

City of Lauderhill

*City Commission Chambers at City Hall
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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Monday, June 30, 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, City Manager
Andrea M. Anderson, City Clerk
Hans Ottinot, 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., City Manager
Hans Ottinot, 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

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

IV APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. MINUTES OF THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING FOR FEBRUARY 10, 2025.

Attachments: [February 10, 2025 - City Commission Meeting Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor S. Martin, seconded by Commissioner R. Campbell, that these Minutes be approved on the Consent Agenda. 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

B. MINUTES OF THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING FOR FEBRUARY 25, 2025.

Attachments: [February 24, 2025 - City Commission Meeting Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor S. Martin, seconded by Commissioner J.

Hodgson, that these Minutes be approved on the Consent Agenda. 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

C. MINUTES OF THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING FOR APRIL 14, 2025.

Attachments: [April 14, 2025 - City Commission Meeting Minutes](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor S. Martin, seconded by Commissioner J. Hodgson, that these Minutes be approved on the Consent Agenda. 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

V PROCLAMATIONS / COMMENDATIONS (10 MINUTES MAXIMUM)

A. A PROCLAMATION HONORING MR. WALTER MORRIS (REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER JOHN T. HODGSON).

VI PRESENTATIONS (15 MINUTES MAXIMUM)

A. A PRESENTATION ON HOUSE BILLS 913 AND 393 REGARDING REGULATION OF CONDOMINIUMS (REQUESTED BY MAYOR DENISE D. GRANT).

B. A PRESENTATION ON PUBLIC SAFETY INITIATIVE AND STRATEGIC PLAN (REQUESTED BY MAYOR DENISE D. GRANT).

VII QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS

ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

1. ORDINANCE NO. 250-06-118: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, GRANTING A DEVELOPMENT ORDER TO THE LAUDERHILL COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, TO AMEND THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP IDENTIFIED IN LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS (LDR) ARTICLE III, ZONING DISTRICTS, PART 2.0., DISTRICT REGULATIONS, SUBSECTION 2.2.1., ADOPTION OF ZONING DISTRICT MAP; CHANGING FROM GENERAL COMMERCIAL (CG) TO RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY (RS-5) AND INCLUDING THE ALLOCATION OF NINE (9) RESIDENTIAL FLEX UNITS FOR THE ZONING DISTRICT OF A ±2.1 ACRE PARCEL WITH THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION AS PROVIDED HEREIN; MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS 5440 - 5456 NW 19 STREET, LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS AND SEVERABILITY;

AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attachments: [ORD 25O-06-118 rezoning parcel and allocation of flex units](#)
[AR 25O-06-118](#)
[Attachment A - Rezoning Application](#)
[Attachment B - Flexibility Application](#)
[Attachment C - Development Review Report \(DRR\) - 25-RZ-001](#)
[Attachment D - Narrative](#)
[Attachment E - Survey](#)
[Attachment F - Conceptual Plans](#)
[Attachment G - Public Notice Affidavit](#)
[Attachment H - CC Presentation - Renaissance Plaza Rezoning](#)
[Item A \(As Referenced Within Minutes\)](#)
[Ordinance A - Renaissance Plaza Rezoning \(As Referenced Within Minutes\)](#)

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

VIII CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice Mayor S. Martin, seconded by Commissioner J. Hodgson, that this Consent Agenda was 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

3. RESOLUTION NO. 25R-06-110: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE UTILITIES EASEMENT DEDICATION FROM ASCENSION PEACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LAUDERHILL, INC., FOR A PARCEL OF LAND IDENTIFIED AS PARCEL ID 4941125400010 FOR UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER KENNIE HOBBS, JR.).

Attachments: [25R-06-110 approving utility easement dedication](#)
[AR 25R-06-110](#)
[AscensionPeaceUE.pdf](#)

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

5. RESOLUTION NO. 25R-06-112: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH THE POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, INC., TO PROVIDE ELIGIBILITY FOR SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT PAY FOR THE PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS UNIT; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE TERMS OF THE MOU AND THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER KENNIE HOBBS, JR.).

Attachments: [RES 25R-06-112 MOU with PBA 6.30.25 mtg](#)
[AR 25R-06-112](#)
[Agenda Request Memo PBA MOU - Special Assignment Pay.pdf](#)
[MOU - City of Lauderhill and PBA - Special Assignment Pay](#)

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

IX RESOLUTIONS (IF NOT ON CONSENT AGENDA)

2. RESOLUTION NO. 25R-06-109: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, AWARDED REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 2024-037 "COLLECTION SERVICES" TO PENN CREDIT CORPORATION AND IC SYSTEM; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AGREEMENTS WITH BOTH COMPANIES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER KENNIE HOBBS, JR.).

Attachments: [RES 25R-06-109 approving agreement for collection services](#)
[AR 25R-06-109](#)
[RFQ 2024-037 COLLECTION SERVICES 8.7.24](#)
[Penn Credit - Proposal for Collection Services - RFQ 2024-037 \(1\)](#)
[IC System Proposal to City of Lauderhill RFQ 2024-037](#)
[Agenda Request Memo Collection Services](#)

Commissioner Dunn stated that she shared her concern with the city attorney and city manager that a search of the applicants; she discovered one of them has a legal issue and she would like staff to address that.

Mayor Grant requested additional clarification on the issue.

Attorney Ottinot replied that Commissioner Dunn provided a deferred prosecution relating to Penn Credit Corporation where they were charged with a criminal indictment and he would ask the manager and staff to at least follow up with them and find out about the matter.

Commissioner Dunn stated that it is important that we choose vendors,

especially one that is collecting money, that we are clear about their integrity and ethics and she is concerned.

City Manager Hobbs stated information was provided and staff will follow up and we will discuss with the attorney.

A motion was made by Commissioner M. Dunn, seconded by Vice Mayor S. Martin, that this Resolution be tabled to allow staff additional time to review potential issues with the vendor. 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-06-111: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE 2025 AMENDED AND RESTATED TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM SURTAX INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT (THIRD AMENDMENT), WITH BROWARD COUNTY, SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A" AND INCORPORATED HEREIN; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER KENNIE HOBBS, JR.).

Attachments: [25R-06-111 Surtax Interlocal Agreement with County](#)

[AR 25R-06-111](#)

[Transportation System Surtax Interlocal Agreement \(Third Amendment\)](#)

Mayor Grant stated that this item was pulled by former Commissioner Lawrence Martin.

Mr. Lawrence Martin came forward and stated that this needs explanation and more education on what a surtax is to the community. He believed that Lauderhill did not get a return on what was invested and it has been a bone of contention in Lauderhill. The money goes in to service the entire county, but historically Lauderhill has not been a recipient of a lot of that money. He stated there was discussion years ago that the County should at least give some of the money back to the community and after looking at the upcoming projects, Lauderhill has a project for \$20,000 in rotation when we pay over \$700,000. He would like the Commission to pay close attention to this because it is a lot of money and if we are not getting a return on our money, we need to step the game up by talking to the county.

Mayor Grant stated she's grateful for him addressing this issue because this is something the city manager has been talking to her about for some time and he has had dialogue at the county level and he can fill her in on what has already been done. He has also spoken with Zach Davis-Walker who is going to those county meetings and making sure the communication is flowing.

Mr. Hobbs stated as it relates to the program, it is correct that there is an allocation for us to receive some dollars. In addition, we have submitted projects after a request for additional projects, which included in excess of \$410 million at this point in additional projects. \$500,000 being for 2026 and then through 2029 we have an additional \$10 million of projects that we have identified. Hopefully, one of the things we discussed at staff level and at city managers meetings is equitable allocation of those dollars.

Ms. Mae Smith, resident inquired if this was an item we voted on for an additional tax? Mr. Hobbs replied a half cent sales tax in 2018. Ms. Smith inquired who was serving on the MPO and Mayor Grant replied Commissioner Lawrence Martin. She inquired why the city did not jump on this issue years ago. Mayor Grant stated that this conversation was always had but she will ensure that this administration is pushing very hard and the city manager has ensured that this is one of his top responsibilities.

Mr. Lawrence Martin clarified that over the past five years during his service on the MPO we brought in about six million dollars in projects. His reason for bringing this up is because of the process as listed in backup there is at least 70 projects and you see the same names over and over. If the city is not going to get money allocated to get on the wagon and ensure that we get what we need.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor S. Martin, seconded by Commissioner M. Dunn, 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

5A. RESOLUTION NO. 25R-06-113: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE SPONSORSHIP OF MAJOR LEAGUE CRICKET GAMES BY TEST MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC, FOR FEE WAIVERS AND IN-KIND SERVICES NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER KENNIE HOBBS, JR.).

Attachments: [RES 25R-06-113 approving sponsorship of Cricket Games](#)
[AR 25R-06-113](#)
[MLC - Recommendation Memo](#)
[Test Management Group, LLC Letter](#)
[Test Management Group, LLC Letter for Games on July 31 & Aug 2-3](#)
[Broward County Parks Special Event Information Packet](#)
[LPAC Associated Costs](#)
[LPAC Associated Costs July 31 & Aug 2-3](#)
[Building Permit Invoice](#)
[Public Safety Details - July](#)
[Agenda Request Memo 2025 Cricket at CBP Waive Fee Request](#)

Mayor Grant welcomed individuals who were at the meeting to do a presentation.

Julie Boukhari stated that the individuals are here to give some insight into the games that are scheduled to start July 1 – 6, 2025 at the Broward Regional Park Major League Cricket. Also, upcoming international games will be held on July 31, August 2 and 3, 2025 at the park.

After the presentation, Mayor Grant inquired that City Manager provide a review of what is being proposed.

City Manager Hobbs stated we have been working with the general manager of the association, primarily Julie Boukhari and her team, to gain an understanding of what the ask is as to the city co-sponsoring or providing support. The city has supported the games in the past and the national games they are planning to do major league cricket so there is a request for two sets of games; the July games and the end of July through August games. They requested waiving of permit fees, waiving cost of the LPAC parking lot fees and also staffing for fire and police. The total request amounted to \$290,000 and he will break it down so the cities philosophy is understood. There are three different areas; soft costs – permitting processed by city staff so no additional cash other than paying staff. The permitting portion of their request he is recommending that we waive that by 100%, which is \$10,575.00. The second portion relates to the parking lot at the LPAC. While there may not be a hard cost, there are opportunity costs associated with that because if the lot is not able to be utilized, it impacts our ability to rent the LPAC so the request is \$19,055. Also, the LPAC is considered an enterprise and their goal is to make money so he proposes that we do not waive any of the fees as it relates to that. It is his understanding that there will be a fee for parking so they will be able to generate money to pay the cost related to the LPAC. The last portion is staffing. They are required to have EMS at all of the games and police on the exterior of the regional park. The cost for both total \$260,783.00. His proposal is to waive one third of that cost, which is \$86,927; so what he is proposing is to waive a third of the total request of \$290,412 and we waive up to \$100,000 and the total now is \$97,502. The rationale is in the past, there was an agreement to waive staff last year which totaled about \$40,000, but there was a subsequent agreement to waive staffing

cost after the games. He wanted to be upfront instead of asking for retro approval for cost waivers so is providing everything upfront for approval. As mentioned in the workshop, he is trying to establish consistency and policy so that when we are dealing with similar request like carnival that come before us we will have an established policy. When they are money making events and they are asking for support, we understand that it is a direct benefit to our residents and businesses there are hard costs associated with those events like police and fire overtime costs. We actually have to write checks to pay those employees so our proposal is to waive one third of the total request, up to \$100,000.

Mayor Grant inquired if Broward County is matching what the city of Lauderhill is doing and was advised they are still in discussion with them.

Further discussion ensued regarding their marketing of the upcoming games and they responded that they could do better with their marketing. Mayor Grant provided suggested areas that they could use to market the events.

Commissioner Dunn stated that she wanted to have this conversation open and transparent as the manager mentioned. We have other organizations with similar requests that's equally impactful to the city. She thinks that we have need full transparency and have a set standard for everyone.

Mayor Grant opened the discussion to the public.

Mr. Lawrence Martin voiced his concern on spending \$100,000 and the narrative in the past six months has been on cutting costs, freezing positions and cutting other programs in the city. He wanted to know what the county's investment is because it is a county park and they need to step up to the table. He is happy and excited to hear that games are being played at the park. He also wanted the city to ensure that there is some benefit to the residents of the surrounding communities and for example the HOAs could park cars to get some money.

Ms. Julie Boukhari replied to Mayor Grant on what the City paid last year to host World Cup Cricket and she responded that the City did not contribute anything. In 2023 we hosted two international games and the ask was around \$60,000 for those two games including police, fire and permitting fees and we approved waiving those fees post game.

Mayor Grant stated that this commission has been working hard and successfully and are being fiscally responsible and ensuring that moving forward that will be the order. She knows that last year Commissioner Lawrence Martin supported giving carnival \$250,000 and many of us were not a part of that conversation and learned about it later. She understands it is a big ask but when it comes to sports and cricket they have given to the community. She knows that Joy's Roti and Lалos benefit greatly when games are played at the Regional Park.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor S. Martin, seconded by Mayor D. Grant, 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

- 5B.** RESOLUTION NO. 25R-06-114: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, REAFFIRMING ITS COMMITMENT TO UNITY, SAFETY, AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT THROUGH THE “UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY” PROGRAM ESTABLISHED BY THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY MAYOR DENISE GRANT).

Attachments: [RES 25R-06-114 Reaffirming Commitment to Unity in the Community Program-6-30-25](#)
[AR 25R-06-114](#)

Mayor Grant stated that this resolution is just reaffirming the Unity in The Community initiative as a part of the city’s comprehensive planned public safety and persons have been asking about it. This is a program that was advanced in 2019 and continued even at the tail end of COVID and we are trying to get back there.

Mayor Grant explained the program and stated that she wanted her colleagues support as it relates to this program.

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

- 5C.** RESOLUTION NO. 25R-06-115: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE ENACTMENT INTO LAW CONDOMINIUM REFORM BILLS COMMONLY KNOWN AS HOUSE BILL 913 AND HOUSE BILL 393 TO PROMOTE TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF CONDOMINIUMS IN FLORIDA; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY MAYOR DENISE GRANT).

Attachments: [RES 25R-06-115 Expressing Support for House Bill 913 and HB 393-6-30-25](#)
[RES 25R-06-115](#)

Mayor Grant stated this issue was already discussed by Zach Davis-Walker earlier in the meeting and she is asking that this Resolution is sent to other cities in the county so they are aware that we are in support of it.

Commissioner Dunn stated that this item already passed unanimously and requested clarification as to why we are distributing it now. Mayor Grant explained that the language states that we are expressing support so that is what we are doing.

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

5D.

RESOLUTION NO. 25R-06-116: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, AWARDED THE KEY TO THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL TO OLIVER SAMUELS, WHO IS AFFECTIONATELY KNOWN AS THE JAMAICAN "KING OF COMEDY" FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ARTS AND CULTURE OF JAMAICA AND THE CARIBBEAN; AND PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY MAYOR DENISE GRANT).

Attachments: [RES 25R-06-116 Honoring Oliver Samuels-6-30-25](#)
[AR 25R-06-116](#)

Mayor Grant stated that she is okay with the guidelines in 5D and 5E as it relates to adopt a park. The only reason she brought this up was that it is a program advanced in 2019 and we have 26 parks in the city and organizations and persons who have vested interest in the city. To date we have adopted 10 parks. We have MOUs that are between the city and a particular entity and we just did one for Westwind Park. We just want to advise the community that we are moving forward with this initiative. If anyone is interested in adopting a park, please advise us.

Attorney Ottinot read Resolution 25R-06-116, Resolution 25R-06-117 and Resolution 25R-06-118.

Mr. Lawrence Martin stated that the Adopt a Park program is not new but he has concerns that the backup proposal on what the adoptee is responsible for is vague. He is concerned how projects are determined and who is going to be responsible for the cost. What is city providing and what are the organizations providing. What if any parameters are being set?

City Manager Hobbs stated as it relates to the funding, it will be a combination from city and the organization. The city has dollars budgeted for park improvements so the benefit of the MOU for Adopt a Park is that we will actually offset some of the city's costs. The human capital from Kiwanis this past weekend, for example, they had more volunteers than city staff so fiscally it benefits us. The costs of plants, sod, etc. are already part of the city budget so what the organization will do is enhance what we plan to do and they will help with maintaining what we have.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor S. Martin, seconded by Commissioner J.

Hodgson, that Resolutions 25R-06-116, 25R-06-117, and 25R-06-118 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

- 5E.** RESOLUTION NO. 25R-06-117: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, REAFFIRMING THE ADOPT-A-PARK PROGRAM AND ITS GUIDELINES FOR COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT IN THE MAINTENANCE AND BEAUTIFICATION OF CITY PARKS; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY MAYOR DENISE GRANT).

Attachments: [RES 25R-06-117 Approving the Adopt-A- Park Program](#)
[AR 25R-06-117](#)

This item was approved along with item #5D. (See Item 5D for vote tally.)

- 5F.** RESOLUTION NO. 25R-06-118: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN ADOPT-A-PARK MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN CITY OF LAUDERHILL AND KIWANIS CLUB OF LAUDERHILL TO ADOPT WEST WIND PARK; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY MAYOR DENISE GRANT).

Attachments: [RES 25R-06-118 Approving the MOU Adopt-A-Park with Kiwanis for West Wind Park](#)
[AR 25R-06-118](#)

This item was approved along with item #5D. (See Item 5D for vote tally.)

X ORDINANCES & PUBLIC HEARINGS - FIRST READING (AS ADVERTISED IN THE SUN-SENTINEL)

- 6.** ORDINANCE NO. 25O-06-119: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY'S LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS BY AMENDING SCHEDULE I, ENTITLED "SIGN REQUIREMENTS," SECTION 8.0 "SPECIFIC SIGN REQUIREMENTS" BY MODIFYING THE STANDARDS FOR OFF-SITE NONCOMMERCIAL AND POLITICAL SIGNS TO PROVIDE CONSISTENT GUIDELINES FOR WHEN SIGNS MAY BE POSTED IN BOTH RESIDENTIAL AND NONRESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS; CREATING A TABLE TO CLARIFY THE ALLOWABLE CRITERIA RELATED TO TEMPORARY SIGNS, ESTABLISHING MAXIMUM SIGN AREA, SIGN DIMENSIONS AND TIME RESTRICTIONS; PROVIDING

FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attachments: [25O-06-119 sign restrictions 6.30.25 mtg](#)

[AR 25O-06-119](#)

[Attachment A - Development Review Report \(DRR\) 25-TA-003](#)

[Attachment B - CC Presentation - Sign Code - Temporary Noncommercial](#)

Daniel Keester-O'Mills, Planning and Zoning Director, stated that the Ordinance has edits to Land Development Regulations as it relates to the sign ordinance Schedule I. The backup provides what is being proposed but generally speaking, the proposal increases the time for political signs in commercial and residential properties and increases the size of those temporary signs for non-residential districts. Allowing temporary signs on perimeter fencing and establishing provision for enforcement. This ordinance was presented to the Planning and Zoning Board (P&Z) last week and they recommended approval to the city commission but they did have some notes.

Commissioner Campbell stated in regards to increasing the number of days the signs previously we had two different dates and this proposal is choosing one of the numbers for both commercial and residential signs.

City Manager Hobbs stated that the change was to bring consistency because one sign was allowed for 60 days and one was 90 days as it relates to elections. This change brings consistency so both are 90 days now.

Commissioner Campbell stated to please understand that this addresses not just November elections but August primary elections and the concern was in general, in order to have consistency it is better to make it as simple as possible. It also prevents confusion with the code enforcement staff because there are several moving parts.

Mayor Grant stated that she agrees that consistency is needed and understands what we are trying to accomplish but she would prefer that we have only ten days to put out signs.

P&Z Director Daniel Keester-O'Mills stated that the recommendations from the P&Z Board were to implement setbacks for the signs on non-residential properties that it does not hinder vehicular visibility for ingress and egress that it does not impede traffic coming in and out. Candidates may do that but it is not a requirement in the code currently. Their other concern is the size of the signs being increased to 32 square feet with requiring a permit to ensure they were secured and installed properly so they would not be a hazard.

Commissioner Campbell added that for the past 30 years although the size was less, in reality 32 square foot in most cases folks were doing 32 square foot. Recently, he personally had 6 x 4 signs taken down because you cannot see much of a difference in 24 square feet versus 32 square feet. He noted that all the non-political signs currently in the city with elected officials on them are currently 32 square feet.

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 7/14/2025. 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

7. ORDINANCE NO. 25O-06-120: 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 4, SENIOR MANAGEMENT PENSION PLAN AND TRUST FUND ADDING NEW SECTION 2-88.16 RELATING TO POST RETIREMENT SUPPLEMENT; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, CODIFICATION AND SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attachments: [ORD 25O-06-120 - Lauderhill Senior Management Post retirement supplement AR 25O-06-120](#)
[Agenda Request Memo Post Retirement Supplement.pdf](#)
[LM AIS PRS Health Stipend, updated.pdf](#)

City Manager Hobbs stated this is an amendment to code of ordinances to allow for senior management postretirement benefit. Currently they are entitled to a post retirement benefit that is calculated based on number of years of service and a fixed amount that is also consistent with police, fire and general employees. This change is to amend the code to reflect benefits that are currently received by managerial & confidential employees.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor S. Martin, seconded by Commissioner R. Campbell, that this Ordinance be approved on first reading to the City Commission Meeting, due back on 7/14/2025. 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

- 7A. ORDINANCE NO. 25O-06-121: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 6, BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS, ARTICLE II, PUBLIC ART PROGRAM, SECTION 6-34, PUBLIC ART FUND, CLARIFYING AUTHORIZED USES OF THE FUND TO INCLUDE CAPITAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE LAUDERHILL PERFORMING ARTS CENTER; PROVIDING FOR AN

EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY INTERIM CITY MANAGER, KENNIE HOBBS).

Attachments: [ORD 250-06-121 Code- 6-34 Public Art Fund TA zdw 5-29-25](#)

[AR 250-06-121](#)

[Public ArtsFund Text Amendment](#)

Mayor Grant requested information on this ordinance. City Manager Hobbs stated that currently as part of the permitting process, there is a fee for public art; based on the value of the permit, a percentage is charged. Those funds go into a public art fund. The fund has a board that recommends how those dollars are spent and can only be spent on items that qualify as public art. What we are proposing is to add language to allow us to spend dollars on public art capital improvement at the Lauderhill Performing Arts Center (LPAC). Previously we could not spend those dollars on capital improvement at the LPAC so this allows us to do that for those improvements to qualify as public art.

Mayor Grant stated that when you hear capital improvement you think of a lot of money. Mr. Hobbs replied that there is an accounting definition that we utilize which is over \$5,000. Mayor Grant inquired with this fund would it be mostly used for artwork. Mr. Hobbs replied primarily.

In response to Mayor Grant on the balance currently in the fund, Mr. Hobbs replied that we have \$236,000.00 now in the fund.

Mayor Grant inquired with this proposal, what does he have earmarked for capital improvements and what do those improvements look like right now.

Mr. Hobbs replied that we do not have any improvements earmarked. What he would like is to have the ability, when we are developing our five-year capital improvement plan, to utilize these dollars on things that were proposed for the LPAC. When we identify the items in the capital improvement plan we have to list the funding source as well. This will go to the Commission for approval.

Mayor Grant is not sure if she supports this because \$236,000 is not a lot of money that we have in the fund. In terms of all the parks we have in addition to the museum that needs a lot of work. Would we also utilize money on the museum a well? Mr. Hobbs replied yes if it qualifies as public art. The fountain in front of museum was done with public art funds.

Mayor Grant stated that the LPAC should be able to make money and be able to sustain on its own. Whereas the museum is underutilized and does not make any money and how would we ensure it is fair and balanced.

Mr. Hobbs replied that it would be fair and balanced. He has made changes recently at the LPAC like the management agreement and we will have more control on the types of shows that are actually placed in the LPAC creating more availability working towards profitability. He can say that the LPAC will be profitable in a few years.

Mayor Grant stated that she will not be in support of this Ordinance because the

LPAC should be able to stand on its own.

A motion was made by Commissioner J. Hodgson, seconded by Vice Mayor S. Martin, that this Ordinance be tabled to the City Commission Workshop, due back on 9/15/2025. 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

XI ORDINANCES & PUBLIC HEARINGS - SECOND READING (AS ADVERTISED IN THE SUN-SENTINEL)

8. ORDINANCE NO. 250-06-117: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 21 ENTITLED "WATER AND SEWER SERVICE", ARTICLE IV ENTITLED "DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES RULES, REGULATIONS AND RATES", SECTION 21-46 ENTITLED "RULES AND REGULATIONS" BY AMENDING SUBSECTION G, ENTITLED "LIMITATION OF USE" TO GIVE THE CITY MANAGER THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE REMETERING AGREEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY INTERIM CITY MANAGER KENNIE HOBBS, JR.).

Attachments: [ORD 250-06-117 remetering approval city manager](#)
[AR 250-06-117](#)

Ms. Mae Smith stated she is using this as an opportunity to have the Commission and City Manager look into the southeast section areas of West Ken Lark, Broward Estates and St. George to make sure we do have a stormwater system. It has come to her attention that we do not have one and, in that case, we should not be paying.

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

XII UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XIII OLD BUSINESS

XIV NEW BUSINESS

A. UPDATE ON BOARDS: EDUCATIONAL ADVISORY BOARD, RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD, LAUDERHILL HOUSING AUTHORITY (REQUESTED BY MAYOR DENISE D. GRANT).

Mayor Grant stated that we wanted an update on certain boards and was advised that EAB was unable to attend and sent a letter that she will not read but requests they come to the next meeting. She also wanted an update from the board members of the Recreation Advisory Board at the next meeting. LHA advised that they are on summer break and will present at a future meeting.

XV COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC OFFICIALS SHALL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY BEFORE ADJOURNMENT

City Attorney Ottinot stated that there was a Sun Sentinel article this past week showing settlement amounts that cities received through PFAS. Some cities will receive millions and Lauderhill received \$843,000.00 already and he received an update that we will receive another million plus by the end of the third or fourth quarter and will receive funding up to 2026. He will send by email the status report he received on what Lauderhill will receive in the future.

Mayor Grant stated that she knew there was one particular city that received 14 million dollars. Delray Beach is receiving 15 million dollars.

Attorney Ottinot stated that City of Fort Lauderdale will also receive a substantial amount. The issue is class action basically is whoever the main plaintiff and there are so many other factors that determine who gets more so he will find out why we did not receive as much as other cities.

Mayor Grant stated that she would like a survey done in terms of all the cities and see what they received and she hopes that Lauderhill is not the lowest. It is not based on population but if someone in that particular city was named in the lawsuit.

Attorney Ottinot said initially when this issue came out, some cities were first in line to become parties to the lawsuit and that is one of the bases of the settlement amount. There is phase one plaintiff and phase two if you tested your water before 2023 you get more and after 2023 the amount is reduced. That is one of the factors.

Commissioner Hodgson wanted to remind everyone that the Lauderhill Rising Stars Talent Show takes place on the 12th of next month at the LPAC. The final day for the application is this Wednesday. This is for Grades 6 – 12. Those who have young ones who have talents give him a call.

Commissioner Dunn stated this Saturday we had the opportunity to partner with the Broward Union Family Health Center to do the first take your love one to the doctor day event, specifically targeting men in the community. She would like to thank Human Resources who got some of the students from Junior Achievement to volunteer. We had one of the LHPP liaisons volunteer and some students from Florida State that came down to volunteer. One of her colleagues came to volunteer as well from the City of Coral Springs. We were able to provide screenings to 25 men and they received everything from a basic health check up to prostate exams and blood work. What impressed her is that we actually had some women bring their husbands in for screening. Someone told her that his sister sent him a text and told him to get a check up so he had his screening done. She wants to thank coach Sam for coming in at the last

minute to DJ so we had a tent set up and he was spinning number ones. Thank you also to Miss Cooper who showed up and we had support from the United Neighborhood Association who also came through. 15 people received health education from the medical director of BCOM and did hours' worth of health education and the men were fully engaged. We had 50 people that receive health education, 25 screened, and 7 of the 25 people were uninsured and without a primary medical provider. They were given opportunities to get access to insurance and couple of them followed up. This campaign is really about giving people direct access to health care whether you can afford it or not. She wants to thank the volunteers, Mr. Hobbs team was helpful with procurement and the finance team, and HR team for working with her and Nadia from the City Clerk's office to make it happen. She stated that everyone appreciates it.

Vice Mayor Martin wanted to thank everybody for helping assistance with the Juneteenth event that was a success. Dinner on Thursday as well as block party Sunday was a little hot but staff they really helped out.

Commissioner Campbell stated it was CASA's 20th Anniversary this year and we will be having our press conference in the Inveraray Community Center on Tuesday the 9th and the big final will be on July 12 and hopefully we will have adequate parking. Those who cannot park can do so across the street in the plazas. It is a free event and we will be celebrating and we will be having hopefully about 600 back to school giveaways and we will be having treats for the kids. Lauderhill Boys and Girls Club will be participating and Lauderhill 6-12 will be donating soccer balls and other equipment and the main event will be the final and the public is invited. All the events we will be partnering with Miami as host committee. Additionally, as mentioned before, the world cup is going to be the biggest sporting event in the world and will be here in the United States, Canada and Mexico and cities in the US will be participating. Two cities in Canada and three in Mexico. It is estimated that it will generate 1.3 billion dollars here in South Florida. He is encouraging the City of Lauderhill to prepare and people will be coming from all over the world and we should put our best face and try to get some of the dollars. Business folks should ensure the money doesn't pass through Broward County and go to Miami but a significant amount of those dollars will be in Broward county. As we move forward we will have more information. It is not if you play soccer but businesses should get as much as we can out of it. Just remember the Super Bowl is one day of activity and it generates a lot of money and we are talking from June 11 to July 15 so let's prepare ourselves. Mr. City Manager, we need to showcase city with the stadium and various restaurants so people can come in from other countries and we need to have a video to showcase Lauderhill.

Mayor Grant wanted to thank the CRA Department for their Lauderhill Live event on Saturday, it was indeed a spectacular event and to everyone that put this together it was incredible. We had great fun, lots of laughs to almost tears. We had the opportunity of seeing many great comedians and the place was packed and she is surprised we are not making money at the LPAC and if we continue to do that we are on the right track. We also had the opportunity to honor Oliver Samuels who was a cultural icon and was well received. As Commissioner Dunn shared in terms of our initiatives in making sure that the city is a city where people feel safe and healthy and prosperous. She had an initiative as it

relates to take your family to the doctor and we had a health fair as well that was here by the Ken Thurston Center and it was well attended to a certain extent but we need more. With 75,000 residents we should have a lot of people engaged. Thanks to everyone who assisted and just understand there is so much more to come in this city and lots to look forward to and we want you to join us on that journey. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you at the next Commission meeting.

XV ADJOURNMENT - 9:03 PM