



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

Regular Meeting Minutes  
Monday, August 10, 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 7:05 p.m.

Present were the following:

Mayor Xavier M. Garcia  
Vice Mayor Bob Best  
Councilman Billy Bain  
Councilwoman Roslyn Buckner  
Councilman Jaime A. Petralanda

City Manager Ronald K. Gorland  
Assistant City Manager/Finance Director William Alonso  
City Attorney Jan K. Seiden  
Chief of Police Armando A. Guzman  
City Clerk Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria

2. **Invocation:** Mayor Garcia

**Salute to the Flag:** The audience participated in the Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Flag

3. **Awards & Presentations:**

A) Presentation of Certificate of Sincere Appreciation Plaque to Jerry Balester, Jr. in Recognition of 24 Years of Dedicated Service to the City of Miami Springs

Mayor Garcia presented a Certificate of Sincere Appreciation plaque to Detective Jerry Balester in recognition of his service to the City from January 29, 1991 to July 31, 2015.

On behalf of the Administration, City Manager Gorland presented Detective Balester with an engraved honorary shovel.

Detective Balester thanked the Mayor, Council, Police Chief Guzman and the Administration. He thanked his friends and family.

B) Presentation of Certificate of Sincere Appreciation Plaque to Harry Mayer in Recognition of 26 Years of Dedicated Service to the City of Miami Springs

Mayor Garcia presented a Certificate of Sincere Appreciation plaque to Detective Harry Mayer in recognition of his service to the City from February 27, 1989 to July 31, 2015.

On behalf of the Administration, City Manager Gorland presented Detective Mayer with an engraved award.

Detective Mayer thanked the Mayor, Council, Police Chief Guzman and the Administration. He thanked his friends and family.

C) Recognizing the Little Lightning Softball Team

Mayor Garcia presented certificates of recognition to the entire Little Lightning Softball Team and to the Coaches.

D) Presentation by Jose Fuentes, Becker & Poliakoff

Jose Fuentes provided a brief update on the last session. He stated that the City was able to secure from the last session, \$500,000 for canal maintenance and \$50,000 for the aquatic facility.

4. **Open Forum:**

Martin Crossland of 900 Plover Avenue expressed concern on the ongoing litter around the city, specifically, advertisements that are thrown on to residential properties.

5. **Approval of Council Minutes:**

A) June 22, 2015 – Regular Meeting

**Vice Mayor Best moved to approve. Councilman Bain seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Best, Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner, Councilman Petralanda and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

B) July 30, 2015 – Special Meeting

**Councilman Bain moved to approve. Councilman Petralanda seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Best, Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner, Councilman Petralanda and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

6. **Reports from Boards & Commissions:**

A) Board of Adjustment – Approval of Actions Taken at their Meeting of August 4, 2015 Subject to the 10-day Appeal Period

**Vice Mayor Best moved to approve. Councilman Buckner seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Best, Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner, Councilman Petralanda and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

7. **Public Hearings:** None at this time.

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

A) Approval of City Attorney's Invoice for July 2015 in the Amount of \$12,224.25

B) Recommendation by the Police Department that Council approve an expenditure to Royal Rent-a-car Systems of Florida, the lowest responsible quote of \$17,088.00 for the monthly rental of two vehicles (for a twelve-month period), as these funds qualify for expenditure from the Police Law Enforcement Trust Fund, as funds were approved in the FY 14/15 Budget pursuant to Section 31.11 (C)(2) of the City Code

C) Recommendation by Public Works that Council waive the competitive bid process and approve an expenditure to Atkins, who has been involved with all of our stormwater projects outlined within our master plan since inception in 2001, in an amount to exceed \$6,000.00 for Oakwood and Lee Drive drainage project inspections during construction phase and to prepare the final as-built drawings, as funds are available in the stormwater account pursuant to Section 31.11(E)(6)(g) of the City Code

D) Recommendation by Public Works that Council authorize the issuance of a Purchase Order to Metro Express, utilizing the City of Miami Gardens Bid #14-15-008, in an amount not to exceed \$85,754.00, as funds are available in the stormwater account for the Oakwood and Lee Drive drainage improvement and restoration project to alleviate the flooding area which includes Stafford Park, pursuant to Section 31.11(E)(5) of the City Code

E) Recommendation by the Elderly Services Department that Council award City Bid #04-14/15 to Greater Miami Caterers, Inc., the only responsible bidder, in an amount not to exceed \$167,146.00, for Catering Services for the City of Miami Springs Senior Center's Nutrition Programs for the Elderly as funds are to be approved in the FY 15/16 Budget, pursuant to Section 31.11 (E)(1) of the City Code

F) Recommendation by Finance-Professional Services that Council award City RFP #05-14/15 to First Vehicle Services, the lowest responsible bidder, in an amount not to exceed \$18,262.80 monthly (\$219,153.63 annually), for fleet services maintenance on all citywide vehicles, equipment and machinery, as funds are to be approved in the FY 15/16 Budget, pursuant to Section 31.11 (E)(1) of the City Code

G) Recommendation by Golf that Council authorize the issuance of a Purchase Order to Harrell's, utilizing Miami Dade County contract # 9020-1/19, on an "as needed basis" in the amount of \$4,000.00, for liquid fertilizer as funds were approved in the FY14/15 Budget, pursuant to Section §31.11 (E)(5) of the City Code

**City Manager Gorland read all the Consent Agenda items by title.**

**Vice Mayor Best made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda items. Councilman Bain seconded the motion. Councilman Petralanda pulled items B & C. Vice Mayor Best withdrew his motion in order to further discuss the pulled items.**

**Councilman Petralanda moved to approve Consent Agenda items A, D, E, F, and G. Councilman Bain seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Best, Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner, Councilman Petralanda and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

**Councilman Petralanda moved to approve Consent Agenda items B and C. Councilwoman Buckner seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Best, Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner, Councilman Petralanda and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

**9. Old Business:**

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

There were no appointments at this time.

B) Recommendation by Public Works that Council authorize the issuance of a Change order to the previously awarded contract under the City's RFP #03-14/15 to Z Roofing for replacing gypsum around the parapet wall, raising the electrical units and removing and replacing the electrical vents on the City Hall roof, in an amount not to exceed \$8,400.00, coming from the designated fund balance, pursuant to Section §31.11 (E) (1) of the City Code

**Vice Mayor Best moved to approve the recommendation. Councilwoman Buckner seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Best, Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner, Councilman Petralanda and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

**10. New Business:**

A) Resolution – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Miami Springs Providing For The Fourth Budget Amendment To The FY 2014-2015 Budget; By Recording The Expenditure For The Miami Springs Police Department Information Technology Upgrade In The Law Enforcement Trust Fund Of The Special Revenue And Capital Projects Budget; Dividing The Expenditure For A New Backhoe Between The Stormwater Fund Of The General Fund Budget And The Road And Transportation Fund Of The Special Revenue And Capital Projects Budget; Delineating The Expenditures For A Golf Course Awning, City Roof Replacement Project, And Supplemental Funding For Programs For Senior Citizens In The Golf Course Operations, Public Works, And Transfer Funds Of The General Fund Budget; Acknowledging The Expenditures For The Golf Course Awning And Roof Replacement Project From The City's Designated Fund Balance And Recording The Supplemental Expenditure For Senior Citizen Programs In The Senior Center Operations Funds Of The Special Revenue And Capital Projects Fund; Providing Intent; Specifying Compliance With Budgetary Processes And Procedures; Effective Date

City Attorney Seiden read the Resolution by title.

**Councilman Bain moved to approve the Resolution. Vice Mayor Best seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Best, Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner, Councilman Petralanda and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

B) Recommendation by Recreation that Council approve an expenditure to Superior Park System, Inc. the lowest responsible quote, in an amount not to exceed \$27,332.00, for the repairs and resurface of tennis courts as funds were designated by

Council in the designated fund balance for FY 14/15 Budget, pursuant to Section 31.11 (C)(2) of the City Code (Deferred from June 22, 2015 Council Meeting)

**After some discussion, Councilman Bain moved to approve staff's recommendation. Councilwoman Buckner seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Best, Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner, Councilman Petralanda and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

C) Consideration of approval of similar permitted business use for a request made by Management Resources College at 700 S. Royal Poinciana Boulevard

**Vice Mayor Best moved to approve the college as requested by the applicant which is a similar permitted use. Councilman Petralanda seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Best, Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner, Councilman Petralanda and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

D) Approval of Signal Outdoor Advertising, LLC Bus Shelter Installation, Advertising, and Maintenance Agreement

**Vice Mayor Best moved to approve the agreement. Councilman Petralanda seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Best, Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner, Councilman Petralanda and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

E) Recommendation by Staff that Council award City RFP #06-14/15 to Neighborhood Health Partners (NHP), the lowest responsible bidder, in the amount of \$994,610.00, as the City's annual premium for group medical coverage for employees and their dependents based on the number of current employees, with an effective date of October 1st, 2015 to September 30, 2016, as funds are currently being budgeted in the FY 15/16 Budget, pursuant to Section 31.11 (E)(1) of the City Code

**Councilman Petralanda moved to approve the recommendation. Vice Mayor Best seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Best, Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner, Councilman Petralanda and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

F) Optimist Club request for a partial 11 hour Circle closing and waiver of associated Police and Public Works fees for both this fiscal year (Sep 19th) and next fiscal year budget

**Councilman Bain moved to approve the partial closing of the circle and the fees for the current fiscal year only. Vice Mayor Best seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Best, Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner, Councilman Petralanda and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

## **10. Other Business**

A) FY2014-2015 3rd Quarter Budget Status Report (Unaudited)

Assistant City Manager/Finance Director William Alonso reported to Council that the City is within budgeted revenues and expenditures. He stated that he is projecting a surplus at the end of the fiscal year.

**11. Reports & Recommendations:**

A) City Attorney

City Attorney Seiden had no further comments.

B) City Manager

City Manager Gorland reminded the Council of the upcoming workshop at 6:00 p.m. on August 17<sup>th</sup>, the regular Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on August 24<sup>th</sup> and a possible workshop on August 31<sup>st</sup>.

C) City Council

Vice Mayor Best had nothing to report.

Councilwoman Buckner stated that she and Councilman Petralanda have been attending Florida League of Cities committee meetings that will benefit the City.

Councilman Petralanda thanked Omar Luna at the Recreation Department for the summer Talent Show. He also thanked Pastor Pike at the Poinciana Methodist Church for hosting the first Miami Springs International Music Festival. He met the Chilean Consul Salinas who complimented the Councilman for maintaining a beautiful City.

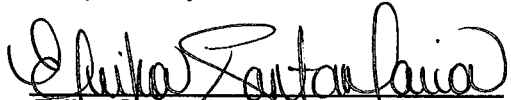
Councilman Bain had nothing to report.

Mayor Garcia also thanked the Recreation Department for their end of summer Talent Show. Thanked Pastor Pike at the Poinciana Methodist Church for the vacation bible school. He also reminded and encouraged the Council to sit with the City Manager for any questions they may have with the budget or Council meetings.

**13. Adjourn**


There being no further business to be discussed the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, MMC  
City Clerk



Adopted by the City Council on  
This 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2015.

  
Javier M. Garcia, Mayor

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