



## THE CITY OF MIRAMAR REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING

**MAY 21, 2025**

**7:00 P.M.**

A regular meeting of the Miramar City Commission was called to order by Mayor Messam at 7:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, Miramar City Hall, 2300 Civic Center Place, Miramar, Florida.

MAYOR MESSAM: The meeting of the Miramar City Commission meeting is now called to order. An opportunity was given to the public to register to participate, or email the City Clerk 24 hours prior to the Commission meeting with any questions, comments, concerns on items we will hear on this evening's agenda. Any person may be heard by the City Commission, through the chair, and upon registering, pursuant to the published notice, for not more than three minutes on any proposition before the City Commission unless modified by the chair. This meeting is being streamed live at [miramarfl.gov/commissionmeeting](http://miramarfl.gov/commissionmeeting), and televised on Commiss -- on Comcast channel 78, and AT&T U-verse channel 99 for City of Miramar subscribers. As of May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025, at 3:30 p.m. no members from the public has registered to participate virtually in this meeting. If someone has registered later than this time, and would like to speak, they can raise their hand virtually, and at the appropriate time our IT staff will unmute their mic to allow them to speak. Please be sure to mention your name and address for the record prior to addressing the Commission. All comments submitted will be included as part of the record for this meeting, and will be considered by the City Commission prior to any action taken.

### **ROLL CALL/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

MAYOR MESSAM: At this time, Madam Clerk, please call the roll.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: Here.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Here.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Cherasard.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Present.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Here.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Edwards.

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Here.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: City Manager Dr. Virgin.

CITY MANAGER VIRGIN: Here.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: City Attorney Powell.

CITY ATTORNEY POWELL: Here.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: City Attorney Gary.

CITY ATTORNEY GARY: Here.

Upon call of the roll, the following members of the City Commission were present:

Mayor Wayne M. Messam  
Vice Mayor Yvette Colbourne  
Commissioner Avril Cherasard  
Commissioner Maxwell B. Chambers (Remote)  
Commissioner Carson Edwards

The following members of staff were present:

City Manager Dr. Roy Virgin  
City Attorney Norman Powell  
City Attorney Jordan Gary  
City Clerk Denise Gibbs

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

MAYOR MESSAM: Let us rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

## **A MOMENT OF SILENCE:**

MAYOR MESSAM: We do have a commemoration list for bereaved City of Miramar staff. At this time, I would like to recognize Malcia Jackson, Sr., Human Resource, lost his mother; Commissioner Maxwell B. Chambers, City Commission, lost his aunt. Let's keep our colleagues and city staff members in our thoughts and prayers, as they lost mourn the loss of their loved ones. And we also recognize any other bereavements that we may be sharing throughout the community. Let's have a moment of silence. Thank you. Please note that item number eight on the published agenda has been withdrawn; that's item number eight has been withdrawn. If there are any members from the public watching virtually, or present here in the Chambers that item number eight has been withdrawn, and will not be heard at tonight's meeting.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

MAYOR MESSAM: Do have a few proclamations.

Proclamation: Emergency Medical Services Week (Mayor Wayne M. Messam)

MAYOR MESSAM: And I invite, at this time, EMS Division Chief Jaime Torres, and any other colleagues to the dais to receive the proclamation in observance of Emergency Medical Services Week. Proclamation, Emergency Medical Services Week; we care for everyone; May 18<sup>th</sup> through the 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025:

Whereas, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and, Whereas, the members of medical med -- the emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and, Whereas, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recover rate of those who experience sudden illness, or injury; and, Whereas, emergency medical services teams consist of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators, and others; and, Whereas, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training, and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and, Whereas, Americans benefit daily from the knowledge, and skills of these highly trained individuals; and, Whereas, it is appropriate to recognize the value, and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week. Now, therefore, I Wayne Messam, by virtue of the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Miramar, and on behalf of the City Commission do hereby proclaim the week of May 18<sup>th</sup> through 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025, as Emergency Medical Services Week.

MAYOR MESSAM: And I encourage our broader community to take time out to visit our website in the City of Miramar for our fire rescue services, where you can see all of the valuable resources that is available to the community that can perhaps save a loved one life or your own life. So I would like to give a round of applause to our fire rescue team, emergency medical services for all that they do for our community. All right. This time I invite the members of the Miramar Commission forward for a few community proclamations.

Proclamation: Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month (Vice Mayor Yvette Colbourne)

MAYOR MESSAM: And our next proclamation was requested by Vice Mayor Colbourne. And we invite the Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month proclamation representatives Ed Mercado, and Ren Xu, and -- and others who may be joining the delegation as well. Let's give them a round of applause. Go through. If others would like to come -- you're all invited if you'd like to come forward. Yeah, come on up. One big family. Great to see so many familiar faces. Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month, May 2025<sup>th</sup> -- 25:

Whereas, this month we celebrate Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month, and we recognize their contributions to every aspect of our society, from businesses -- from business and politics to literature, and the arts; and, Whereas, during Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, we celebrate the indelible mark these individuals have left on our culture, and pay tribute to the myriad ways in which they continue to strengthen to our city and country. Whereas, the origin of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month dates to 1977, when five joint resolutions were introduced, proposing that a week in May be designated to commemorate the accomplishments of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders; and, Whereas, it is, therefore, appropriate to acknowledge, and promote awareness of the invaluable contributions of the Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the City of Miramar, and across the country, and extend to them the respect and camaraderie every American deserves; and, Whereas, the rich, and unparalleled diversity of its residents, the City of Miramar takes great pride in supporting the vast diversity of languages, religions, and cultural traditions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders continue to strengthen our nation through their achievements in all of -- all -- all walk of life; and, Whereas, there are 13,603 Asian American and Pacific Islander residents in the City of Miramar, and we acknowledge their continued contributions to our city. Now, therefore, I, Wayne Messam, Mayor of the City of Miramar, and on -- and on behalf of Vice Mayor Yvette Colbourne, and the City Commission do hereby proclaim May 2025 as Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

MAYOR MESSAM: Let's give our neighbors a big round of applause. We'll take our photo, and then I'll present to Vice Mayor Chambers to -- Vice -- Vice Mayor -- Vice Mayor Yvette Colbourne to introduce our guests, and to have a few words.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Thank you so much. I -- we have Ed here, Ed Mercado, Jin Lu, we have Jonathan Morelli, and we also have Ren Xu, and -- and the entire team, and these are the individuals who have been behind us when it comes to the Asian American Month, and -- and the Asian Pacific Islander event that we hosted in the City of Miramar, and that we've been hosted -- I think we have three, four years. So I just want to say thank you so much for -- for that; thank you so much for your contribution, but also thank you so much for -- for coming out today in numbers for the proclamation. Appreciate you. Thank you. Would you like to --

MR. MERCADO: Good evening everyone. First, I want to thank you Mayor, Yvette Colbourne, on behalf of the Asiana Post, and border Asian American Pacific Islander community of South Florida. I'm humbled and honored to accept the proclamation of AAPI Heritage Month. Tonight recognition is not just symbolic, it's a deeply, meaningful -- meaningful -- it tells us a history of our cultures, and contribution of being, seen, acknowledged, and valued. Asiana Post is proud to serve as a voice in the community, and a voice as not a story, and -- and it's many. It's a history of Philipino Americans carried toward pioneers María Barrameda, who founded Basta Pinoy News 1986, Florida first Asian woman all newspaper. This is -- this story of Vietnamese American who have rebuilt, flourish with grace. It's a story of Native Americans whose ancestral ties in the land remind us of deeper roots, and includes Jewish, Asian, Palestinian Americans, Middle Eastern Americans, mixed-race Asian American, and those of many not always feel they have place to a platform, but whose voice matter profoundly. Also the last thing is that just last month we marked 132 -- second anniversary of Chinese Merchant Association, and remind us that the presence here is not new, it's enduring, and it's evolving. I want to thank you again.

MAYOR MESSAM: So as you continue to celebrate the month of May, we know that your contributions is 365 days a year, but we just pause in May, as a country, to reco -- to recognize the many contributions, and thanks for making Miramar such a very strong, and diverse community. Thank you all so much for coming this evening.

Proclamation: Jewish American Heritage Month (Vice Mayor Yvette Colbourne)

MAYOR MESSAM: Our next proclamation also was requested by Vice Mayor Colbourne in recognition of Jewish American Heritage Month. And we invite -- is Randy Green -- Randy Green? Come on up, Randy. He's the chef that can cook any cuisine; trust me; even Jamaican patties. I'm not kidding; for real; I'm telling you. Jewish American Heritage Month:

Whereas, on April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2006, President George W. Bush proclaimed that May would be Jewish American Heritage Month, capping a historic

achievement by an impressive group led by the Jewish Museum of Florida, and South Florida Jewish community leaders, which eventually resulted in congressional resolutions introduced by Representative Debbie Wasserman-Schultz, and Senator Arland Spector; and, Whereas, Jewish American Heritage Month recognizes more than a 360-year history of Jewish contributions to American culture and society, from sports, arts, music, and entertainment, and history, to medicine, business, science, government, and military service; and, Whereas, many Jewish women and men made lifelong commitments to confront the enemy of America's noblest goals, racism -- racism, and oppression. They found solidarity in the Civil Rights Movement, and the fight for women's and LGBTQ rights, and in struggles which often mirrored the story of Exodus, and the Jewish people's journey through the ages; and, Whereas, Jewish Heritage Month celebrates -- celebrations include a unique annual theme, and past events have been held in the United States Capitol, and the White House, and other federal sites, such as national parks, the Library of Congress, and the National Gallery of Art. This year's theme provides a wonderful opportunity to recognize the American Jews who have helped create the images that represent the important parts of our everyday life, from beloved children's books, graphic superhero novels, and daily comics, and illustrations; and, Whereas, the recent rise in antisemitism demands that all Americans know the lessons of the Holocaust, recognizing the urgent imperative to continually combat prejudice before it takes root. The reemergence of violent antisemitism aimed at places of worship requires that we recommit through action, and solidarity that an attack on the faith of one is the attack on the faith of all; and, Whereas, the City of Miramar wishes to recognize achievements, and contributions of Jewish -- of -- of Jewish, and the impact they -- Jewish people, and they have had in the United States of America. And now, therefore, I, Wayne Messam, Mayor of the City of Miramar, and on behalf of Vice Mayor Yvette Colbourne, and the City Commission do hereby proclaim May 2025 as Jewish American Heritage Month.

MAYOR MESSAM: And we stand side by side with our Jewish American residents, colleagues, and friends, not just in Miramar but all over, as we recognize May 2025<sup>th</sup> as the special month to represent -- represent the contributions of our Jewish friends. Thanks so much, Randy. Are there -- Trisha, would you like to come forward for our photo to represent Congresswoman Deborah Wasserman Schultz? Our very own -- our very own congress -- Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz, who's not here, but Trisha from her office is representing. She was part of -- of the congressional delegation that introduced resolutions to designate a month to observe Jewish American Heritage.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Well, you know I have to talk about Randy. Randy, I just want to say thank you so much. You know, like you say, it's an international chef. You're going to have to make me some matzo someday though; it's

the only thing I haven't had from you. So you're going to have to makes us some of those. But thank you both so much, and -- and thank the Congresswoman as well. Certainly appreciate everything that she's doing on our behalf here in the City of Miramar. Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: Man of few words.

Presentation: Haitian Heritage Poem and Video Tribute (Commissioner Avril Cherasard)

MAYOR MESSAM: All right, so our next -- well, we have a presentation, and -- which will be a Haitian Heritage poem, and video tribute that is -- that is sponsored by Commissioner Avril Cherasard. So I'll turn it over to Commissioner Cherasard for this great presentation.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Thank you very much, Mayor Messam, and good evening everyone. In keeping with the City of Miramar's celebration of Haitian Heritage, we have a special presentation from some of those very near and dear to me, my offspring, JR. He's very nervous, so please bear with him as he goes through a poem that was written by his father, and now passed the baton to him, and he'll be sharing it with you. It's his very first time on stage reciting this poem, so please encourage him as he does it; smiles would help in the audience, but he's going to share a little bit of Haitian heritage, and then there's going to be a very brief video from staff at the City of Miramar who are also of Haitian heritage. So can we please welcome little JR to the stage.

JR: I am, I am Haiti; I am La Citadelle. I'm the one who plant the palm tree, and put a bonnet on top; I'm the one who screamed, "Freedom," throughout the four corners of the earth. I am. I'm a son, I'm a father, I'm an ancestor; I'm the past for the future to come. I'm setting precedence for those who have none. I am. I am strength, I am courage, I am patience. I'm that Haitian pillar that asked you for change every day, and yet you passed me by. I'm that Haitian politician that couldn't make a change, and yet, you ask me why. I am red, I am blue, I am green; I'm all the colors that cover the walls of our buses; I am blue, I am white, I am grey; I am all the colors that the girls at school where as dresses. I am. I am tired, I am beat, I am fatigue. I'm the facial expression of those who walk miles with the bucket of spring water over their heads. I'm the hard, calloused knuckles of those who use rocks, and soap to wash the sheets of their beds. I am. I'm the rebirth of the middle passage. I'm flying through centuries, and centuries of economic bondage. The words "Free" and "Liberty" mean everything to me. I'm hitting conspicuously under the eyes of misery, so don't tell me I'm the sin that many are afraid to make. I'm the revolutionary, correction that they call a mistake. I am freedom. I'm revolution. I am slavery abolished. I'm the broken shackles on a maroon's foot. I'm the rebellion of slaves hiding in soot. I am burnt crops. I am sunbeaten backs. I'm the accumulative sweat of years of slavery that didn't last. I am. I'm the voices of ancient kings and queens. I am rich. I am a land stripped of natural resources. I am naturally resourceful. I'm the inspiration of Belizean flag. I'm the one the Colombian army called comrade. I'm the religion that strikes fear in some. I'm the ancient practices of Vodou. I am free -- I am. Sorry.

MAYOR MESSAM: All right. All right.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: He got almost to the end, but he did an extremely good job. Thank you everyone for supporting him. (Video shown) I just wanted to say thank you so much to all of the staff members who availed themselves to record, and share a little bit of their history. I also want to say a special thank you to the IT Department, Andre and his team who put together the video to show you the slices of Haiti that you may have never seen unless you make a trip there, so thank you very much for making this happen, and thank you everyone for celebrating Haitian Heritage with us in the City of Miramar. Thanks again.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you so much, Commissioner Cherasard. And if you ever doubted how great Haiti is, you can look no further than your very own Miramar city staff. Wasn't that great. And thanks again for sharing the talent of your amazing son with that vocal ensemble. So -- that's my little buddy over there.

Presentation: Check presentation for the Education Advisory Board (EAB) Scholarship Award Winners (Mayor & Commissioners on behalf of Education Advisory Board)

MAYOR MESSAM: All right. Moving our agenda, we have -- I'd like to invite the Social Services Director, Katrina Davenport, forward to the podium, and -- are we going to do the presentation, of -- read something first or -- because we have a couple things going on right now.

MS. DAVENPORT: We are going to be presenting our scholarship winners, so we'd like to invite everyone forward.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes, so Commission members, come forward. We have our Education Advisory Board; are those members here?

MS. DAVENPORT: They are.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes.

MS. DAVENPORT: So, Mayor, Madam Vice Mayor, Commission, City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk. Katrina Davenport, Social Services. And I would like to introduce to you the Chair of the Education Advisory Board, Teneshia Taylor; she's going to bring with her the winners of the 2025 EAB Scholarship, along with the other EAB board members up on the -- in front of the dais for the presentation. Thank you.

MS. TAYLOR: Good evening, Mayor, Vice Mayor, Commission members, City Clerk, City Att -- City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk. Teneshia Taylor with the Edu -- Chair of the Education Advisory Board members. It's always an honor, and a pleasure to present the scholarship awardees; this is our eighth year -- our eighth year making this award. Thank you. And just some facts, especially for those who do not know; the Education



Advisory Board is based here; we're one of few who make a resident-based scholarship to high school seniors. Until this afternoon, we had 22 students that we have awarded for a two -- for a total of \$21,500.00; as of today, we're at 25 students, \$24,500.00 directly awarded by this board, and the effort of the board members, so shoutout to our board members, and our donors, and sponsors. We have today our 2025 award -- awardees: Kayla Carrasco, Kayla -- her -- Kayla will be attending University of Central Florida in the fall, and she is a graduate of Pembroke Pines Charter High School. We also have Vegas Burnette, Vegas will be attending FSU in the fall, and he is a graduate of Plantation High School; and we have our third awardee, Ms. Arianna Lewis, who will also be attending FSU in the fall, and she is a graduate of Everglades High School. And that is our 2025 roster for the EAB Scholarship Awards. So let's give them a round of applause, and their parents, and their support system. And before -- without, I don't want to leave him out. We have Marcus Murray, and just, again, we have 22 students that we have awarded in the past, and we have a representative from our alum, Class of '22 awardee who is in our audience, I believe, Marcus Murray. Did he leave? Well, he was here at the reception, but congrats to him too, who's at Georgia Tech. Okay.

MAYOR MESSAM: Well, before you take a seat, if you could just announce yourself again, your high school, and if you've decided where your next phase of life is going to be, share with the community.

MS. LEWIS: Hi everyone. My name is Arianna Lewis; I go to Everglades High School. I plan on attending Florida State University, and studying biomedical -- I'm studying biomedical engineering.

MR. BURNETT: Hello, my name is Vegas Burnett, and in a week I'll be graduating from Plantation High School, and next month I will also be attending Florida State University, majoring in finance and (unintelligible 35:40).

MS. CARRASCO: Hello, my name is Kayla Carrasco. I go to Pembroke Pines Charter High School. I will be going to the University of Central Florida.

MAYOR MESSAM: Well, we wish you all -- first, congratulations on being a scholarship recipient. We wish you all the best as you matriculate, and move on to higher education. We're here to support you all, and we're so proud, and we know you're going to do so well at Florida State, and at University of Central Florida. All right.

Presentation: Honey Shine Presentation (Mayor Wayne M. Messam)

MAYOR MESSAM: So I think it's now time for me -- am I inviting -- Janine -- you're going to lead us, right, Janine? Okay. Good. Let's give our Deputy Parks & Recs Director a round of applause, Ms. Janine Alleyne-Maragh to the mic. Good evening.

MS. ALLEYNE-MARAGH: Good evening. Good evening, Mayor Messam, thank you, Vice Mayor, Commissioners, the City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk, and our

residents, and fellow coworkers. I -- it's -- it's a pleasure to stand before you this evening to present to you our Honey Shine program (video shown). At this time, I'd like to bring our future leaders to the stage, so you can meet them in person that attend our Honey Shine program right here at the Ansin Park Sports Complex, if the young ladies can come forward.

MAYOR MESSAM: All right, Miramar, we can do better than that. Let's give our young scholars a big round of applause.

MS. ALLEYNE-MARAGH: As they make their way forward, it is important to note that these young ladies attend New Renaissance Middle School, which is right next door to the Ansin Sports Complex, right here in the City of Miramar. Let's give it up for them.

MAYOR MESSAM: All right. And I think we have a presentation, some support for our beautiful, grace -- wasn't that a graceful performance. That was amazing. Great job. So in an effort to support the program, and to provide needed resources to continue the phenomenal development of our beautiful young ladies, we have a check presentation, which -- I know there was a -- is a Shell -- a Shell -- one of our local Shell gas stations that presented some funds to support the development of our Honey Shine program of \$5,000.00. So on behalf of the City of Miramar, we support Honey Shine, and the community stands behind you. Know that you can be whoever you dare to be in life, and no one can stop you from achieving it, and thank you so much for representing our community so well, your school so well, and we look forward to your continued growth, and development. Let's give them another big round of applause. Ernest Toliver. Come here, sir. He's hiding in the background; these are his babies, and I know he is so proud of them, and we have a -- just a token that you can put on your desk from the City of Miramar, because you have opened up your doors by allowing the Honey Shine program in the City of Miramar just to be a little part of their development, and we are so proud of New Renaissance, and the product of excellent scholars that you're developing there at New Renaissance. So on behalf of the City of Miramar, the City Commission, we'd like to present you this token that you can display at your desk. And I think we have some -- okay. I'm -- I'm following instructions. Ms. Brittney Lampert. You thought we forgot you, didn't you? That's the best when you're not expecting any recognition. And you have, as well, a very nice memento you can put in your office, or the place where you would like to display. All right. There it is. We know behind every successful program is hardworking leaders that direct it, and for you, your team, your staff, we thank you for pouring into our young ladies, and helping them be all that they can be, and all who they have been ordained, and destined to be; thank you so much. We have one more presentation. Yes. Our photographer is trying to rush the process. Our esteemed Chief Executive Officer, Ms. Tina Brown. Yes, it's very heavy. Yes, so -- you know the -- yeah. You know the Mourning family, and -- has such a legacy here in the City of Miramar at the Overtown Youth Center with the Honey Shine program, and their reach has gone north, and have reached here in the City of Miramar, and we'll like to thank both organizations for including Miramar in the excellence that you're doing in the Overtown Youth Enrichment Center; that's the name -- correct name, right, the Overtown Youth --

Overtown Youth Center. And -- and we are just -- we're just blessed to be a -- an extension of all the resources that -- that you're making, and we're here to support the program, and to support our young ladies as much as we can, so thank you all so much for pouring into our community. We have certificates for our young ladies. Our -- or -- not, the young -- the teachers; that's right, the teachers, the instructors. All right. And our first one goes to Celfida 46:04 Jean Baptiste, Honey Shine educator. Our next certificate, Honey Shine educator, Chauncey Chaves 46:18. And to Tierra Phoenix. Thank you all so much. All right. Now we're ready for the photo right? Okay. And before we leave the stage, we would like, Ms. Brown, if you could just -- just share with the community who may not know what the program is all about, and the benefits of our young ladies being in the program.

MS. BROWN: Sure. So first of all, I just want to say a tremendous, and heartfelt grat -- I want to just give my -- and share gratitude for Miramar embracing the Honey Shine program. Honey Shine was founded by Tracey Wilson-Mourning over 20 years ago, and her vision was to pour into young girls growing up in the south area of Miami. She would always say that, you know, she saw young girls walking up and down the street not knowing where her life, or how her life would turn out, because her mom a housekeeper, she cleaned houses for a living, she was born into a biracial family, and was subject to a lot of scrutiny, disparities, and all of that. And what she wanted for her life was to ensure that the same things that her mom instilled in her, despite their circumstances, was something that she wanted to instill in young ladies across South Florida. And that was to really uplift young girls, mind, body and soul. And so the purpose of our program is really to empower, inspi -- inspire, empower, and enrich the lives of young girls, providing a holistic approach, so that they can reach their full potential. And for 20 plus years, we've been able to graduate 100 percent of our young ladies in our program, many of them -- many of them having the opportunity to get full scholarships, go off to colleges, and universities. And, after 20 years of service, we're seeing a lot of these young women come back into our community, and work for our programs, and now are pouring into young ladies like these young ladies that we see here today. So our primary goal is really to ensure that women will become the bold, courageous leaders that they're destined to be.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you all, and congratulations, and thanks to our city staff that coordinates with Honey Shine. You all have a amazing evening; thank you all for coming this evening. And I think -- I think we can sit. We do -- are they still here? What's his name -- what's his name? Ed, Ed Mercardo, we do have your pro -- we -- we had another copy. We only had one that we read; we do want you at least to come, and to receive your copy -- I'm not sure if you can have your camera as well, but come on up. You want to set it -- good. Is it rolling? On behalf of the City of Miramar, we would like to present you this proclamation in observance of Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month, May 2025, and thank you, and all of your community for all the contributions you give to the City of Miramar, and all of South Florida.

Presentation: Police and Fire Recognition (Kiwans Club of MPP Representative Ann Lee)

MAYOR MESSAM: Okay. So our next and final presentation is Police, and Fire Recognition by the Kiwanis Club of Miramar Pembroke Pines. Is Representative Ann Lee present? And team, the entire Kiwanis Chapter.

MR. KIDD: My friends. Chief Delrish Moss, could you join us, please, and also would Chief McFarlane.

MAYOR MESSAM: Is he here?

MR. KIDD: Is McF -- is chief -- okay. Representative. Okay. And Tricia from Debbie Wasserman Schultz; I think you're pulling double duty today. Come on up, please. Come up, please; be with us. So the Kiwanis Club of Miramar Pembroke Pines has been serving the City for over 33 years. We have been serving Miramar and Pembroke Pines, and beyond. We service -- we provide services in the area of food insecurity; food insecurity is a big deal in our communities, and we want to make sure that we're doing our part to address that. Safety, computers, technology, Do The Right Thing, this is where the Chief comes in; we partner with Chief, and his program of doing the right thing; we're a sponsor of that program. And we make sure that we recognize students that are do -- that are exemplary in our schools, and are standing -- and standing and above -- operating above the fray. So today we would like to take the opportunity to recognize Chief Delrish Moss, and the fire station -- fire station. Annual -- annually we do a food drive; last year we provided meals for 285 families in our community. The Fire Station 70 -- Fire Station 70 at Miramar Parkway and Douglas Road, that is where we do our distribution. The students from various high schools, all of the high schools, actually, in the area, they come out, and they participate with us, and they get community service hours. So without further ado, our staff here, we would like -- on behalf of the Kiwanis Club of Miramar Pembroke Pines, and, again, sorry. I'm jumping ahead a little bit here. Just a quick note. To become -- when I became a member of the Kiwanis Club, I got introduced by one of your very own, Chief, Una Hall -- Una Hall introduced us, so we would like to take this moment, Una, to recognize you. Thank you for bringing us into the club. We -- we -- and I will share this with you, if you're -- if you have not taken this yet, please take a moment -- please take some time. The -- Miramar Police Citizen Academy, it's an awesome program; if you have not taken that program; if you have not been a part of that course, please see Una, or please see Chief. It's an a -- it's an amazing program, that we took that -- we took that program, and that's where we became Kiwanians; Una recruited us after we completed that program. One note I must share with you real quick. Last note - - last note, last note. I have not -- I have not done the -- the drive -- the drive -- the drive in yet with the officers, so that's a -- that's a -- on -- on me to do. So our club secretary would like to present the award to chief.

MS. KIDD: Okay. On behalf of Kiwanis Club of Miramar Pembroke Pines, I'm presenting to Chief Delrish Moss today, and the depart -- Miramar Police Department in grat -- grateful appreciation of our ongoing partnership in honor of your leadership, and dedication to service. Thank you.

MR. KIDD: Awesome, awesome. And McFarlane. Representative, come on over.

MS. KIDD: Okay. On behalf of the Kiwanis Club of Miramar Pembroke Pines, we are honored to present to your department, the Miramar Fire Department in sincere appreciation of our partnership, and your unwavering commitment to ser -- to serve in our community for these 30 years; thank you.

DEPUTY CHIEF DODGE: Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: So one -- one group picture? One group picture? I was about to say, "Denton, if you have one more note, I was going to pull out my notebook." You know. Thank you all again.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (7:30 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.)**

MAYOR MESSAM: Okay. It is 30 minutes past public participation time, and we do have one speaker signed to give a public comment. Robert Nicholson. Good evening, sir.

MR. NICHOLSON: Good evening.

MAYOR MESSAM: And or the procedure for public comment is just state your name and address for the record, and you have three minutes to make your public comment. Welcome, sir, good evening.

MR. NICHOLSON: Good evening. Robert Nicholson, 3591 SW 68<sup>th</sup> Terrace. First, I'd like to thank Vice Mayor Colbourne for her assistance two weeks ago with the rock situation at my house. I'm here to -- this evening to try to get some clarification as to how to get problems solved at my residence. I've contacted the Building Department several times; this situation has been going on since February of 2024, and I have not had any assistance with what's going on there, along with code enforcement. I keep -- I continuously get notices about violations that have been addressed already. They've been to magistrate; we've solved -- well, we made -- thought we made concessions on, and had everything solved. This past week, I received three letters from code enforcement, and I think we need to put a stop to this harassment; basically, that's what it is, harassment. Because if I've received -- received the citations, and they've been dealt with, why am I still receiving them?

MAYOR MESSAM: That concl -- that concludes your -- your comment?

MR. NICHOLSON: No, also -- it -- well, my -- my situation is, basically, almost all the departments in -- within Miramar, with the Building Department, I was supposed to have talk to the lawyer for the City, because I put in a demolition application, and it was denied -- well, they held it, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Nixon, the head of -- the head of the Building

Department, Mr. Burr -- I don't -- I -- I can't call his name. But the situation is a ongoing situation; there's -- there doesn't seem to be any resolution to it.

MAYOR MESSAM: All right. Well -- well, first, I'd like to thank you for coming forward to discuss an issue that you're dealing with at your home. What I would say, Mr. Manager, -- because we have all of the heads of all those departments here tonight. If we could have the -- the code compliance, as well as the -- our code compliance manager is here, we have Mr. Nixon is here as well. Any issues specific that are legal, that relates to our City Attorney, they deal with that directly, as well as our magistrate process, because we don't adjudicate here from the -- the Commission. But all of our department heads are here. When you leave the podium, I'll ask if you'll just go to the back of Commission where they will join you, and then, perhaps, at least at a minimum be able to discuss preliminarily what's going on, and put a path forward. So we want you to feel that the attention is on the issue, and everything that can be done, at least some plan will be put in place to address -- to begin the process to address those issues.

MR. NICHOLSON: Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: All right. Thank you so much, sir. All right. Seeing no other individuals who have signed for public participation, public participation has now been closed.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

MAYOR MESSAM: Onto the Consent Agenda. Items listed on the Consent Agenda are viewed to be routine, and the recommendation will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. If discussion is desired, the items will be removed from Consent Agenda, and will be considered separately. The Clerk received no requests to speak from the public on the Consent Agenda. Does any member of the public present inside of the Chambers wish to speak on any item listed on the Consent Agenda? Seeing none, back to the dais. Are there any items wish to be pulled by the Commission, or may I have a motion on the Consent Agenda.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Motion to approve.

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Second.

MAYOR MESSAM: Madam Clerk, record the votes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Cherasard.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Edwards.

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Colbourne, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, to approve Consent Agenda Items 1, 2, 3 and 4, the Commission voted:

Commissioner Chambers	Yes
Commissioner Cherasard	Yes
Vice Mayor Colbourne	Yes
Commissioner Edwards	Yes
Mayor Messam	Yes

1. Minutes from the Regular Commission Meeting of April 16, 2025.

**Approved**

2. Temp. Reso. #R8401 approving the second one-year renewal of the **Grant Administration for Community Development Projects** Agreement between the City of Miramar and Community Revitalization Affiliates, Inc. (*Chief Housing Administrator Katherine Randall*)

**Resolution No. 25-135**

3. Temp. Reso. #R8351 approving the purchase of **body armor** from GL Distributors Inc., utilizing Florida State Contract No. 46151500-NASPO-21-ACS, in the amount of \$125,000.00, in Fiscal Year 2025. (*Support Services Bureau Commander Tonia Thompson*)

**Resolution No. 25-136**

4. Temp. Reso. #R8402 approving the acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2024 Community Project Funding Grant Agreement from U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development that provides funding assistance to the City for support and supplement construction cost for the **Miramar Youth Center**. (*Development & Intergovernmental Affairs Officer Debon L. Campbell II*)

**End of Consent**

**RESOLUTIONS**

MAYOR MESSAM: On to resolutions. Item number five, please.

5. Temp. Reso. #R8418 ratifying a first amendment to the ten-year lease between the City, as lessor, and Rannkidd, Inc., as lessee, doing business as **Juici Patties**, for the 2,400 square foot space of retail space on the ground floor located at 11735 City Hall Promenade within the Police Headquarters located at the Miramar Town Center. *(Development & Intergovernmental Affairs Officer Debon L. Campbell II)*

CITY ATTORNEY POWELL: A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Miramar, Florida, ratifying a first amendment to the ten-year lease between the City, and lessor, and Rannkidd, Inc., as lessee, doing business as Juici Patties, for the 2,400 square foot space of retail space on the ground floor located at 11735 City Hall Promenade within the Police Headquarters located at the Miramar Town Center; authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement; and providing for an effective date.

MAYOR MESSAM: Good evening.

MR. CAMPBELL: Good evening, Mr. Mayor, Vice Mayor, Commissioners, Mr. City Manager, City Attorney, Madam City Clerk, residents, guests. My name is Debon Campbell, the Development & Intergovernmental Affairs Officer from the Office of the City Manager. The item before us tonight is a ratification of the first amendment to the lease between Juici Patties, TR 8418. Issue: City Commission approval is required to ratify any lease agreements with tenants occupying space in the Miramar Town Center retail space. Background: The -- essentially, the item before us tonight -- I -- I want to paint a picture, so everyone gets a -- a clear view of why we're here before you tonight. The retail space, when it was first constructed, was not -- didn't necessarily have all the basic components of -- of a commercial retail -- retail space, so while we understand that it's a -- a raw space when we lease, there were some basic things that were missing that we probably could have done better, and address beforehand, and we've realized that, and we're making these changes now with our future tenants, i.e., Brandon Bistros, and Francesca. So with that being said, this project faced some delays, financial delays, and construction costs as well that became a burden to our tenants. And, essentially, these were our -- this was our -- you could say, a guinea pig, or our first tenants. And while we're excited to have them, and they've been a great partner, we've learned a lot through this process. So with that back story, the -- the tenants faced several construction delays; they received their CO this past January, and the grand opening, recognizing that this is a vital business in our city, and it's our first tenant, administration, we had to step in. And so we're here before you tonight with two -- two asks that we had to step in as administration; one of



them is a deferment of rent to starting June 1<sup>st</sup>, and an increase in tenant improvements allowance, and a -- a -- an additional \$25,000.00. As a City partner, the tenant has included a ten percent discount, and a 15 percent discount -- I'm sorry, ten percent discount to regular Miramar employees, and then a 15 percent discount to public safety employees. These are some photos of prior to construction. And then this is the raw space. So going back to what I stated earlier about some of the basic things that we have learned from this project is -- for example, a gas line, and water metering, sub-metering, so those had some unanticipated costs, and -- so that -- that explains the extra tenant improvement allowance. And these are some pictures of the grand opening that was this past January, and some additional photos; again, they've continued our -- tenants continue to be a community partner. And this is present day. Some basic agreement details that's still within the contract: base rent \$108,000.00 annually, lease term ten years, three percent annual cost. And then pursuant to this ratification, the total TI will be \$121,000.00. And City Manager recommends approval.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you for the presentation. The Clerk received no requests to speak on this item. Does any member present in the Commission Chambers wish to speak on item number five? Are there any members from the public that wish to speak on this item, number five? Seeing none, back to the dais. Are there any comments or questions from the dais? Commissioner Edwards, followed by Commissioner Cherasard. And you want to -- Commissioner Edwards, you're -- you're -- you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Thank you. The question I have, you know, in moving forward, because I know we have other tenants coming into this space. Is there any plans that's in place to prevent this from happening again?

MR. CAMPBELL: Thank you for your question, Commissioner Edwards. Yes, there is a plan. We've started the process of meeting with the contractors for each tenant, and we've begun combining all disciplines in plan review meetings, and we've included our Utilities Department, and that as well, so we could actually -- we could match their plans with our -- where we want to put meters, and things like that, and -- and looking at the gas lines, and -- so there's a active plan, and we're following that, and -- but, yes, to answer your question.

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: So this would be a one-time?

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes. And our -- our tenants, you know, we have that understanding with them. Juici Patties are here, they're behind me right now, so they do have that understanding.

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Okay. Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: Commissioner Cherasard.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Thank you very much. Thank you for the presentation. A question on -- you initially mentioned that the request to come back to the Commission came from a suggestion by staff, or did it come from the Juici Patty franchisers? The request for assistance, did that come from staff as a suggestion, or did they come and say, "We might need something else."?

MR. CAMPBELL: They -- the tenants came to the City as a ask.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Okay. And I want to ask, currently, is the business profitable? Are they turning profits as of this moment?

MR. CAMPBELL: Yes, they are. Well, I could reserve -- probably, that to the owners; I'll let them -- they could probably speak better to that. So I would like to introduce Mrs. Annette Kidd, Mrs. Robert Kidd from Juici Patties.

MS. KIDD: Thank you so much for allowing us to speak. Annette Kidd, Juici Patties, Miramar, and Robert Kidd, residents of Miramar, 5400 SW 139<sup>th</sup> Avenue for over 22 years. Yes, the business is -- it's profitable.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: And -- and -- and I'm asking these questions publicly, so that it can be clear to the those who are listening. Would the funds that are asked as the additional tenant improvement allowance, those are to go towards which part of your business expenses?

MS. KIDD: To go towards what we've already actually paid for, which is the build out of the space, not for equipment or furniture, but strictly for things like bringing water into the space, or electricity, gas lines, things of that nature.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Thank you. My -- my last question goes further into the conversation about being a partner with the City of Miramar. And I thank you for your offering of the discounts to our staff, as well as our police and fire, who get a extra special discount, so thank you for that. I also want to delve a little bit further into some additional concessions, if possible, with regards to the banquet space for the City of Miramar. In terms of overflow activity, if there is something that we can actually, contractually, kind of come to an agreement on -- for some usage of the space throughout the -- throughout the year.

MS. KIDD: Actually, anything that's needed, as long as it's reasonable, we can definitely discuss.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Okay. Yeah, if we could solidify that relationship, so that the partnership can even be a little bit more solid, just as a give and take for -- for the concession that we would be giving.

MS. KIDD: We appreciate the partnership with the City of Miramar, because we know it is mutually beneficial, and the community loves it, and we love it as well, and it's extra special that, as Miramar residents, we get to live, and work, and play in the City of Miramar, so we are grateful.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Thank you. I enjoy my meals at Juici Patty, and I want to see you succeed over there. So thank you.

MR. KIDD: Thank you. I -- I heard a mention of someone, a chef, and patties. We have the number one patties in the world. Thank you. And it's great to be a partner with the City; we love it, and the city employees love it, so thank you very much.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you all. Are there any other comments or questions? All right, seeing none, may I have a motion on item number five, please.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Motion to approve.

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Second.

MAYOR MESSAM: Record the votes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Cherasard.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Edwards

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Colbourne, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, to approve Resolution #R8418 as presented; the Commission voted:

Commissioner Chambers	Yes
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Commissioner Cherasard	Yes
Vice Mayor Colbourne	Yes
Commissioner Edwards	Yes
Mayor Messam	Yes

### **Resolution No. 25-138**

MAYOR MESSAM: Item number six, please.

6. Temp. Reso. #R8386 approving the award of Invitation for Bids No. 25-007 (RE-BID) entitled "**Country Club Ranches Watermain Improvement - Phase 3**" to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder, D.B.E. Management, L.L.C.; authorizing the City Manager to execute the proposed agreement with D.B.E. Management, L.L.C., in an amount of \$2,613,348.00 and approving a project allowance in the amount of \$200,000.00 for a total project amount not-to-exceed \$2,813,348.00. *(Utilities Senior Project Manager Eric Francois and Procurement Director Alicia Ayum)*

CITY ATTORNEY POWELL: A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Miramar, Florida, approving the award of Invitation for Bids No. 25-007 (RE-BID) entitled "Country Club Ranches Watermain Improvement - Phase 3" to the lowest, responsive and responsible bidder, D.B.E. Management, L.L.C.; authorizing the City Manager to execute the proposed agreement with D.B.E. Management, L.L.C., in an amount of \$2,613, 000 - \$2,613,348.00 and approving a project allowance in the amount of \$200,000.00 for a total project amount not-to-exceed \$2,813,348.00; and providing for an effective date

MAYOR MESSAM: Good evening.

MR. FRANCOIS: Good evening, Mr. Mayor, Madam Vice Mayor, and Commissioners, City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk. Eric Francois, Senior Project Manager, Utilities. The item before you tonight is the award for construction for the Country Club Ranches Water Main Phase 3 with -- to D.B.E. Management. Issue: City Commission approval is required for purchase exceeding \$75,000.00 per vendor per fiscal year in accordance with section of the city code. Background: This project was included in the CIP that was adopted in fiscal year 2025 by the City Commission. Country Club Ranches Water Main Project has been divided into seven phases; construction of Phase 1 and Phase 2 have been completed. Background continue: The map on the -- on the right actually showing all the phases; just as I said before, construction Phase 1 was completed in May 2023 and will serve a total of 170 -- 134 properties. Phase 2 completed in January 2025, and will serve a total of 64 lots. And Phase 3, which is the item before you tonight include a total of 37 lots, and funding is available for fiscal year 2025 under utilities fund in the amount of \$3 million. The scope for Phase 3 include pavement restoration, and other incidentals; installation of a total of 12,000 plus linear feet of six-inch water main; 26 gate valves; 24 fire hydrant; and 37 single-meter boxes. Procurement: On December 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024, the City advertised invitation for bids number 25-007 entitled Country Club Ranches

Water Main Improvement Phase 3 in a newspaper of general circulation, social media, and DemandStar. On February 13, 2025, the City received eight bid responses, and D.B.E. Management, LLC met the minimum qualification of the IFB, and provided the lowest responsive, and responsible bid in the amount of \$2,613,348.00. And this project contains a minimum participation requirement of 15 percent to be performed by local CBE or SBE. City Manager recommends approval.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you for the presentation. The Clerk received no requests to speak on this item. Does any member of the public present in the Commission Chambers wish to speak on item number six? Seeing none, back to the dais. Are there any comments or questions? Vice Mayor Colbourne, you're recognized. Oh, you don't. Okay. All right. I do have a quick question. What streets are impacted in Phase 3?

MR. FRANCOIS: Phase 3, it's bounded between Blule Gill on the north, and Bass Creek to the south, 141<sup>st</sup> Avenue, which is east of the canal, all the way to 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

MAYOR MESSAM: Okay. So this is for the watermain. We have an item coming up in item seven for engineering services. Is this for the same scope?

MR. FRANCOIS: No. Actually, it's for construction management. It's for the same scope, yes, sir.

MAYOR MESSAM: So you're calling the construction management services -- construction engineering services in item number seven?

MR. FRANCOIS: Yes.

MAYOR MESSAM: Okay. So there -- is there like the owner rep? Okay. All right. Just wanted to clarify, because when I see engineering, I'm thinking design. And I'm like, "How can we get a bid on something that hasn't been designed yet?" So I just wanted to clarify, because it said engineering services; so for -- for -- for a matter of clarity. All right. Thanks so much for the -- for the clarification. Can I have a item on number six, please?

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: -- for --

MAYOR MESSAM: Is -- did you have a question, Commissioner Chambers?

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Yes. I'm a little confused with this phase. The -- can he repeat the address -- the street?

MAYOR MESSAM: If you could just repeat the -- the bounds of the work area under Phase 3, the streets.

MR. FRANCOIS: Yes, it's bounded on north side Blue Gill, and south Bass Creek, and 141<sup>st</sup> Avenue to the west, and 136<sup>th</sup> Avenue to the east.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Okay. So I got you. The next -- Phase 2 was 148 to Bass Creek, right?

MR. FRANCOIS: That's correct. And -- and, Commissioner, that's correct, 148 to the west, and to 141<sup>st</sup> Avenue, actually, west side of the canal.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Thank you. I just want to say I'm very pleased with progress that has been made, and just excited about this project. I know it's quite a bit, and it's going to take some time, but it was designed to be done this way in -- in phases, because of the allocation of funds. I'm truly, truly pleased, and at the speed we're moving, and just grateful to be a part of it. And, like I said in the beginning, this is the way we eat the elephant, one bite at a time. So thank you so much.

MR. FRANCOIS: Thank you, Commissioner.

MAYOR MESSAM: All right. Seeing no other questions for comments, may I have a motion on item number six.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Motion to approve.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Second.

MAYOR MESSAM: Madam Clerk, record the votes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Cherasard.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Edwards

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Colbourne, seconded by Commissioner Cherasard, to approve Resolution #R8386 as presented; the Commission voted:

Commissioner Chambers	Yes
Commissioner Cherasard	Yes
Vice Mayor Colbourne	Yes
Commissioner Edwards	Yes
Mayor Messam	Yes

**Resolution No. 25-139**

MAYOR MESSAM: Item number seven, please.

7. Temp. Reso. #R8400 approving amendment no. 4 to the City's agreement with Chen Moore & Associates, Inc. for construction engineering services for the **Country Club Ranches Watermain Improvements Project Phase 3** in the amount not-to-exceed \$81,040.00. *(Utilities Senior Project Manager Eric Francois and Procurement Director Alicia Ayum)*

CITY ATTORNEY POWELL: A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Miramar, Florida, approving amendment no. 4 to the City's agreement with Chen Moore & Associates, Inc. for construction engineering services for the Country Club Ranches Watermain Improvements Project Phase 3 in the amount not-to-exceed \$81,040.00; and providing for an effective date

MAYOR MESSAM: Welcome back.

MR. FRANCOIS: Good evening, again, Mr. Mayor, Madam Vice Mayor, Commissioners, City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk. Eric Francois, Senior Project Manager, Utilities. Again, this item before you, tying to the first one that just presented. This one is amendment number four, construction management services to CMA, Chen Moore & Associate. Issue: City Commission approval is required for purchases exceeding \$75,000.00 per vendor per fiscal year in accordance with city code. Background: On February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Chen Moore & Associates was awarded to provide engineering services for the watermain improvement in the Country Club Ranches. The initial scope of the project entailed the design and regulatory permitting of Phase 1, which was divided into three sub-phases, 1A, 1B, and 1C. And Phase 1A, 1B, 1C 2 and 3 are all located in the public right of way; Phases 4, 5, 6, and 7 located in private right of way. Therefore, right of way acquisition, and easement dedication is necessary to move the program. Again, to the right, showing the -- the phases that are completed, and the other phases, num -- for number three, which was presented earlier, and the one that are located in the private right of way. Background continued: With the completion of construction of Phase 1 and Phase 2, and the design professional services of Phase 3, it is necessary to extend the services of CMA to include construction management services for Phase 3. The City and CMA negotiated a proposal to accomplish this construction management services in

the amount not to exceed \$81,040.00. Again, the -- these are the task that was completed, and the one that's before you tonight, which is amendment number four for the amount not to exceed \$81,040.00. This continue all the item. That was the service that was provided by CMA, and the dates, and the amounts, including this amendment before you tonight, number four, that will make it a total of \$1,106,620.00. City Manager recommends approval.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you for the presentation. The City Clerk received no requests to speak on this item from any member from the public. Are there any members present in the Chambers that wish to speak on item number seven? Seeing none, back to the dais. Are there any questions or comments? If not, I'll take a motion on item number seven.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Motion to approve.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Second.

MAYOR MESSAM: Madam Clerk, record the votes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Cherasard.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Ye -- Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Edwards

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Colbourne, seconded by Commissioner Cherasard, to approve Resolution #R8386 as presented; the Commission voted:

Commissioner Chambers	Yes
Commissioner Cherasard	Yes
Vice Mayor Colbourne	Yes



Commissioner Edwards  
Mayor Messam

Yes  
Yes

**Resolution No. 25-140**

**ORDINANCES**

MAYOR MESSAM: Item number eight, please.

CITY ATTORNEY POWELL: Item number eight was withdrawn.

**8. WITHDRAWN**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

MAYOR MESSAM: That's right. Item number nine.

- 9. SECOND READING** of Temp. Ord. #O1845 amending the Land Development Code of the City of Miramar, pursuant to Section 302 of the Land Development Code and Section 166.041(3)(C)(2), Florida Statutes, by amending Chapter 3, entitled "Processes," to update Section 324, "**Public Art**," to create a more inclusive framework for mural art, to provide for new and updated definitions, guidelines and requirements for mural art installations, making findings; providing for repeal; providing for severability; providing for correction of scrivener's errors; providing for codification; and providing for an effective date. (***Passed 1st Reading on 04/16/25***) (*Senior Landscape Planner Sue-Ling Rosario*)

CITY ATTORNEY POWELL: Item number nine. An ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Miramar, Florida, amending the Land Development Code of the City of Miramar, pursuant to Section 302 of the Land Development Code and Section 166.041(3)(C)(2), Florida Statutes, by amending Chapter 3, entitled "Processes," to update Section 324, "Public Art," to create a more inclusive framework for mural art, to provide for new and updated definitions, guidelines and requirements for mural art installations, making findings; providing for repeal; providing for severability; providing for correction of scrivener's errors; providing for codification; and providing for an effective date.

MAYOR MESSAM: This is a second reading. Are there any highlights, or any changes that you want highlight on this reading?

MS. ROSARIO: Good evening. Sue Ling Rosario, Senior Landscape Planner with the Building, Planning & Zoning Department. There were no changes made to the item or presentation.

MAYOR MESSAM: The Clerk -- is there going to be a presentation? Or -- because there's no changes. Are you -- are --

MS. ROSARIO: There were no changes. If you would like me to present, I can continue.

MAYOR MESSAM: Well, for the record, we'll just go through the presentation as a reminder.

MS. ROSARIO: Sure. This is the second reading of the mural art amendments, the City's Land Development Code, Ordinance No. 1845. Issue: Section 302 of the City's Land Development Code provides that all proposed text amendments to the LDC be reviewed by the City Commission, and -- and adopted by ordinance. Background: In 2019, Ordinance No. 20-01 was adopted, amending the LDC to establish a citywide public art program under section 324. This program provides for the integration of public art into public and private projects. It expanded the previous public art and amenities program that applied to the transit oriented corridor zoning district. The LDC currently defines mural art as hand-produced work of visual art that is tiled or painted by hand directly upon an exterior wall. It implicitly excludes mechanically produced or computer generated images and prints. This restriction limits the ability of artists to fully explore and express their creativity in public places. The Public Art Program, as currently codified sets forth rigorous guidelines for artist selection, allowing only artists with high level of expertise, and meeting certain criteria to be commissioned. The proposed amendment revises the definition of artists to afford opportunities up and coming artists who may not have access yet to major exhibitions; revises the definition of mural art to allow for mechanically produced images, and establishes standards for the processing of mural art, in response to various requests from commercial property owners. This is an example of a mechanically produced image; mechanically produced image is the use of digital printing, projections, stencils, and screen printing. This particular image is "Water Girl" by Logan Hicks, part of downtown Hollywood mural project. This mural was produced, using stencils, and screen printing. This is another example of a mechanically produced mural; this is the use of projection, part of Ignite Broward, one of South Florida's interactive Festivals of Art, Light, and Technology that takes place in Fort Lauderdale, Dania Beach, and Hollywood. The approval of this amendment would allow our city to, potentially, participate in initiatives such as these. City Manager recommends approval.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you for the presentation. The Clerk received no requests to speak on this item virtually. Are there any members present in the Commission Chambers that wish to speak on item number nine? Seeing none, back to the dais. Do have one raised hand; Commissioner Edwards, you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Thank you. Thank you for the presentation, and I -- I think it's a wonderful upgrade, but I have one question, in terms of where the murals can be placed. Is there consideration in the document for placement of murals?

MS. ROSARIO: Yes. The ordinance does have particular guidelines, in terms of location, of where they can be located. It does have to be within view public right of way, and then there does go a section into within smaller properties where it could be allowed. And then it goes further into regulations for maintenance.

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: And this is for both the City, as well as commercial properties?

MS. ROSARIO: Yes, private properties.

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Okay. Great. Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: Commissioner Cherasard.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Thank you very much, and thank you for the presentation once again. I just had a question on the clarity we would have when we're giving an opportunity to the up and coming artists, which is an amazing chance for them. How do we measure quality of the work? What's -- what's in place to determine what you're going to get? For something as big on a mural on a -- on a city building, or a commercial building, what are the structures in place to determine quality for an up and coming artist/

MS. ROSARIO: So part of the ordinance, we updated the definition of up and coming artists. So we have now included more flexibility of who could, potentially, install the work. Part of the process, the property owner would have to apply to the City for a permit, and we would review what they are proposing on a -- potential façade of a -- of a building. And, at that time, they would have to provide us an example of the imagery that they intend to do, so we can, at that moment, do the review. It would be done by the Building, Planning & Zoning Department in conjunction with Cultural Arts Director.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: And so there'd be measures in place as the mural, or the project is being applied to make sure that it's at the quality that the City of Miramar would --

MS. ROSARIO: Correct. The process also includes inspection.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Okay. Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: All right. Seeing no other questions or comments, may I have a motion on item number nine, please.

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Motion to approve.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Second.

MAYOR MESSAM: Record the votes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Cherasard.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Edwards

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes.

On a motion by Commissioner Edwards, seconded by Vice Mayor Colbourne to approve Ordinance #O1845 as presented; the Commission voted:

Commissioner Chambers	Yes
Commissioner Cherasard	Yes
Vice Mayor Colbourne	Yes
Commissioner Edwards	Yes
Mayor Messam	Yes

**Ordinance No. 25-10**

MAYOR MESSAM: Item number ten, please.

MS. ROSARIO: Thank you.

- 10. SECOND READING** of Temp. Ord. #O1841 relating to Comprehensive Planning; considering the annual review of the Capital Improvements Element of the adopted Comprehensive Plan of the City of Miramar in accordance with Section 163.3177(3)(B), Florida Statutes, and the related goals, objectives and policies of the City Comprehensive Plan; more specifically by updating the five-year schedule of Capital Improvements found in Table 6.1 to reflect the five-year plan expenditure projection of the newly adopted **Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2025 to 2029**; making findings; providing for adoption; providing for the deletion of

the Capital Improvements schedule for Fiscal Years 2024 to 2028; providing for the insertion of the Capital Improvements schedule for Fiscal Years 2025 to 2029; providing for severability; providing for administrative correction of scrivener's errors; and providing for an effective date. ***(Passed 1st Reading on 04/16/25)***  
*(Building, Planning and Zoning Assistant Director Tekisha Jordan)*

CITY ATTORNEY POWELL: An ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Miramar, Florida, relating to Comprehensive Planning; considering the annual review of the Capital Improvements Element of the adopted Comprehensive Plan of the City of Miramar in accordance with Section 163.3177(3)(B), Florida Statutes, and the related goals, objectives and policies of the City Comprehensive Plan; more specifically by updating the five-year schedule of Capital Improvements found in Tables . -- Table 6.1 to reflect the five-year plan expenditure projection of the newly adopted Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2025 to 2029; making findings; providing for adoption; providing for the deletion of the Capital Improvements schedule for Fiscal Years 2024 to 2028; providing for the insertion of the Capital Improvements schedule for Fiscal Years 2025 and 2029; providing for severability; providing for administrative correction of scrivener's errors; and providing for an effective date.

MAYOR MESSAM: Good evening.

MS. JORDAN: Good evening. This is the second reading of item number 1841. There have been no changes in the presentation, or within the ordinance since the last reading. We are prepared to do a presentation if you like.

MAYOR MESSAM: This item is a bit different from the one prior. Is there a desire for a presentation by the Commission, for many questions? Okay. All right. Seeing no presentations done by the Commission, the Clerk did not receive any requests virtually to speak on item number ten. Are there any members in the Commission Chambers present that wish to comment on item number ten? Seeing none --

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Mr. Mayor --

MAYOR MESSAM: Seeing none, back -- back to the dais. Commissioner Chambers, you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: I'm just wondering if we should have another presentation for the public who might have missed it.

MAYOR MESSAM: You said you wish to see a presentation?

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Yes, sir.

MAYOR MESSAM: Okay.

MS. JORDAN: Thank you. Good evening, Mayor, Vice Mayor, City Manager, City Attorney, City Clerk, colleagues, and esteemed guests. I am Tekisha Jordan with the Building, Planning & Zoning Department. This evening before you is item 1841, which is the second reading of the annual review of the Capital Improvements Element of the City Comprehensive Plan. The Capital Improvement Elements or the CIE is designed to consider the need for, and the location of public facilities, and encourage the efficient use of such facilities. As per Florida State statutes, updates to the Five-Year Schedule of Capital Improvements, also known as the SCI, which is the Capital Improvements Element or the C -- to the CIE of the Comprehensive Plan may be accomplished by ordinance, which is why City Commission approval is required. State law requires the City to provide sufficient, and efficient infrastructure to achieve, and maintain the level of service standards set forth in its Comprehensive Plan. The CIE of the Comprehensive Plan leads the way in achieving this mandate by considering the need for, and the location of public facilities. The CIE includes a five-year schedule of capital improvements, also known as the SCI, which consists of any publicly funded projects by federal, state, and/or local funds, as well as privately funded projects. This information must be updated annually to reflect the Five Year Schedule of Capital Improvements within the City's annual budget. As mentioned, this item before you tonight is the update to the CIE's five-year SCI, and it reflects the projection of the CIP for fiscal year 2025 through 2029, which was adopted by the City Commission on September 12, 2024, via Resolution 24-195. As such, the City Manager recommends approval. I'm happy to answer any questions that you may have this evening.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you for the presentation. Commissioner Cherasard, you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: -- very much. I had a question. I was trying to figure out if this is the ordinance that had a due date of May 9<sup>th</sup>?

MS. JORDAN: No, this is not.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Okay. Okay. Thanks. Want to make that clear. Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: All right. Seeing no other questions or comments, may I have a motion on item ten, please.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Motion to approve.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Second.

MAYOR MESSAM: Madam Clerk, record the votes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Cherasard.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Edwards

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Colbourne, seconded by Commissioner Cherasard, to approve Ordinance #O1841 as presented; the Commission voted:

Commissioner Chambers	Yes
Commissioner Cherasard	Yes
Vice Mayor Colbourne	Yes
Commissioner Edwards	Yes
Mayor Messam	Yes

**Ordinance No. 25-11**

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

### **Reports and Comments:**

MAYOR MESSAM: On to other business.

### **City Commission Reports:**

MAYOR MESSAM: Commission reports. Commissioner Chambers, you have a report?

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: I have a few words, thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: You're recognized, Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Thank you so much. I just want to thank JR for his presentation, and thanks to Commissioner Avril Cherasard for bringing your son to do that presentation. I want to wish him well; he's a very bright young man, and I know some day he's going to be instrumental in the United States of America. This is a country that made up of immigrants, lots of immigrants from the beginning, and I'm truly -- I'm truly grateful for that. Once again, I want to wish everyone a happy Haitian Heritage Month, and thanks to all the employees with the City of Miramar that participate in that wonderful video; it was fantastic; I love it. And I just want to thank the Haitian community for the 44 years of loving me, and giving back to their community that I know of, so thanks so much. I also want to thank Janine and Reggie, and the Honey Shine team for what they are doing in our community for these young ladies. It's a fantastic program, and it shows, and just thanks to all the businesses that are contributing, and giving money to support these young ladies. It's done a really, really good, amazingly program. Once again, I want to thank all the graduates; I know graduations started this month, and it goes on into June. I know last Sunday my daughter graduate, Hailey, she graduated from high school; she'll be going on to college. This past Monday, my granddaughter graduate from kindergarten, and tomorrow my grandson will be graduating from high school, going on to college, so looking forward to all the other graduations in the City of Miramar, and wishing everyone well. And all the ones that will be graduating, and going off to college, and some going off to the military, some going to be going off to some trades or something, but all our children going to be doing well, and we want to wish them well. I just want to thank the City of Miramar, thanks to this Commission, and thanks to all the employees for day in, and day out, and everything that we have been doing. Sorry I can't be there tonight, but one thing I wish I could bring some of this cold weather back from Ohio to Florida; I know it's hot there, and it's quite chilly here. It's pretty near, probably, 50 degrees, but I wish you guys well. Thank you so much, and much love.

MAYOR MESSAM: Right. Going down, Vice Mayor Colbourne, you have a report?

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Just a little bit. This weekend, as we all know, it's a huge weekend for the City of Miramar, Memorial Day Weekend. We celebrate not -- not only do we recognize Memorial Day by honoring those who paid the ultimate sacrifice, which we will do at 11:30 a.m., but we also have on Monday the motorcade that will be leaving Regional Park to Shirley Branca Park at 1:00 p.m. for an awesome celebration over at Shirley Branca Park. And we ask, you know, anyone of our residents who wants to come out on Miramar Parkway, you are welcome to go ahead and honor, and -- and -- and wave, and -- and clap, and -- and show your support as the motorcade goes by, and that will start at 1:00 p.m. from Regional Park to Shirley Branca Park. And then you will go straight to Shirley Branca Park to have a wonderful Memorial -- Memorial Day, and birthday celebration for the City of Miramar. Thank you all. That's it for me.

MAYOR MESSAM: Commissioner Cherasard.

COMMISSIONER CHERASARD: Thank you very much. Okay. So I wanted to say thank you; I always want to start with a thank you, because it is an honor to be working with



such amazing staff in the City of Miramar. This weekend past was my inaugural events hosted in the City of Miramar, and the support received by our staff members with planning, execution, and tearing down was immense, so I want to say thank you to the Parks Recs, Utilities, and event staff for making sure that I shined in the City of Miramar, and we shined together this weekend. Haitian Flag Day Family Fest was a huge success, and I'm honored to have been involved in making sure that we could celebrate publicly our Haitian residents, and heritage that they have been so proud of for years. I'm one proud mom, so thank you for saying good things about my son's presentation today. I'm happy to have him in a public space growing into the young man that he's growing into with all of your love and support, so thank you for that. I do also want to say thank you to the graduating class of 2025, whether it's from our Miramarvels all the way to our high school and college graduates. There's some proud parents, grandparents, aunts, and uncles out there, and I have about five graduations to attend in June, so I'm one of those also. I do look forward to hosting -- I mean it fell into my lap, so I'm extremely excited to bring the Father's Day Fishing and Beer event to the City of Miramar Regional Park at our corporate pavilion on June 15<sup>th</sup>. It's heralded as the event for men in the City of Miramar, so I'm excited to bring that to you, and, hopefully, my fa -- my son, and his father will be in attendance also. I want to point out a concern that's coming up for me with regards to the federal funding, or the county funding for school lunch being ceased. I want our ears to be open in the City of Miramar for those kids who may need some sort of assistance when it comes to food security during lunchtime, because many students, you'd be surprised, rely on the free lunch that they get from the school. So I'm opening an ear to our Social Services Department, and our education department, if either to collaborate, work together, or come up with something that we can do in the City to be prepared to carry on that responsibility, should our young ones need that support during their school day. There's not much you can learn on an empty belly, so anything that we can come together, and compromise on to be in support of our students who need school lunch. This week, we got our designation as an autism-friendly city, and that couldn't make me any more proud. I come from a medical disability background, and seeing that our city is working so hard to make sure that all kids can recreate at our parks is important. We have a little bit more work to do when it comes to accessibility for our immobilized children, and I'd love to see for any new, renovated, or improvements to our parks to also include access for our mobility (*sic mobility*) challenged children, including swing sets. So, as we're planning for the future, may we increase our inclusivity options in the city parks. One thing I also wanted to point out, and those necessary departments, if you would kind of back me on this in finding out how to find some resolve, we have -- and I -- I've probably gotten three reports from constituents regarding leaks that are still happening at the Youth Enrichment Center building. I'm thinking a roof that was repaired, there may have been a section that did not get fully repaired, and that is leaking. Also, at that same facility there's a request that the lights don't go off before 9:00 p.m., because the guys want to play basketball, and most parks, I think they're lit until 9:00, but these ones go off, apparently, before 9:00 p.m., if that can be looked into, and extended at least to the time most parks are -- are lit up. More and more, I'm hearing on the magistrate side for those residents who are being called in to report to the magistrate that notice is not sufficient. I'd really like for those who are in the departments that provide notice to our residents

about their deficiencies, or their attendance at these code compliance hearings to be very, very cognizant of your timelines that you have to abide by when it comes to letting people know that they are deficient, and the time for the cure, and the time that they need to have in between their notice, and their cure. We don't want to remove anyone's rights to clear a -- to clear a violation, and make it to their hearing, or hopefully not have a hearing at all with the magistrate. One other thing. We have an education department in the City of Miramar, and I would really like to know if I can do justice with that department when it comes to using the department for dissemination of information to the City of Miramar residents. A lot of what goes on on this dais is dependent on input from our community, but if our community isn't aware of the importance of certain conversations, because they haven't been taught what each item means, then we miss out on community input, and I think that's what we're here to do, represent the needs of the community. So I'd like to be able to use our education department even more fully to disseminate information about what we do here on the dais. I am also looking forward to our 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations, the motorcade, the dedication that Monday morning for our fallen heroes, and I hope that community comes out in full support of everything we do on our Miramar Day coming up this Monday. I'm excited, and I'm prepped, and I hope to see everyone there celebrating with us. That's it for today. Thank you very much.

MAYOR MESSAM: Commissioner Edwards.

COMMISSIONER EDWARDS: Thank you, Mayor. Just a couple things I -- I want to say. First, I want to say thanks to Sergeant Brett Stefan; last Friday I did a four-hour ride along with him. It was quite an inciteful experience doing the road patrol, and getting that first-hand experience of what our officers on the road go through, and I really appreciate the opportunity to do that. Also witnessed a training session with a number of officers simulating a traffic stop where the possibl -- from -- of a stolen vehicle with the possibility of some violence, and so they were being trained how to manage that situation. Which, again, was very inciteful, and I'm so happy to see our officers continuously being trained to act in various situations, and how to manage, and deescalate certain situations, so that was an experience for me. Tomorrow I launch an initiative called Community Conversations, and it's -- speaking to what Commissioner Cherasard said, in terms of just explaining, and having conversations with our residents, and giving them, and providing them with information about the services we offer. And also having conversations with them, giving them -- them an opportunity to share what they think we could be doing better, and how we can improve what we -- the services we provide to them. And we'll also use the opportunity to recognize four Haitian Americans in our community for their outstanding community work. So it's at the Multi-Service Complex. It starts at 6:00 tomorrow. On June 3<sup>rd</sup> we'll have a kickoff for Caribbean American Heritage Month; it will be right here in the plaza, and we're all invited, and all our Commissioners will be sharing what plans they have. And, finally, Mayor Messam, I must say my first two Commission meetings were what I would call initi -- an initi -- an initiation, because I must commend we're doing better with time now, in terms of how we -- we run through the agenda, so I'm happy to see we're pretty much to close. Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: Well, good. Just note that the tenure, and length of meetings is primarily driven by the comments made by Commissioners, so thank you all for allowing the chair to efficiently move the meeting on. Just a couple of updates. Happy birthday, Miramar, 70 years. Wow. We truly have grown as a city, and we really have created a identity for ourselves, and it's important for us to pause on Monday to celebrate, not only the accomplishments of the now, but also to reflect back, and give honor to those leaders, whether elected or appointed, our city staff, and our past residents for being the foundation that which we stand on, and the awesome responsibility for us to invest in our city today for the next 70 years. As we prepare for Monday's celebration, which will be on May 26 from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m. It's a federal holiday, so many residents will be off on that day. Bring your kids out -- will be a kids zone, a fashion show, live entertainment, food vendors; just an amazing opportunity to come together as a community. What I would note, and I know our Parks & Rec staff always does a stellar job with our events, along with the supporting departments to make these events well. I would gather that the temperatures will be above 90; I'm not sure what accommodations -- I'm sure that -- I want our residents to know that there will be some accommodations for the heat, so don't let a hot Monday afternoon deter you from coming out, because our -- our amazing staff has taken those considerations into play, and we want the community to come out, and have an enjoyable time. Thanks to our staff for facilitating, and assisting with two events this past weekend, the Mind, Body, and Mommy event, which was the first of its kind right in front of City Hall. Mothers from all walks of life came together to get the support that they needed, along with their kids. So, actually, it was a very beautiful day, and received a lot of comments and inquiries about waiting for the next -- the next one, so it shows that when moms are supported, our community responds, and we want to continue to -- to do that. So thanks to Jo Jo Riley for her vision on this, and our city staff for working together with our team to make that possible. Also would like to thank the panelists, also the content creator, St. Thomas University, and the gaming industry for very informative discussion, and gaming tournament on -- on Saturday. We had a very thoughtful, and informative discussion in making sure that our young people have some context on how they can make money in gaming, whether they are a player, or whether they are developing games to put their creativity to work. And it's important that our youth are involved in the production, and the intellectual property creation in gaming. This was an amazing opportunity for a great quality of life, while bringing to life a product that is primarily played by people of our community. So you have value in this, and we definitely would like to thank all of those who participated in that event. Congratulations to all of the graduating seniors in the City of Miramar, whether you attend Miramar High School, Everglades High School, Somerset, or a private school, or if you're home schooled, we just would want to wish you all the best. Congratulations in completing the rigors of K-12 moving on to whether it's higher education, or if you're going on to a trade, or to serve in our military, we wish you all the best. Continue to make us proud, and the sky is the limit, and we look forward, and are excited about what your future holds, and how you will conquer all the opportunities that will be before you. And, finally, just -- we had some initial conversations with Parks & Recs regarding the H.D. Perry Park, for us to engage the School District, as it relates to the interlocal agreement for the access. There are many residents in the Woodscape area that's in the area of the neighborhood who would

like to have access to the park in the mornings for walks. It's a beautiful park; they have a nice track, but we -- but because of the -- because of the nature of the school, and the hours its used, it presents a great opportunity for our staff to make that park available. So I'll be following up, Mr. Manager, with yourself, and Director Neal regarding how us -- how we can engage the School District to get a modification of the interlocal agreement, so that our residents can have a safe, and enjoyable place to either walk or jog those miles they wish to do early in the morning. And that concludes my report.

### **City Manager Reports:**

MAYOR MESSAM: And, Mr. Manager, do you have a report?

CITY MANAGER VIRGIN: No report, sir.

### **City Attorney Reports:**

MAYOR MESSAM: City Attorneys, any announcements?

CITY ATTORNEY POWELL: Yes, we do. Following up on the memorandum I sent you all on Friday, Jordan's going to make an announcement for an executive session, so we can further discuss the Antezana matter.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you. And that concludes --

CITY ATTORNEY POWELL: She's going to make the announcement.

MAYOR MESSAM: Make the announcement. I thought you did a good job in teeing her up.

CITY ATTORNEY GARY: At approximately 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025, or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, the City Commission shall meet privately to discuss pending litigation, pursuant to section 286.011(8), the case Enrique R. Antezana et al v Kimley Horn Associates, Inc. and City of Miramar, Case No. 4D2024-0486. This executive closed-door session will take place on the third floor conference room at 2300 Civic Center Place, Miramar, Florida. Present at the attorney/client session will be Mayor Messam, Vice Mayor Colbourne, Commissioner Chambers, Commissioner Cherasard, Commissioner Edwards, City Manager Dr. Roy Virgin, City Attorneys Burnadette Norris-Weeks, Norman Powell, Michelle Austin Pamies, Jordan Gary, and on-the-record court reporters. The estimated length of the attorney/client session will be 45 minutes.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you.

### **FUTURE WORKSHOP:**

Date	Time	Subject	Location
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06/26/25	4:00 p.m.	Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Planning Workshop	Commission Chambers
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## **ADJOURNMENT**

### **11. VOTE TO ADJOURN**

MAYOR MESSAM: May I have a motion to adjourn.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: So moved.

MAYOR MESSAM: All right. Good night everyone.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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Denise A. Gibbs, MMC  
City Clerk  
DG/cp