

**CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
JUNE 11, 2014**

(A) CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The City Council for the City of Miami Gardens, Florida, met in regular session, Wednesday, June 11, 2014, beginning at 7:01 p.m., in the City Hall, City Council Chambers, 18605 NW 27th Avenue, Miami Gardens, Florida.

The following members of the City Council were present: Vice Mayor Lisa C. Davis and Council members Lillie Q. Odom, Rodney Harris, Felicia Robinson, David Williams Jr., and Erhabor Ighodaro. Mayor Oliver Gilbert arrived at 7:14 p.m.

Also in attendance were: City Manager Cameron Benson, City Attorney Sonja K. Dickens and City Clerk Ronetta Taylor.

(B) INVOCATION

Delivered by Councilman Harris

(C) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited in unison

(D) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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Motion offered by Councilman Williams, seconded by Councilwoman Robinson to approve the minutes with necessary corrections, if any.

There being no discussion, the motion to approve passed and carried by a unanimous vote of the members present.

(E) ORDER OF BUSINESS (Items to be pulled from Consent Agenda at this time)

The following item was added to the official agenda as Item K-9) “A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THAT CERTAIN JOINT PROSECUTION AND DEFENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS AND SKANSKA USA BUILDING, INC., ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT “A” REGARDING THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS MUNICIPAL COMPLEX; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY ATTORNEY).

Vice Mayor Davis removed Item H-1) from the Official Agenda.

Manager Benson removed Item L-1) from the Official Agenda.

The official agenda was also amended to add two presentations: 1) Commission For Women – National Rose Month Awareness; and 2) Congresswoman Frederica Wilson - Congressional Proclamation for Police Chief Stephen Johnson.

Motion offered by Councilman Ighodaro, seconded by Councilwoman Odom to approve the Official Agenda, with the additions/deletions. The motion to adopt passed and carried by a unanimous vote of the members present.

(F) SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS (5 minutes each)

F-1) Members of the City of Miami Gardens Commission For Women Advisory Committee appeared before the Council to present roses to the dais, honor of Rose Month. She shared that June is National Rose Month and the rose is the national emblem. She recounted that the City of Miami Gardens has proclaimed June 8th as Rose Awareness Day, in the City of Miami Gardens.

F-2) Ed Hayes, a representative from Congresswoman Frederica Wilson's office appeared before the City Council to present Police Chief Stephen Johnson with a congressional proclamation.

(G) PUBLIC COMMENTS

Reverend Nettie B. Davis, 17530 NW 27th venue, Miami Gardens, Florida, appeared before the City Council to announce an Aids/HIV Awareness is scheduled for Saturday, June 28, 2014, at the North Dade Regional Library.

Mayor Gilbert asked that this item be scheduled for an eblast, if it has not already been requested.

Rachael Taalideen and Nakia Boulton, North Dade Youth and Family, 761 NW 167th Street, Miami Gardens, Florida, appeared the Council to announce that a fund raising event (Get Out of Jail Event) has been scheduled for June 20, 2014, at St. Thomas University.

Mario Zamora and Georgia Thompson representing the Caribbean Affairs Advisory Committee appeared before the City Council to invite the Council to their annual celebration of Caribbean American Heritage Month, Tuesday, June 17, 2014, from 6:00-8:00 p.m., at the Betty T. Ferguson Recreation Complex.

Yaxley Jamison, 2261 NW 196th Street, Miami Gardens, Florida, appeared before the City Council representing the Citizens Advisory Committee. He provided a brief report, which included a visit and presentation by Chief Johnson outlining his new initiative, at the last CAC meeting.

Lynda Harris, 5783A NW 151st Street, Miami Gardens, Florida, representing IFS Securities appeared before the City Council to share extensive financial experience. She asked

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that the City Council add IFS as co-counsel to the current bond issue. This would not increase the city's cost, but actually save the city money.

(H) ORDINANCE(S) FOR FIRST READING:

~~H-1) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE III, DIVISION 4 ENTITLED "CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE" OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY VICE MAYOR LISA C. DAVIS)~~

(I) ORDINANCE(S) FOR SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None

(J) RESOLUTION(S)/PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None

(K) CONSENT AGENDA:

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-93-2071

K-1) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE "COALITION TO SAVE OUR LIBRARIES"; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY VICE MAYOR LISA C. DAVIS)

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-94-2072

K-2) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO CREATE PROCEDURES FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF FIREARMS, AMMUNITION, AND FIREARM ACCESSORIES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONOSRED BY MAYOR OLIVER GILBERT)

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-95-2073

K-3) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE ALLOCATION OF FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00), FROM

THE WORKING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND, TO SUPPORT WATER SAFETY DAY ON JUNE 20, 2014 AT THE BETTY T. FERGUSON RECREATIONAL COMPLEX; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY ERHABOR IGHODARO)

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-96-2074

- K-4) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA APPROVING A THREE-YEAR CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH AOT PUBLIC SAFETY CORPORATION D/B/A PUBLIC SAFETY CORPORATION OR CRYWOLF FALSE ALARM SOLUTIONS TO PROVIDE FALSE ALARM BILLING COLLECTION SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-97-2075

- K-5) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AWARDED A BID TO METRO EXPRESS INC., FOR ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS ALONG NW 9TH AVENUE BETWEEN NW 167th TERRACE AND NW 170th TERRACE, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED FORTY SIX THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED FOUR DOLLARS AND THIRTY-ONE CENTS (\$146,404.31), WHICH INCLUDES A TEN PERCENT CONTINGENCY; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND THE CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST, RESPECTIVELY THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT, A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A", FOR THIS PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-98-2076

- K-6) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO RENEW THAT CERTAIN AGREEMENT WITH SOFTWARE HOUSE INTERNATIONAL, INC., FOR LICENSES OF MICROSOFT PRODUCTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE OF FLORIDA CONTRACT NO. 252-001-09, IN THE AMOUNT OF ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-SIX THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE DOLLARS AND FORTY-TWO CENTS (\$156,363.42); PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-99-2077

- K-7) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TERMINATE THOSE CERTAIN NONEXCLUSIVE COMMISSION AGREEMENTS WITH NARZELL PARTEE IN REFERENCE TO PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 16751 NW 2ND AVENUE AND THE 40 ACRE PROPERTY LOCATED AT NW 27TH AVENUE; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-100-2078

- K-8) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED SIXTY MILLION DOLLARS (\$60,000,000) IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2014, TO PAY COSTS OF THE PROJECT DESCRIBED HEREIN AND COSTS OF ISSUANCE; PROVIDING THAT SUCH GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS SHALL CONSTITUTE GENERAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE CITY AND THAT THE FULL FAITH, CREDIT AND TAXING POWER OF THE CITY SHALL BE IRREVOCABLY PLEDGED FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF AND THE INTEREST ON SUCH GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS; MAKING CERTAIN COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; PROVIDING CERTAIN DETAILS OF THE BONDS; DELEGATING CERTAIN MATTERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF THE BONDS TO THE MAYOR; AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATED SALE OF THE BONDS TO THE ORIGINAL PURCHASER; APPOINTING A PAYING AGENT AND A BOND REGISTRAR; APPROVING THE FORM AND EXECUTION OF A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR A PRELIMINARY OFFICIAL STATEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT; AUTHORIZING OBTAINING A BOND INSURANCE POLICY AND ANY NECESSARY COVENANTS WITH RESPECT THERETO; COVENANTING TO PROVIDE CONTINUING DISCLOSURE IN CONNECTION WITH THE BONDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION RULE 15c2-12; AUTHORIZING A BOOK-ENTRY REGISTRATION SYSTEM FOR THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS REQUIRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF THE

BONDS; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-101-2079

K-9) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THAT CERTAIN JOINT PROSECUTION AND DEFENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS AND SKANSKA USA BUILDING, INC., ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A" REGARDING THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS MUNICIPAL COMPLEX; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY ATTORNEY)

Motion offered by Councilman Ighodaro, seconded by Councilman Harris to adopt the Consent Agenda.

There being no discussion, the motion to adopt passed and carried by a unanimous voice vote.

(L) RESOLUTION(S)

~~L-1) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, MAKING A FINDING OF NECESSITY AND ACCEPTING THE FINDING OF NECESSITY REPORT PREPARED BY KEITH AND SCHNARS, P.A., FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ("CRA"), A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A"; FINDING A NEED FOR THE PREPARATION OF A COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE NW 27TH AVENUE, SR 826, AND SR 7/US 441 AREAS, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED ON EXHIBIT "B" ATTACHED HERETO; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)~~

QUASI-JUDICIAL ZONING HEARINGS:

Shellie Ransom-Jackson, Director Development Service/Code Compliance appeared before the City Council to outline the Quasi-Judicial Proceeding for this event.

City Clerk Taylor administered the Oath to those participating in the Quasi-Judicial Proceeding.

(M) ORDINANCES ON FOR FIRST READING/PUBLIC HEARING):

M-1) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 34 SECTION 34-287 OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS TO AMEND THE USES TO BE PERMITTED IN THE NC – NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)

Shellie, Ransom-Jackson, Director of Development Services/Code Compliance appeared before the City Council to explain the pertinent issues involved with this ordinance. She said this item is to address and release certain uses that would be potentially detrimental in intrusive in the community. The ordinance addresses those concerns brought forward by Council. Certain uses, which would abut residential neighborhoods would be eliminated.

Mayor Gilbert opened the floor for this public hearing. After there were no interested parties to speak on this item, the public hearing closed.

Motion offered by Councilman Ighodaro, seconded by Vice Mayor Davis to adopt this ordinance on first reading.

There being no discussion, the motion to adopt passed and carried by a 7-0 vote.

Councilman Harris:	Yes
Councilman Ighodaro:	Yes
Councilwoman Odom:	Yes
Councilwoman Robinson:	Yes
Councilman Williams:	Yes
Vice Mayor Davis:	Yes
Mayor Gilbert:	Yes

(N) ORDINANCES ON FOR SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING(S)

ORDINANCE NO. 2014-10-321

N-1) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY UNEK DEVELOPERS INC. AND FNJS DEVELOPMENT GROUP, LLC FOR REZONING OF PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED BETWEEN N.W. 152 TERRACE AND N.W. 154 STREET AT N.W. 24 AVENUE , MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, MORE PARTICULARLY

DESCRIBED ON EXHIBIT “A”, ATTACHED HERETO, FROM NC, NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL TO R-1, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER) (1ST READING – MAY 14, 2014)

Eddie Dean, Chair of Unek Development appeared before the Council to congratulate the Council on the new city hall complex.

Mayor Gilbert opened the floor for this public hearing. After there were no interested parties to speak on this item, the public hearing closed.

Motion offered by Councilman Ighodaro, seconded by Vice Mayor Davis to adopt this item.

There being no discussion, the motion to adopt passed and carried by a 6-1 vote.

Councilman Ighodaro:	Yes
Councilwoman Odom:	No
Councilwoman Robinson:	Yes
Councilman Williams:	Yes
Vice Mayor Davis:	Yes
Councilman Harris:	Yes
Mayor Gilbert:	Yes

(O) RESOLUTION(S)/PUBLIC HEARING(S)

None

(P) REPORTS OF CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY/CITY CLERK

None

(Q) REPORTS OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councilman Ighodaro announced the Water Safety Splash will take place, Friday, June 20, 2014, at BTFC, from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. This is the second year that County Commissioner Barbara Jordan has participated.

Councilman Williams announced the City of Miami Gardens Intergenerational Community Garden will hold an event, at the historic Farm House, 185 Street and 12th Avenue, from 8:30 a.m. – 12 noon.

Councilwoman Robinson invited everyone out to her Meet Me on Monday meeting, second Monday of the month at Carol City Park from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

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Councilwoman Odom reemphasized Reverend Davis' comments as it relates to the HIV/AIDS Series being hosted in the City of Miami Gardens.

Vice Mayor Davis acknowledged and thanked Ms. Rita Pierre, President of Norland Crime Watch for sponsoring such an informative meeting.

Mayor Gilbert shared that he had had a very productive meeting with Tanya James, Chair of the Elderly Affairs Advisory Committee. He said a proposal was made to have a meeting where all of the members of the active committees (Elderly Affairs, CAC, Commission For Women, Parks and Recreation Advisory, Caribbean Affairs, etc.). This meeting would provide an opportunity for the various committees to share their initiatives/ideas with each other for a collaborate effort. This meeting would also include the Junior Council members and would take place during the month of September 2014.

Mayor Gilbert shared the city partnered with the Black Firefighters to give free swim lessons to residents. Anyone interested can contact the parks and recreation department. He further shared that it is important to embrace other cultures and their events, like the Caribbean Carnival. He opined those types of events need to happen here in Miami Gardens. Mayor Gilbert further encouraged everyone to participate in the HIV/AIDS Awareness event.

Mayor Gilbert shared the Governor has not signed the budget as of yet. However, Miami Gardens was very successful. Special recognition was given to Senator Braynon and lobbyist Yolanda Cash Jackson.

Mayor Gilbert acknowledged Dr. Dorothy Bendross Mindingall in the audience.

Vice Mayor Davis wished all the fathers a Happy Father's Day.

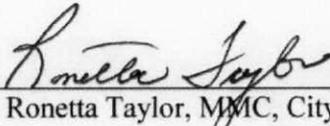
(R) WRITTEN REQUESTS, PETITIONS & OTHER WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

(S) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further discussion to come before this Body, and upon a motion being duly moved and seconded the meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Attest:



Ronetta Taylor, MMC, City Clerk



Oliver Gilbert, Mayor