



***CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA***

**CITY CLERK'S SUMMARY OF COUNCIL ACTIONS**  
**Regular Meeting of Monday, January 9, 2012 - 7:00 p.m.**  
**City Hall – Council Chambers**

**AGENDA**

**ITEM #**

**SUBJECT**

**ACTION TAKEN**

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| 1. | <b>Call to Order/Roll Call</b>    | All present. The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.  |
| 2. | <b>Invocation</b>                 | Offered by Councilman Best.  |
|    | <b>Salute to the Flag</b>         | The audience participated.<br><br>Students from All Angels Academy led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.<br><br>Mayor Garcia presented baseball caps to the students who participated in the "I Led the Pledge" program.   |
| 3. | <b>Awards &amp; Presentations</b> | None   |
| 4. | <b>Open Forum:</b>                |  |
|    | Youth Advisory Board              | César Castillo of 831 S. E. 7 <sup>th</sup> Place, Hialeah, student at Miami Springs Senior High School, said that he was appointed by County Commissioner Rebeca Sosa to serve on the Miami-Dade County Youth Commission. He is aware that the City Council recently approved the establishment of a Youth Advisory Board. He represents his peers in the County government in making changes in order to make sure that they are well-represented. |

4. Youth Advisory Board (Cont.) Mr. Castillo said that although the youth of the County does not have voting rights they are strongly affected by decisions that are made. He has worked closely with the City of Coral Gables, West Miami, Hialeah and Miami Springs. He said that Miami Springs truly listens to its citizens and it is a great city. He hopes that the City Council takes the Youth Advisory Council very seriously.
- José Maldonado of 914 Ibis Avenue stated that he is interested in joining the City's Youth Advisory Council since he would like to pursue a political career and learn more about government. He knows many young people who are interested in politics and in helping their community.
5. **Approval of Council Minutes** *(5A and 5C simultaneously approved)*
- 5A) 12-12-2011 Regular Meeting Minutes of the December 12, 2011 Regular Meeting were **approved as written.**  
**Motion:** Councilman Lob  
**Second:** Councilman Best  
**Vote:** 5-0
- 5B) 12-12-2011 LPA Meeting Minutes of the December 12, 2011 Local Planning Agency Meeting were **received for information without comment.**
- 5C) 12-23-2011 Special Meeting Minutes of the December 23, 2011 Special Meeting were **approved as written.**  
**Motion:** Councilman Lob  
**Second:** Councilman Best  
**Vote:** 5-0
6. **Reports from Boards & Commissions**
- 6A) Historic Preservation Board Cancellation Notice of the December 15, 2011 Historic Preservation Board meeting was received for information without comment.

- 6B) Ecology Board Cancellation Notice of the December 27, 2011 Ecology Board meeting was received for information without comment.
- 6C) Zoning and Planning Board Cancellation Notice of the January 2, 2012 Zoning and Planning Board meeting was received for information without comment.
- 6D) Board of Adjustment Cancellation Notice of the January 2, 2012 Board of Adjustment meeting was received for information without comment.
- 6E) Code Enforcement Board Cancellation Notice of the January 3, 2012 Code Enforcement Board meeting was received for information without comment.
- 6F) Architectural Review Board Cancellation Notice of the January 4, 2012 Architectural Review Board meeting was received for information without comment.
- 6G) Golf and Country Club  
Advisory Board Cancellation Notice of the January 11, 2012 Golf and Country Club Advisory Board meeting was received for information without comment.
7. **Public Hearings:** None
8. **Consent Agenda:** **(approved with one motion)**
- 8A) City Attorney's Invoice Council **approved** payment of the City Attorney's invoice for December, 2011 in the amount of \$11,292.75  
**Motion:** Councilman Lob  
**Second:** Councilwoman Ator  
**Vote:** 5-0
- 8B) Phone Directory Council **approved** an expenditure of \$5,000 to Curtis Publishing to cover the cost of a phone directory, to be paid from the Undesignated Fund Balance.  
**Motion:** Councilman Lob  
**Second:** Councilwoman Ator  
**Vote:** 5-0

8C) Purchase of Equipment for Red Light Camera System  
Council **approved** an expenditure of Law Enforcement Trust Funds in the amount of \$5,378.68 to Dell Marketing, L.P., utilizing contract # WN05ACA for equipment for the red light camera system, pursuant to Section 31.11 (E) (5) of the City Code.  
**Motion:** Councilman Lob  
**Second:** Councilwoman Ator  
**Vote:** 5-0

**9. Old Business:**

9A) Advisory Board Appointments None

9B) Red Light Camera System  
Council **received** an update on the red light camera system from Chief of Police Pete Baan.

9C) Resolution No. 2012-3535  
Council **adopted, as amended**, a resolution approving and adopting background investigation and fingerprinting rules and regulations for all youth sports organization utilizing City fields or facilities; providing for longevity of the rules and regulations; establishing notification responsibility of the rules and regulations; and authorizing enforcement of the rules and regulations.  
**Motion:** Vice Mayor Espino  
**Second:** Councilman Best  
**Vice Mayor Espino:** “aye”  
**Councilman Best:** “aye”  
**Councilman Lob:** “abstained”  
**Councilwoman Ator:** “aye”  
**Mayor Garcia:** “aye”  
**Vote:** 4-0

**10. New Business:**

10A) Change Order – Chi Alarm  
Council **approved** a Change Order for Chi Alarm in the amount of \$1,513.00 for additional work, pursuant to Section 31.11 (E) (11) (a) (2) of the City Code.  
**Motion:** Councilman Lob  
**Second:** Councilman Best  
**Vote:** 5-0

- 10B) RFP No. 01-11/12 for Janitorial Services  
 Council **awarded** RFP No. 01-11/12 to Diamond Contract Services, the lowest responsible proposer, in the amount of \$82,585.08, for janitorial services, pursuant to Section 31.11 (E) (2) of the City Code.  
**Motion:** Vice Mayor Espino  
**Second:** Councilman Lob  
**Vote:** 5-0
- 10C) Resolution No. 2012-3534  
 Council **adopted** a resolution authorizing signatories for all City bank, savings and trust accounts; authorizing acceptance of two facsimile signatures of City Manager Ronald K. Gorland and Finance Director William Alonso; authorizing the combined manual signatures of two of the following: City Manager Ronald K. Gorland and Finance Director William Alonso, or Chief of Police Peter G. Baan.  
**Motion:** Councilman Best  
**Second:** Councilman Lob  
**Vote:** 5-0
- 10D) Miami-Dade County League of Cities 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Installation Gala  
**By consensus,** Council **authorized** the Administration to reserve a table of ten for the 58<sup>th</sup> annual installation gala to be held on Saturday, February 18, 2012 at the Treetop Ballroom at Jungle Island for \$1,300.00. Council **agreed** not to publish an ad this year.
- 10E) Scheduling of Workshop Meeting  
 Council **scheduled** a Workshop Meeting to discuss term limits and the election process in general for Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. and to hear the presentation from Calvin, Giordano & Associates on signage and way-finding.

- 10F) Recreation Field Restroom Monitoring Recommendation Council **discussed** Staff's recommendation to have staff on site to open up the restrooms during operating park hours on the weekends and holidays and asked the Administration to come back with lower cost alternatives.
- 10G) Optimist Club Alcohol and Funding Event Request Council **approved** the Optimist Club's funding event request for the January 21, 2012 Barbecue blast on the Circle in the amount of \$3,000.00 and the sale of alcoholic beverages on City property.  
**Motion:** Vice Mayor Espino  
**Second:** Councilman Best  
**Vice Mayor Espino:** "aye"  
**Councilman Best:** "aye"  
**Councilman Lob:** "abstained"  
**Councilwoman Ator:** "no"  
**Mayor Garcia:** "aye"  
**Vote:** 3-1
11. **Other Business:** None
12. **Reports & Recommendations:**
- 12A) **City Attorney**
- Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP) Attorney Seiden stated that he distributed an e-mail regarding an item that the prior City Manager brought up in reference to a proposed change to the Deferred Retirement Option Plan (DROP). He spoke with Pension Attorney Steve Cypen's office and they are going to present the information to the General Employees Retirement Board at their next meeting for approval.
- Historic Tax Credit City Attorney Seiden reported that he has kept in contact with Eric Wishneff regarding the Curtiss Mansion historic tax credit and Mr. Wishneff is currently looking for investors.

**12B) City Manager**

Public Works Review

City Manager Gorland distributed an Independent Review of Public Works and asked Council to look it over. He also provided the credentials of the individual who conducted the review.

Upcoming Events

City Manager Gorland noted that some events coming up are the performance by Alexander Markov on the Circle on Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup>. City Hall will be closed on January 16<sup>th</sup> for Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The Woman's Club is hosting an Open House to thank and honor former City Manager Jim Borgmann for his many years of service on Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>. Movie Night on the Circle is on January 20<sup>th</sup>, and the Second Annual Optimist Club Barbeque fundraiser Cook-off is on Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup>.

**12C) City Council**

Happy New Year

Councilwoman Ator hoped everyone had a Happy New Year.

All Angels Bingo & Movie Night

Councilwoman Ator announced that All Angels is hosting another bingo night on Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup> and the next Movie Night on the Circle will be on Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup>.

Poker Night

Councilman Lob reported that the Rotary Club is having their annual poker night on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> and encouraged everyone to sign up.

Miles for Marli

Councilman Lob announced that the Miles for Marli walk will take place on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup> and he encouraged everyone to join and donate for a worthy cause.

12C)	Happy New Year	Councilman Lob wished everyone a Happy New Year.
	Barbeque Cook-Off	Vice Mayor Espino invited everyone to join the Optimist Barbeque Cook-off on Saturday, January 21 <sup>st</sup> .
	Miles for Marli	Vice Mayor Espino announced that in addition to the Miles for Marli walk on January 28 <sup>th</sup> , the organization is sponsoring an art event on Saturday, January 14 <sup>th</sup> on a yacht and anyone is welcome to attend. He asked that everyone should keep the Wolff family in their prayers. Marlene Wolff is in hospice and has been battling cancer for a long time.
	Relay for Life	Vice Mayor Espino reported that the Cancer Relay for Life would be held on March 3 <sup>rd</sup> and he encourages everyone to be aware of the upcoming events.
	Happy New Year	Vice Mayor Espino wished everyone happy holidays and a Happy New Year.
	City Manager	Vice Mayor Espino welcomed Ron Gorland as the new City Manager and commended him for doing an excellent job so far.
	Happy New Year	Councilman Best wished everyone a Happy New Year. He is glad to see everyone back safe and is looking forward to getting things done over the next few months that will be useful to everyone in the City.
	Election Primary	Mayor Garcia reminded everyone that election time is here again and the primaries for the Presidential Election are coming up on January 31 <sup>st</sup> . He encouraged those who can vote to do so. Absentee ballot request forms are available.



12C) Mom and Pop Grant

Mayor Garcia reported that County Commissioner Rebeca Sosa is sponsoring her Mom and Pop Grant event again and due to the tight budgets, they are limiting the funding to \$1,000 to \$2,000 for those businesses that have never received funding before and those that provide services or goods. Applications are available online starting on January 20<sup>th</sup> or at Commissioner Sosa's office.

**13. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.