



City of Miami Springs, Florida

City Council Meeting

Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 27, 2020 6:00 p.m.

Virtual Council Meeting using Communications Media Technology Pursuant to Governor's Executive Order 20-69

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call:** The meeting was called to order by the Mayor at 6:02 p.m.

Present were the following:

Mayor Billy Bain

Vice Mayor Maria Puente Mitchell

Councilman Bob Best

Councilwoman Mara Zapata, Ph.D.

Councilman Jaime A. Petralanda

City Manager/Finance Director William Alonso

Assistant City Manager Tammy Romero

City Clerk Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria

City Attorney Dan Espino

City Attorney Haydee Sera

Chief Armando Guzman

Recreation Director Omar Luna

Public Works Director Tom Nash

Golf Director Paul O'Dell

- 2. Salute to the Flag:** Audience led the Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Flag.
- 3. Agenda / Order of Business: None at this time.**
- 4. Awards & Presentations: None at this time.**
- 5. Open Forum:** The following members of the public addressed the City Council: There were no speakers at this time.
- 6. Approval of Council Minutes:**
 - A) March 9, 2020 – Regular Meeting
 - B) April 20, 2020 – Special Meeting

Councilman Best moved to approve the minutes of Regular meeting of March 9, 2020 and Special meeting of April 20, 2020. Councilman Petralanda seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Zapata, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Petralanda, and Mayor Bain.

7. **Reports from Boards & Commissions: None at this time.**
8. **Public Hearings: None at this time.**
9. **Consent Agenda: (Funded and/or Budgeted):**

A) Recommendation by Public Works that Council authorize the issuance of a Purchase Order to Distreebutors, Inc., utilizing Miami Dade County contract #1298-1/21-1 (attached), in an amount not to exceed \$47,502.50, for the purchase of street tree planting and planting of street trees, as funds were budgeted in the FY18/19 Budget pursuant to Section §31.11 (E) (5) of the City Code

B) Recommendation by Public Works that Council approve an increase to open Purchase Order #200240 in the amount of \$23,000.00 to BTS Land Service Corp. for tree trimming throughout the City. Council approved \$100,000.00, October 8, 2019 as funds were approved in the FY 19/20 Budget, pursuant to Section §31.11 (E) (5) of the City Code

C) Recommendation by the Police Department that Council authorize the issuance of a Purchase Order to Royal Rent-A-Car Systems of Florida, utilizing Miami-Dade County's Bid No. 8809-0/19, Vehicle Rental Services, in the amount of \$10,388.00, for the monthly rental of two vehicles (for a 7-month period), as these funds qualify for expenditure from the Police Law Enforcement Trust Fund, as funds are in the projected FY 19/20 Budget, pursuant to Section §31.11 (C)(2) of the City Code

D) Recommendation by the Police Department that Council authorize the issuance of a Purchase Order to Safeware, Inc., utilizing U.S. Communities Contract #4400008468, in the amount of \$24,624.00 for the purchase of forty-five (45) Avon First Responder C50 gas masks kits, as funds are in the projected FY 19/20 Budget, pursuant to Section §31.11 (E)(5) of the City Code

E) Recommendation by the Police Department that Council waive the competitive bid process in the best interests of the City, mainly due to they are the only local vendor in Miami-Dade County to provide police uniforms (we've established over a twenty-year relationship), and approve an expenditure to Lou's Police Distributors, not to exceed \$25,000.00, for police uniforms as funds were approved in the FY 19/20 Budget, pursuant to Section §31.11 (E)(6)(g) of the City Code

Councilman Petralanda pulled Items 9A and 9E. Councilwoman Mitchell pulled Item 9D for further discussion. Assistant City Manager Tammy Romero read the rest of the Consent Agenda items for the record.

Councilman Best moved to approve the Consent Agenda items with pulled items 9A, 9D, and 9E. Councilman Petralanda seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Zapata, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Petralanda, and Mayor Bain.

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Assistant City Manager Tammy Romero read Item 9A for the record. The City Council discussed the item further. Councilwoman Mitchell made a motion to approve the item as recommended by staff. Vice Mayor Zapata seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Zapata, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Petralanda, and Mayor Bain.

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Assistant City Manager Tammy Romero read Item 9D for the record. The City Council discussed the item further. Councilwoman Mitchell made a motion to approve the item as recommended by staff. Vice Mayor Zapata seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Zapata, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Petralanda, and Mayor Bain.

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Assistant City Manager Tammy Romero read Item 9E for the record. The City Council discussed the item further. Councilman Petralanda made a motion to approve the item as recommended by staff. Vice Mayor Zapata seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Zapata, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Petralanda, and Mayor Bain.

10. Old Business: None.

11. New Business:

A) Request for additional funding for the Emergency mold remediation work at the City Hall Building

City Manager William Alonso read the staff memo for the record. He then requested that Council approve the expenditure for the mold remediation at City Hall. After some discussion, Councilman Best moved to approve the expenditure for City Hall mold remediation. Councilman Petralanda seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Zapata, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Petralanda, and Mayor Bain.

B) Recommendation by the City Manager's Office that Council waive the competitive bid process in the best interests of the City based on the results of the Mold Assessment Report dated March 3, 2020 and as detailed in my separate memo to council (attached), and approve an expenditure to Guerrero/Gonzalez Engineers, Inc. in an amount of \$10,000 for Mechanical Engineering Services, pursuant to the emergency procurement process under Section §31.11 (E)(6)(e) of the City Code. Subsequent to our March 23 meeting that was cancelled, the City also executed the attached contract with Guerrero/Gonzalez Engineers, Inc. so that work could commence. Staff also requests approval of the executed contract as part of this request

Councilman Petralanda moved to approve the recommendation by staff. Councilman Best seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Zapata, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Petralanda, and Mayor Bain.

C) Recommendation by the City Manager's Office that Council waive the competitive bid process in the best interests of the City based on the results of the Mold Assessment Report dated March 3, 2020 and as detailed in my separate memo to council (attached), and approve an expenditure to Synergy General Contracting, LLC, (SGC) the lowest of three written quotes, in an amount of \$234,400 for mold remediation and repairs at City hall as funds were budgeted in the FY19/20 Budget pursuant to the emergency procurement process under Section §31.11 (E)(6)(e) of the City Code. Subsequent to our March 23 meeting that was cancelled, the City also executed the attached contract SGC so that work could commence. Staff also requests approval of the executed contract as part of this request

Vice Mayor Zapata moved to approve the recommendation by staff. Councilman Best seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Zapata, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Petralanda, and Mayor Bain.

D) Recommendation by the City Manager's Office that Council approve an expenditure to Thermal Concepts, a sole source provider for Trane, an authorized contractor, in an amount not to exceed \$83,886 for the replacement of eight coil units related to the HVAC system in the City Hall facility pursuant to the emergency procurement process under Section §31.11 (E)(6)(e) of the City Code

Councilman Best moved to approve the recommendation by staff. Councilman Petralanda seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Zapata, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Petralanda, and Mayor Bain.

E) Recommendation by the City Manager's Office that Council waive the competitive bid process in the best interests of the City based on the results of the Mold Assessment Report dated March 3, 2020 and as detailed in my separate memo to council (attached), and approve an expenditure to Williams Scotsman Inc. as a sole source provider, in an amount of \$45,823 for a two month rental of two mobile office trailers, including furniture, installation and ADA compliance, pursuant to the emergency procurement process under Section §31.11 (E)(6)(e) of the City Code

Vice Mayor Zapata moved to approve the recommendation by staff. Councilman Best seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Zapata, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Petralanda, and Mayor Bain.

12. Other Business:

A) Request by Vice Mayor Zapata to discuss the Miami-Dade County Circle Project

Vice Mayor Zapata stated that she received calls from concerned residents about the new construction at the Circle, not only about the reduction in lanes and possibly more traffic, but that the proposed new Circle could possibly deter traffic to surrounding residential streets. The City Manager explained that the County has determined that the new traffic pattern is intended to lower the traffic levels at the Circle. He said it will take some time for people to adjust and the alternative thought is that it will lead people to look for other ways to get to Hialeah and not through the Springs. Staff will place information on the City's website on the new construction and new traffic pattern.

B) COVID-19 Updates - City Council may Address any of their questions to City Department Heads

There were no updates from Departments and the City Council had no questions at this time.

C) Request by Councilman Best to discuss the reopening of the Golf Course and City Parks amid the COVID-19 pandemic

City Attorney Haydee Sera stated that the County has issued an Order on the limited opening of open spaces and areas and golf courses effective April 29th. Recreation Director Omar Luna described the opening of the City's parks and limiting the hours of use by the public. Golf Director Paul O'Dell also provided information on the golf course facility and procedures.

Councilman Best made a motion to abide by the County's order on reopening the golf course and City Parks, with the additional restrictions/limitations as recommended by Staff. Councilwoman Mitchell seconded the motion, which carried

5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Zapata, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Petralanda, and Mayor Bain.

D) Appointing a primary and secondary delegate to the Miami-Dade County League of Cities Board of Directors

Councilman Best moved to appoint Councilwoman Mitchell as primary delegate. Vice Mayor Zapata seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Zapata, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Petralanda, and Mayor Bain.

Councilman Best moved to appoint Councilman Petralanda as alternate delegate. Councilwoman Mitchell seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Zapata, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Petralanda, and Mayor Bain.

13. Reports & Recommendations:

A) City Attorney

City Attorney Haydee Sera had no report at this time.

B) City Manager

City Manager William Alonso had no report at this time.

C) City Council

Councilman Petralanda thanked the Optimist Club for Saturday's food giveaway. He stated that he has had recent discussions with Tony Silva of the Optimist Club about having another similar event at the City's Recreation Center. Virginia Gardens will contribute \$1,000.00 and the City of Miami Springs will also commit \$1,000.00 towards the event. Councilman Petralanda requested that the City Council concede to the \$1,000.00 for the purchase of food for the event. It was the City Council's consensus to allocate \$1,000.00 from the City Council Promotions account.

Councilwoman Zapata had no report at this time.

Vice Mayor Mitchell had no report at this time.

Councilman Best had no report at this time.

Mayor Bain thanked the Optimist Club for hosting the food distribution event and also thanked Ricky Meats for their donation for the Saturday food event as well.

14. Adjourn

There being no further business to be discussed the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

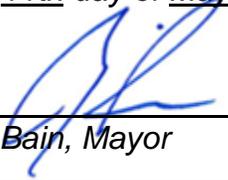
Respectfully submitted:



Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, MMC
City Clerk



Adopted by the City Council on
This 11th day of May, 2020.


Billy Bain, Mayor

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