



City of Miami Springs, Florida

City Council Meeting

Regular Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 12, 2020 6:00 p.m.

(Meeting was Rescheduled from Monday, November 9, 2020)

Rebeca Sosa Theater, 1401 Westward Drive, Miami Springs, Florida/

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 6:00 p.m.

Present were the following:

Mayor Billy Bain

Vice Mayor Walter Fajet

Councilman Bob Best

Councilwoman Maria Mitchell

Councilman Jaime A. Petralanda

City Manager/Finance Director William Alonso

Assistant City Manager Tammy Romero

City Clerk Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria (via Zoom)

Deputy City Clerk Juan D. Garcia

City Attorney Haydee Sera

Recreation Director Omar Luna (via Zoom)

2. **Invocation:** Led by Vice Mayor Jaime Petralanda
Pledge of Allegiance: Audience led the Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Flag.
3. **Agenda / Order of Business: None at this time.**
4. **Awards & Presentations:**

A) Presentation by Ms. Maria Alzate, FDOT Community Outreach Specialist, for the State Road (SR) 948/NW 36 Street from SR 826/Palmetto Expressway to SR 5/US 1/Biscayne Boulevard Multimodal Corridor Study being undertaken

Carlos Castro, FDOT Project Manager, Daphne Spanos, FDOT Consultant, and Maria Alzate, FDOT Community Outreach Specialist, addressed the City Council and provided an oral and visual presentation via Zoom. Mr. Castro and Ms. Spanos addressed all of the Council's questions and concerns.

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) October 26, 2020 – Regular Meeting

Councilman Best moved to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of October 26, 2020. Vice Mayor Petralanda seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Petralanda, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Fajet, and Mayor Bain voting Yes.

7. Reports from Boards & Commissions: None at this time.

8. Public Hearings: None at this time.

9. Consent Agenda: (Funded and/or Budgeted): None at this time.

10. Old Business: None at this time.

11. New Business:

A) Requesting approval for the Miami Springs COVID-19 \$250 Grocery Gift Card Program

City Manager William Alonso read the staff memo for the record.

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

12. Other Business:

A) Request by Councilman Fajet to discuss car show costs at the Circle and Curtiss Mansion

City Manager William Alonso read the staff memo for the record.

After some discussion and questions answered by the City Manager, Councilman Best moved to approve the expenditure for the car show at the Curtiss Mansion in December 2020. Councilman Fajet seconded the motion, which carried 4-1 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Petralanda, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, and Councilman Fajet voting Yes; Mayor Bain voting No.

B) Request by Councilman Fajet to discuss July 4th events

Councilman Fajet requested Council consensus to direct City staff to come up with ideas for additional events for July 4th. He stated that the pandemic has halted the celebration and that it would be nice to have something special in the upcoming

fourth of July. It was the general consensus of the Council to direct staff to come up with ideas for the next July 4th.

13. Reports & Recommendations:

A) City Attorney

City Attorney Haydee Sera thanked Vice Mayor Petralanda's service and expressed her sincere gratitude for his contribution to the Council.

B) City Manager

City Manager William Alonso wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. He also thanked Vice Mayor Petralanda for his service and said it was great working with him over the years.

C) City Council

Councilman Best also thanked Vice Mayor Petralanda for the years of service and wished him much luck. He also recognized Caitlin Smith for the Veteran's Day event and how smoothly it went.

Councilwoman Mitchell also recognized the Veteran's Day event. She recognized that the Girl Scout Group led by Kahnee Rodriguez were able to reach out to all the veterans that live in Miami Springs placed an American Flag on each of the veteran's homes to recognize them for Veteran's Day. She also thanked Councilman Bob Best for his speech at the event and the Boy Scouts that attended as well. She requested consensus from Council that the Town Hall meeting for the FDOT proposal be scheduled around January 2021. There was consensus among the members. Councilwoman Mitchell stated it was an honor to work with Vice Mayor Petralanda through the years. She thanked him for his service and wished him luck.

Councilman Fajet thanked Vice Mayor Petralanda for his years of service. He stated that he also attended the Veteran's Day event and thanked Councilman Best for his speech during the event. He reminded the public that the community Shred Day was postponed to November 30th. He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilman Petralanda thanked the entire Council for the support throughout the years. He thanked his family for always being there through his years of service. He thanked all the residents that have supported him throughout each election. He thanked former Mayor Zavier Garcia, former Councilman Michael Windrem, Mayor Bain, former Councilman George Lob, Councilman Bob Best, former Councilwomen Rosie Bucker and Mara Zapata, and Councilwoman Maria Mitchell. He thanked all of administration former and present. He stated it was a pleasure serving the community and looks forward to continued service.

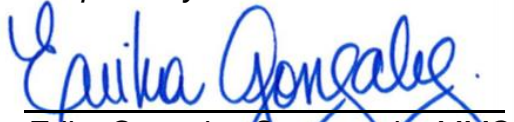
Mayor Bain thanked Vice Mayor Petralanda for his service. He wished him good luck

and knows that he will continue to be involved in the community. Mayor Bain wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and encouraged the public to follow the guidelines for a safe holiday.

14. Adjourn

There being no further business to be discussed the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, MMC
City Clerk



Adopted by the City Council on
This 14th day of December, 2020.



Billy Bain, Mayor

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