



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

Regular Meeting Minutes  
Monday, December 8, 2014, 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 7:08 p.m.

Present were the following:

Mayor Xavier M. Garcia  
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  
Acting Chief of Police Jonathan Kahn  
City Clerk Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria

Absent: Vice Mayor Jaime A. Petralanda

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

**Salute to the Flag:** Students from Miami Springs Middle School led audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Flag

3. **Awards & Presentations:**

A) Presentation of Certificate of Sincere Appreciation Plaque to Alicia Gonzalez in Recognition of 8 Years of Dedicated Service to the City of Miami Springs

Mayor Garcia presented a Certificate of Sincere Appreciation plaque to Alicia Gonzalez for eight years of service to the City of Miami Springs from November 6, 2006 to December 31, 2014.

Assistant City Manager/Finance Director William Alonso thanked Alicia for her hard work, dedication and being an asset to the City.

City Manager Gorland presented Ms. Gonzalez with a commemorative clock on behalf of the City Administration as a token of appreciation.

Ms. Gonzalez thanked the Council, the Administration and the Finance Staff.

B) Presentation of Certificate of Sincere Appreciation to Joyce Cox in recognition of 16 Years of Dedicated Service to the City of Miami Springs

Mayor Garcia presented a Certificate of Sincere Appreciation plaque to Joy Cox in recognition of 16 years of dedicated service to the City of Miami Springs from September 21, 1998 to December 12, 2014.

City Manager Gorland presented Ms. Cox with a commemorative clock on behalf of the City Administration as a token of their appreciation.

Ms. Cox said that her tenure with the Police Department was very interesting and she met a lot of nice people. She thanked the Council and Administration.

Acting Chief of Police Jonathan Kahn personally thanked Joyce for her years of service and wished her the best of luck.

C) Yard of the Month – December 2014 – Diane and Vernon Burkhardt of 480 South Royal Poinciana Boulevard

Mayor Garcia presented a Certificate of Recognition to Diane and Vernon Burkhardt of 480 South Royal Poinciana Boulevard for the December Yard of the Month.

**4. Open Forum:**

The following members of the public addressed the City Council: Miami Springs Police Sergeant Danny Kelly and Beatrix Obermann of 449 Swallow Drive.

**5. Approval of Council Minutes:**

A) November 10, 2014 – Regular Meeting

**Councilman Windrem moved to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2014 Regular meeting. Councilman Bain seconded the motion which was carried 4-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Councilmen Windrem, Bain, Lob and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

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

**7. Public Hearings: None**

**8. Consent Agenda: (Funded and/or Budgeted)**

A) Approval of the City Attorney's Invoice for November 2014 in the Amount of \$12,467.25

B) Recommendation by Golf that Council authorize the issuance of a Purchase Order to Harrell's, utilizing Miami Dade County contract # 9020-1/19, in the amount of \$10,000.00, for liquid fertilizers as funds were approved in the FY 14/15 Budget, pursuant to Section 31.11 (E)(5) of the City Code

C) Recommendation by the Police Department that Council award a bid to AutoNation Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, Ram Pembroke Pines, utilizing Florida Sheriffs Association Bid Award Announcement #14-22-0904 in the amount of \$50,538.00 for two (2) 2015 Dodge Charger patrol vehicles, as funds were approved in the FY 14/15 Budget, pursuant to Section 31.11 (E)(5) of the City Code

D) Recommendation by the Police Department that Council award a bid to Don Reid Ford, Inc., utilizing Florida Sheriffs Association Bid Award Announcement #14-22-0904 in the amount of \$30,745.00 for a 2015 Ford Police Interceptor Utility AWD (K8A) vehicle, as funds were approved in the FY 14/15 Budget, pursuant to Section 31.11 (E)(5) of the City Code

**Councilman Bain moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilman Windrem seconded the motion which was carried 4-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Councilmen Windrem, Bain, Lob and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

**9. Old Business:**

A) Appointments to Advisory Boards by the Mayor and Council Members

There were no appointments to the advisory boards.

**10. New Business:**

A) Ordinance – First Reading – An Ordinance Of The City Council Of The City Of Miami Springs, Amending Code Of Ordinance Section 150-090, P-1 District; By Providing The City With Discretion Regarding Parking In The Public Property District; Repealing All Ordinances Or Parts Of Ordinances In Conflict; Providing An Effective Date

City Attorney Seiden read the ordinance by title.

**Councilman Lob moved to approve. Councilman Bain seconded the motion which was carried 4-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Councilmen Windrem, Bain, Lob and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

B) Resolution – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Miami Springs Amending The Appendix Of Civil Infraction Code Sections And Civil Penalties For Violations Appended To, And Made A Part Of, Code Of Ordinance Section 101-01, Supplemental Code Enforcement Citation System; Directions To Codifiers; Effective Date

City Attorney Seiden read the title of the resolution. He explained that in Section 2 there are two additions to the schedule that deal with placement and collection of white goods and large materials that will allow the Code Compliance Department to issue tickets for violations.

**Councilman Bain moved to approve. Councilman Lob seconded the motion.**

**After discussion, the motion was carried 4-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Councilmen Windrem, Bain, Lob and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

C) Approval of Agreement Extension with Meridian Mgmt., LLC for Sign Structures

City Attorney Seiden stated that a number of years ago during the annexation process Meridian Management filed a lawsuit against the City in federal court in regard to the use and placement of billboards in the City. As a result, the City entered into a Settlement Agreement that dismissed the lawsuit on the condition that if the City was successful with annexation that Meridian would be able to place a certain number of billboards in that area and pay the City a certain amount of funds. The agreement has a termination date of December 21, 2014; Meridian is requesting a one-year extension that will allow them to continue their lobbying efforts on behalf of the City to at least get to the position of the County Commission voting for or against annexation for Miami Springs.

City Attorney Seiden said that extending the agreement would not be harmful to the City and Meridian has agreed to increase the amount in the original Settlement Agreement from \$75,000 per sign to \$100,000 per sign. He recommended Council approval of the agreement for an additional year.

**Councilman Bain moved to extend the agreement. Councilman Lob seconded the motion.**

**After discussion, the motion was carried 4-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Councilmen Windrem, Bain, Lob and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

D) Approval of Country Club Agreement

1) Amendment to Operational Food and Beverage Agreement for the Miami Springs Golf and Country Club

2) Limited Term Renewal of the Operational Food and Beverage Agreement for the Miami Springs Golf and Country Club

City Attorney Seiden said that at the last meeting the City Council gave unanimous approval for providing a limited renewal term option to the current operator, Carlos Santana, conditioned upon an immediate amendment of the current agreement with certain changes to the administrative processes involved in the agreement.

City Attorney Seiden clarified that there is an amendment agreement with the various provisions that were modified or supplemented that will go into effect immediately upon Council approval and execution by the City Manager and the Operator. The second agreement is an extension agreement that will not be effective until the expiration of the existing agreement, which will be January 9, 2016.

**Councilman Bain moved to allow the City Manager to execute the agreements listed as agenda items 10 D1 and 10 D2. Councilman Windrem seconded the motion.**

**After discussion, the motion was carried 4-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Councilmen Windrem, Bain, Lob and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

- E) Discussion on Golf Discounts to County Employees

The item was deferred to the next meeting.

**11. Other Business:**

- A) FY2013-2014 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Budget Status Report

Assistant City Manager/Finance Director William Alonso presented the unaudited FY2013-2014 4<sup>th</sup> quarter budget status report, indicating that the General Fund surplus is approximately \$571,000, which increases the fund balance from \$3.7MM to \$4.3MM. The final audited numbers will be presented in January.

**12. Reports & Recommendations:**

- A) City Attorney

The City Attorney wished everyone Happy Holidays.

- B) City Manager

City Manager Gorland reported that he would make the announcement of the new Chief of Police by the end of this week. He said that the Christmas at the Gazebo was a great event that gets better every year and the Classic Car show will be held on Saturday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. He wished everyone Happy Holidays.

- C) City Council

Councilman Lob complimented City Staff on the Christmas at the Gazebo event that was beautiful as always. He wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Councilman Windrem wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Councilman Bain reminded everyone to take the time to have their blood pressure checked. He said that Christmas at the Gazebo was a great event. He thanked the residents for their support of the Optimist Club and their Christmas tree sales. He asked for an update from the City Manager on the search for a full-time Building Official.

City Manager Gorland said that the advertisement for the Building Official position was formulated. There had been discussions with the current Building Official and one consulting firm and they are putting together a Request for Proposal to look at other consulting firms.

Councilman Bain wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Mayor Garcia congratulated All Angels Academy on their Breakfast with Santa that was a success once again. It was a busy Saturday. He hosted a Zumba-a-thon fundraiser at the Community Center for Daniella Collazo who is suffering with cancer. He thanked the City Manager and Recreation Staff and said that the resurfaced gym floors look beautiful.

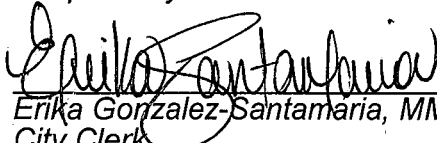
Mayor Garcia said that there were more people at the Christmas at the Gazebo event than in previous years and everyone had a great time. He thanked the Recreation Staff for doing a phenomenal job. He reminded everyone to take their pets to Pet's Kingdom on Saturday to have their picture taken with Santa. He encouraged folks to go the Optimist Club at 1150 Oriole Avenue to purchase their Christmas tree.

Mayor Garcia thanked Council and Staff for an incredible year, for tackling difficult issues, moving forward without controversy and making decisions in the best interest of the entire city.

**13. Adjourn**

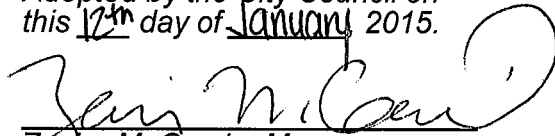
There being no further business to be discussed the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, MMC  
City Clerk



Adopted by the City Council on  
this 12<sup>th</sup> day of January 2015.

  
Javier M. Garcia, Mayor

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