



## **City of Miami Springs, Florida**

City Council Meeting

Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 25, 2020 7:00 p.m.

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 7:00 p.m.

Present were the following:

Mayor Billy Bain

Vice Mayor Xavier Garcia

Councilman Bob Best

Councilwoman Maria Mitchell

Councilman Walter Fajet, Ph.D.

City Manager/Finance Director William Alonso

Assistant City Manager Tammy Romero

City Clerk Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria

City Attorney Haydee Sera

City Attorney Dan Espino

Chief Armando Guzman

Recreation Director Omar Luna

- 2. Invocation:** Led by Councilwoman Maria Mitchell  
**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 School Board Member Christi Fraga seeking support from the City to require that notice be provided to the School Board and the superintendent of schools of Planned developments that may impact public schools

**Schoolboard Member Christie Fraga provided an oral presentation on several items that will be part of the School Board's legislative docket at the State level. She seeks support from all City's for the School Board's 2021 initiative. School Board Member Fraga also requested the City's support on notification of developments that occur within a certain distance from public schools.**

**City Council conceded to bring forward resolutions supporting the School Board and School Board Member Fraga's initiatives.**

**5. Open Forum: The following members of the public addressed the City Council: No speakers at this time.**

**6. Approval of Council Minutes:**

- A) December 14, 2020 – Regular Meeting
- B) January 11, 2021 – Regular Meeting

**Councilman Best moved to approve the meeting minutes of December 14, 2020 and January 11, 2021. Councilman Fajet seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Garcia, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell, Councilman Fajet, and Mayor Bain voting Yes.**

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

**8. Public Hearings:**

A) **Ordinance – Second Reading** – An Ordinance Of The City Of Miami Springs, Florida, Amending Chapter 150, “Zoning Code” Of The City’s Code Of Ordinances By Adding Section 150-145, “Vacation Rentals,” Within New Article XIV, “Additional Regulations” To Provide Regulations For Such Uses; Providing For Conflicts; Providing For Severability; Providing For Codification; And Providing For An Effective

**City Attorney Haydee Sera read the Ordinance by title for the record. She explained the updates made between first reading and second reading.**

**Mayor Bain opened the public hearing, Vivian Rey, 125 Carlisle Drive, addressed the City Council on this item, there were no further speakers. Mayor Bain closed the public hearing.**

**Councilman Best moved to approve the Ordinance on second reading. Councilman Fajet seconded the motion, which carried 4-1 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Garcia, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Mitchell and Councilman Fajet voting Yes; Mayor Bain voting No.**

B) **Ordinance – Second Reading** – An Ordinance Of The City Of Miami Springs, Florida, Amending Section 34-15, “Holidays And Compensatory Leave” Of The City’s Code Of Ordinances To Update The Policy On Employee Birthday Holiday Usage; Providing For Conflicts; Providing For Severability; Providing For Codification; And Providing For An Effective Date.

**City Attorney Haydee Sera read the Ordinance by title for the record.**

**Mayor Bain opened the public hearing, there were no speakers. Mayor Bain closed the public hearing.**

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

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

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

**11. New Business:**

A) **Resolution** – A Resolution of The Mayor And City Council Of The City Of Miami Springs, Florida, Approving A First Amendment To The Professional Services Agreement With Brenda Knight, A Licensed Franchisee Of Jazzercise, Inc.; Providing For Authorization; And Providing For An Effective Date

**City Manager William Alonso read the Resolution by title.**

**Councilwoman Mitchell moved to approve the agreement. Vice Mayor Garcia seconded the motion, after some discussion, Vice Mayor Garcia withdrew his motion. Discussion ensued, Councilman Best seconded the original motion made by Councilwoman Mitchell to approve the agreement, the motion failed 2-3 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Councilman Best and Councilwoman Mitchell voting Yes; Vice Mayor Garcia, Councilman Fajet, and Mayor Bain voting No.**

**City Staff stated that they will discuss new terms with Ms. Knight and will come back to City Council for consideration at a later date.**

B) **Resolution** – A Resolution of The Mayor And City Council Of The City Of Miami Springs, Florida, Establishing A Fee Schedule For Registration Of Vacation Rentals Pursuant To Section 150-145 Of The City Code Of Ordinances; And Providing For An Effective Date

**City Attorney Haydee Sera read the Resolution by title. Vivian Rey, 125 Carlisle Drive, addressed the City Council, there were no further speakers.**

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

C) Recommendation by Recreation Community Center that Council approve an expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$16,300.00, to Thermal Concepts, the lowest responsible quote after obtaining three written quotes (attached), for the replacement of (1) one AC unit at the Recreation Center, pursuant to Section §31.11 (C)(2) of the City Code

**Assistant City Manager Tammy Romero read the recommendation by title.**

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

**12. Other Business: None at this time.**

**13. Reports & Recommendations:**

**A) City Attorney**

**City Attorney Haydee Sera had no report at this time.**

**B) City Manager**

**City Manager William Alonso stated that the Police Department will be moving back to City Hall this week. He stated that Administration and City Staff will also be moving in once Police have settled in. He stated that City Hall will be open to the public by February 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**C) City Council**

**Vice Mayor Garcia stated he reached out to the health department to discuss vaccinations for our seniors and homebound seniors. He was referred to Rep. Avila and Sen. Diaz's office who are also assisting with seniors that are not registered through the County and the City. He encouraged seniors and members of the public to assist on registering seniors and homebound seniors so that they may receive assistance.**

**Councilman Fajet recognized the City Manager and several members of staff for their assistance on registering the City's seniors and making appointments for them for the COVID vaccination.**

**Councilwoman Mitchell encouraged all residents to reach out to local organizations, houses of worship and get your name on various lists. She echoed Councilman Fajet's comments on the City Manager's efforts to making appointments for our local seniors.**

**Councilman Best thanked School Board Member Fraga for her presentation this evening. He followed up on an item that was brought about by American Legion 232 to rework the War Memorial on Curtiss Parkway. He stated that he went before the City Council of Virginia Gardens and is set up to be before the Council of Medley to get their support for the improvements for the memorial. He reminded the public that the Celebration of Life event for Mark Johnston will occur this Saturday at Noon at the Country Club.**

**Mayor Bain had no report at this time.**

**14. Adjourn**

There being no further business to be discussed the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted:*

  
Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, MMC  
City Clerk



*Adopted by the City Council on  
This 8th day of February, 2021.*

  
Billy Bain, Mayor

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