

MINUTES

**CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2016
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
10001 NW 87 AVENUE**

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Garcia called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
2. **Roll Call:** Present were Chairman Luciano Garcia, Councilman Jorge A. Merida, Councilman Elmo L. Urra, City Attorney Charles A. Citrin, Aida Martinez-Ruiz Assistant City Attorney and Councilman Jorge Gutierrez. Mayor Yioiset De La Cruz and Councilman Rolando Piña were absent.
3. **Invocation:** Chairman Garcia gave the invocation.
4. **Pledge of Allegiance:** City Attorney Charles A. Citrin led the Pledge of Allegiance.
5. **Deletions/Emergency Additions:** None offered.
6. **Review of Minutes: December 1, 2015** Chairman Garcia made a motion to approve the minutes of **December 1, 2015** seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.
7. **Public Comments:** None were offered. Mr. Citrin took the opportunity to introduce Judge David Young, who is running for election once more. He proceeded to give details of his professional experience and his desire to continue his service as judge.t every local election in all of Miami-Dade county and looks forward to establishing a relationship with all of the council. He thanked the Council for having him and thanked Mr. Citrin as well. Mayor De La Cruz had to go up to Tallahassee to get some additional funding for the City.
8. **Request for approval of transfer of 2 COP alcohol beverage license for Las Delicias Café, Inc., 8725 N.W. 117 Street Suite 12, Hialeah Gardens, Florida:** Owner: Mrs. Elba Benito.

The owner/applicant Mrs. Benito was present. Ms. Martinez-Ruiz served as interpreter. In the absence of Mr. Robert Lorezno, Business Tax Receipt Director, Mr. Citrin read the staff memo recommending approval of the 2COP license transfer to Las Delicias Café, Inc. The Miami-Dade Police Department has conducted a background investigation on the applicant and found no reason to deny request. The applicant has provided all necessary documentation. Chair made motion to approve, which was seconded by Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

9. Proposed Resolution:

- A) RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) 2016 FORD INTERCEPTOR VEHICLES TO BE USED BY THE POLICE 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 DON REID FORD; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Citrin read the resolution into the record. Chief Toth came forward and gave details of the purchase of two police vehicles, specifically two 2016 Ford Interceptors to be used by the department under Florida sheriff's bid no. 15230904, costing \$25,594.00 each. Also, the chief requested the purchase and installment of LED light systems and sirens for the vehicles costing \$11,458.99. The vehicles will be incorporated in the fleet. Chairman Garcia asked if cars were allocated in budget and Chief responded in affirmative. No one came forward to speak on the item. Chairman Garcia made motion to approve, which was seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

- B) RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLMENT OF LED LIGHT SYSTEMS WITH SIRENS FOR TWO (2) FORD INTERCEPTOR POLICE VEHICLES; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH SIGNAL TECHNOLOGY ENTERPRISES; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING DUE TO THE EXISTENCE OF A SOLE PROVIDER; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Citrin read the resolution into the record. Chief Toth had already spoken to this purchase on the previous item. Using Signal Technology as a sole provider of this

service. Chairman Garcia made motion to approve, which was seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

- C) RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA, CREATING A PROPERTY ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAM AND JOINING THE CLEAN ENERGY GREEN CORRIDOR PROGRAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 163.08, FLORIDA STATUTES; ADOPTING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 163.01, FLORIDA STATUTES RELATING TO THE CORRIDOR; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Citrin read the resolution into the record. Ms. Martinez-Ruiz came forward and gave details of the Clean Energy Program. Mr. Rafael Perez, Director of Business Development with Y Grene Energy Fund was present. The City would like to participate in the program which facilitates property owners to obtain up front financing for energy conservation and efficiency improvements and make payments that would be included in their ad valorem taxes. The City would join the Clean Energy Green Corridor PACE District and enter into an interlocal agreement with the District for the purpose of financing such improvements. Chairman Garcia asked if participation would require any further funding from the City and Ms. Martinez-Ruiz stated that it did not. Chairman Garcia then made motion to approve, which was seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC HEARING

- D) RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS APPROVING THE ISSUANCE, FOR PURPOSES OF SECTION 147(f) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED, BY THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS HEALTH FACILITIES AUTHORITY (THE "AUTHORITY") OF ITS REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2015 (CATHOLIC HEALTH SERVICES OBLIGATED GROUP FACILITIES) IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$55,000,000 (THE "BONDS"), FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS, TOGETHER WITH OTHER AVAILABLE MONEYS, TO REFUND ON AN ADVANCE BASIS THE AUTHORITY'S OUTSTANDING \$48,640,000 ORIGINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF REVEUNE AND REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2007 (CATHOLIC HEALTH SERVICES OBLIGATED GROUP FACILITIES) (THE "REFUNDED BONDS"), WHICH WERE ISSUED TO FINANCE AND REFINANCE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE HEALTH CARE FACILITIES OWNED BY MEMBERS

OF THE OBLIGATED GROUP AND LOCATED WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH GARDENS, FLORIDA, THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR OTHER RELATED MATTERS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Citrin stated that this is a Public Hearing and read the resolution into the record. Mr. Citrin stated that if anything sounds vaguely familiar it is because this has been done before. CHS had other planned expenditures, therefore a new TEFRA hearing is needed and is hereby being conducted at this time. The Public Hearing relates to the refinancing of outstanding bonds. Providing sufficient funds along with any other available monies, the purpose is as follows: to refund on an advanced basis the refunded bonds because of the present state of the interest rate and pay cost of the issuance of bonds. Aforementioned bonds were for financing the building of St. Katherine's West Rehabilitation Hospital. The initial round of bonds were for the benefit of the health facilities: Villa Maria Nursing and Rehabilitation Center and St. Katherine's West Rehabilitation Hospital and St. Joseph's facility. St. Joseph. In turn, refinancing certain outstanding obligations incurred in relation to the capital improvements to the North Miami facility, St. John's Rehabilitation Hospital and Nursing Home, St. Anthony's Rehabilitation Hospital and St. Anne's Nursing Center. The Public Hearing was conducted pursuant to the Federal Tax and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 TEFRA under section 147F of the Internal Revenue Code as amended. TEFRA requires that in order for the bonds to be considered exempt from federal income tax, bonds and project must be approved via vote of referendum or elected representative of the government unit or, in this case, the City Council. The notice for the hearing was presented to the clerk to become part of the minutes. No one came forward from the public. Mr. Citrin stated that the City intends to adopt a resolution and the Public Hearing was closed. There were no questions from the Council. Chairman made motion to approve, which was seconded by Councilman Merida. The motion was unanimously approved.

- 10. City Attorney's Report:** Mr. Citrin introduced Mrs. Lori Smith-Lalla from Greenberg-Traurig and Mr. David DeMico from Catholic Health Services. Mr. Citrin also commended Juan Rivera and Ms. Martinez-Ruiz for working on this project.
- 11. Mayor's Report – Miscellaneous:** Mayor was absent.
- 12. Council Members Concerns / Reports / Board Appointments:**
None offered.
- 13. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

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, February 16, 2016, 7:30 P.M.

PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD

Monday, March 7, 2016, 7:30 P.M.

TECHNICAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

Thursday, February 4, 2016, 11:30 A.M.

WATER AND SEWER BOARD

Wednesday, February 24, 2016, 7:00 P.M.

POLICE PENSION BOARD

Tuesday, February 2, 2016, 5:30 P.M.