



**City of Miami Springs, Florida**  
City Council Meeting

Special Meeting Minutes  
Monday, January 21, 2015 7:00 p.m.

Council Chambers at City Hall  
201 Westward Drive, Miami Springs, Florida

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call:** The meeting was called to order by the Mayor at 7:03 p.m.

Present were the following:

Mayor Xavier M. Garcia  
Vice Mayor Jaime A. Petralanda  
Councilman Michael Windrem  
Councilman Billy Bain  
Councilman George V. Lob

City Manager Ronald K. Gorland  
Assistant City Manager/Finance Director William Alonso  
City Attorney Jan K. Seiden  
Recreation Director Omar L. Luna  
Professional Services Supervisor Tammy L. Romero  
Assistant City Clerk Elora R. Sakal

2. **Invocation:** Offered by Councilman Bain

**Salute to the Flag:** The audience participated.

3. **New Business**

A) Presentations from the two shortlisted companies who responded to Design-Build Project for Miami Springs Aquatic Facility RFP# 01-14/15:

West construction	7:00 - 7:30 PM
Lunacon Group	7:30 - 8:00 PM

- B) Discussion and selection of a Design-Build contractor

West Construction and Lunacon Group made presentations and provided a PowerPoint to discuss their design-build project for the Miami Springs Aquatic facility.

Assistant City Manager William Alonso explained his financial concerns with delaying the process three to six months.

**Councilman Bain moved to submit the ranking sheets and to select the contractors tonight. Councilman Windrem seconded the motion.**

Councilman Lob said that he would like to get answers of the questions that were asked to the two firms before making a decision. He believes that the decision could wait until the regular Council meeting on Monday.

Mayor Garcia commented that the questions that were asked have already been answered prior to this meeting. Council is already aware that if the pool were made deeper or additional lanes were added it would cost more money. He believes that those topics can be discussed as part of the negotiations once a firm has been selected.

Councilman Lob understands that once volume changes, the cost will drastically change but he feels that Council owes their constituents the answers to the questions.

**Councilman Bain withdrew his motion and Councilman Windrem withdrew his second.**

**Councilman Bain moved to make the selection of the contractor at the City Council regular meeting on Monday, January 26, 2015. Councilman Petralanda seconded the motion which was carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Petralanda, Councilmen Windrem, Bain, Lob and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

City Attorney Seiden stated that the questions that would be asked of the firms is what the total cost would be for providing two additional lanes and what would be required for deepening the pool and what additional equipment would be required with a corresponding credit that would be coming back for the smaller amount of deck space that would be provided should there not be eight lanes.

Mayor Garcia clarified that Vice Mayor Petralanda's request is in reference to making our pool a competition pool in those eight lanes besides what has already been proposed. He would like a separate price of what it would cost to make their proposals an eight lane competition pool.

Jorge Ferrer, of Bermello Ajamil & Partners explained that Council has gone through this process before and could not come to a consensus on what activities could be done at the pool because it was decided that a competition pool was not going to be done.

Councilman Bain expressed his concerns for making the firms go through this process all over again. He said that Council has already voted on what they wanted to see for the aquatic center. He is ready to make a decision.

**Councilman Bain moved to ask Council if they need to ask these companies to propose a competition pool? Councilman Windrem seconded the motion which was carried 3-2 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Councilmen Windrem, Bain and Mayor Garcia voting No.**

Discussion ensued regarding the eight lane competition pool not being in the budget. Mayor Garcia commented that Council needs to stand by the decisions that they have already made.

**Councilman Bain moved to make the selection of the contractor tonight. Councilman Windrem seconded the motion which was carried 4-1 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Councilmen Windrem, Bain, Lob and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

**Councilman Bain moved to select Lunacon Group. He believes that they came prepared and with imagination. They are well advanced as far as getting the project started and provided a great quality presentation. Councilman Windrem seconded the motion which was carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Petralanda, Councilmen Windrem, Bain, Lob and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

#### **4. New Business**

A) Presentations from the four shortlisted firms who responded to Request for Qualifications #03-13/14 for Architectural, Engineering, Planning, Design and Staff Support Services:

Craven Thompson & Assoc.	8:30 - 9:00 PM
Miller Legg	9:00 - 9:30 PM
Calvin, Giordano & Assoc.	9:30 - 10:00 PM
CPH, Inc.	10:00 - 10:30PM

B) Discussion and Selection of a Firm

Council viewed PowerPoint presentations and received handouts from Craven Thompson & Associates, Miller Legg, Calvin, Giordano & Associates, and CPH, Inc. for architectural, engineering, planning, design and staff support services for the City.

**Councilman Bain moved to extend the meeting 15 minutes. Councilman Lob seconded the motion which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Petralanda, Councilmen Windrem, Bain, Lob and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

**Council decided to have discussion and rank the firms at their regular Council meeting on Monday, January 26, 2015.**

#### **5. Adjourn**

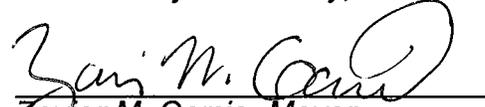
There being no further business to be discussed the meeting was adjourned at 11:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, MMC  
City Clerk



Adopted by the City Council on  
this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2015.

  
Xavier M. Garcia, Mayor

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