

City of Lauderhill

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Monday, June 10, 2019

7:00 PM

City Commission Chambers

City Commission Meeting

LAUDERHILL CITY COMMISSION

***Mayor Ken Thurston
Vice Mayor M. Margaret Bates
Commissioner Howard Berger
Commissioner Richard Campbell
Commissioner Denise D. Grant***

***Charles Faranda, City Manager
Andrea M. Anderson, City Clerk
Earl Hall, City Attorney***

I CALL TO ORDER

II COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (AND RESPONSES TO THE PUBLIC, IF THE TIME PERMITS DURING THIS PORTION OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION)

III ADJOURNMENT (NO LATER THAN 7:30 PM)

I CALL TO ORDER OF REGULAR MEETING

Mayor Thurston called to order the Regular City Commission Meeting at 7:26 PM.

II ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Commissioner Howard Berger, Commissioner Richard Campbell, Commissioner Denise D. Grant, Vice Mayor M. Margaret Bates, and Mayor Ken Thurston

ALSO PRESENT:

Charles Faranda, City Manager
Earl Hall, City Attorney
Constance Stanley, Police Chief
Andrea M. Anderson, City Clerk

III PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG FOLLOWED BY GOOD AND WELFARE

A. A MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER JAMES TULLIS.

IV CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Bates, seconded by Mayor Thurston, that this Consent Agenda was approved was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Berger, Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Grant, Vice Mayor Bates, and Mayor Thurston

Abstain: 0

V APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Minutes of the City Commission for May 13, 2019.

Attachments: [May 13, 2019 - City Commission Meeting Minutes](#)

These Minutes were approved on the Consent Agenda. (See Consideration of Consent Agenda for vote tally.)

VI PROCLAMATIONS / COMMENDATIONS

- A. A PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE MONTH OF JUNE 2019 AS CARIBBEAN HERITAGE MONTH (REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER DENISE D. GRANT).

VII SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

VIII GENERAL PRESENTATIONS (5 MINUTES MAXIMUM)

- A. AN UPDATE FROM THE EDUCATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD.

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

1. ORDINANCE NO. 19O-06-109: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL CODE OF ORDINANCE, CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE II, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, DIVISION 3, RETIREMENT, PART 3, POLICE PENSION PLAN AND TRUST FUND, BY AMENDING SECTION 2-84, COMPLIANCE WITH THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, TO ALLOW FOR IN-SERVICE DISTRIBUTIONS FOR QUALIFYING PART-TIME RESERVE OFFICERS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, CHARLES FARANDA).

Attachments: [ORD-19O-06-109-Police Reserve Officers Pension Ordinance Amendment.pdf](#)
[AR 19O-06-109](#)

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda on first reading to the City Commission Meeting, due back on 6/24/2019. (See Consideration of Consent Agenda for vote tally.)

2. ORDINANCE NO. 19O-06-110: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, CHAPTER 12, BUSINESS REGULATIONS, ARTICLE II, CERTIFICATE OF USE AND LOCAL BUSINESS TAX RECEIPT, AMENDING SECTION 12-27, ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATE OF USE (COU) AND LOCAL BUSINESS TAX RECEIPT UPON PAYMENT OF DELINQUENT FEES AND COMPLIANCE OF VIOLATION, TO INCREASE TEMPORARY COU FEES TO REFLECT THE INCREASE IN THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (CPI); PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, CHARLES FARANDA).

Attachments: [ORD-19O-06-110-Code 12-27 COU Fees.pdf](#)
[AR 19O-06-110](#)

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda on first reading to the City Commission Meeting, due back on 6/24/2019. (See Consideration of Consent Agenda for vote tally.)

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

3. RESOLUTION NO. 19R-04-63: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL REQUESTING THAT DRIFTWOOD PRESERVATION LTD, THE OWNERS OF THE LAUDERHILL POINT APARTMENT COMPLEX, TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION TO IMPLEMENT ADDITIONAL SECURITY MEASURES TO ADDRESS THE PREVALENCE OF CRIMINAL ACTIVITY ON THE PREMISES OF LAUDERHILL POINT APARTMENTS, LOCATED AT 3146 N.W. 19th STREET, LAUDERHILL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY MAYOR KEN THURSTON).

Attachments: [RES-19R-04-63-Lauderhill Point Security Measures.pdf](#)

[AR 19R-04-63](#)

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

4. RESOLUTION NO. 19R-06-94: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSAL OF OBSOLETE, DAMAGED, INOPERABLE AND SURPLUS EQUIPMENT IN THE MOST COST EFFECTIVE AND FAVORABLE MANNER PURSUANT TO CITY CODE SECTION 2-143; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, CHARLES FARANDA).

Attachments: [RES-19R-06-94-surplus obsolete disposal equipment 2019 #2.pdf](#)

[AR 19R-06-94](#)

[SURPLUS 5.7.pdf](#)

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

5. RESOLUTION NO. 19R-06-95: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$4,000.00 FOR THE SPORTS ADVANCING KIDS EDUCATION (S.A.K.E.) SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARDS TO BE PAID TO THE WINNERS; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT FROM BUDGET CODE NUMBER 001-101-4821; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, CHARLES FARANDA).

Attachments: [RES-19R-06-95-EXPEDITURE-SAKE Awards 2019.pdf](#)

[AR 19R-06-95](#)

[Sun Sentinel Article.pdf](#)

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

6. RESOLUTION NO. 19R-06-96: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO) AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA AND THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA REGARDING THE ASSIGNMENTS AT THE PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS; PROVIDING FOR THE ASSIGNMENT OF TWO (2) SROs FOR THE SUMMER SCHOOL TERM; PROVIDING FOR A TERM COMMENCING JUNE 24, 2019 AND ENDING JULY 25, 2019; PROVIDING TERMS, CONDITIONS AND FEES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, CHARLES FARANDA).

Attachments: [RES 19R-06-96 Agrmt-School Resource Officer SUMMER SCHOOL 2 SROs AR 19R-06-96 SRO-SummerSchool 2019.pdf](#)

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

7. RESOLUTION NO. 19R-06-97: A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING MAYOR KEN THURSTON AS VOTING DELEGATE FOR THE FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES' 93RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE BEING HELD AUGUST 15-17, 2019 AT THE WORLD CENTER MARRIOTT IN ORLANDO, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, CHARLES FARANDA).

Attachments: [RES-19R-06-97-FLC-DELEGATE 2019-20.pdf](#)
[AR 19R-06-97](#)
[FLC Voting Delegate Designation Form.pdf](#)
[Sec. 2 168. Serving as a voting delegate..pdf](#)

Mayor Thurston indicated he would be attending the Florida League of Cities 93rd Annual Conference, as noted in the backup.

Vice Mayor Bates indicated she too would be attending, as she was a member of the Board of Directors.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Bates, seconded by Commissioner Grant, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Berger, Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Grant, Vice Mayor Bates, and Mayor Thurston

Abstain: 0

8. RESOLUTION NO. 19R-06-98: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL ACCEPTING THE BID (#2019-027) FOR LABORATORY AND REAGENT SERVICES FOR THE CITY WATER FACILITIES FROM PACE ANALYTICAL SERVICES, LLC; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$32,142.82 FROM VARIOUS BUDGET

CODE NUMBERS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, CHARLES FARANDA).

Attachments: [RES 19R-06-98 bid-pace analytics-water facilities](#)

[AR 19R-06-98](#)

[BID RESULTS 2019-027](#)

[RFP PROPOSAL](#)

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

9. RESOLUTION 19R-06-99: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE RANKING OF THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE PURSUANT TO RFP #2019-033 FOR UNDERWRITING SERVICES REGARDING THE HALF-CENT SERIES 2019A (TAX EXEMPT) AND 2019B (TAXABLE) BOND DEALS AS RECOMMENDED BY THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, CHARLES FARANDA)

Attachments: [RES-19R-06-99-Ranking-Half-Cent Bond Underwriter.pdf](#)

[AR 19R-06-99](#)

[RFP 2019-033 Half Cent 2019A 2019B 4-22-19.pdf](#)

[FINAL RANKING RFP 2019-033 HALF CENT TAX BOND.pdf](#)

[RBC Proposal-RFP for UW Svs Half-Cent Sales Tax Rev Bonds 2019A+B \(1\).pdf](#)

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

10. RESOLUTION NO. 19R-06-100: A RESOLUTION APPROVING A BUDGET ADJUSTMENT IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$5000.00 TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE REHABILITATION AND CONSTRUCTION OF LIFT STATION 2; PROVIDING FOR TRANSFERS AND PAYMENT FROM VARIOUS BUDGET CODE NUMBERS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, CHARLES FARANDA).

Attachments: [RES-18R-06-100-Budget Adjustment -lift station 2.pdf](#)

[AR 19R-06-100](#)

[BA- to cover cost of Rehab Construction at LS#2](#)

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

11. RESOLUTION 19R-06-101: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE RANKING OF QUALIFIED FIRMS PURSUANT TO RFP #2019-023 FOR THE OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT OF CITY OF

LAUDERHILL WATER TREATMENT PLANT UTILITY SYSTEM AS RECOMMENDED BY THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$937,068.00; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, CHARLES FARANDA).

- Attachments:** [RES-19R-06-101-Ranking-water treatment plant.pdf](#)
[AR 19R-101](#)
[FINAL RANKING RFP 2019-023](#)
[PATIENT CARE LAB PROPOSAL](#)
[ORIGINAL FILE NOTIFICATION](#)

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

- 12.** RESOLUTION 19R-06-102: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE RANKING OF QUALIFIED FIRMS PURSUANT TO RFP #2019-022 FOR THE SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION/CONSTRUCTION OF CONCRETE SIDEWALKS, PADS, CURBS, SPEED HUMPS AND MINOR ASPHALT INSTALLATION AND REPAIR AS RECOMMENDED BY THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$159,840.00 FROM BUDGET CODE NUMBER 450-925-6936; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, CHARLES FARANDA).

- Attachments:** [RES-19R-06-102-Ranking-sidewalk & curbs.pdf](#)
[AR 19R-06-102](#)
[FINAL RANKING RFP 2019-022 SIDEWALK CURBS](#)
[Concrete Works PavingBid](#)
[ORIGINAL FILE NOTIFICATION](#)

City Attorney Hall indicated the City needed to amend the title and resolution, specifically striking out the language in the resolution that read: ...provided for payment in the amount not to exceed and then the amount. He explained that the RFP that went out to the public and to which the vendors responded read: subject to budget and funds availability. Thus, the City was not limiting the amount of money to be spent if it was budgeted in the City Manager's budget, and staff could hire a firm to install the speed humps, curbs, sidewalks, etc. He said the way the resolution was currently drafted, it suggested there was a limit on the amount of money, but the dollars were really limited by the City Manager's approved budget.

Vice Mayor Bates made a motion to Amend Resolution #19R-06-102, seconded by Commissioner Grant. The vote was as follows:

Vice Mayor Bates	Yes
Commissioner Berger	Yes
Commissioner Campbell	Yes

Commissioner Grant	Yes
Mayor Thurston	Yes

Mayor Thurston opened the discussion to the public.

Mr. Williams, Lauderhill resident, wished to confirm item 12 affirmed part of Broward Estates/St. George would be fitted into the subject resolution as a follow up from a previously submitted application, so residents would get their street improvements as detailed in the backup. He sought clarification as to how long the improvements would take, and questioned why it took so long to get such improvements in their neighborhood.

Commissioner Campbell questioned if an application for the subject improvements was submitted by the St. George community.

Mr. Williams replied yes, stating the application was completed and submitted in 2015, and it remained an incomplete item. He remarked the subject improvements did not take place under the previous administration, but they appeared to be going forward under the current administration.

Commissioner Campbell wished to know if the improvements to each street and block had been approved by the residents.

Mr. Williams affirmed there was a signed petition by residents, as it was a requirement of the application process.

Mayor Thurston received no further comments from the public.

Vice Mayor Bates asked if the City Manager was going to respond to the resident's question on why it had taken the City so long to do the subject improvements.

Mayor Thurston stated he had no objection to the City Manager responding, but he was under the impression the City Manager would be meeting with Commissioner Campbell.

Commissioner Campbell preferred immediate clarification on the resident's question, as it would relieve some of the weight tomorrow.

City Manager Faranda stated he was unsure of the exact timing when the petitions were submitted, so he had no specifics as to NW 8th Place, which he believed to be the specific roadway being referenced. Generally speaking, when it came to the issue of speed humps, the City generally received more requests than was budgeted for each year, and they came from all areas of the City. Such requests were phased in over the years, and the subject resolution was an omnibus type of proposal, in which was included a variety of road improvements. He would speak with Mr. Wilkerson as to timing and the process. With regard to the requests for speed humps, staff endeavored to answer them in the order they were submitted, and not all of them were answered in the same budget year they were requested.

Vice Mayor Bates questioned if the areas referred to by Mr. Williams would take priority, as their application was submitted from 2015.

City Manager Faranda explained, along with the timing of when requests were submitted, staff always sought to satisfy project requests by residents in a timely manner. Staff looked at the impact projects would have on traffic in general. He knew the residents of the subject area asked for speed humps some time ago for main corridors being used for drag racing, such as NW 34th, and his staff addressed those as quickly as possible, as the speeding posed a hazard to the larger community.

Vice Mayor Bates inquired if any of the streets in the subject area were County streets, over which the City had no authority, or were they all City streets.

City Manager Faranda replied they were all City streets and, as alluded to by Commissioner Campbell, the City required a petition indicating a majority of affected residents agreed with the requested improvements. In most instances, the community did most of the leg work, as they did in the subject case, got the petition together and submitted it to the City. His staff just needed to verify that the number of residents agreeing to the improvements were more than 50 percent, but the time span of 2015 to 2019 was an excessive amount of time to wait, so he would be looking into the matter.

Commissioner Grant asked if there was a way to update the community while they waited for the improvements to be made.

City Manager Faranda answered yes, and before Commissioner Campbell went to the June 11th, 2019, community meeting, staff would make sure he had answers to Mr. Williams's questions.

Commissioner Grant reiterated the community submitted their application for improvements in 2015, and they had been waiting ever since, questioning if the City had a process in place by which a community was updated on the progress of their request.

City Manager Faranda responded petitioners usually contacted the City after submitting their request for an update on the progress of their application, and he was not sure what transpired. He knew Charles Cuyler, now retired, was the director at the time, and he was unsure of the conversations Mr. Cuyler held, so he would speak with the current City engineer to find out what communications, if any, took place. There was a chance the request was missed by staff, as that was always a possibility.

Commissioner Campbell thought the subject community should be commended for showing a high level of interest and concern in their request, as he suspected there were others, but Mr. Williams and the residents he represented took the time to come before the Commission to ensure their request was being attended to by the City. He recommended City staff place their request higher on the list as a reward for their efforts, though he had no intention of disrupting City procedures.

City Manager Faranda said it was always good when a community was involved, something City staff witnessed throughout the City in various Lauderhill communities, who were involved in trying to be the first ones to get their requests

satisfied. His staff worked to accommodate such requests based on need and available funding. When the City installed speed humps, it was not based solely on residents requesting them, rather it was based on the level of need to slow vehicles down where they presented a higher threat to the wider community.

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

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Berger, Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Grant, Vice Mayor Bates, and Mayor Thurston

Abstain: 0

13. REMOVED

14. RESOLUTION NO. 19R-06-104: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING SOLAR EFFORTS AND PROGRAMS INCLUDING SOLAR CO-OPS, SOLARTOGETHER, SOLARNOW, AND OTHER PROGRAMS WHICH SUPPORT AND PROMOTE COST EFFECTIVE SOLAR ENERGY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY MAYOR KEN THURSTON).

Attachments: [RES-19R-06-104-Support solar co-ops & programs.pdf](#)

[AR 19R-06-104](#)

[Rooftop Solar Energy Backup.pdf](#)

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

XII QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS (IF NOT ON CONSENT AGENDA)

15. REMOVED

XIII QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS, FIRST READING

XIV QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS, SECOND READING

XV UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XVI OLD BUSINESS

XVII NEW BUSINESS

- A. SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 2019 BUDGET HEARINGS AND CITY COMMISSION MEETINGS.

Attachments: [Special Assessment Public Hearings Budgets Date Timelines 2019](#)

Mayor Thurston referred to the backup, asking if it contained recommended dates for the City Commission to approve.

City Attorney Hall affirmed the backup contained an attachment with recommended dates and times, which he reviewed as presented. He clarified the first budget hearing for Fiscal Year (FY) 2019/2020 Budget was July 9, 2019, at 5:01 p.m. He received a Commission consensus to set the July 9, 2019, meeting date accordingly. He requested and received a similar Commission consensus to set the next budget hearing on September 12, 2019, at 5:01 p.m. for the first reading of the FY 2019/2020 Budget, and on September 26, 2019, at 5:01 p.m. for the Budget's second reading.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Bates, seconded by Commissioner Grant, that these Budget Hearing Dates be approved as stated above. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Commissioner Berger, Commissioner Campbell, Commissioner Grant, Vice Mayor Bates, and Mayor Thurston

Abstain: 0

XVIII COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC OFFICIALS AT 9:00 PM, OR IMMEDIATELY BEFORE ADJOURNMENT, WHICHEVER SHALL FIRST OCCUR. IF AN ITEM OF LEGISLATION IS BEING DISCUSSED AT 9:00 PM, THE CHAIR MAY DELAY THESE COMMUNICATIONS UNTIL AFTER THE ITEM OF LEGISLATION HAS BEEN RESOLVED.

Commissioner Campbell reminded the public of activities at the Lauderhill Sports Park the coming Saturday that began at 5:00 p.m.; they were now at the playoff stage. There would be family fun activities for all to enjoy, and they would be at the Sports Park for the next four weeks playing soccer, cricket, dominoes, and netball; the park was located at 7500 West Oakland Park Boulevard. He said the free event had been taking place for 15 years, and there would be food and other refreshments on sale. He would be attending the event and looked forward to interacting with members of the public.

Vice Mayor Bates reminded everyone schools were on summer break, so motorists should be particularly cautious on the roads and watch out for children on the streets.

Commissioner Berger mentioned the Lauderhill Regional Chamber of Commerce was conducting a series of workshops; the next one would be on QuickBooks for beginners on June 20, 2019, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Thereafter, there would a workshop on customer service on July 25, 2019, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., and one on financing: Ways to Fund Your Small Business, on September 19, 2019, 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Workshops were available to all City of Lauderhill businesses and Chamber members. He said the Chamber held a luncheon on June 5, 2019, at Joy's Roti, the primary purpose being to build relationships, exchange business referrals between participants, and help businesses grow; workshops at Joy's Roti would continue on the first and third Wednesday of each month. He noted there were 22 people in attendance at the June 5 luncheon. Commissioner Berger stated the next Chamber networking breakfast would take place at Chateau Mar Hotel on June 21, 2019, at 7:30 a.m., at which several speakers from Tallahassee would

give a legislative update. He wished everyone a Happy Father's Day when it came.

Commissioner Grant advised the public there were several bills passed in Tallahassee, one being the Dignity for Incarcerated Women Act, HB49 that aimed to ensure female prison inmates had access to feminine products, such as tampons and sanitary pads. The bill was championed by Representative Shervin Jones. She noted other upcoming events included an art exhibit on June 22, 2019, at City Hall from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in recognition of Caribbean American Heritage Month. The exhibition would take place at City Hall from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and would showcase the works of Caribbean artists; there would be wine and cheese, along with acoustic sounds to enhance the experience. Marcia Griffiths and Freddie McGregor, two Jamaican music icons, would be in concert on July 29, 2019, at the Lauderhill Performing Arts Center (LPAC); she urged everyone to attend. There would be a VIP component from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at which both artists would be honored, and from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. they would perform healthy and positive musical vibrations.

Mayor Thurston said June 4, 2019, was the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution that gave women the right to vote. On June 1, 2019, at Mullin Aquatic Center, the Annual Family Safety Day was held, at which the City's Police, Fire, and Parks & Leisure Services (PALS) Departments did a great job of encouraging water safety; the number one killer of urban children was drowning. Several groups were there that ran a variety of programs to teach children how to swim. He thanked them for putting on the event. As mentioned by Commissioner Campbell during Communications from the Public, they both attended the Lauderhill 6-12 STEM-MED graduation, and he read into the record a letter he received from the school's principal, thanking the City for awarding each of the school's graduating seniors a \$250.00 book scholarship. Each recipient was very happy to receive the scholarship, as it helped with the purchase of college books in the coming school year, allowing them to better focus on learning. The principal indicated the school was proud to partner with the City and looked forward to many more years' success and thanked the City for its generosity and support. Mayor Thurston indicated this was the third straight year the City awarded book scholarships to the graduating class of Lauderhill 6-12. He noted the City had one of the best grant writers in southeast United States, City staff, Jane Sullivan, thanking the City Manager for loaning her to him to help with his free two-part grant writing seminar, of which he knew very little about. On Wednesday, June 19, 2019, the seminar would be an introduction to grant writing, 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 pm. at City Hall in the Multipurpose Room. The second part was a seminar for intermediate or advance grant writing on July 17, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. Refreshments would be served at both seminars.

XIX ADJOURNMENT - 8:31 PM