

City of Lauderhill

*City Commission Chambers at City Hall
5581 W. Oakland Park Blvd.
Lauderhill, FL, 33313
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Meeting Minutes - Draft

Monday, June 10, 2024

6:00 PM

City Commission Chambers

City Commission Meeting

LAUDERHILL CITY COMMISSION

Mayor Ken Thurston

Vice Mayor Lawrence Martin

Commissioner Melissa P. Dunn

Commissioner Denise D. Grant

Commissioner Sarai Martin

Desorae Giles-Smith, City Manager

Andrea M. Anderson, City Clerk

Angel Petti Rosenberg, City Attorney

I CALL TO ORDER

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

II ROLL CALL

- Present:** 4 - Commissioner Melissa P. Dunn, Vice Mayor Lawrence Martin, Commissioner Sarai Martin, and Mayor Ken Thurston
- Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Denise D. Grant

ALSO PRESENT:

Desorae Giles-Smith, City Manager
Angel Petti Rosenberg, 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 L. Martin, seconded by Commissioner M. Dunn, to ACCEPT the Revised Version of the City Commission Meeting Agenda for June 10, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Yes:** 4 - Commissioner M. Dunn, Vice Mayor L. Martin, Commissioner S. Martin, and Mayor K. Thurston
- Absent:** 1 - Commissioner D. Grant
- Abstain:** 0

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

IV CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice Mayor L. Martin, seconded by Commissioner M. Dunn, that this Consent Agenda was approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Yes:** 4 - Commissioner M. Dunn, Vice Mayor L. Martin, Commissioner S. Martin, and Mayor K. Thurston
- Absent:** 1 - Commissioner D. Grant

Abstain: 0

Mayor Thurston announced over the last few months, the Commission voted on a number of policy actions that resulted in the following taking effect:

- From 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. would be comments from the public on items not on the regular City Commission meeting agenda
- City Commission meetings would begin immediately following the public comments portion of the meeting, but no later than 6:30 p.m.
- At 7:30 p.m., there would be a hard stop for all proclamations, and presentations, moving right into the action items on the Commission meeting agenda; unread/unheard proclamations and/or presentations would be moved to the end of the meeting, and taken after all action items were voted on by the Commission
- Proclamations and commendations must not exceed ten minutes
- Presentations must not exceed 15 minutes
- As a reminder, the City Commission was not required to open proclamations, and presentations for public comment.

V APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CITY COMMISSION MEETING FOR MARCH 25, 2024.

Attachments: [March 25, 2024 - Special City Commission Meeting Minutes](#)

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

- B. MINUTES OF THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING FOR APRIL 29, 2024.

Attachments: [April 29, 2024 - City Commission Meeting Minutes](#)

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

- C. MINUTES OF THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING FOR MAY 13, 2024.

Attachments: [May 13, 2024 - 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 JUNE 11-16, 2024 AS "WORLD CUP CRICKET WEEK" (REQUESTED BY MAYOR KEN THURSTON).

- B. ITEM REMOVED

- C. A PROCLAMATION DECLARING JUNE 23 - 29, 2024 AS LAUDERHILL

PEACE WEEK (REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER MELISSA P. DUNN).

Attachments: [Proclamation C - Lauderhill Peace365](#)

VII PRESENTATIONS

A. ITEM REMOVED

B. A PRESENTATION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL ACTS OF VALOR AWARDS (REQUESTED BY VICE MAYOR LAWRENCE “JABBOW” MARTIN).

C. ITEM REMOVED

D. A PRESENTATION OF THE JUNE 2024 HOME OF THE MONTH (REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER SARAI “RAY” MARTIN).

Attachments: [Presentation D - June Winner](#)

E. A PRESENTATION OF THE “GOLD” DESIGNATION FOR A WATER SMART COMMUNITY BY THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

F. ITEM REMOVED

G. A COMMUNITY UPDATE REGARDING THE FINDINGS OF THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT INVESTIGATION (REQUESTED BY MAYOR KEN THURSTON).

A motion was made by Vice Mayor L. Martin, seconded by Mayor K. Thurston, that a discussion regarding the FDLE Investigation be placed on the June 17, 2024 City Commission Workshop agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner M. Dunn, Vice Mayor L. Martin, Commissioner S. Martin, and Mayor K. Thurston

Absent: 1 - Commissioner D. Grant

Abstain: 0

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

1. ORDINANCE NO. 24O-06-121: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL ACCEPTING QUIT CLAIM DEED FROM THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT TO TRANSFER THE LAND LOCATED ALONG THE EAST BOUNDARY OF THE FLORIDA TURNPIKE TO THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL AS MORE PARTICULARLY

DESCRIBED IN THE QUIT CLAIM DEED; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [ORD-24O-06-121-Deed-SFWMD-Turnpike.pdf](#)
[AR 24O-06-121](#)
[S-Fla-Water-Mgmt-Quitclaim Deed Recorded.pdf](#)
[MapShowingSFWMDOwnedProperties.pdf](#)

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda on first reading to the City Commission Meeting, due back on 07/08/2024. (See Consideration of Consent Agenda for vote tally.)

2. ORDINANCE NO. 24O-06-122: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ARTICLE III. SECTION 5.24 MANUFACTURED HOUSING AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, SUBSECTION 5.24.5 TO AFFIRM THAT SUCH STRUCTURES ARE ONLY INTENDED FOR TEMPORARY USE; DELETING SUBSECTION 5.24.6 ELEVATION AND ANCHORING; CREATING NEW SUBSECTION 5.24.6 REQUIREMENTS FOR RECREATIONAL VEHICLES PROVIDING MINIMUM STANDARDS; AMENDING ARTICLE V. FLOODPLAIN, RESOURCE AND SURFACE WATER MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS, SUBSECTIONS 5.1.1, 5.1.6, 5.1.7, 5.1.9, AND 5.1.10 REMOVING REFERENCES TO MANUFACTURED HOMES AND UPDATING REFERENCES TO BE CONSISTENT WITH FEMA'S REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR APPLICABILITY AND SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [ORD-24O-06-122-LDR-Art_V_Flood Modifications-5-21-24 Clean.pdf](#)
[AR 24O-06-122](#)

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda on first reading to the City Commission Meeting, due back on 07/08/2024. (See Consideration of Consent Agenda for vote tally.)

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

X RESOLUTIONS (IF NOT ON CONSENT AGENDA)

3. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-85: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE LAUDERHILL HOUSING AUTHORITY (LHA) COMMERCIAL INSPECTIONS SERVICES AGREEMENT TO AMEND THE INSPECTION SERVICES RATES; PROVIDING FOR AN

EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-85-LHA-First Amdt Commercial Inspection Services Agrmt.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-85](#)
[LHA-First Amended Commercial Business Inspections 2024-3-19-24 FINAL.pdf](#)

Commissioner Dunn sought clarification on the changes, whether it had to do with the rates going up or down, asking if the change was due to cost of living changes, etc.

City Manager Giles-Smith affirmed there was a change in the rates going up, as it had been some time since the rates were changed.

Deputy City Manager Hobbs concurred, as the State's rates increased in an amount similar to the cost of living for the last three years; the State only allowed cities to increase their certificate of use (COU) rates every other year. The proposed increases took into consideration the last time the City changed those rates, and rates were then incrementally increased based on the cost of living increases to the City over the same period of time.

Commissioner Dunn observed the proposed rates in the backup, asking what was the difference between the existing rates, and those being proposed.

Mr. Hobbs believed the increase was from \$55.00 to \$66.00 per inspection.

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

Yes: 4 - Commissioner M. Dunn, Vice Mayor L. Martin, Commissioner S. Martin, and Mayor K. Thurston

Absent: 1 - Commissioner D. Grant

Abstain: 0

4. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-86: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT NUMBER LPA0181 BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (FDEP) FOR THE LAUDERHILL SOUTHEAST WATER SERVICE PROJECT TO EXTEND THE POTABLE WATER SYSTEM TO WEST KEN LARK AND THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY; PROVIDING FOR AN ADDITIONAL EXTENSION OF TIME THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025 TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT AND THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2025 FOR FULL COMPLETION OF THE AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR TERMS AND CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-86-LPA-Second Amdt FDEP Agrmt.pdf](#)

[AR 24R-06-86](#)

[Amendment #2 - FDEP-LPA0181 Grant Agreement SE Water Service Project](#)

[Resolution #23R-06-154 First Amendment to Agreement LPA0181 with FDEP](#)

[FDEP Grant Agreement RES 22R-01-15 DEP-0181 - Southeast Water Service Project \(2\)](#)

Commissioner Dunn wished staff to speak on the subject item so the Lauderhill public could be better informed.

Utilities Director Herb Johnson noted the subject project was one the City had been working on for many years in an effort to extend the City's potable water system to the West Ken Lark area; the City received a grant from the State that gave Lauderhill a timeline to complete construction. The project would allow the City to increase fire protection, and provide water service to residents in the West Ken Lark community.

Mayor Thurston wished to know the expected date for completion.

Mr. Johnson stated the Commission's approval of the subject resolution would allow a contractor to perform the work, so staff anticipated the project taking about eight months from getting the contractor in place to completing the job.

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

Yes: 4 - Commissioner M. Dunn, Vice Mayor L. Martin, Commissioner S. Martin, and Mayor K. Thurston

Absent: 1 - Commissioner D. Grant

Abstain: 0

5. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-87: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REMETERING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL AND 77 LAUDERHILL HOLDINGS TO ALLOW SUBMETERS AT THE WESTGATE ON UNIVERSITY PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5473 N.W. 76TH AVENUE, LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, IN ORDER TO SEPARATELY BILL EACH INDIVIDUAL USER BASED UPON ACTUAL WATER CONSUMPTION AT THE SAME RATE UTILIZED BY THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-87-Agrmt-Rem-5473 NW 76 Ave - Westgagge.pdf](#)

[AR 24R-06-87](#)

[REMETERING AGREEMENT APPLICATION_5473 N University Dr .pdf](#)

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda. (See Consideration of

Consent Agenda for vote tally.)

6. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-88: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REMETERING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL AND 77 LAUDERHILL HOLDINGS TO ALLOW SUBMETERS AT THE WESTGATE ON UNIVERSITY PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5465 N.W. 76TH AVENUE, LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, IN ORDER TO SEPARATELY BILL EACH INDIVIDUAL USER BASED UPON ACTUAL WATER CONSUMPTION AT THE SAME RATE UTILIZED BY THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-88-Agrmt-Rem-5465 NW 76 Ave - Westqage.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-88](#)
[REMETERING AGREEMENT APPLICATION 5465 N University Dr.pdf](#)

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

7. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-89: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REMETERING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL AND 77 LAUDERHILL HOLDINGS TO ALLOW SUBMETERS AT THE WESTGATE ON UNIVERSITY PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5471 N.W. 76TH AVENUE, LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, IN ORDER TO SEPARATELY BILL EACH INDIVIDUAL USER BASED UPON ACTUAL WATER CONSUMPTION AT THE SAME RATE UTILIZED BY THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-89-Agrmt-Rem-5471 NW 76 Ave - Westqage.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-89](#)
[REMETERING AGREEMENT APPLICATION 5471 N University Dr.pdf](#)

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

8. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-90: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE REMETERING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL AND WILLIAM WILLIAMSON TO ALLOW SUBMETERS AT THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5885-5887 N.W. 23RD STREET, LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, IN ORDER TO SEPARATELY BILL EACH INDIVIDUAL USER BASED UPON ACTUAL WATER CONSUMPTION AT THE SAME RATE UTILIZED BY THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-90-Agrmt-Rem-5885-5887 NW 23 St- Williamson.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-90](#)
[Re-metering Application_ 5885-5887 NW 23 ST.pdf](#)

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

9. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-91: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL ACCEPTING THE UTILITIES EASEMENT DEDICATION AND BILL OF SALE FROM LENNAR HOMES, LLC. FOR A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED AT N.W. 27TH COURT AND 55TH AVENUE, LAUDERHILL FLORIDA MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS AZALEA ISLE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-91-Easement& Bill of Sale-Lennar Homes.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-91](#)
[Revised Goodrich Bill of Sale.pdf](#)
[Goodrich Azalea Utility Easement Dedication.PDF](#)

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

10. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-92: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL AMENDING RESOLUTION 23R-09-243, WHICH APPROVED THE PIGGYBACK PURCHASE AWARD TO VITAL RECORDS CONTROL (VRC) TO PROVIDE OFF-SITE RECORDS STORAGE BASED UPON THE SOLICITATION BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA (78131804-17-01) FOR DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT SERVICES, TO INCREASE THE EXPENDITURE TO AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000.00 ON AN AS-NEEDED BASIS; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT FROM BUDGET CODE NUMBER 001-112-3110; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-92-PIGGY-Off-site records storage-VRC AMEND NOT TO EXCEED 2004.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-92](#)
[RES 23R-09-243 Bid Piggyback VRC Offsite Records Storage](#)

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

11. ITEM REMOVED RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-93

12. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-94: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE TWELFTH AMENDED ANNUAL CALENDAR OF CITY HOSTED

SPECIAL EVENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-94-Calendar-City Hosted Events 12th Amended 2024.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-94](#)
[Updated Commissioner Events \(Twelfth\)](#)

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

13. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-95: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL AND DONALD GIANCOLI IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000.00; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT FROM THE APPROPRIATE BUDGET CODE NUMBER; PROVIDING TERMS AND CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-95-Agrmt-Don Giancoli Consulting Agreement.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-95](#)
[D. Giancoli Consulting Agreement 2024 Not to Exceed \\$100K.pdf](#)

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

14. RESOLUTION NO 24R-06-96: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE AWARD OF BID TO SECOND RANKED QUALIFIED VENDOR, DIGITECH COMPUTER, LLC, FOR EMS BILLING AS A RESULT OF THE DEFAULT OF THE FIRST RANKED FIRM; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-96-EMS Billing-award to Digitech.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-96](#)
[Digitech Response to Lauderhill EMS Billing RFP.public \(2\).pdf](#)
[EMS BILLING RFP 3-29-22.pdf](#)
[AEW AR 24R-06-96](#)

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

15. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-97: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL CREATING THE NEW JOB POSITION OF FINANCIAL GRANT MANAGER; APPROVING THE JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE NEW POSITION OF FINANCIAL GRANTS MANAGER; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY

CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-97-JOB-creation-Financial Grants Manager.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-97](#)
[Financial Grants Manager 2024.pdf](#)

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

16. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-98: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL CREATING THE NEW JOB POSITION OF GRANTS PROJECT COMPLIANCE SPECIALIST; APPROVING THE JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE NEW POSITION OF GRANTS PROJECT COMPLIANCE SPECIALIST; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-98-JOB-creation- Grants Compliance.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-98](#)
[Grants Project Compliance Specialist 2024](#)

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

17. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-99: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL CREATING THE NEW JOB POSITION OF INFORMATION SECURITY ANALYST; APPROVING THE JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE NEW POSITION OF INFORMATION SECURITY ANALYST; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-99-JOB-creation- Info Security Analyst.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-99](#)
[Information Security Analyst 2024.pdf](#)

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

18. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-100: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL CREATING THE NEW JOB POSITION OF METER READER III AND METER READER IV; APPROVING THE JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE NEW POSITION OF METER READER III AND METER READER IV; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-100-JOB-creation- Meter Readers.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-100](#)
[Meter Reader III 2024.pdf](#)
[Meter Reader IV 2024.pdf](#)

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

19. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-101: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE MINOR MODIFICATIONS TO THE JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE EXISTING POSITION OF INFORMATION/LOGISTICS COORDINATOR; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-101-JOB-modification-Info Logistics Coordinator.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-101](#)
[Information Logistics Coordinator 2024 - clean copy](#)
[Information Logistics Coordinator 2024 - with revisions](#)

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

20. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-102: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPOINTING KAOLA KING AS A REGULAR MEMBER OF THE LAUDERHILL COMMUNITY AND BUDGET ADVISORY BOARD BY THE CITY COMMISSION AS A WHOLE TO REPRESENT GEOGRAPHIC AREA 2 FOR THE REMAINDER OF A TWO (2) YEAR TERM EXPIRING JULY 2025; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-102-Brd-Community Budget As a Whole-Seat 2.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-102](#)
[Community and Budget Advisory Board List](#)
[CBAB Zone Map](#)
[King, Kaola - CBAB Application](#)

City Attorney Rosenberg noted there was one applicant for the subject board position; her resume was attached. The resident lived in Area 3; the appointment was to fill a vacant seat for Area 2; the person who previously served did not reside in Area 3 either. She indicated, if appointed, the Commission needed to waive the map boundaries that normally applied.

Commissioner Dunn questioned if there was no resident of Area 3 willing to serve.

City Attorney Rosenberg observed, based on Area 3's previous board representative not being a resident of that area, there appeared to be some

difficulty finding a resident of Area 3 to represent the area on the board.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor L. Martin, seconded by Mayor K. Thurston, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner M. Dunn, Vice Mayor L. Martin, Commissioner S. Martin, and Mayor K. Thurston

Absent: 1 - Commissioner D. Grant

Abstain: 0

21. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-103: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL GRANTING A TWELVE-FOOT (12') WIDE ELECTRIC UTILITIES FACILITIES EASEMENT TO FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT (FP&L) ON A PORTION OF PARCEL ID 504206480010 LOCATED AT 3501 N.W. 8TH STREET MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS ST. GEORGE PARK, LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA AS LEGALLY DESCRIBED HEREIN TO INSTALL ELECTRICAL CONNECTIONS TO PARK FACILITIES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-103-FP&L Easement - St. George Park.pdf](#)

[AR 24R-06-103](#)

[FPLStGeorgeEasement.pdf](#)

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

22. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-104: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE AWARD OF BID TO CACIQUE UTILITIES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$825,000.00 TO CONSTRUCT APPROXIMATELY 1,850 LINEAR FEET OF THE WEST KEN LARK WATER MAIN, INCLUDING A 75 LINEAR FOOT AERIAL CROSSING IN ACCORDANCE WITH RFP #2024-010; PROVIDING TERMS AND CONDITIONS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO GIVE EFFECT TO THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT FROM BUDGET CODE NUMBER 401-918-06477; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-104-BID-Cacique-WKL-Water Main.pdf](#)

[AR 24R-06-104](#)

[CACIQUE PROPOSAL](#)

[CACIQUE Preliminary bid results](#)

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

23. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-105: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE AWARD OF BID TO US WATER IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,097,475.90 TO CONVERT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT CURRENT DISINFECTION SYSTEM FROM GAS CHLORINE TO SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE IN ACCORDANCE WITH RFP #2024-022; PROVIDING TERMS AND CONDITIONS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO GIVE EFFECT TO THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT FROM BUDGET CODE NUMBER 401-918-06477; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-105-BID-US Water-Water trmt chlorine conversion.pdf](#)

[AR 24R-06-105](#)

[WTP Chlorine Conversion RFP 2024-022.final.](#)

[City of Lauderhill WTP Chlorine Conversion RFP 2024-022 - U.S. Water Services Response \(1\)](#)

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

24. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-106: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE AWARD OF BID TO INLINER SOLUTIONS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$777,888.00 TO PROVIDE SEWER LINING SERVICES TO SELECT PORTIONS OF THE CITY'S WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM IN ACCORDANCE WITH RFP #2024-025; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT FROM BUDGET CODE NUMBER 401-917-06392; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-106-BID-Inliner Solutions-Sewer Linings.pdf](#)

[AR 24R-06-106](#)

[RFP 2024-025 SEWER LINING.4.11.24.final](#)

[Inliner Solutions Bid 05.14.2024](#)

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

25. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-107: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL ACCEPTING THE PROPOSAL FROM PREVIOUSLY COMMISSION-APPROVED QUALIFIED CONSULTANT, DRMP, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$77,640.00 FOR PROFESSIONAL DESIGN SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION PLANS FOR THE MILLING, RESURFACING, AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS ALONG INVERRARY DRIVE FROM INVERRARY BOULEVARD TO N.W. 44TH STREET; PROVIDING FOR

PAYMENT FROM BUDGET CODE NUMBER 450-925-6947; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-107-Proposal-DRMP-Milling resurfacing inverrary blvd.pdf](#)

[AR 24R-06-107](#)

[City of Lauderhill Inverrary Dr Improvements Scope and Fee Estimate Rev 2](#)

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

26.

RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-108: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING; AUTHORIZING THE PIGGYBACK OF THE BROWARD SHERIFF ASSOCIATION'S CONTRACT TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT FOR TEN (10) POLICE VEHICLES FROM STROBES-R-US; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$288,683.56 FROM BUDGET CODE NUMBER 305-311-06511; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE, (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-108-Piggy-BSO-Emergency Equipment Police Vehicles.pdf](#)

[AR 24R-06-108](#)

[STROBES ESTIMATES](#)

[STROBES. BSO](#)

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

27.

RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-109: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$16,000.00 FROM THE STATE LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUNDS (LETF) TO PURCHASE RAIL-MOUNTED FLASHLIGHTS TO BE INSTALLED ON POLICE RIFLES FOR LOW LIGHT AND NIGHTTIME EVENTS FOR OFFICER SAFETY; PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT FROM BUDGET CODE NUMBER 120-683-9935; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-109-LETF-expenditure-rifle flashlights.pdf](#)

[AR 24R-06-109](#)

[Use and Release of Funds from State Law Enforcement Trust Funds for Rail-Mounted Gun Lights](#)

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

28. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-110: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA, ENCOURAGING THE SCHOOL BOARD OF BROWARD COUNTY TO EXPLORE ALL ALTERNATIVES TO CLOSING PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND REQUESTING OPPORTUNITIES TO COLLABORATE WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD ON THE BOARD'S INITIATIVE TO REDEFINE PUBLIC SCHOOLS LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY COMMISSIONER DENISE D. GRANT).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-110-School Closure Alternatives Lauderhill draft 6-3-24.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-110](#)
[Backup school costs-RES 02R-03-58.pdf](#)

Commissioner Dunn recommended an amendment to the language of the subject resolution in light of some of the schools in east Lauderhill being in danger of closing. Thus, for section five under the "whereas clause" that spoke to the housing units, she suggested including a specific number for those units, particularly housing units that would affect that particular community. On page two, in section one, it was great where it said the Broward County School Board should collaborate closely with the City of Lauderhill on the planning and execution, but she thought stronger language was needed to clearly communicate the City's wish that none of its schools be closed. She said, however, in the event schools did close, the City should have input in how those buildings and land were repurposed; she recalled from the workshop conversation, the Commission and staff talked about ensuring the infrastructure of the buildings remained in the event another school could be built on those sites.

City Attorney Rosenberg affirmed the Commission could make a motion to amend the subject resolution's language accordingly.

Mayor Thurston opened the discussion to the public.

LaToya London, Lauderhill resident, recalled at the Commission workshop, ideas were expressed on what the school buildings could be used for if the schools closed, asking if those ideas could be included in the resolution's language. For example, establishing an early learning center. She suggested holding a workshop to discuss specific ideas on preferred alternate uses for any school sites that closed.

LaTrinsha Greaves, Lauderhill resident, stated she was a very involved stakeholder, and with over 200,000 children living in northeast, south and west, she strongly urged the City Commission to make their voices loud and clear to the Broward School District Superintendent, and School Board. Sending correspondence was useful, but presence, too, was very important, and there was a lot going on. She did not believe, based on her presence at School Board meetings, that the latter were fully aware of the degree to which the Lauderhill City Commission loved its schools. Whatever the School Board decided, the City Commission needed to make sure they made their voice

heard; the message should be communicated in writing, and ensure the City Commission was included in the entire decision process of the fate of schools in Lauderhill. She said this included any financial benefit from the School District's decision, as Lauderhill should be the primary beneficiary, and the School Board should put this in writing as well. Ms. Greaves offered to speak with, and/or provide any information to the City Commission and staff as desired; she was a Lauderhill taxpayer, a significant portion of which went to Broward County Public Schools, so she represented all voices for the Lauderhill community, and she wished to see everyone do the right thing.

Mayor Thurston received no further input from the public.

Vice Mayor L. Martin commented that Ms. Greaves was being very modest, as she was deeply involved in everything regarding Broward County Schools. He informed the public that ten days ago the Lauderhill City Manager, Police Chief, and he held a telephonic conversation with Broward School District Superintendent Howard Hepburn, and School Board Member Jeff Holness, and Lauderhill's representatives expressed their concerns and thoughts to them both; they remained actively involved in the dialog, oftentimes observing the presence of Ms. Greaves at such meetings. He agreed that the City Commission needed to be present, and make the Commission's beliefs, thoughts, and understanding known. The challenge was for the community to act based on the direction the School Board indicated it was going in; he stressed the importance of the City being prepared for whatever unfolded. Vice Mayor L. Martin stated the only school the School Board mentioned closing was Broward Estates Elementary that was located in the middle of the Broward Estates community. No other school in Lauderhill was targeted for repurposing/closing, but the City's administration and residents had the opportunity to be involved in the conversation on how that school's buildings, and property would be repurposed in terms of bringing something positive to the surrounding community. He urged residents to be present at School Board meetings, as a showing of just a few residents created little impact; he would continue to be involved, and create as much impact as he could. City staff was working on scheduling the attendance of Superintendent Hepburn at a future City Commission meeting, so whatever the School District and Board were planning could be placed on the record, and the City's elected officials, and residents could communicate how involved and caring they were about all Broward schools, particularly those in Lauderhill, and its young people.

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

Yes: 4 - Commissioner M. Dunn, Vice Mayor L. Martin, Commissioner S. Martin, and Mayor K. Thurston

Absent: 1 - Commissioner D. Grant

Abstain: 0

- 29.** RESOLUTION No. 24R-06-111: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE RANKING OF QUALIFIED FIRMS PURSUANT TO RFP #2024-013

PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN AS RECOMMENDED BY THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE THE TERMS OF THE CONTRACT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$267,851.00 TO BE PAID FROM VARIOUS DESIGNATED BUDGET CODE NUMBERS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-111-Ranking-Parks Master Plan.pdf](#)
[AR 24R-06-111](#)
[NEXT PRACTICE PARTNER COST SCHEDULE -MP BID](#)
[RFP 2024-013 PARKS AND REC bid ending 03042024](#)

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

30. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-112: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL APPROVING THE BOOKING AGENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL AND OLD SKOOL GANG VENTURES, INC. TO SECURE THE SERVICES OF VARIOUS ARTISTS TO APPEAR AND PERFORM AT THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL'S 2025 MLK OLD SCHOOL MUSIC CELEBRATION ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2025 AT THE LAUDERHILL PERFORMING ARTS CENTER; APPROVING PAYMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$111,000.00 FROM THE APPROPRIATE BUDGET CODE NUMBERS FOR ALL COSTS INCLUDING ARTISTS, STAGE MANAGEMENT, RIDER, HOTEL COST, AIRFARE, GROUND TRANSPORTATION, CATERING, MARKETING AND OTHER RELATED EXPENSES FOR THE EVENT; PROVIDING TERMS AND CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY CITY MANAGER, DESORAE GILES-SMITH).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-112-Agrmt-Old Skool Gang Ventures-MLK 2025 revised](#)
[AR 24R-06-112](#)
[Contract Old Skool Gang Ventures- MLK Black History Old School Music 2025 Final Rev](#)

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

31. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-116: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL STRONGLY SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF BROWARD HEALTH TO PURCHASE OR LEASE THE FACILITY COMMONLY KNOWN AS FLORIDA MEDICAL CENTER (FMC); PROVIDING THAT FMC RECENTLY FILED BANKRUPTCY AND COULD CEASE TO OPERATE AT ANY TIME; PROVIDING THAT PLANTATION GENERAL HOSPITAL CLOSED ITS DOORS IN NOVEMBER 2021, RESULTING IN THE LOSS OF ESSENTIAL MEDICAL SERVICES SUCH AS PEDIATRICS, NEONATAL

AND TRAUMA CARE; PROVIDING THAT BROWARD HEALTH IS A PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT THAT HAS BEEN PROVIDING FOR THE HEALTH CARE NEEDS OF THE RESIDENTS OF NORTH BROWARD COUNTY SINCE 1938; PROVIDING THAT BROWARD HEALTH IS ONE OF THE TEN LARGEST PUBLIC HOSPITAL SYSTEMS IN THE UNITED STATES; PROVIDING THAT BROWARD HEALTH HAS THE CAPACITY, EXPERIENCE AND RESOURCES TO FILL THE VOID AND PROVIDE FOR THE HEALTH CARE NEEDS OF THE RESIDENTS OF LAUDERHILL AND ALL RESIDENTS OF THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES IN CENTRAL BROWARD COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY VICE MAYOR LAWRENCE "JABBOW" MARTIN).

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-116-Support-Broward Health purchase FMC 6-4-24.pdf](#)

[AR 24R-06-116](#)

[Steward Health Care files bankruptcy, affecting 5 South Florida hospitals - WSVN 7News Miami News, Weather, Sports Fort Lauderdale](#)

Vice Mayor L. Martin remarked that Lauderhill was quickly becoming a healthcare desert; Plantation Hospital was once located near to east Lauderhill communities; he guessed about 75 percent of the babies born over the last 20 years in east and central Lauderhill were born at Plantation Hospital. Yet, that hospital closed its doors and moved to a location in Davie, Florida. He noted Lauderhill spent close to \$8 million in taxes that went to the Broward Health District every year, all of whose hospitals were located in the outskirts of the Broward County, with no facility in central Broward for patients in Lauderhill to get to easily. Almost two years ago, he, along with then Lauderhill Fire Chief Marc Celetti, former City Attorney Earl Hall, and other members of the medical field started a campaign to bring light to the fact that no trauma one center existed to which Lauderhill's fire rescue staff could take patients easily. He noted Florida Medical Center (FMC), though close to Lauderhill, was, technically, a stroke and heart attack hospital. Vice Mayor L. Martin stated over the last few years he held conversations with FMC on the matter, as did Commissioner Dunn in some one-on-one discussions to ensure FMC would be around to be Lauderhill's go-to medical facility. Over the last few months, City administration received information that hospitals were downsizing; and two or three weeks prior, the City learned that Steward Health Care System, the parent company for Broward hospitals, was filing for bankruptcy, and they planned to sell all the hospitals they owned in the State of Florida. He said City representatives tasked themselves with contacting the head of Broward Health, Shane Strum, to discuss what was being planned; at present, when Lauderhill rescue picked up a patient suffering from some trauma, if they could not go to FMC, they had to drive the patient to Broward Health located in downtown Fort Lauderdale, or north to hospitals in either Tamarac or North Lauderdale. This meant Lauderhill's fire rescue trucks and staff spent more time out of the City, reducing their availability to respond to other emergencies. He said the City and its representatives sought to raise the level of awareness of this situation as high as possible; Mr. Strum affirmed he was aware of what was transpiring with Steward, as well as the City of Lauderhill's concerns; Mr. Strum told them his

team and he were holding following-up discussions with FMC about the potential of Broward Health holding some interest in FMC. Vice Mayor L. Martin explained the subject resolution was to communicate the City's strength and position, and he hoped surrounding cities, such as Lauderdale Lakes, Plantation, and Sunrise would join in the effort, as they, too, were affected by what was unfolding. If central Broward became a hospital desert, it would impact cities' resources with regard to emergency staff, and equipment, including how the life span of emergency vehicles were normally calculated and rated, thus affecting how taxpayers' dollars were spent. He urged residents to take notice, and participate to make their voices and concerns be included in the City's efforts to ensure proper healthcare was available to all its residents. Lauderhill and surrounding cities continued to develop, and grow, attracting more residents, businesses, services, etc., yet no one was speaking about the availability of healthcare. Many of the City's residents checked all the boxes for stroke, heart attack, and other chronic, life-threatening conditions, so the availability of health care facilities closer to Lauderhill was essential. He encouraged residents to speak to anyone they knew in the healthcare field, and voice their concerns to them, so they, too, could become involved in the effort; though there were numerous small health centers around the City and when it came to major trauma, access to a hospital was vital.

Mayor Thurston opened the discussion to the public.

Ms. Greaves thanked Vice Mayor L. Martin for his detailed explanation, as she was unaware of what was transpiring; she would definitely stay abreast of what was going on, and she would speak with individuals she knew in the healthcare industry, in order to add her voice, and, hopefully, theirs.

Sam Wilkerson, Lauderhill resident, asked about the feedback and positions voiced by elected officials in surrounding cities on the matter.

Vice Mayor L. Martin indicated city staff and he contacted Plantation, accumulating data on the number of transports that would have gone to Plantation Hospital had it been open, but now they had to go further. Based on the information they received from Plantation and other cities, including Lauderhill, almost 1,000 trips were made by each city over the course of a year where they had to go far outside their boundaries to access medical care at a hospital. He clarified the intent of the subject resolution was that that City of Sunrise would issue something similar, as would Lauderdale Lakes, that currently used the services of Broward Sheriff's Office (BSO). If FMC closed, residents of all surrounding cities would be hurt; at present, if Lauderhill rescue transported a patient to FMC, chances were that in a few days the patient would be taken to another hospital further away, as FMC would only stabilize the patient enough for the move elsewhere. He said the concern was that the changes he alluded to earlier could happen sooner than anticipated, hence the need to work with FMC to determine what their plans were.

Mr. Wilkerson noticed the resolution stated the City of Lauderhill strongly supported the efforts of Broward Health to purchase or lease FLC, asking if this meant the thought was to purchase FMC.

Vice Mayor L. Martin replied all actions were up for consideration at present; City representatives continued to meet with FMC to stay abreast of their plans. Mr. Strum advised him that within two to three weeks, though a month was likely more realistic, he would have some idea of the direction they would move in; aware of the actions City representatives were taking, he encouraged them to reach out to local and federal contacts.

Commissioner Dunn commented on once working as a marketing director for FMC, and the loss of that hospital would deprive the local community of very good healthcare services, particularly those related to stroke and heart attack. Losing FMC would not only negatively impact fire rescue teams' ability to transport patients to a nearby hospital, but the health and wellbeing of the City. She stated every chronic disease, whether hypertension, heart disease, diabetes, obesity, etc., Lauderhill's residents were worse off than the rest of Broward County, and access to healthcare was already a problem for the Lauderhill community. FMC was a major employer of Lauderhill residents, and residents of surrounding cities, so if FMC closed, all those jobs would disappear. She observed that in the meeting held the previous week, all stakeholders had a role to play in, potentially, changing the narrative, though she knew it was up to the hospital, as it was a private facility. Commissioner Dunn believed Vice Mayor L. Martin's approach of creating the subject resolution, and encouraging neighboring cities to pass similar resolutions was an important part of the process. The second part of the process was for City representatives to hold meetings with all the cities FMC served, after which input from residents should be facilitated, so their voice on the matter could be heard. She remarked elected officials of affected cities would need help from their federal and State colleagues, and the County, and the medical taxing districts had a role to play, considering the millions in tax revenue they collected each year.

Kelly Davis, Lauderhill resident, said he, too, heard similar rumors about FMC, and he once received lifesaving surgery at FMC, and the hospital saved his father when he had a heart attack, so his experience with FMC was positive. He asked if only the Broward Health System was being looked at, as over the last two years, Health Corporation of America (HCA) purchased what was formerly Northwood Hospital on University Drive; thus, the City should explore other hospital system options, as HCA Florida was buying up hospitals in Florida.

Vice Mayor L. Martin noted anyone could step into that space for healthcare, as HCA still owned the property at which Plantation Hospital was once located, and, based on Lauderhill's meeting with Plantation, HCA planned to build a high-end emergency room, along with mixed-use residential on the old Plantation Hospital property. There was no telling when that would take place, but he hoped to see Broward Health build a facility at that location. Again, they were exploring all options Broward Health was open to looking at, but the first line of attack for Lauderhill was to go where its tax dollars were being spent. HCA was a for-profit entity, so the hospitals they owned making a profit was very important to them. He echoed Commissioner Dunn's comment on the need to maintain contact with State and federal elected officials, and others in the medical care industry to get their input and advocacy.

Mr. Davis remarked on the possible loss of FMC's mental health services.

Vice Mayor L. Martin pointed out FMC no longer offered those services.

Commissioner Dunn affirmed this was the case, placing the City in a mental health desert.

A Lauderhill resident, stated the residents of his community, Parkway, participated in the fight to keep Plantation Hospital open, which failed; he felt the closing of hospitals in central Broward County was always a legislative issue. He asked how the City got to the present status after seeing what happened with Plantation Hospital. FMC was not the only hospital affected, as there were three other hospitals: Palmetto General Hospital in Miami, and few others filing for bankruptcy, and they were all located in heavily populated areas. He struggled to determine how Lauderhill's elected officials and state legislators allowed what was now transpiring to happen; he claimed some residents anticipated this outcome, while others focused on FMC. Whatever the changes, they would affect all Lauderhill, not just the eastern communities.

Commissioner Dunn noted FMC was owned by Steward Healthcare, and the business license was shared with Northshore Medical Center in Miami; Steward also owned Palmetto General, and a few other hospitals; they were a for-profit entity, they were not a non-profit, or government owned. The Lauderhill City Commission, as well as elected officials in other cities had no control over how private entities ran their business. She thought what City representatives were currently working on, including conversations that were taking place for over a year, was the health and wellbeing of the City of Lauderhill, a personal passion project of hers since 2020. To say how the City's elected officials could make this happen was not really a fair statement, but the City could raise the awareness on the needs of the Lauderhill community, and hold healthcare systems, such as HCA and Steward, accountable to ensure they served the communities that surrounded them the way residents deserved to be served. She added that elected officials of Lauderhill and other cities were bringing in their legislative partners who, frankly, had more power than local elected officials, as the entity in the State of Florida that held the licensing, and governed hospitals was the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA). However, the City had relationships with Senator Osgood, and other State representatives who could bring pressure on the AHCA to pay attention to what was happening in Broward; the City had relationships with Lauderhill's State representative, and the congresswoman at the federal level where the Center for Medicaid Services was located, and on which all hospitals depended, as they paid the bills. Agencies that hospitals needed for licensing at the state and federal levels could be made aware of what was going on in local communities, and residents would be informed by their local elected officials of key actions they could take to help keep hospitals in their community one way or another.

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

Yes: 4 - Commissioner M. Dunn, Vice Mayor L. Martin, Commissioner S. Martin, and Mayor K. Thurston

Absent: 1 - Commissioner D. Grant

Abstain: 0

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

32. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-113: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL GRANTING TO BOYE'S GAS SERVICE, INC. A SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE DEVELOPMENT ORDER, SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS, TO ALLOW IN THE LIGHT INDUSTRIAL (IL) ZONING DISTRICT AN OUTDOOR STORAGE USE ON AN APPROXIMATELY 0.91± NET ACRE VACANT PARCEL; GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF N.W. 16TH STREET BETWEEN N.W. 34TH TERRACE AND N.W. 38TH AVENUE, WITHIN THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-113-Special X - Boyes Gas Service-outdoor storage.pdf](#)

[AR 24R-06-113](#)

[Attachment A - SEU Application](#)

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

[Attachment C - Public Notice Affidavit](#)

[24R-5668 - Attachment D - \(Signed\) SEU Conditions Affidavit](#)

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

33. RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-114: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL GRANTING TO EARLEY ROYSE, LLC D/B/A COCO FLOW RESTAURANT A SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE DEVELOPMENT ORDER, SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS, TO ALLOW IN THE GENERAL COMMERCIAL (CG) ZONING DISTRICT THE CONVEYANCE OF A RESTAURANT, FAST FOOD, WITH DRIVE THROUGH USE, WITH DOUBLE LANES AND A WALK UP WINDOW ON A 0.83± ACRE SITE LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS A PORTION OF "INDUSTRIAL "100" UNIT TWO" ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 85, PAGE 2, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1550 N. STATE ROAD 7, LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-114-Special X - Coco Flow Restaurant.pdf](#)

[AR 24R-06-114](#)

[Attachment A - SEU Application](#)

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

[Attachment C - Public Notice Affidavit](#)

[Coco Flow SEU Affidavit - revised - signed](#)

City Attorney Rosenberg mentioned there was an amendment required with regard to the conditions; staff made her aware of a typographical error in condition number six, where the drive-thru hours of operation were stated incorrectly; the hours of operations should say: Sunday 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 a.m., and Monday to Saturday 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. Additionally, a condition 13 should be added: The owner shall coordinate with City police department to install security cameras, and license plate readers (LPR) compatible with the BSO's Real Time Crime Center (RTCC).

Commissioner Dunn expressed excitement at seeing the subject item on the agenda for a number of reasons, one being she used to go to the restaurant that previously occupied the subject space where she felt they made the best ribs. She asked if the business owner was present to inform the Commission of the vision and concept.

John Rapp, representative for the businessowner and property owner, Karl Gordon, stated Mr. Gordon and his wife, Donna, had a chain of 16 restaurants, with two locations in Lauderhill; the other 14 were located elsewhere in Broward and Dade County. He appreciated the amended hours of operation, as this was a concern for Mr. Gordon, since they served breakfast, lunch, and dinner.

Karl Gordon, businessowner, remarked on loving to cook, and in growing up in the City of Lauderhill, over the years he was able to observe the great work the City's elected officials did, and continued to do for local residents and businesses. Donna's Restaurant, too, was about serving the community, so they sought to bring something different, where they could do more, and bring more of a jerk center atmosphere with the taste of the Caribbean to the subject location. They felt they could do more in the space, attract more patrons, even from outside the U.S. via visitors on ships docking at Port Everglades, bussing visitors to the subject location.

Commissioner Dunn wished to know how this concept for the subject restaurant differed from existing Donna's locations, asking if it would be another Donna's or different.

Mr. Gordon said it was a new concept, with similar tasting food to that of existing Donna's restaurants. They acquired the subject space, so eventually they would return with greater concept for the space, as the existing Donna's restaurant in the area still had a few more years on the space's lease.

Commissioner Dunn asked if it would be a takeout, and/or dine in restaurant.

Mr. Gordon replied it would be a takeout, and drive-thru restaurant with a jerk center, with outside cooking, and some seating.

Commissioner Dunn questioned if it would be a limited or full menu per other Donna's offerings.

Mr. Gordon responded the focus would be on jerked cuisine, but other dishes, such as curried goat, and oxtail would be served.

Commissioner Dunn asked if the restaurant would have a liquor license.

Planning & Zoning (P&Z) Director Daniel Keester-O'Mills understood the applicant planned to secure a liquor license in the future, noting the amended hours of operation was based on a restaurant that would not have any alcohol service. If the applicant later altered the subject use to include an alcohol bar service, the hours of operation would likely change; this was a something the applicant needed to consider.

Commissioner Dunn pointed out, considering new development was planned for the subject area, the applicant had to return before the Commission if they wished to add alcohol service to their use.

Vice Mayor L. Martin observed that the subject business would be going into the City's eastern CRA, specifically in the arts and entertainment district, and the Commission and staff discussed the variety of uses related to dining, etc. that complemented the Lauderhill Performing Arts Center (LPAC), providing an ability to host post LPAC events. He was pleased to see the security part, and the fact that the owner was willing to take proactive measures in this regard.

Mayor Thurston opened the discussion to the public.

Ms. London said she was excited to see the subject application, and she hoped the oxtail meal was affordable. She questioned the planned security measures, asking if they would include security cameras, and/or well-lit areas, etc.; the rear of the site had a wooded area, so she hoped there would be proper lighting there. She wished to know if Mr. Gordon planned events that would include a DJ, loud music, etc., as if the restaurant opened until 2:00 a.m., this could be challenging for nearby residents. Also, if the restaurant would be opened that late, she had no wish to see Lauderhill's law enforcement resources stretched unnecessarily; despite the plan for it to be a takeout restaurant, she saw in the plans there would be small seating areas, which indicated to her that patrons could stay to eat on the premises.

Mr. Wilkerson had a chance to look over the proposed menu, asking about serving such options as pork chops, fried chicken, and macaroni and cheese; he felt such additions to the menu would be welcomed.

Mr. Kelly remarked if Mr. Wilkerson had not yet tried Donna's fried chicken, he was definitely missing out on a pleasure.

City Attorney Rosenberg responded to the question about proper lighting, stating the applicant's light plan had to go through the Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) program; it was in this process that city staff and the applicant would address lighting, fencing, and all other security elements. She stated, in reference to the 13th condition added, the applicant agreed to install security cameras, and LPRs that would connect with BSO's RTP system, as this enabled other police departments on the BSO system to link in real time to see what was taking place in an emergency. Neither the serving of alcohol, nor live entertainment was allowed; there was no special exception application submitted for live entertainment, and if the applicant

wished to have such entertainment, it would require a separate application for a special event permit on a limited basis.

Mr. Keester-O'Mills added the proposed outdoor seating would be further evaluated by his staff; at present, outdoor seating was not a part of the subject application approval, as phase one of the subject proposal was for approval of the walk-up window, and drive-thru.

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

Yes: 4 - Commissioner M. Dunn, Vice Mayor L. Martin, Commissioner S. Martin, and Mayor K. Thurston

Absent: 1 - Commissioner D. Grant

Abstain: 0

34.

RESOLUTION NO. 24R-06-115: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL GRANTING TO ALIVE AND WELL COMMUNITY PARTNERS A SPECIAL EXCEPTION USE DEVELOPMENT ORDER, SUBJECT TO CONDITIONS, TO ALLOW IN THE COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL (CC) ZONING DISTRICT THE CONVEYANCE OF AN OFFICE, MEDICAL, WITH CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE PRACTITIONER USE ON A 27± ACRE SITE LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS AN UNPLATTED PARCEL OF LAND WITHIN SECTION 36, TOWNSHIP 49 SOUTH, RANGE 41 EAST, FOLIO NUMBER 4941-36-00-0012, MORE COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE LAUDERHILL MALL AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS 1229 N.W. 40TH AVENUE, LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attachments: [RES-24R-06-115-Special X - Alive & Well Medical Office.pdf](#)

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[Attachment A - SEU Application](#)

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

[Attachment C - Public Notice Affidavit](#)

[24R-5670 - Attachment D - \(Signed\) SEU Conditions Affidavit](#)

[Attachment E - Final Order from Board of Medicine](#)

Commissioner Dunn sought a better understanding of the healthcare services that would be provided.

Victoria Barr-Hart, nurse practitioner, and representative for Alive & Well, asked that the City Commission allow their facility to provide services as a community health center. Specifically, they would provide low cost, affordable STI (sexually transmitted infections) services, as in minority communities STI rates were found to be high. She noted they would provide free blood pressure and diabetes screenings, devices for blood pressure testing, and glucose monitors to the community; they would provide concierge services, as well as services for persons suffering from low hydration, and iron issues, along with weight

loss, and body mass index (BMI) management, another major concern in the community to prevent stroke, cardiac arrest, and other determinates in health. She said they would soon add an imaging center, along with transportation services. Mental Health issues and substance abuse were very big issues in the community, so they provide services to address those issues, hence the language pertaining to controlled substances, as the applicant wished to have the ability to render immediate treatment to patients who experienced such crises.

Commissioner Dunn asked if the subject business would be a federally qualified community health center.

Ms. Barr-Hart indicated they planned to apply after they opened the subject facility.

Commissioner Dunn remarked a federally qualified community health center was already located at the Lauderhill Mall, along with a medical provider that focused exclusively on family therapy. Though she understood the City eliminated the certificate of need process, she was concerned about having two federally qualified community health centers in the same location when there were other parts of Lauderhill without a community health center.

Ms. Barr-Hart observed the applicant was unlikely to become a federally qualified community health center at the subject location if one was already in such close proximity. Thus, the focus of their center would be to provide an ACN for critical needs services at a discounted, or a sliding fee scale rate as a national health services center.

Commissioner Dunn remarked the existing community health center and the proposed center would be serving the same population, so she was curious what their payor mix would be; that is, would the applicant be seeing primarily Medicaid patients, or private insurance patients. She was unsure as to the logic of having two of the same uses providing the same services, most likely to many in the same population, and housed in the same location, when there were other areas in Lauderhill lacking such services. Thus, her concern in granting approval was with regard to the subject location.

Ms. Barr-Hart commented that the services they provided entailed a lot of handholding care and counselling; most doctor's office focused on risk management, which was not the applicant's focus.

Commissioner Dunn reiterated the existing federally qualified health center in the same location had a similar business model to that of the applicant.

Vice Mayor L. Martin asked if city staff took the factors brought up by Commissioner Dunn into consideration.

Mr. Keester-O'Mills said the special exception application before the Commission was based on one of the doctors being authorized to prescribe controlled substances. There was no additional analysis on whether there was a need for such services, and if there was a risk of there being an inundation of

such services with a community health center already present in the Lauderhill Mall. He stated the City's code did not have distance separation requirements for healthcare uses. With regard to a doctor being able to prescribe a controlled substance, the City's Land Development Regulations (LDR) required each doctor authorized to prescribe controlled substances to get a special exception use, hence the applicant being before the City Commission at present.

Vice Mayor L. Martin wondered if this was something P&Z staff analyzed for.

Mr. Keester-O'Mills replied if the Commission expressed such a concern, his staff and he could examine locations, or the lack thereof citywide, and explore ways to regulate the code to better spread such services throughout the City.

Vice Mayor L. Martin wished to know the exact location of the applicant's facility, as he knew the other facility was located upstairs at the Lauderhill Mall.

Mr. Keester-O'Mills confirmed the applicant's facility would be located on the ground floor of the Mall.

Mayor Thurston opined this was an item that required the businessowner to do their own research on whether or not locating at the Mall was an economically viable decision. He saw no disadvantage to having multiple community health centers in the same location, as it afforded residents the opportunity to choose, and he observed numerous medical complexes housing multiple doctors providing the same healthcare services. As long as they satisfied all the LDR requirements. He said in the future a third community health center might open there, making the location more inviting to people seeking such services knowing how much choice they had.

Ms. Taylor, Director of Alive & Well, explained their facilities offered numerous health services to the community; they currently had a large presence in the Miami Gardens area, where they served over 250 people from Lauderhill and Fort Lauderdale. They had over five vehicles with which their staff picked up patients, and drove them to their locations; this was predicated on the relationship that their case managers and providers developed with these patients. She noted, essentially, they were providing immediate treatment to people, administering some 500 treatments to persons with STDs, STIs, high blood pressure, etc. Along with onsite treatment, they had many people in the community coming to them dehydrated, because they lacked the resources, the education, or knew how to access programs available to help them. She said they believed in treating people with VIP service, as patients preferred to walk into a beautiful, state-of-the-art facility, rather than a rundown one; she invited the City's elected officials to view their facility, as they had a lot to offer the Lauderhill community, not just healthcare items, but a safe place where they could express their concerns, be listened to, and helped. Their staff talked people out of depression, suicide, etc., and they had a goal and a mission to make a difference in the community.

City Attorney Rosenberg collectively swore in all persons who already spoke, and wished to speak on the subject quasi-judicial item.

Commissioner Dunn agreed there was a need in Lauderhill for superior healthcare services offered across the board to anyone, whether they had insurance or not, and all the services mentioned by Ms. Taylor were needed in Lauderhill. She reiterated her concern of two community health centers in such close proximity to each other, when Lauderhill had 74,000 residents. She understood staff's position that there had been no requests from the elected officials or management to assess need versus location, etc. of such facilities; she mentioned that she intended to vote no on the item, but the item would still pass if her colleagues voted to approve. There could be a need for the elected officials and the City Manager to discuss adjustments to the LDR, so when healthcare organizations approached the City, particularly those intending to serve a specific demographic, staff could, at the onset of the new business process, advise owners accordingly, so the City could set businesses up to thrive.

City Manager Giles-Smith affirmed the matter that would be put on the next Commission workshop for discussion.

Mayor Thurston opened the discussion to the public.

Susie Rutherford, Miramar resident, stated her son and she owned the undeveloped plot of land adjacent to that of the applicant's proposed facility. About two weeks prior, they began receiving mailed correspondence from an interested party about purchasing their property, but their efforts to contact that party were unsuccessful. She stated their land was located within 500 feet of the applicant's site, asking what would happen to their land if the subject medical center was built.

Mr. Keester-O'Mills explained the letter Ms. Rutherford referred to was the standard notice the City sent out to property owners within the noticing radius of the applicant's; the letter detailed the date of the special exception public hearing. Postcards soliciting the purchase of Ms. Rutherford's land were unrelated to the City's noticing letter that was a requirement the applicant had to fulfill.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor L. Martin, seconded by Mayor K. Thurston, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 3 - Vice Mayor L. Martin, Commissioner S. Martin, and Mayor K. Thurston

No: 1 - Commissioner M. Dunn

Absent: 1 - Commissioner D. Grant

Abstain: 0

XII QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS, FIRST READING

XIII QUASI-JUDICIAL MATTERS, SECOND READING

XIV UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XV OLD BUSINESS**XVI NEW BUSINESS****A. SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 2024 BUDGET HEARINGS AND CITY COMMISSION MEETINGS.**

Attachments: [Special Assessment Public Hearings Budgets Date Timelines 2024](#)

City Attorney Rosenberg stated the main dates were as follows: preliminary assessment hearing on July 9, 2024, at 5:01 p.m., per statute, following the budget meeting that would begin at 9:00 a.m. on that day. Possible meeting dates in September were very limited, as the City was not allowed to hold meetings on the same day as the Broward School Board, or the Broward County Commission, nor could the City hold meeting any sooner than the date certain the County gave for the City to use the TRIM notice. She said the only date that worked for the first reading of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024/2025 budget was Thursday, September 12, 2024, starting at 5:01 p.m.

Vice Mayor L. Martin indicated there was a candidate forum set to begin at 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on July 9th, 2024, for seats one and two on the Commission; it had nothing to do with the City's business.

City Attorney Rosenberg pointed out the meeting to set the preliminary rate was usually short.

Commissioner Dunn mentioned that was for her seat, so the 5:01 p.m. meeting would be a challenge for her.

Mayor Thurston wished to know when the City had to set the date for the budget hearings.

City Attorney Rosenberg replied the September dates had to be set immediately, as they could not be missed.

Commissioner Dunn said she could not be present for the September 12 meeting, due to a previous engagement she could not miss. She asked if the dates were shown on the Commission's meeting calendar.

City Attorney Rosenberg explained every year city staff waited for the School Board, and the Broward County Commission to set the dates for their budget hearings; then the Broward County Property Appraiser (BCPA) informed city staff what dates the budget hearing meetings could be scheduled. The City had to have its numbers in by September 15; thus, the first budget hearing could not be held before September 12, which was a Thursday; the only other days to hold a meeting before the 15th was Friday, September 13, but the City was closed that day, and there was no meeting on September 14th, and no meeting on Sunday, September 15. Ms. Rosenberg said the first reading of the budget had to be September 12th, and the second reading would take place two weeks after, which was Thursday, September 26, 2024, at 5:15 p.m. These were the

meetings that ran until all budgets were passed on first and second reading, after which the Commission meeting would begin. Commissioner Dunn could attend remotely, but she could not vote on any action items.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor L. Martin, seconded by Mayor K. Thurston, that these Budget Hearing Dates be approved as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner M. Dunn, Vice Mayor L. Martin, Commissioner S. Martin, and Mayor K. Thurston

Absent: 1 - Commissioner D. Grant

Abstain: 0

XVII COMMUNICATIONS FROM PUBLIC OFFICIALS SHALL BEGIN IMMEDIATELY BEFORE ADJOURNMENT

City Attorney Rosenberg wished everyone a safe summer, and Happy Father's Day.

Vice Mayor L. Martin provided the following update:

- The Ella's Day cancer survivors event took place at the St. George Community Center, teaming up with South Pro Promotions and other vendors; they paid it forward for cancer survivors, giving free manicures and pedicures, massages, etc.; the event host was Alexis Frazier of WPLG Local 10; this was Jess Williams's brainchild, who had an awesome group of volunteers; she organized many of the food drives in Lauderhill
- The 4th Annual Haitian & Hilarious Comedy Show was held at the LPAC; it was a good showing of the cultural diversity in Lauderhill
- Dillard, Piper, Boyd Anderson, and Lauderhill 6-12 High Schools held their graduations, all of which he attended over the past week and a half; the City had many young people who were going on to do many good things; it was encouraging to watch some 1,500 Lauderhill children graduate, some of whom were going into the military, and some received full ride scholarships due to their high academic achievement; many graduates did a lot of community service work
- A shoutout was sent to Mayor Thurston who did his farewell attendance at his Teacher of the Year event, which he had been doing for some ten years; all Lauderhill's school principals were celebrated at that event, which was well appreciated
- Lauderhill resident Lizzie Johnson celebrated being 100 years old; he enjoyed the opportunity to celebrate with Lauderhill residents in this manner; she was a resident of the Larkdale area; Mayor Thurston, Commissioner S. Martin, and he were present to celebrate with Ms. Johnson, presenting her with flowers
- The Masonic family gave away community scholarships to some of the City's young people
- Photographs of members of the Men of Color Project were doing good things in the Lauderhill community to help the less fortunate receive resources to help them thrive
- Parkway Middle School had a fashion design program; children make their own clothes, and put on a fashion show; the children were very artistic, and did

some great things; it was good to know that, along with academics, they were able to get involved in artistic activities to encourage their creative side

- Mayor Thurston was thanked for allowing him to sit in for him at the Mayors Breakfast sponsored by the Realtors Association; this was another opportunity to represent Lauderhill; a big part of the questioning from the realtors was to sell one's city, looking at why people should move to the City of Lauderhill, such as the City's diversity, a wide variety of offerings, sporting opportunities for young people, the cost of living for residents in Lauderhill fell in the middle based on Broward County standards, and the City continued to grow; everyone should promote Lauderhill to ensure the City was being given its due consideration by people seeking to move to Broward
- Commissioner Dunn continued to do a great job, as evidenced by the Lauderhill Shines graduation he attended; the success of the program was evidenced by the turnout
- About every six months in the Commission Chambers, the Department of Corrections Officers Graduation was held; Broward County State Attorney Harold Pryor, Police Chief Constance Stanley, Mayor Thurston, and he were present; they spoke on behalf of their respective agencies, and what it meant serve the community
- The mentoring program at Parkway Middle continued to be strong
- He attended an event at a synagogue, where he listened to conversations, and received feedback on cultural differences; he was surprised to learn how many similarities there were; things were just celebrated in different ways
- Lauderhill rolled out its newest fire truck at Station 30, another indication of taxpayers' dollars at work; it was a beautiful truck; residents were invited to visit the station to look over the truck
- A media event was held at Fire Station 57 for an update on a young lady, whose continued existence was miraculous; she was present at the event, as well as at one of the graduations he attended; her spirit remained pure and genuine, and she fully embraced her situation; it was good to see someone so young realizing that whatever took place, she could live her life in a positive light
- He was the commencement speaker at Sunrise High School.

City Manager Giles-Smith reminded everyone the World Cup Cricket events would begin on June 11, 2024, at the Central Regional Park stadium; the teams competing were Nepal versus Shri Lanka; the game began at 7:30 p.m. She encouraged residents to attend the games, and view the public art on display; the City erected "Thank you for visiting Lauderhill," and "Welcome to Lauderhill" signs to ensure people knew they were in Lauderhill, and the 441 corridor was spruced up in preparation for the event. On Wednesday, June 11, there would be a free event, a Fan Zone from which spectators could watch the event, along with live entertainment, DJs, etc.; some cricket legends would be present for attendees to take pictures with them; the game would be displayed on the jumbotron. A video of the upcoming event, and its various activities was shown. The games ran through the rest of the week, and details could be found on the City of Lauderhill website. She congratulated her son, Christian Smith, on graduating from high school that week.

Mayor Thurston wished all the fathers Happy Father's Day, including persons who were surrogate fathers.

XVIII ADJOURNMENT - 9:17 PM