A - Application](#)

[Attachment B - Development Review Report \(24-TA-005\)](#)

[Attachment C - Narrative](#)

[Item 6 - Curaleaf Text Amendment CC Presentation 2.24.25](#)

[Item 10 - Curaleaf Text Amendment CC Presentation](#)

Mr. Keester-O'Mills stated that the item was on its second reading, with no changes from the first hearing.

Ms. Calhoun updated clarified that she misspoke when the item was heard on first reading, a community meeting regarding the subject item had not yet been hosted but she was in communication with residents and had set meetings with the closest HOAs that would likely be impacted.

During public comment, Mr. Harris questioned whether commissioners who received campaign contributions from Lauderhill Mall Investment should recuse themselves from voting.

Ms. Calhoun clarified that it was her understanding that campaign contributions

do not create voting conflicts requiring recusal, with which City Attorney Ottinot concurred.

Commissioner Campbell strongly responded that taking the stance that one would not vote in favor of individuals who didn't contribute to campaigns would be illegal and unethical, emphasizing campaign contributions are legal throughout the United States. He noted most developers donate to candidates nationwide.

Mr. Harris persisted, citing a pattern with the housing project on 12th Street and current ordinance from the same developer. Mayor Grant thanked him for his comments and called for the vote.

A motion was made by Mayor D. Grant, seconded by Vice Mayor S. Martin, that this Ordinance be approved on second reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner R. Campbell, Commissioner J. Hodgson, Vice Mayor S. Martin, and Mayor D. Grant

No: 1 - Commissioner M. Dunn

Abstain: 0

11. ORDINANCE NO. 250-04-113: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY'S LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS BY AMENDING ARTICLE IV, ENTITLED "DEVELOPMENT REVIEW REQUIREMENTS", SECTION 1.9 ENTITLED "PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENTS", SUBSECTION 1.9.6 ENTITLED "NEIGHBORHOOD MEETINGS" BY MODIFYING APPLICABILITY REQUIREMENTS; AMENDING SCHEDULE B - ALLOWABLE USES TABLE B-1 "USES ALLOWED IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS", BY MODIFYING THE ZONING DISTRICTS "PRIMARY AND SECONDARY, CHARTER AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS" AS PERMITTED USES TO BE CONSISTENT WITH "PRIMARY AND SECONDARY, PUBLIC SCHOOLS", AND B-2 "USES ALLOWED IN NONRESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS" BY MODIFYING THE ZONING DISTRICTS "PRIMARY AND SECONDARY, CHARTER AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS" AS PERMITTED USES TO BE CONSISTENT WITH "PRIMARY AND SECONDARY, PUBLIC SCHOOLS"; AMENDING SCHEDULE I, ENTITLED "SIGN REQUIREMENTS" BY MODIFYING THE DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS OF ADDRESS SIGNS AND REQUIRING ADDITIONAL STANDARDS FOR COMMUNITY BUILDINGS AND COMMERCIAL SWIMMING POOLS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attachments: [25O-04-113 text amendments for 4.28.25 meeting](#)

[AR 25O-04-113](#)

[Attachment A - 25-TA-SwimmingPool-Charter-NeighborhoodMtg - February 2025](#)

[Attachment B - Excerpt of P&Z Meeting Minutes - 2-25-2025](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor S. Martin, seconded by Commissioner J. Hodgson, that this Ordinance be approved on second reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner R. Campbell, Commissioner M. Dunn, Commissioner J. Hodgson, Vice Mayor S. Martin, and Mayor D. Grant

Abstain: 0

12. ORDINANCE NO. 25O-04-114: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY'S LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS BY AMENDING ARTICLE III, ENTITLED "ZONING DISTRICTS," BY CREATING SECTION 5.58 ENTITLED "EVENT VENUE"; BY ESTABLISHING USE MINIMUM STANDARDS INCLUDING HOURS OF OPERATION, SITE ACCESSIBILITY, MINIMUM BUILDING SIZE, MINIMUM PARCEL SIZE, AND PARKING REQUIREMENTS; AMENDING SCHEDULE A - LAND USE CLASSIFICATIONS BY MODIFYING THE DEFINITION OF "BANQUET HALL" AND CREATING "EVENT VENUE"; AMENDING SCHEDULE B - ALLOWABLE USES TABLE B-2 "USES ALLOWED IN NON-RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS" BY INCLUDING "EVENT VENUE"; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attachments: [25O-04-114 event venue text amendment for 4.28.25 meeting](#)

[AR 25O-04-114](#)

[Attachment A - Development Review Report \(DRR\)](#)

[Attachment B - Application](#)

[Attachment C - Narrative](#)

[Item 8 - CC Item 8 TA Event Venues \(As Referenced Within Minutes\)](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor S. Martin, seconded by Commissioner R. Campbell, that this Ordinance be approved on second reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner R. Campbell, Commissioner M. Dunn, Commissioner J. Hodgson, Vice Mayor S. Martin, and Mayor D. Grant

Abstain: 0

XI UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XII OLD BUSINESS

XIII NEW BUSINESS**XIV COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC OFFICIALS SHALL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY BEFORE ADJOURNMENT**

City Attorney Ottinot wished Happy Mother's Day to all mothers and especially his wife.

Commissioner Hodgson announced a community safety event on Saturday at JEPA's Place, 7153 West Oakland Park Boulevard, with free admission.

Commissioner Dunn announced the graduation of the tenth Lauderhill Shines cohort on Thursday at 6:00 PM at the CRA building, noting many residents had become official business owners through this LHPP capacity-building program.

Commissioner Richard Campbell wished Happy Mother's Day to his 90-year-old mother.

City Manager Kennie Hobbs took personal privilege to congratulate the departing Deputy Fire Chief for being a fixture in the city and his work on behalf of residents.

Mayor Grant wished all mothers a Happy Mother's Day.

XV ADJOURNMENT - 11:00 PM