



**City of Miami Springs, Florida**  
City Council Meeting  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Monday, March 27, 2017 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 Jaime A. Petralanda  
Councilman Bob Best  
Councilman Billy Bain  
Councilwoman Roslyn Buckner

City Manager/Finance Director William Alonso  
City Attorney Dan Espino  
City Clerk Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria  
Assistant to City Manager Tammy Romero  
Chief Armando Guzman

2. **Invocation:** Offered by Mayor Garcia

**Salute to the Flag:** Members of the All Angels Academy led the Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Flag

3. **Awards & Presentations:**

A) Presentation of Certificate of Sincere Appreciation Plaque to Police Officer Ray Buckner in Recognition of 27 Years and 3 months of Dedicated Service to the City of Miami Springs

**Mayor Garcia requested that Councilwoman Buckner present the service plaque to Officer Buckner. Councilwoman Buckner presented Officer Buckner with a plaque recognizing his years of service to the City. Chief Guzman also expressed his gratitude for his years and service and wished him much luck in his retirement.**

B) Swearing in Ceremony for Police Officer Jacob C. Dweck

**After welcoming remarks, Chief of Police Armando Guzman shared several words on trainee Dweck and then administered the Oath of Office to Police Officer Jacob Dweck.**

C) Swearing in Ceremony for Police Officer Albert J. Vargas

**Chief of Police Armando Guzman shared several words on trainee Vargas and then administered the Oath of Office to Police Officer Albert Vargas.**

D) Swearing in Ceremony for Police Officer Justin B. Robbins

**Chief of Police Armando Guzman explained that Officer Robbins was previously a Miami Springs Officer and shared how much he missed being a part of the MS community and requested to return. Chief Guzman administered the Oath of Office to Police Officer Justin Robbins.**

E) Presentation of Recognition to Anne Grimm who turns 100 years old on April 7<sup>th</sup> and has lived in Miami Springs since 1950

**Mayor Garcia presented Ms. Grimm with her certificate. Ms. Grimm accepted her award and thanked the City for the recognition.**

F) Proclamation Presentation to Bryan Fernandez-Cornejo for his work on spreading Autism Awareness

**Mayor Garcia recognized Bryan Fernandez-Cornejo and presented him with a proclamation announcing March 27, 2017 at Bryan Fernandez-Cornejo Day.**

G) Miami Springs Senior High Presentation

**Melanie Man-Oden, Miami Springs Senior High School teacher and Craig Jay, Athletic Director for the High School, announced that the Miami Springs High School was bringing back the swim team. They requested that the Council authorize the MSSH Swim Team to use the aquatic facility for training and practice.**

**Councilman Best moved to authorize the MSSH swim team the use of the aquatic facility and to waive the cost of the facility. Vice Mayor Petralanda seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Petralanda, Councilman Best, Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner and Mayor Garcia voting Yes.**

H) Key Presentation by Mayor Garcia

**Mayor Garcia presented the Key to the City to Michael Gavila. He stated that Mr. Gavila has been a prime example of the achievements of an individual with autism. The Mayor explained how much Mr. Gavila has overcome throughout the years to live on his own, work at a job and being responsible for his day to day activities. He stated that Mickey is special to him and like a brother he never had.**

- I) Yard of the Month for April 2017 – Manuel Gonzalez – 250 Lawn Way

**Mr. Gonzalez was unable to attend the meeting to accept his award for yard of the month. Mayor Garcia congratulated him for his efforts in maintaining his front yard.**

4. **Open Forum:** None at this time.

5. **Approval of Council Minutes:**

- A) March 13, 2017 - Regular Meeting

**Councilman Bain moved to approve the minutes of March 13, 2017. Vice Mayor Petralanda seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Petralanda, Councilman Best, Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner 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) **Resolution** – A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN INCREASE OF \$10,000.00 TO A PURCHASE ORDER WITH RMET HOLDINGS, INC. F/K/A GOLD COAST BEVERAGE DISTRIBUTORS, INC. FOR THE CITY'S GOLF SHOP BEVERAGES FOR AN OVERALL VALUE OF \$20,000.00; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING; AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF BUDGETED FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

B) **Resolution** – A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN INCREASE OF \$10,000.00 TO A PURCHASE ORDER WITH QUALITY ACQUISITION COMPANY, LLC A/K/A QAC, LLC D/B/A EAGLE BRANDS FOR THE CITY'S GOLF SHOP BEVERAGES FOR AN OVERALL VALUE OF \$20,000.00; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING; AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF BUDGETED FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

**City Manager Alonso read each Consent Agenda by title for the record.**

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

9. **Old Business:** None at this time.

**10. New Business:**

A) **Resolution** – A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA, APPROVING A FACILITY AGREEMENT WITH BRENDA KNIGHT, A LICENSED FRANCHISEE OF JAZZERCISE, INC.; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

**City Manager Alonso read the Resolution by title for the record.**

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

B) **Resolution** – A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI SPRINGS, FLORIDA, AWARDED REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 02-16/17, "WESTWARD DRIVE BIKE PATH PROJECT," TO MAGGOLC, INC., THE LOWEST, MOST RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BIDDER; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT TO MAGGOLC, INC. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE WESTWARD DRIVE BIKE PATH PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,130,230.00; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NEXT LOWEST, MOST RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BIDDER SUCCESSIVELY, IF AN AGREEMENT CAN NOT BE REACHED WITH THE HIGHEST BIDDER; AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS IN FURTHERANCE HEREOF; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

**City Manager Alonso read the Resolution by title for the record.**

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

C) Tom Curtis Request for earlier Circle Closure and Teen Area

**City Manager read the staff memo for the record.**

**Tom Curtis requested for the circle closure to be earlier than last year and to add a teen area on Canal Street.**

**Vice Mayor Petralanda moved to approve the closure of the circle at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, April 21st. Councilman Best seconded the motion, which failed 2-3 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Petralanda, Councilman Best voting Yes Councilman Bain, Councilwoman Buckner and Mayor Garcia voting No.**

Mayor Garcia confirmed that the Circle will close as it has done previously in the past, at 2:00 p.m. The Mayor also stated that the details for the teen area will remain under discussion among the City Manager and Chief of Police.

**11. Other Business:**

A) Discussion of Wyndham ground breaking event as requested by Vice Mayor Petralanda

Vice Mayor Petralanda inquired from the City Manager as to why the City Council were not informed of the Wyndham ground breaking event several weeks prior. The City Manager explained that the invite was only extended to the Mayor and that the Mayor asked him to attend as well. Mayor Garcia explained that there are events that only the Mayor is invited to and not the entire Council. Vice Mayor Petralanda explained that the City Council should be aware of everything that is going on in the City. He inquired from the City Attorney if a resolution is needed to have the City Manager report all events to Council and the City Attorney explained that it is a policy setting item that can either be stated at the request of Council. Councilman Best stated it was unnecessary to have this item on the agenda for discussion. The Mayor informed the Council that there has never been a policy to have the City Manager inform all members of Council of all private events and any events he attends. The Mayor recommended that Vice Mayor Petralanda provide suggestions on how to improve the notification process from City Manager to Council at an upcoming council meeting.

**12. Reports & Recommendations:**

A) City Attorney

City Attorney Espino thanked all the members of Council for their confidence and having the opportunity to working with all of the current members and looks forward to working with the new City Council.

B) City Manager

The City Manager reminded the City Council and the public that early voting is taking place on March 31<sup>st</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup>. He stated that the General Election is April 4<sup>th</sup> to go out and vote. He thanked the Council and working for with all of them was a pleasure. He wished all candidates luck.

C) City Council

Councilwoman Buckner suggested that the Easter Egg Hunt be more organized due to parents hunting eggs for their kids. She stated she will wait until the next meeting for her farewell.

Vice Mayor Petralanda had no report at this time.

Councilman Best stated that he and Vice Mayor will be attending Dade Days in Tallahassee. He is looking forward to supporting many initiatives on the table this session. He inquired on the accident that happened on Albatross a few weeks ago, the City Manager had not heard on the status of the two victims that survived the accident. He also stated that he refereed a little league game last week and enjoyed it very much. He thanked the Chief for his leadership and how quick he is able to recruit wonderful officers. He stated election is coming up and he thanked the citizens of Miami Springs for allowing him to serve another two years.

City Attorney Espino stated that he will also be attending Dade Days and looks forward to assisting the members attending on meeting with state representatives. He mentioned that there is a slight change in the tabulation of ballots this election. City Clerk Gonzalez stated that the tabulation of this election will be done at the Elections Department rather than onsite at the Country Club polling location as it is traditionally done. She also mentioned that in its place the City Manager will be at the polling location while the City Clerk is at Elections Department transmitting the results via the cell phone and the Elections website.

Councilman Bain had no report at this time.

Mayor Garcia reminded everyone to go out and vote. He commended the folks running for council. He also stated that the biggest news this evening was the City having a high school swim team. He also thanked the Council for waiving the fees necessary for the swim team to have a place to practice.

### **13. Adjourn**

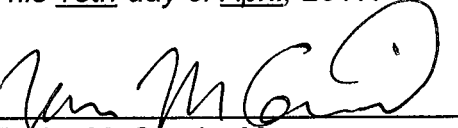
There being no further business to be discussed the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, MMC  
City Clerk



Adopted by the City Council on  
This 13th day of April, 2017.

  
Xavier M. Garcia, Mayor

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