



CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA

CITY CLERK'S SUMMARY OF COUNCIL ACTIONS
Regular Meeting of Monday, January 27, 2014 - 7:00 p.m.
City Hall – Council Chambers

| <u>AGENDA ITEM #</u> | <u>SUBJECT</u> | <u>ACTION TAKEN</u> |
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| 1. | Call to Order/Roll Call | All present. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. |
| 2. | Invocation | Offered by Mayor Garcia |
| | Salute to the Flag | The audience participated. |
| 3. | Awards & Presentations | |
| 3A) | Proclamation | Mayor Garcia proclaimed January 27, 2014 as "Skyler Odin Day" in Miami Springs in recognition of her exemplary achievements and awards. |
| 3B) | Certificate of Appreciation | Mayor Garcia presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Richard Lyons for his generous donation of plants for the Butterfly Garden. |
| 4. | Open Forum: | |
| | Police Pension | Officer Janice Simon expressed her concern about the future of the Miami Springs Police Department if nothing is done to fix the police pension. She said that adding years to their employment and increasing their pension contribution does not solve the problem. |
| | Police Pension | Officer Jorge Capote asked Council to give the police officers defined benefits with a fixed pension contribution rate. He urged Council to compromise on a fair benefits package. |

Police Pension
Officer Darryl Cates feels that the pension contribution is outrageous. He suggested that the City could install a new pension plan for new hires and cap the contribution for the current officers. He asked Council to show the police officers that they are appreciated.

Police Pension
Sergeant Claire Gurney said that quality of life in Miami Springs is directly related to the quality of police services. The police pension is in crisis; without intervention, officers will be contributing approximately 29% of their salary effective October 2014, which is almost 1/3 of their salary. She asked Council to treat the police officers the way they deserve to be treated.

Miami Springs Historical Society
Jim Watson, 350 Cardinal Street, provided an update on the relocation of the museum to 501 East Drive and the fund raising activities of the Society.

5. **Approval of Council Minutes**

5A) 01-08-2014 Special Meeting
Minutes of the Special Meeting of January 8, 2014 were **approved as written.**
Motion: Vice Mayor Bain
Second: Councilman Lob
Vote: 5-0

6. **Reports from Boards & Commissions: None**

7. **Public Hearings: None**

8. **Consent Agenda:**

8A) Curtiss Parkway Crosswalk Enhancement Project
Item pulled.

8B) Stormwater Drain System
Council awarded a bid to Wrangler Construction Inc., Utilizing Miami Dade County RPQ #20130171 in the amount of \$49,465.00, to be funded from the Stormwater Fund, for a new storm drain system Located in Alley Between Cardinal St. & Plover Ave., Pursuant to Section 31.11 (E) (5) of the City Code
Motion: Councilman Lob
Second: Councilman Petralanda
Vote: 5-0

9. **Old Business:** None
- 9A) **Advisory Board Appointments** None
- 9B) **Salary/Date of Hire:**
Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria
- Council approved a request to allow 60-days for the starting date of the new City Clerk.
Motion: Councilman Lob
Second: Councilman Windrem
Vice Mayor Bain: "no"
Councilman Windrem: "aye"
Councilman Lob: "aye"
Councilman Petralanda: "aye"
Mayor Garcia: "aye"
Vote: 4-1
- Council approved the starting salary of \$75,000 for the new City Clerk.
Motion: Councilman Windrem
Second: Councilman Petralanda
Vice Mayor Bain: "no"
Councilman Windrem: "aye"
Councilman Lob: "no"
Councilman Petralanda: "aye"
Mayor Garcia: "aye"
Vote: 3-2
10. **New Business:**
- 10A) **Curtiss Mansion Construction Defects**
- Council approved the engagement of Siegfried, Rivera, Hyman, Lerner, De La Torre, Mars & Sobel, P.A. for legal representation – City of Miami Springs v. Carivon Construction, Co. et. al. regarding construction defects in the Curtiss Mansion construction.
Motion: Councilman Lob
Second: Councilman Windrem
Vice Mayor Bain: "no"
Councilman Windrem: "aye"
Councilman Lob: "aye"
Councilman Petralanda: "no"
Mayor Garcia: "aye"
Vote: 3-2

- 10B) Resolution No. 2014-3610 Council **adopted** a resolution amending the current "Schedule of Charges" for building, plumbing, electrical, mechanical and other related permit charges or fees.
Motion: Vice Mayor Bain
Second: Councilman Petralanda
Vote: 5-0
- 10C) Resolution No. 2014-3611 Council **adopted** a resolution providing for the second budget amendment to the FY 2013-2014 budget; by recording loan proceeds, other received revenues, and debt service payments to the General Fund; transferring the expense of Hearing Officers to the Finance Department from the Police Department budget in the General Fund; appropriating funds from the General Fund Designated Fund Balance for the costs of shoring up the City pool and pool facility; providing intent; specifying compliance with budgetary processes and procedures.
Motion: Councilman Windrem
Second: Councilman Lob
Vote: 5-0
- 10D) Resolution No. 2014-3612 Council **adopted** a resolution amending the Schedule of Golf Charges and Fees for the operation of the Miami Springs Golf and Country Club; reserving the right and authority to amend or supplement the Schedule of Charges.
Motion: Councilman Windrem
Second: Vice Mayor Bain
Vote: 5-0
- 10E) River Cities Festival:
Alcoholic Beverages/
Circle Closure Council **approved** a request from Tom Curtis to sell alcoholic beverages on City property during the River Cities Festival on April 11, 12, 13, 2014, and to close the Circle at 2:00 p.m. instead of 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 11th.
Motion: Councilman Lob
Second: Councilman Windrem
Vote: 5-0
- 10F) Use of Golf Carts on
City Streets By consensus, Council **authorized** the Administration to move forward with the idea and obtain more information on the use of golf carts on City streets.

10G) RFQ: #02-13/14:
Aquatic Facility Consultant

Council approved the recommendation to hear presentations from the top five ranked firms:

1. Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.
2. Gili-McGraw Architects, LLP
3. Bermello Ajamil & Partners, Inc.
4. Carty & Alleguez Architecture, Inc.
5. McHarry & Associates, Inc.

Motion: Councilman Lob

Second: Councilman Windrem

Vote: 5-0

By consensus, Council scheduled a Special meeting for Wednesday, February 5th or Tuesday, February 11, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., depending on the availability of the firms.

11. Other Business: None

12. Reports & Recommendations:

12A) City Attorney

Code Revision Ordinances

City Attorney Seiden reported that he drafted six of the code revision ordinances that should be ready for first reading and discussion at the next Regular Council meeting. He is working on two additional ordinances.

12B) City Manager

Pelican Playhouse

City Manager Gorland announced that Pelican Playhouse is presenting "Homer's Odyssey" in the style of Dr. Seuss that is funny and imaginative. The play will run until Sunday, February 2nd.

Daddy/Daughter Dance

City Manager Gorland reported that the Daddy/Daughter Dance is sold out and they are taking reservations for a waiting list.

Taste of the Springs

City Manager Gorland said that the annual Taste of the Springs event will be held at Miami Springs Country Club on Sunday, February 9th.

12C)

City Council

Russell William Windrem

Councilman Windrem announced that he and his wife had their first child on Friday, January 24th weighing in at 6 pounds 7 ounces. His son Russell William Windrem is Miami Springs' newest resident.

Poker Tournament

Vice Mayor Bain said that the weekend was spectacular with the Rotary Club Poker Tournament and Mayor Garcia placed fourth. He congratulated Harry Hearn who placed first and Tom Curtis for organizing the event.

MSVG Soccer Club

Councilman Bain announced that the Miami Springs/Virginia Gardens Soccer Club held their annual banquet at Virginia Gardens on Sunday, January 26th. They received a proclamation and there were approximately 600 people in attendance.

Poker Tournament

Mayor Garcia echoed Vice Mayor Bain's comments about the Rotary Club Poker Tournament. He hopes that next year's event is bigger and that the event could be held at a City venue. It was a great event and well organized.

MSVG Soccer Club

Mayor Garcia congratulated the Miami Springs/Virginia Gardens Soccer Club who received a joint proclamation from Miami Springs, and Virginia Gardens 29 years of service to youth soccer. The Club has reached out to many kids over the years that are now grown and it covers an 80-mile radius. He congratulated Club founders' Bill Reed, Spencer Deno, Jimmy Carter and others for a great job.

Soccer Regional Semi-finals

Mayor Garcia urged everyone to attend the Regional Semi-finals of the Miami Springs Senior High School "Lady Hawk" Girls' Soccer Team at Pines Charter School on Tuesday evening, January 28th.

Relay for Life

Vice Mayor Bain congratulated City Manager Gorland for receiving the Relay for Life purple toilet.

12C) Relay for Life

Mayor Garcia reported that the Relay for Life Optimist Club team fundraiser is a purple toilet that is sent to someone's home and for \$10.00 it can be picked up and taken away. For \$20.00 it can be sent to another house or for \$30.00 it can be sent to another house with insurance to make sure it never comes back.

13. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.