

## **MINUTES**

### **CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2008**

#### **HOLLINGSWORTH HALL SENIOR CENTER 10003 NW 87 AVENUE**

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Garcia called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.
2. **Roll Call:** Present were Chairman Luciano Garcia, Councilman Elmo L. Urra, Councilman Jorge Gutierrez, and Councilman Jorge A. Merida. Also present were Mayor Yiozet De La Cruz and City Attorney Charles A. Citrin. Councilman Rolando Piña was absent.
3. **Invocation:** Chairman Garcia gave the invocation.
4. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Mayor De La Cruz led the Pledge of Allegiance.
5. **Deletions/Emergency Additions:** None were offered.
6. **Review of Minutes:** February 5, 2008. Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve the minutes of February 5, 2008, seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.
7. **Public Comments:** None were offered.
8. **Request for approval of 2APS alcohol beverage license transfer of ownership for Westland Gardens Marathon, 11390 N.W. 97<sup>th</sup> Court, Hialeah Gardens, FL:**  
Owner: Mr. Arturo Garcia.

The applicant was not present. Chairman Garcia made a motion to table the item, seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.  
**(Tabled)**

9. **Request to approve purchase of new telephone system and wiring services for City Hall building:** Mr. Marcos Piloto, O.M.B. Director.

Mr. Marcos Piloto, O.M.B. Director came forward and read his memorandum into the record regarding the purchase of a new telephone system and wiring services for the city hall building. The lowest price was submitted by Streamline of three vendors that were contacted. The recommendation was to enter into a contract with Streamline. Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

10. **Request to approve purchase of City Hall office furniture:** Mr. Marcos Piloto, O.M.B. Director.

Mr. Marcos Piloto, O.M.B. Director came forward and read his memorandum into the record detailing the recommendation for the purchase of the city hall office furniture. Pradere Office Furniture provided the best price for the complete furnishings required by the city. Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

11. **Education First Program – City Contributions to local schools:** Mr. Marcos Piloto, O.M.B. Director.

Mr. Marcos Piloto, O.M.B. Director came forward and read his memorandum into the record regarding the disbursement of the Education First Program's contributions to local schools (Hialeah Gardens Elementary, Mater Academy Elementary and Mater Academy High School). Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

12. **Request of expenditures for electrical feeders for Government Complex (HUB):** Mr. Jose M. Lopez, Public Works Director.

Mr. Jose M. Lopez, Public Works Director came forward and read his memorandum into the record regarding waiving competitive bidding and awarding a contract to WEA Electrical Contractor, Inc. The electrical feeders were to be installed by the contractor under the contingency part of the construction contract. The department's policy is to secure additional quotes. The pricing from WEA Electrical was below the quotes submitted by the contractor and TEAC Electric. Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

13. **City Hall temporary electrical feeders:** Mr. Jose M. Lopez, Public Works Director.

Mr. Jose M. Lopez, Public Works Director came forward and read his memorandum into the record detailing the need to relocate city personnel to a temporary site during the reconstruction of city hall. Mr. Lopez requested to memorialize the decision of the city to enter into an agreement and waive competitive bidding with E & C Electrical Service, Inc., the lowest quote received from the vendors contacted. Chairman Garcia made a

motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

14. **Hialeah Gardens Police Station Site Lighting:** Mr. Jose M. Lopez, Public Works Director.

Mr. Jose M. Lopez, Public Works Director came forward and read his memorandum into the record requesting that the city council memorialize the decision to enter into an agreement with AGC Electrical, Inc., waiving competitive bidding by piggybacking on an existing Miami-Dade County Public School bid number 110-FF09. Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

15. **Digital imaging services for existing Building and Zoning plans:** Mr. Marcos Piloto, O.M.B. Director.

Mr. Marcos Piloto, O.M.B. Director came forward and read his memorandum into the record regarding the digital imaging services for existing building and zoning plans. Mr. Piloto requests the city council memorialize the decision to accept services from A & E Blue Prints, who provided the lowest cost for services, waiving the competitive bid process. Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

16. **Proposed Resolutions:**

- A) RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF HIALEAH GARDENS RECREATION CENTER; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH E.L.A. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,980,000.00; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Citrin read the full title of the resolution into the record. This resolution serves to memorialize the action taken at the last council meeting. Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

- B) RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A DECORATIVE FOUNTAIN FOR THE ENTRANCE OF THE NEW CITY HALL AND A LAKE AERATOR TO BE INSTALLED IN THE LAKE BEHIND THE CITY HALL BUILDING; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING; UTILIZING AN EXISTING GOVERNMENT

CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH VICTRONICS, INC.; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Citrin read the full title of the resolution into the record. This resolution serves to memorialize the action taken at the last council meeting. Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

- C) RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF AN EXISTING AGREEMENT WITH OVERLAND CARRIERS FOR THE PURCHASE AND HAULING OF MATERIAL TO BE UTILIZED FOR THE WESTLAND GARDENS BASEBALL FIELDS; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXTEND THE CURRENT AGREEMENT; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Citrin read the full title of the resolution into the record. This resolution serves to memorialize the action taken at the last council meeting. Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

- D) RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF GEOTEXTILE MATERIALS TO BE UTILIZED FOR THE WESTLAND GARDENS BASEBALL FIELDS; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH FEI-MIAMI WATERWORKS; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Citrin read the full title of the resolution into the record. This resolution serves to memorialize the action taken at the last council meeting. Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

- E) RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT TO BE USED FOR THE WESTLAND GARDENS BASEBALL FIELDS; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING; AUTHORIZING THE

APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AGREEMENTS WITH BOBCAT OF MIAMI, BRIGGS EQUIPMENT; AND UNITED RENTALS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Citrin read the full title of the resolution into the record. This resolution serves to memorialize the action taken at the last council meeting. Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

17. **Report on purchase of police vehicles pursuant to City Resolution 2179:** Chief Van Toth.

Marcos Piloto, O.M.B. Director came forward and spoke regarding the purchase of two Crown Victoria vehicles for the Police Department as referenced in Resolution 2179 which approved said purchase. Mayor De La Cruz also spoke on the item and explained the need for these vehicles.

18. **City Attorney's Report:** Mr. Citrin congratulated Marcos Piloto and Jose M. Lopez on their work on the items regarding procurement procedures.
19. **Mayor's Report – Miscellaneous:** Mayor De La Cruz commented on the City event which will be held on March 4 at Mater Academy High School in conjunction with the Florida Highway Patrol. The City's new command center is scheduled to be unveiled at the event.

20. **Council Members Concerns / Reports – Board Appointments (Police Pension Board)**

There were no comments from the council members.

21. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Maria L. Joffe  
City Clerk

**Any person desiring to appeal any decision made by the Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting will need a record of the proceedings, and it will be their responsibility to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based."**

**SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS**

**CITY COUNCIL**

Tuesday, March 18, 2008, 7:30 P.M.

**PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD**

Monday, March 10, 2008, 7:30 P.M.

**TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Thursday, March 6, 2008, 4:00 P.M.

**WATER AND SEWER BOARD**

Tuesday, February 26, 2008, 7:00 P.M.

**POLICE PENSION BOARD**

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