



City of Miami Springs, Florida
City Council Meeting

Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 24, 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 Zavier 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: Councilwoman Buckner

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

3. Awards & Presentations:

A) Yard of the Month Award – September 2015 – 220 Hunting Lodge Drive – David and Marli Sandri

Mr. and Mrs. Sandri were not present to accept the award.

B) GFOA Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting presented to the Finance Department

Rebecca Pine from the Government Finance Officers Association presented the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2014 to Assistant City Manager/Finance Director William Alonso and to the staff members of the Finance Department.

C) Presentation on Cloud Storage

I.T. Director Jorge Fonseca provided an explanation on how the Cloud storage works. The Council inquired on how the City is protected by security breaches and how electronic files

are stored and archived. Mr. Fonseca addressed all the questions provided by the Council.

4. Open Forum:

The following members of the public addressed the City Council: Elaine Martin on behalf of the Relay for Life spoke in reference to the Relay and Fred Frost on behalf of Communications Workers of America spoke on the Trans Pacific Partnership Trade.

5. Approval of Council Minutes:

A) August 3, 2015 – Workshop 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.

B) August 10, 2015 – Regular 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: None at this time

7. Public Hearings: None at this time.

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

A) Recommendation by staff that Council award City RFP # 07-14/15 to SFM Services, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder, in an amount not to exceed \$129,259.00 annually, for Field Maintenance services such as mowing, litter control, fertilization, aeration, verticutting, topdressing, disease & pest management and herbicide applications for Prince Field, Peavy/Dove Field and Stafford Park, as funds are to be approved in the FY15/16 Budget, pursuant to Section §31.11 (E)(1) of the City Code

B) Recommendation by Building & Code Compliance that Council waive the competitive bid process and approve an expenditure to M. Jurado, Mechanical Inspector, in an amount not to exceed \$1,700.00, on an “as needed basis” for Plan Reviews and Inspections as funds were approved in FY 14/15 Budget, pursuant to Section 31.11(E)(6)(g) of the City Code

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

Councilman Petralanda pulled items A for further discussion.

Councilman Petralanda made a motion to approve Consent Agenda item B. 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.

City Manager Gorland requested that Consent Agenda item 8A be pulled from the agenda from consideration.

9. Old Business:

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

There were no appointments at this time.

- B) Status Report and Discussion of Ongoing Election Litigation

City Attorney Seiden stated that the election case has been dismissed without prejudice. He stated that it has been more than thirty days that there has been no action on the case. The attorney explained that it would be in the best interest of the City to propose to Mr. Suco and his attorneys that in exchange for the Plaintiff side dismissing the case with prejudice and in exchange for that the City would release the pending motion on attorney's fees.

Vice Mayor Best moved to allow the City Attorney to authorize the City's outside counsel to approach the Plaintiff's attorneys to propose dismissal with prejudice in exchange for withdrawal of motion on attorney's fees. 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.

10. New Business:

- A) Resolution – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Miami Springs, Florida, Adopting The City Of Miami Springs Title VI Program Plan; Reaffirming The City's Policy Of Non-Discrimination In Its Public Transportation System; Establishing A Complaint Procedure And A Public Participation Plan To Ensure All Riders Equal Access To, Participation In, And Enjoyment Of The Benefits Of The City Of Miami Springs' Public Transportation Services; 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 that Council approve an Agreement for Water and Sanitary Sewer Facilities between Miami-Dade County and City of Miami Springs at the Aquatic Facility

After some brief discussion, 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.

C) Consideration of the Board of Parks and Parkways Recommendations for the Yard of the Month Awards for September and October 2015

Councilman Bain moved to approve the recommendation. 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.

10. Other Business: None.

11. Reports & Recommendations:

A) City Attorney

City Attorney Seiden had no further comments.

B) City Manager

City Manager Gorland stated today was the first day of school and there is an increase in traffic in the area. He reminded the public that there are many activities in the next coming months and encourage Council to provide feedback on how to improve getting the word out.

C) City Council

Vice Mayor Best recognized Eric Richey from the Parks and Parkways Advisory Board for his contribution and efforts to restore the Geiger Memorial. He encouraged the public to purchase memorial bricks to continue to support the maintenance of the memorial.

Councilwoman Buckner had no report.

Councilman Petralanda had no report.

Councilman Bain stated that he would be late for the August 31st meeting. The Council agreed to push back the meeting to 7:00 p.m. to accommodate Councilman Bain.

Mayor Garcia requested that the August 31st workshop meeting be a Special Council Meeting so that Council can make decisions if needed. By consensus, the City Council agreed to make it a Special Meeting.

13. Adjourn

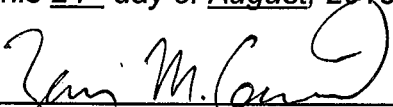
There being no further business to be discussed the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:


Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, MMC
City Clerk



Adopted by the City Council on
This 24th day of August, 2015.


Xavier M. Garcia, Mayor

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