

## **MINUTES**

**CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS  
TUESDAY, March 6, 2018  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
10001 NW 87 AVENUE**

- 1. Call to Order:** Chairman Luciano Garcia called the meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.
- 2. Roll Call:** Present were Chairman Luciano Garcia, Councilman Elmo L. Urra, Councilman Jorge Gutierrez, Councilman Jorge A. Merida and Councilman Rolando Piña. Also present were Mayor Yioiset De La Cruz and Assistant City Attorney Aida Martinez-Ruiz. City Attorney Charles A. Citrin was absent.
- 3. Invocation:** Chairman Garcia gave the invocation.
- 4. Pledge of Allegiance:** Mayor Yioiset De La Cruz led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 5. Deletions/Emergency Additions:** None were offered.
- 6. Review of Minutes: February 20, 2018** Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve the minutes of February 20, 2018. The motion was approved unanimously.
- 7. Public Comments:** None were offered.

## 8. Proposed Resolutions:

- A) RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) 2018 FORD F-150 VEHICLES TO BE USED BY THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING; UTILIZING AN EXISTING GOVERNMENT CONTRACT AS ALLOWED BY SECTION 46-119 OF THE HIALEAH GARDENS CODE OF ORDINANCES; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH DUVAL FORD; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Ms. Martinez-Ruiz read the full title of the resolution into the record. Mr. Walter Dubon, Director of Parks & Recreation came forward and addressed the Council. Mr. Dubon explained that this item is for the purchase of two Ford F-150 trucks to keep the Parks & Rec vehicle fleet up to date. Chairman Garcia asked whether Parks & Rec had the funds for both purchases in their current budget. Mr. Dubon answered yes. Mayor De La Cruz asked if these were two new vehicles or if these were going to replace old ones. Mr. Dubon answered that they would eventually begin to phase out old vehicles. Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilman Merida. The item was approved unanimously. **(5-0)**

- B) RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR THE CITY FIREWORKS ENTERTAINMENT TO EXCELLENT ENTERTAINMENT, INC. D/B/A ADD FIRE ("ADD FIRE") FOR THE CITY'S INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION; RENEWING THE CITY'S CONTRACT WITH ADD FIRE; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH ADD FIRE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Ms. Martinez-Ruiz read the full title of the resolution into the record. Mr. Dubon, Director of Parks & Recreation, came forward once again and explained that this item is for the City's Fourth of July fireworks show; this resolution would be approving \$70,000. Mr. Dubon stated that everything has remained the same as in previous years: same vendor, same show, and same specifications. Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilman Merida. The item was approved unanimously. **(5-0)**

**9. Second Reading / Public Hearing for consideration and final adoption of the following ordinance:**

- A) ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA, APPROVING A SITE PLAN REVIEW FOR CANSICAN GROUP INC,; CONCERNING PROPERTY LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS: A PORTION OF TRACT 24, SECTION 19-52-40, FLORIDA FRUIT LANDS COMPANY'S SUBDIVISION, LYING EAST OF THE FLORIDA EXT., AS RECORDED IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, PLAT BOOK 2, AT PAGE 17, BEING 4.05 ACRES M/L. BEGINNING SE CORNER OF TRACT 24, WEST 581.36 FEET (LEGAL DESCRIPTION) – S 89029'28" W 581.36' (C & M), NORTH 18 DEGREES EAST 341.30 FEET (LEGAL DESCRIPTION) – N 14024'11" E 341.28' (C), EAST 489.70 FEET (LEGAL DESCRIPTION) – N 89029'33" E 481.70' (C), SOUTH 329.99 FEET (LEGAL DESCRIPTION) – S 02033'57" E 329.99' (C & M) TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. LESS THE EAST 40 FEET OF TRACT 24 IN RIGHT OF WAY DEED TO CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORD BOOK 27592 PAGE 3790. FOLIO: 27-2019-001-0260, APPROXIMATE LOCATION: BETWEEN THEORETICAL N.W. 146 STREET AND THEORETICAL N.W. 147 STREET AND WEST SIDE OF N.W. 112TH AVENUE, HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE. (TRC Vote: 5-0; P&Z Vote: 4-0)

Ms. Martinez-Ruiz swore in all those who would be testifying and read the full title of the ordinance into the record. Mr. Jorge Szauer, the applicant, was present and came forward. Mrs. Mirtha Gonzalez, Chief Zoning Official, came forward and stated the land use as IN (industrial), Zoning classification IN-1 (light industrial). The applicant is requesting a revision of the approved site plan to develop one building with 65,310 sq. ft. for offices and warehouses, with 64 regular parking spaces and 3 handicap parking spaces. She went on to state TRC's recommendation for approval from January 11<sup>th</sup> (provide fire approval, provide movement on site, billboard access letter). All comments were addressed and on February 12<sup>th</sup>, P&Z recommended the site plan for approval 4-0. Chairman Garcia opened the public hearing at 7:41; no one came forward. Chairman Garcia closed the public hearing at 7:41. He made a motion to approve the ordinance, seconded by Councilman Merida. The item was approved unanimously by individualized voice vote. **(5-0)**

## ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

### **10. Proposed Resolution:**

- A) RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS CERTIFYING THE RESULTS OF THE SCHEDULED GENERAL ELECTION ON MARCH 6, 2018; PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE.

Ms. Martinez-Ruiz read the full title of the resolution into the record. Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilman Merida. The item was approved unanimously.

- 11. Swearing in ceremony for Councilman Luciano "Lucky" Garcia and Councilman Elmo L. Urra:** Ms. Aida Martinez-Ruiz, Assistant City Attorney, swore in Councilman Luciano Garcia and Councilman Elmo L. Urra. They will both serve four year terms. A photo opportunity was afforded at this time.
- 12. Reorganization of the City Council's hierarchical order:** Ms. Aida Martinez-Ruiz, Assistant City Attorney, led the discussion to reorganize the order of the Council. Councilman Pina nominated Luciano Garcia as Chair, seconded by Councilman Merida. The nomination was approved unanimously. Chairman Garcia nominated Councilman Pina as Vice Chair; the nomination was approved unanimously. Councilman Merida was nominated and voted in unanimously as Finance Officer.
- 13. Board Appointments:** Planning and Zoning Board and Water and Sewer Board. The Council reappointed their nominees to both Boards. Vacancies were discussed.
- 14. City Attorney's Report:** Ms. Aida Martinez-Ruiz expressed that it has been a pleasure to serve the Council while City Attorney Charles Citrin is on vacation.
- 15. Mayor's Report – Miscellaneous:** The Mayor also expressed his pleasure at working with the Council and congratulated both Chairman Garcia and Councilman Urra.
- 16. Council Members Concerns / Reports / Board Appointments:** No comments.
- 17. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Maria L. Joffee  
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, April 3, 2018, 7:30 P.M.

**PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD**

Monday, April 9, 2018, 7:30 P.M.

**TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Thursday, April 5, 2018, 11:30 A.M.

**WATER AND SEWER BOARD**

Wednesday, March 28, 2018, 7:00 P.M.

**POLICE PENSION BOARD**

Tuesday, May 1, 2018, 5:30 P.M.