



MINUTES OF THE CITY OF MIRAMAR REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING

JUNE 16, 2021

7:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Miramar City Commission was called to order by Mayor Messam at 7:02 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, Miramar City Hall, 2300 Civic Center Place, Miramar, Florida.

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

Mayor Wayne M. Messam
Vice Mayor Yvette Colbourne
Commissioner Winston F. Barnes (Remote)
Commissioner Maxwell B. Chambers
Commissioner Alexandra P. Davis

The following members of staff were present:

City Manager Vernon E. Hargray
City Attorney Burnadette Norris-Weeks
City Attorney Norman Powell
City Clerk Denise A. Gibbs

MAYOR MESSAM: Good evening. How's everyone today? Little wet? Yes, go ahead. Clap up yourself. The meeting of the Miramar City Commission is now called to order. Commissioner Barnes will be appearing remotely for this meeting. An opportunity was given to participate or -- 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, or 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 noticed for not more than three minutes on any proposition before the Commission unless modified by the chair. This evening's meeting is being streamed live at miramar.gov/commissionmeeting, and televised on Comcast Channel 78 and AT&T U-verse Channel 99 for City of Miramar subscribers. As of June 16th at 4:30 p.m., ten members from the public have registered for this meeting. If a registered participant would like to speak, they can raise their hand, and at the appropriate time, our IT staff will unmute your 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 being taken. Madam Clerk, at this time, please call the roll.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: Here.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Barnes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: I am here.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Here.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Davis.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Here.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: City Manager Hargray.

CITY MANAGER HARGRAY: Here.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: City Attorney Norris-Weeks.

CITY ATTORNEY NORRIS-WEEKS: Here.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: City Attorney Powell.

CITY ATTORNEY POWELL: Here.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Barnes, are you there?

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Yes, I am, and my mic is open.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Thank you.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MAYOR MESSAM: Let us all rise for the pledge of allegiance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A MOMENT OF SILENCE

MAYOR MESSAM: At this time, we will observe a moment of silence for all condolences we are experiencing in the community. We do have a commemoration list of City employment -- of City employee bereavements: Arlande Antoine, Finance Department, mother-in-law; Balki Bislam, Utilities, brother; Carolina Cardenas, Fire, father; Darrell Green, Public Works, mother-in-law; Nixon Lebrun, Community Development, father; Olga Flores, Fire Rescue, cousin; Rose Antoine, Finance Department, mother; Susan Gooding-Liburd, Finance Department, aunt. Let us all observe a moment of silence. Thank you.

PROCLAMATION & PRESENTATIONS:

A Proclamation: DeVry University Day (Mayor Wayne M. Messam)

MAYOR MESSAM: We do have a -- two -- a couple of proclamations. Our first proclamation, I would like to ask Ms. Jackie Christophe-Hayot to come to the dais, please. Dean of Campus & University Partnerships, DeVry University. Good evening. This proclamation is in observance of DeVry University Day:

Whereas, June 30th, 2021, marks the 19th anniversary of DeVry University; and, Whereas, DeVry University's history begins with the innovative mind of its founder, Dr. Herman DeVry, who invented the port -- the portable movie projector, and earned a number of patents by advancing technology early on in the motion picture industry, and Dr. Lee de Forest, inventor of the vacuum tube; and, Whereas, DeVry University brings a pioneer's perspective to education, embracing new opportunities to explore and discover, always moving forward to the future, and encouraging students to dig deeper into understanding industry-relevant roles of technology, so that they can be for the what comes next and better equipped to find solutions that can make a difference in the world of tomorrow; and, Whereas, DeVry University strives to close society's opportunity gap by preparing learners to thrive in careers shaped by continuous techno -- technological change; and, Whereas, through innovative programs, relative partnerships, and exceptional care, DeVry University empowers students to meaningful -- to meaningfully improving their lives, communities and workplaces; and, Whereas, DeVry University is committed to providing proactive academic and student support to promote student satisfaction and success; and, Whereas, DeVry University is committed to accountability and transparency, publicly disclosing information that is key to understanding

our values and how we operate. Now, therefore, I, Wayne Messam, Mayor of the City of Miramar, and on behalf of the City of -- City Commission do hereby proclaim June 30th, 2021, as DeVry University Day.

MAYOR MESSAM: And thank you so much for all the continual education that DeVry provides to not only our residents, but even some of our City staff and employees. And thanks so much for being an integral part of our Miramar community.

MS. CHRISTOPHE-HAYOT: Thank you, Mayor. Thank you for the partner -- City of Miramar, thank you so much for this recognition. June 30th does recognize our 90th year as a university, and I thank the City of Miramar for this amazing partnership that we've experienced since I've been with DeVry. Thank you so much.

A Proclamation: All-America City Day (Mayor Wayne M. Messam)

MAYOR MESSAM: At this time, I'll like to invite my colleagues forward for a special proclamation in recognition of the National Civic Leagues name -- National Civic League names Miramar, Florida, 2021, All-America City. So if my colleagues can join me forward; and this proclamation was requested by Commissioner Alexandra P. Davis. We will ask if our Assistant City Manager, Kelvin Baker, would come up and -- and staff and team, we'll like to invite to come up to receive this proclamation. What, you all party too hard today during the celebrations? All right; proclamation: National Civic League names Miramar, Florida, 2021 All-America City winner, June 16th, 2021:

Whereas, since 1949, the National Civic League has recognized and celebrated the best in American civic innovation with the prestigious All-America City Award; and, Whereas, on Wednesday, June 9, 2021, the National Civic League's annual awards event was held virtually to recognize communities across the country that overcame the overwhelming challenges of the past year to unite during difficult times and build equity and resilience; and, Whereas, the National League announced the ten winners of the 2021 All-America City Award; these ten communities showed the strength of civic capital, the formal and informal relationships, networks, and capacities they used to make decisions and solve problems, and provided examples of community-driven projects that have adapted and transformed the community to be more equitable and resilient; and, Whereas, the All-America City Award finalists each provided a virtual community presentation to the awards jury panel from June 7th to 9th, which then selected the winners. Community presentations included prerecorded videos, virtual skits, music, spoken word, dancing, and heartfelt stories to bring projects and communities to life. Projects highlighted by the communities ranged from addressing racial disparities in public safety, and other city services, meaningfully engaging residents, and finding solutions

to issues, such as homelessness, immigration, poverty, education, environmental sustainability, and pandemic relief; and, Whereas, the City of Miramar was selected as one of ten winners nationwide, and is the only city in the State of Florida to receive the 2021 recognition. This is the first time Miramar applied for the All-America City Award, and was selected as a top-20 finalist and, ultimately, a 2021 All-America City Award winner; Whereas, for two decades, Miramar has experienced astronomical growth, resulting in both benefits and growing pains. Through resident collaboration, Miramar has proven itself to be adaptable in its response to these challenges by cultivating a resilient and equitable economy, increasing access to arts and culture, and revitalizing of historic parts of its community. Now, therefore, I, Wayne Messam, Mayor of the City of Miramar, on behalf of Commissioner Alexandra P. Davis, and the City Commission, do hereby proclaim the City of Miramar Florida as the National Civic League's official 2021 All-America City Award winner.

MAYOR MESSAM: And -- and I would like to ask my colleague, Alexandra P. Davis to do the honors of presenting this to our amazing staff and team that did an excellent job in responding to her request for the City to put all of the great works on display in application form for this organization, so that we can let the world know what we already knew how wonderful Miramar is and our city.

A Presentation: Recognition of Drop & Go Food Distribution Volunteers.
(Commissioner Alexandra P. Davis)

MAYOR MESSAM: Next on the agenda, we have a presentation recognition of the Drop & Go Food Distribution volunteers presented by Commissioner Davis.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Thank you, I appreciate that. This evening, I want to take the time out to recognize all the volunteers and staff, including my own, for working tirelessly over the last 15 months or so, delivering food items and other essential goods to those persons who were elderly, disabled, at home with small kids, and unable to visit the food distribution site, many of whom were with me in the beginning, when we had no clue of the devastation that this pandemic would bring. To date, over 600,000 lives have been lost, and this was before they had the vaccine, so it -- it was very challenging.; we lost two of our own employees during this time. All most of us knew -- most of knew folks who had been exposed to COVID-19, and actually got the virus, including among our small group. It was sure a -- it was a challenge for folks to sacrifice their time and health to deliver food contactless to the doors of our residents. As we closed out our delivery service last week, over 13,000 deliveries were made. We all rock ; give yourselves a hand of app -- a round of applause. I will be recognizing you all with a certificate of appreciation, but know that your reward is sure. As I call your name, come forward, remain on stage, until all names are called, and that point -- at that point, we'll take a group photo. I know many did not make it; the weather is terrible out there, but those that did, thank you for coming. Give me one moment. I'm going to call your name. If you're

here, please come forward. Once you come forward, just remain on stage. Aaron Williams -- and we'll hold the applause until the end. Aaron Dante Cardenas, Abdul Ghani, Akeem Jackson, Angel Mesonette, Andrea Forbes-Charles -- I know she -- she couldn't make it today. Anna Dennis, Annette Wellington, Bridgette Edwards, Cecile Joy Chong, Chantal Millseck, Cindy Davis, Cleo Mills, Christina Avely, Senator Daphne Campbell, Deanroy Barnet, Dennis Hines, Devoy Gray, Eddie Edwards, Geerish Shama, Gloria Binns, Gaeline Presendieu, Isari Cardines, Jessica Frater, Joshua's Heart Foundation, Commissioner Joy Smith, Junior Francis, Dr. Katrina Touchtone, Deronsa Gadsen, Luanda Hardiman-Washington, Leo Smart, Leslie Dotson, Lixon Nelson, Representative Marie Woodson, Mervis Raymond, Miles Baptiste, Dr. Neva, Nicholas Hylton, Noreen Patton, Pastor Andrew Samuels, Robert Woodson, Roy Woolery, Rudy Theophin, Ruthie Ruth, Dr. Sadie Dice, Stephen Johnson, Sunday Morning Kickers, Terry O. Knight, Todd James, Val Glenister, Willie Rimple -- Val Glenister, not Willie Rimple, and Zeeko Freemont. Now, invariably, hopefully we haven't left anybody out, but as I look to my right, I do see the Fire Department. They were always there, ready on the -- the go with my masks, thank you so much to them. Police Department, thank you for always having someone there onsite; appreciate that. The rest of the staff at Social Services for being there for us. And, of course, the volunteers and staff who -- who assisted us day in and day out; many were from the Utilities Department, thank you, and we appreciate your support. And so can we get a round of applause for all these hardworking volunteers. Wow. And, again, this is something that they do out of their own hearts; they don't have to. Many of them are volunteers; they're not getting paid. But day in and day out, they sacrifice their time to help others, and they are to be commended. We need to take a picture. I don't know that we can -- several sections. Okay. Perfect. And, of course, you don't need to stay for the rest of the program, only if you want to hear us; but other than that, you're free to go about your day. Thank you.

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

MAYOR MESSAM: Okay. It is now 7:30, time for public participation. According to documents and records, we have no public participants that have signed to speak, and those who did removed themselves from the list. So we will move the agenda. And going on to Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

MAYOR MESSAM: Items listed under Consent Agenda -- oh, before we go on to Consent Agenda, staff is -- for anyone who's here for item 16 and 17, those two items will be continued until July 17th (*Sic 7th*) and we received one eComment on item 16, which will be read into the record at the July 7th meeting when the item will be heard. So I just wanted to make that announcement just in case if anyone was online or in the Chambers waiting for those two items. On to Consent Agenda. Items listed under 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 the Consent Agenda, and will be considered separately. The Clerk received no requests to speak from the public on any items on the Consent Agenda. Are there items that wish to be pulled at this time?

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Number 11.

MAYOR MESSAM: Are there any other items? If none, may I have a motion on the balance of the Consent Agenda?

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Motion to approve.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Second.

MAYOR MESSAM: Madam Clerk, record the votes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Barnes.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Davis.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Colbourne, seconded by Commissioner Davis, to approve Consent Agenda Items 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, the Commission voted:

Commissioner Barnes	Yes
Vice Mayor Colbourne	Yes
Commissioner Chambers	Yes
Commissioner Davis	Yes
Mayor Messam	Yes

1. Minutes from the Regular Commission Meetings of May 5, 2021 and November 16, 2020.

Approved

2. Temp. Reso. #R7426 authorizing acceptance of **grant funding** in the total amount of \$141,550.00 from the Areawide Council on Aging of Broward County, Inc.; approving and authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement for acceptance of grant funding for the period from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022, for the provision of **adult daycare services**. (*Community Services Director Katrina Davenport*)

Resolution No. 21-111

3. Temp. Reso. #R7396 approving renewal of the Microsoft Enterprise Enrollment Agreement with Microsoft Licensing, GP, providing for the **software maintenance of computer and server IT infrastructure software**, for a total amount of \$1,343,720.00 over a three-year period as well as a total amount of \$67,000.00 for **cloud services** in FY21, utilizing State of Florida Contract No. 43230000-15-02 with SHI. (*Information Technologies Director Clayton Jenkins*)

Resolution No. 21-112

4. Temp. Reso. #R7420 approving the award of Invitation for Bid ("IFB") No. 21-015 entitled "**Landscaping, Irrigation Maintenance and Litter Control Services**" to Distinctive Property Maintenance, Inc., in the annual amount of \$601,620.00 and Mainguy Environmental Care, Inc., doing business as Mainguy Landscape Services, in the annual amount of \$154,056.00, for a total combined annual amount of \$755,676.00. (*Public Works Director Anthony Collins and Procurement Director Alicia Ayum*)

Resolution No. 21-113

5. Temp. Reso. #R7423 approving the award of Invitation for Bid ("IFB") No. 21-007 entitled "**Honey Hill Drive Off-Site Improvements Project**" to the lowest responsive responsible bidder Imeco, Inc., in the amount of \$132,608.75, allocating a ten percent construction allowance in the amount of \$13,260.88 for a total combined amount of \$145,869.63. (*Public Works Director Anthony Collins and Procurement Director Alicia Ayum*)

Resolution No. 21-114

6. Temp. Reso. #R7424 authorizing the purchase of **vehicles** for **various departments**, utilizing Florida Sheriff's Association Bid Nos. FSA20-VEL18 and EQU-VEH18.0, for a total combined purchase amount of \$207,551.00, for Fiscal

Year 2021. *(Public Works Director Anthony Collins and Procurement Director Alicia Ayum)*

Resolution No. 21-115

7. Temp. Reso. #R7427 authorizing approval of a new Interlocal Agreement with Broward County for guaranteed partial service related to **Building Code Services**. *(Community Development Director Eric Silva)*

Resolution No. 21-116

8. Temp. Reso. #R7428 authorizing approval of a new Interlocal Agreement with Broward County for **representation at hearings** before the **Broward County Minimum Housing/Unsafe Structures Board**. *(Community Development Director Eric Silva)*

Resolution No. 21-117

9. Temp. Reso. #R7406 approving the final ranking and award of Request for Proposal No. 21-01-10, entitled “**Grant Administration for Community Development Block Grant, State Housing Initiatives Partnership, Home Investment Partnership, Neighborhood Stabilization Program and Other Housing Programs**”, to Community Revitalization Affiliates, Inc.; authorizing the City Manager to execute a Consultant Management Services Agreement for an initial three-year term, with two optional one-year renewal terms. *(Community Development Director Eric Silva and Procurement Director Alicia Ayum)*

Resolution No. 21-118

10. Temp. Reso. #R7411 approving the renewal of the **Audit Services** Agreement between the City of Miramar and Caballero Fierman Llerena & Garcia L.L.P.; authorizing the second one-year renewal term, in an amount not-to-exceed \$99,000.00 for the renewal term. *(Financial Services Director Kevin E. Adderley)*

Resolution No. 21-119

MAYOR MESSAM: Item number 11, please.

11. Temp. Reso. #R7422 approving the **City’s investment policy**, pursuant to the guidelines set forth in Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, relating to the investment of surplus funds by units of Local Government. *(Treasurer Ian Evans-Smith)*

CITY ATTORNEY NORRIS-WEEKS: A resolution approving the City’s investment policy, pursuant to the guidelines set forth in Section 218.415, Florida Statutes, relating to the

investment of surplus funds by units of Local Government; providing for incorporation; providing for an effective date. This is sponsored by the City Manager.

MAYOR MESSAM: Vice Mayor, do you wish to have a presentation, or you just have a question?

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Just a presentation on it.

MAYOR MESSAM: Good evening, sir.

MR. EVANS-SMITH: Good evening, Mr. Mayor, Vice Mayor, Commissioners, City Manager, City Attorney, and City Clerk. Ian Evans-Smith, Treasurer. Background: The current investment policy was last updated and approved by City Commission on September 5, 2001. Since 2001, different changes have taken place, including investment types and market conditions. Issue: The City, in looking at its long-term goals or investing of its surplus funds has considered the benefits of being able to have diversity in its investment types. Falling interest rates during the past year has also highlighted the need to make necessary updates to the current investment policy. Also, City Commission approval is required to update the City's investment policy. Here are a list of items that - the types of investments, and the current policy, and on the up -- the right side, updated investment policy. We have corporates -- general corporate bonds; those were not in the current policy, and we're going to be including them in the updated policy. Municipal, which are like investing in bonds for local governments and governmental entities; that was also not in the current policy. We're going to be including them in the updated policy. Next. Then we look at intergovernmental investment pools, otherwise known as LGIPs; the current policy has the Florida League of Cities investment pool. We're going to be adding the Florida -- the ability to have like Florida Palm, and also the Florida Class and other LGIPs in the updated policy. And, currently, we have the SDA Florida Prime, which is in both. Next, objective: To provide the City with the option to create a more diverse investment portfolio; also to include language in updating the investment policy, making it possible to engage the services, if so desired, of an investment advisor in the near future. The City Manager recommends approval.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you for the presentation. As noted before, there were no public -- no requests for the -- or questions submitted for any items on the Consent Agenda, so back to the dais. Vice Mayor Colbourne, you're recognized.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Thank you. Thank you for the presentation. I really wanted to see the outline of exactly what was being changed; what we had in the old policy, and the new policy. And I think the chart that you -- that you showed addressed that. If you can make sure that I get a copy of that in my office, I would appreciate that.

MR. EVANS-SMITH: Both; the old and the new policies?

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Yes.

MR. EVANS-SMITH: Okay. Sure.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Also, you mentioned a third party. What exactly do you had in -- is -- is planned for that? What exactly is planned for that?

MR. EVANS-SMITH: In the new policy, we just included language to -- if we ever need to have a -- a third party, like an investment advisor, similar to what -- like the pension plans do. They have investment advisor, also investment managers. We -- we just added that language, just in case we ever need to go out to have a, you know, RFP or anything like that.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Currently, we don't -- currently we don't have that?

MR. EVANS-SMITH: No, we don't have any third party.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Are we in the process of procuring for that?

MR. EVANS-SMITH: Well, as I said, we just added it to the policy, so that if and when we do, you know, have discussion on that, then we will have the rule in the policy, and we don't have to go and update the policy again. That is --

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: All right.

MR. EVANS-SMITH: -- why we added the language.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Thank you very much.

MR. EVANS-SMITH: You're welcome.

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

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Motion to approve.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Second.

MAYOR MESSAM: Madam Clerk, record the votes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Barnes.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Chambers. Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Davis.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Colbourne, seconded by Commissioner Davis, to approve Resolution #R7422, the Commission voted:

Commissioner Barnes	Yes
Vice Mayor Colbourne	Yes
Commissioner Chambers	Yes
Commissioner Davis	Yes
Mayor Messam	Yes

Resolution No. 21-120

End of Consent Agenda

RESOLUTIONS

MAYOR MESSAM: On to resolutions. Item number 12, please.

- 12.** Temp. Reso. #R7432 authorizing the **purchase** of **Gun Shot Detection Technology Services** and equipment for the Police Department in an amount not-to-exceed \$595,000.00. *(Police Major James Dunkelberger)*

CITY ATTORNEY NORRIS-WEEKS: A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Miramar, Florida, authorizing the purchase of Gun Shot Detection Technology Services and equipment for the Police Department in an amount not-to-exceed \$595,000.00; and providing for an effective date.

INTERIM POLICE CHIEF BURGESS: Good evening. My name is Leonard Burgess, Interim Chief of Police. Before we proceed with our presentation on the ShotSpotter technology in regards to detecting gunshot fire, and reducing gun-related incidents, at this point, I would like the members of our command staff, as well as supervisory staff to

please stand up, as I share the following comments with our Commission. Commission -- please stand. Commission, we would like to express our gratitude for your guidance and support for allowing the City Manager, Deputy City Manager, and their staff for finding and providing the necessary funding for this enhanced technology, and other technology over the last year or two to protect our officers and the residents of City of Miramar. Such technology as the Unmanned Aircraft System, better known as drones, was one of the technology we acquired last year, including the BodyWorn Camera program, and the latest advanced taser system that our officers now have with them. Thank you all, as well as for the historic public safety complex that we occupied and started Monday and opened to the public. This technology, with this leadership team that you see here next to me resulted in the lowest park crimes last year, which was the lowest over 25 years in the City of Miramar. It's that combined leadership, as well as the guidance that's provided here across in the dais that we truly appreciate. So, at this point, we will continue to be - - to provide and be progressive and forward-thinking police agency. And, at this point, I'll turn it over to Major Dunkelberger, who had fully -- had oversight of all three of these programs and technology, and then, as well, to present the -- this -- the ShotSpotter technology is a few -- a few friends that are here to as well that are directors now that used to work for Fort Lauderdale Police Department and Miami Gardens as executive directors, as well as assistant chief, and now they're working for ShotSpotter. So enjoy the presentation. Thank you, leadership team, thank you, Commission, as we proceed with the presentation.

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: Thank you, Chief. Good evening, Mayor, Vice Mayor, Commission, City Manager, City Attorney. Major Jim Dunkelberger, Special Operations for the Police Department. Tonight I'll be presenting TR7432, which is the purchase of gunshot detection technology services. Authorization is required from the Commission to purchase services in excess of \$75,000.00. Approval is also required from Commission to spend funds from law enforcement trust funds, as per Florida State Statute, and a guide to the equitable sharing for State, local, and travel law enforcement agencies. Between January 2020 and January 2021, there were 83 shooting incidents within the City of Miramar. In an effort to address the persistent issue of violence in our communities, many law enforcement agencies have begun using SMART technology that better identified firearm shootings, and aids in their investigation. Gunshot detection technology can differentiate between gunshots and other similar sounds, such as fireworks. This technology can also quickly alert law enforcement to an active shooting incident, improve police response time, increase the opportunity of capturing a suspect, locating witnesses at a scene, and even, in some cases, save lives. ShotSpotter is an acoustic surveillance technology that incorporates audio sensors to detect, locate, and alert police agencies of gunfire incidents in real time. This technology quickly notifies police of gunshot crimes in progress with real time data delivered to dispatch centers, their patrol cars, and even on smartphones. It takes approximately one minute from the actual gun discharge and the digital alert, including the precise location for detection to be delivered to the policing agency. And now we'd like to play a short video that gives an overview of this technology and, in particular, the service by this company. Any audio? (Video shown). To reflect on a very recent incident just nearly two weeks ago, in

the early morning hours of June 1st, we had an active shooter here in the City of Miramar in the Sherman Circle neighborhood. Our officers were called there to the scene in the New Park Towers; many of the commanders are here that were there that morning. And when the officers began to -- to check the apartment complex at New Park Towers, they were fired upon, as well as some citizens as well. The officers did not know who was firing at them. This technology would have greatly assisted us that morning; it took a little over one hour and the use of our SWAT team members, and our armored vehicle to canvass the adjoining complex in the Verano neighborhood, where our sergeant identified a residence that had bullet holes coming out of it, and was able to then pinpoint that shooting was coming from that area. Our community resource officer was part of the SWAT team; he worked with the management team of that complex and identified a residence next door. Obtained a phone number from that resident, and that resident was hiding in a closet with her child, because her neighbor was shooting. He was shooting a rifle and two handguns into the neighborhood at police officers, and at our residents. This technology could have greatly assisted us in locating where that incident was originating from. Next slide. Here we're providing a -- an example of some of our partnering law enforcement agencies here in South Florida: The Broward Sheriff's Office utilizes this in two of their districts. I spoke with the commander of the Real Time Crime Center last week; he informed that within a two-month period in the Pompano Beach area, they utilized this -- this product, this technology, and they have had successful arrests in 17 cases. The information that they also received in that two-month period provided them - - what we call a hotspot location, and they allocated additional officers to that area, and they made a traffic stop on a suspicious vehicle, and the occupant of that vehicle had a rifle and other handguns. So they were proactively able to make an arrest, which they feel that this technology alerted them to put special resources in that area. Fort Lauderdale Police Department, Miami-Dade Police Department, our neighboring sister city here, Miami Gardens, City of Miami, West Palm Beach; I understand that Lauderdale is reviewing this technology, and looking at implementing here shortly. Palm Beach Sheriff's Office, Riviera Beach, Tampa PD, and Jacksonville, and that's just here in the State of Florida. So we have negotiated a tentative agreement with ShotSpotter through a piggyback from the Tampa ITB#21062018 for the procurement of subscription-based gunshot detection alert and analysis services within a service area of four-square miles. We provided that one-year data information to ShotSpotter, and they identified 67 of those 83 incidents that are occurring on our Historic Miramar side, and identified that four-square mile to be from Douglas road east to 441, Pembroke Road as the north boundary, and Miramar Parkway, and as you continue east to the Island Drive corridor, and then over to our county line. So that's a four-square mile that we have identified, along with the company of -- of being the majority of the shooting incidents that we would like to apply this technology to assist us. The service contract is a three-year contract; we -- for funding for this project, we would like to use our law enforcement trust funds in the amount of \$99,167.00 to seed the use of the use of this technology during the first year, and the City's General Fund dollars would utilize for the technology for the remaining period in the amount of \$495,833.00. Next slide is an allocation over the three-year period, what I just described, the funding sources, and approval is requested to enter into a three-year contract with ShotSpotter for the procurement of this subscription-based service in the

amount of \$595,000.00 through the City of Tampa's ITB21062018, with the option to renew for an additional one year, not to exceed ten percent of the previous period. Approval is also being requested to authorize the expenditure of State and federal law enforcement trust funds in the amount of \$99,167.00 for the purchase of gunshot detection technology, and the City Manager recommends approval. I have representatives here tonight from the company if you have any further questions for myself or them. Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you, Major Dunkelberger for very compelling presentation. The City Clerk did receive one eComment on this item, and I'll read it into the record: I would like to -- it is from E. O. Young: I would like to personally thank the Commission for taking this matter up in Miramar. This technology has proven to cut gunshots and gun violence crime in half in cities like Camden, New Jersey. As far as the installation, the better. And that was submitted E. O. Young, the -- the eComment service of the City. The Clerk received no other requests to speak on this item, so back to the dais, if there are any comments or questions, taken them now. I'm not sure; if you could just indicate on your -- your screen. I'm not seeing the register. Go ahead, Commissioner Davis, you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Thank you very much. I'm very pleased that the City Manager has really found a way to come up with the funding for this program. I had noticed, and I'm sure everybody else has, the increase in gunshots fired. Now whether they land on someone or hurt someone, that's another matter, but I don't believe anybody wants in a neighborhood where shots are just randomly fired off. I -- I remember there was one place over by Vizcaya where they were complaining about gunshots being fired, and it was very difficult to figure out where they were coming from, and they were coming from an area there, a -- a vacant land where folks were out there just shooting off guns. And so when guns, as you know, go off, they have to land somewhere, and it's just a matter of time before it lands on, you know, maybe your family member or my family member, or a friend or neighbor. So I think it's extremely important that we get ahead of this issue. All around the country, if you watch the news at all, we have seen an increase in the use of guns, the purchase of guns, and how they're being used by those who -- who -- who may get it -- maybe they are mentally challenged, maybe, you know, they get it through other unscrupulous means. But we have to use technology in order to protect our residents and businesses. And I believe that this is a start. We don't have a full complement of staff; we may never have a full -- you not going -- you're never going to have a full amount of police officers that can patrol every nick and cranny of our City. But if you use technology, you'll be able to figure out what is going on, and this is exactly what has happened. There's an area in our City that most of these gunshots are being fired, and I don't know that any of the Commission live in that area, but that shouldn't matter. It should matter that there is an area that is constantly being looked at as an area in the City that has these types of issues. And -- and so I commend the Police Department. We've taken a couple of tours, we've seen how it works in our neighboring city, Miami Gardens, how it works in BSO. And much like when we implemented the body camera program, which not only helped our residents, but helps the police. This is going to do

the exact same thing; it's going to help our residents, it's going to assist the police, and I think it's something that my colleagues, I do hope, will rally behind, because we want to make sure we have the technology that we need to have a good law enforcement agency that is keeping up with technology in order to get their work done, and to make sure that the City is safe. And the place -- we've just designated an All-America city; we don't want gunshots to ruin that reputation. And unless we get a handle on -- and I -- I'm -- I see that Lauderhill is looking at it. Why? Because if you -- again, if you watch the news, that's an area that's seen an uptick. Lauderhill, Miramar, and some other cities need to really get a handle on these things, and I think the ShotSpotter is going to do just that for us, and I appreciate you bringing this forward, and -- and finding the funding. One question I had, though, on the funding, I know you mentioned the first year that you'll be able to use law enforcement trust funds. And the following years you won't be able to use it. It's only a onetime shot?

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: That's correct, Commissioner. We can use law enforcement trust funds to seed new programs and technology for that initial startup.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: And, of course, hopefully, we can -- once we get our congressional seat filled, hopefully we can move towards trying to get some federal funding and other funding that's out there for law enforcement agencies, so we're -- we're hopeful on that. Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you. Commissioner Chambers, you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mayor. Sir Dunkelberger, thank you for an excellent presentation. Question. How long have you been with the Police Department?

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: How long what?

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: How long you've been working here with the Police Department, Miramar PD?

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: I've been with the department for 24 years, sir.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Twenty-four years. I must say, on behalf of myself and the City Commission, our residents, businesses, with your permission, I want to come and give you a big hug, if you don't mind.

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: Yes, sir.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Thank you. I must say over the last two years there's been an increase, uptick in gun sale right across this United States, and every night you turn on the news, there is some shooting somewhere. I see, recently, there was a lot of shooting from Atlanta, all the way up into those southeastern state, and sometimes Florida is no different. And I know tonight we see where we have 83 shooting over the

last year, and thank God most of those did not result in a homicide, fatality. It's a very few, so having this in our arsenal, I think this will help our businesses, and definitely help our residents here in the City of Miramar. And, as you know, sometimes, our men and women in uniform are in the frontline, and they are the one first are in danger and of getting shot or getting killed, and also our resident, our business owners, so I -- I think this is a great idea. I want to thank you, thank you, Chief Burgess and the City Manager, and, of course, this City Commission, because in Miramar we like to do what we think is best for our community. And I want to thank the rest of the Miramar PD for the awesome job that they have been doing day in and day out. Thank you so much.

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: Thank you, sir.

MAYOR MESSAM: Vice Mayor Colbourne, you're recognized.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Thank you. I echo really all that has said by my fellow Commissioners. I just want to -- I just want to say that pretty much the same thing. You know, the recent shootings that we have had, it -- it's truly been alarming. So anything that we can do to deter that, it's certainly appreciated. So I'm glad to see that the City have joined other cities in taking this precaution. A question in terms of notification to the public, in terms of this new -- this -- this new implementation safety wise, is that something that we do, or who would we handle that?

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: Yes, Vice Mayor. Great question. So our community resource officers in our department is very much engaged with our community. We've identified the 15 homeowners' associations, and the Historic Miramar Advisory Board, so we plan to go out and do a presentation to them, or invite them, certainly, and inform them of the technology that will be implemented in their neighborhood, and they'll -- we'll be doing that our new station, so we look forward to doing that.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Wonderful. Thank you. Appreciate it.

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: Yes, ma'am.

MAYOR MESSAM: Commissioner Barnes, you're recognize.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Just a question. One of the things we've discussed recently is that there are media houses that, from time to time, might be a slow news weekend, evening, whatever, so what they'll do they'll make a big deal of shots fired. Will the media outlets have the ability to monitor this kind of technology, and at what level of details? In other words, if -- if what you have are just random shots fired, say, for celebratory purposes, will the media be able to look at our technology, or get data from our technology on an ongoing basis that will basically say: It was just a shooting; no one was injured, no one was hurt, and so on. Is that -- is that a possibility under the system we're looking at in -- in -- in placing in our City?

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: Good evening, Commissioner Barnes. Yes, so we will receive those notifications. All shots fired will come through the system, but the system is kept confidential and directly to our police agency, so it wouldn't be broadcasted to the public.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: But -- but what that means is that you'll have the information on a very quick basis for those inquiries that might come from the media.

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: Yes, sir. We -- we would have that historical information, and we would be able to follow up on those locations.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Because -- because the -- the -- there -- there is usually a delay from an event taking place, and it being reported by our immediate different departments and so on, so what we're saying is that this information will come to hand a lot quicker, so when the media comes at us, we'll have this information ready.

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: Yes, sir, immediately.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Okay. Good enough for me, thanks.

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yeah. I would like to thank our City Manager and our Police Department for merging the collection of information in regards to this technology with the appropriate funding to make sure that we can implement this into the City. When you look at the technology like this spots -- the ShotSpotter technology, it is definitely consistent with the charge that -- that I've made in several -- several State of the City addresses, in terms of the City adopting smart city principles to provide public service to our community, and this is very consistent with that. In fact, to the point where it could save lives, as well as identify suspects who mean harm in our community, and -- and I share the sentiments of my colleagues on the Commission in regards to, not only the necessity for this technology, but our gratitude for bringing it forward to be a real-life solution for our community, and keeping us even more safe in the City of Miramar. I do have a couple of questions regarding the technology, and its -- and its implementation and capabilities. Obviously, we will initially start out with the four-square mile coverage area for this technology in the areas that we have deemed to be the most severe, or most critical, in terms of the number of occurrences of gunshots in our city. I would like to know what is the -- what is the -- I guess, walk us through the process, in terms of us, in the future, expanding the dragnet, or expanding the coverage of -- of -- of the City to increase the square mileage to provide more communities that would fall outside of the initial area.

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: Great question. Mr. Mayor, so as we -- as you, the policymakers, if you decide to expand this program, we would contact the -- the vendor, and designate that -- that area; it's based off of one mile, is how they provide the rate, and they provide the infrastructure, all the equipment, they maintain it, and so forth. So

we would just advise them of any additional mileage areas that we want to incorporate in our coverage area, and then they would do that. It's about -- they estimate about a month process to get that infrastructure in there to set up the -- the -- the sensors and so forth for it.

MAYOR MESSAM: Okay. And on that line -- I'm going to reserve a couple other questions I have, because I don't want to necessarily publicly speak on particularly assets and its implementation, you know, for obvious reasons, but -- but I'll get with -- with the department regarding those questions. My next question would be: Is it common practice for neighboring municipalities to share this system? So, for example, since Miami Gardens has a system already functioning, and we're about to implement, if passed, this technology, will our, I guess, knock or -- or central system, the first folks who are -- who are reading -- are getting the alerts for nay gunshots, let's say if it's right on county line, and we -- we don't necessarily know -- I guess the technology would know if it's on the Miramar side or on the Miami Gardens side, but will they talk to each other, or what would be the process for the collaboration?

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: Mr. Mayor, I'll introduce Mr. Al Lewers; he's with ShotSpotter, and we conversed, actually, on this topic, so I'll let him expound on it.

MR. LEWERS: Good evening, Alfred Lewers, Director of Customer Success, ShotSpotter, 4840 55th Drive, Coconut Creek, Florida. As far as the sharing of information, ShotSpotter has the subs -- a subscription service right in the application that will allow users who have entered into an agreement, giving us permission to give access to their data. So if Miramar wants access to Miami Gardens, vice versa, Miami Gardens wants access to Miramar's data, we would provide an agreement. We would turn on the ability for them to get access in the mobile format, whether it's a -- a smartphone, or a mobile data terminal, or a desktop computer for up to seven days-worth of information, or for historical gunfire activity through the insight portal, which is what we use for getting days of week, hours of the day, and repeat gunfire locations. So we would arrange that with our customers.

MAYOR MESSAM: So I was more -- so -- yeah, just contemplating a -- a live scenario; shots fired on the border line, and we're -- and while we are trying to assess and, perhaps -- I would imagine, depending on their network, and where it's located will ping them as well. So just how that situation would work.

MR. LEWERS: Within the Real Time Crime Center, they would be able to see where it occurred. There would be a historical rural map image with a 25-meter halo around the gunfire event. They would know how many rounds were fired, along with contextual information; that can happen in almost real time, 30 to 45 seconds.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you so much. All right. So --

MAJOR DUNKELBERGER: Mayor, just to add to that. I've had a conversation with Miami Gardens Chief Delma Noel-Pratt on this very topic, and -- and we very much so look at sharing information of this product within our agencies.

MAYOR MESSAM: Great. Right. Can I have a motion on this item if there are no other questions or comments?

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Motion to approve.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Second.

MAYOR MESSAM: Madam Clerk, record the votes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Barnes.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Dav -- Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Davis.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes.

On a motion by Commissioner Davis seconded by Commissioner Chambers, to approve Resolution #R7432, the Commission voted:

Commissioner Barnes	Yes
Vice Mayor Colbourne	Yes
Commissioner Chambers	Yes
Commissioner Davis	Yes
Mayor Messam	Yes

Resolution No. 21-121

MAYOR MESSAM: Item number 13, please, thank you.

13. Temp. Reso. #R7378 authorizing the **issuance** of City of Miramar, Florida Taxable **Special Obligation Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2021**, not exceeding \$55,000,000.00 in aggregate principal amount, to refund a portion of the City's outstanding Special Obligation Refunding and Improvement Revenue Bonds Series 2013 in order to achieve debt service savings; covenanting to budget and appropriate certain legally available non-ad valorem revenues of the City to pay debt service on the bonds; providing for the rights of the holders of the bonds; making certain other covenants and agreements in connection with the bonds; authorizing a negotiated sale of said bonds; delegating certain authority to the City Manager for the authorization, execution and delivery of a Purchase Contract with respect thereto and the approval of the terms and details of said bonds; appointing the paying agent and registrar for said bonds; authorizing the distribution of a preliminary official statement and the execution and delivery of a Final Official statement with respect to such bonds; authorizing the execution and delivery of a Disclosure Dissemination Agent Agreement with Digital Assurance Certification, L.L.C.; delegating certain authority to the City Manager to determine whether to utilize municipal bond insurance for the bonds; authorizing the execution and delivery of an Escrow Deposit Agreement and appointing the Escrow Agent thereto. *(Financial Services Director Kevin E. Adderley)*

CITY ATTORNEY NORRIS-WEEKS: A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Miramar, Florida, authorizing the issuance of City of Miramar, Florida Taxable Special Obligation Re-fund -- Re-funding Revenue Bonds, Series 2021, not exceeding \$55,000,000.00 in aggregate principal amount, to refund a portion of the City's outstanding Special Obligation Refunding and Improvement Revenue Bonds Series 2013 in order to achieve debt service savings; covenanting to budget and appropriate certain legally available non-ad valorem revenues of the City to pay debt service on the bonds; providing for the rights of the holders of the bonds; making certain other covenants and agreements to -- in connecting with the bonds; authorizing a negotiated sale of said bonds; delegating certain authority to the City Manager for the authorization, execution, delivery of a Purchase Contract with respect thereto, and the approval of the terms and details of said bonds; appointing the paying agent and registrar for said bonds; authorizing the distribution of a preliminary official statement and the execution and delivery of Final Official statement with respect to such bonds; authorizing the execution and delivery of a Disclosure Dissemination Agent Agreement with Digital Assurance Certification, L.L.C.; delegating certain authority to the City Manager to determine whether to utilize municipal bond in -- insurance for the bonds; authorizing the execution and delivery of an Escrow Deposit Agreement and appointing the Escrow Agent thereto; and providing for an effective date.

MAYOR MESSAM: Good evening, sir.

MR. ADDERLEY: Good evening, Mayor, Vice Mayor, Commissioners, City Manager, City attorneys, City Clerk. My name is Kevin Adderley; I am the Director of Financial Services,

and I have on the line on the Webex with us the City's municipal advisor, Jay Glover, bond counselor, Joe O'Brien. Taxable special obligation refunding revenue bond Series 2021. Issue: City Commission approval is required for the delegation of authority to the City Manager for the execution and delivery of the necessary documents to effectuate the issuance of taxable, special obligation, re-funding revenue bonds series 2021 to re-fund the City's outstanding, special obligation re-funding, and improvement revenue bonds series 2013. Background: On May 19, 2021, City Commission approved Resolution #7418, awarding investment banking services to Siebert Williams Shank & Co., L.L.C., and Loop Capitals Market to act as senior co -- to act as co-senior underwriters for the issuance of series 2021 bonds to re-fund the series 2013 bonds in an amount not to exceed \$55 million. Total debt service savings are projected to be approximately \$8 million over the life of the bonds, which is approximately 17 years. The estimated annual savings is \$500,000.00. Bond counsel and disclosure counsel have completed the necessary documents to move forward with this transaction. Commission approval is needed of -- of the bond resolution, and, really, the next three slides, the attorney has already read into record each one of the bullet points that I have, so I don't know if you want me to repeat what has already been read into the record.

MAYOR MESSAM: It's okay.

MR. ADDERLEY: Okay. And so there's really nothing else to present, other than we ask that City -- I'm sorry, City Manager recommends approval of this item.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you for the presentation. The Clerk received no requests to speak on this item, so back to the dais. Are there any questions or comments on this item? Hearing none, may I have a motion, please?

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Motion to approve.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Second.

MAYOR MESSAM: Madam Clerk, record the votes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Barnes.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Davis.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes.

On a motion by Commissioner Chambers, seconded by Vice Mayor Colbourne, to approve Resolution #R7378, the Commission voted:

Commissioner Barnes	Yes
Vice Mayor Colbourne	Yes
Commissioner Chambers	Yes
Commissioner Davis	Yes
Mayor Messam	Yes

Resolution No. 21-122

PUBLIC HEARING

MAYOR MESSAM: On to public hearing. Item number 14, please.

14. Temp. Reso. #R7413 approving the **Cares Act Substantial Amendment** to the **Community Development Block Grant Program 2020-2021 Action Plan**; authorizing the allocation of funds to rental, mortgage and utilities assistance programs, and administration; authorizing submission of the Action Plan Amendment to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; authorizing the City Manager or designee to take appropriate action to facilitate the implementation of the strategies resulting from the Action Plan Amendment. *(Community Development Assistant Director Deborah Stevens)*

CITY ATTORNEY NORRIS-WEEKS: A resolution of the City Commission of the City of Miramar, Florida, approving the Cares Act Substantial Amendment to the Community Development Block Grant Program 2020-2021 Action Plan; authorizing the allocation of funds to rental, mortgage and utilities assistance programs, and administration; authorizing submission of the Action Plan Amendment to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; authorizing the City Manager to -- -- to -- or designee to take appropriate action to facilitate the implementation of the strategies resulting from the Action Plan Amendment, and providing for an effective date.

MS. STEVENS: Good evening, Mr. Mayor, Vice Mayor, Commissioners. Deborah Stevens, Community Development Department. This item is an amendment to our 2021 Annual Action Plan for CDBG. In June 2020, Resolution 20-132 was passed. That

resolution amended our 2019/2020 Action Plan to receive \$529,723.00 in CARES Act. Funding. Later that year in August, Resolution 20-171 was passed approving our 2020/2021 Action Plan. The City will be receiving some additional CARES Act funding called CDBG CV in the amount of \$686,423.00. Those funds will be allocated to two programs: The Rental & Mortgage Program, as well as administration. We're proposing \$604,500 -- \$604,052.00 for the programs, Rental & Mortgage, and \$82,371.00 for program admin. In order to receive the funding, however, we must amend the 2020/2021 Action Plan, not only to receive the funding, but also to implement the strategies. The funding will be allocated as follows: For rental and utilities, assistance will be offered to very low, low, and moderate-income households up to six months of past due rent, which includes rental past due fees as well, utilities - water and light, for a maximum of \$15,000.00. For mortgage and utilities, assistance will be offered to very low, low, and moderate-income households up to six months of past due mortgage, which includes homeowners' dues, also insurance, and utilities for a maximum of \$25,000.00. This amendment does require citizenship participation. There was a public notice published in the newspaper; there was a five-day public comment period; there's the public hearing tonight, and any comments received will be noted when the amendment is sent to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The City Manager recommends approval.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you for the presentation. The Clerk received no request to speak on this item from the public, so back to the dais. Are there any comments or questions? I see one. Commissioner Barnes, you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Okay. As per our conversation yesterday, I think it's very important that we explain that that funding, that expenditure under the title, Administration, please, if you would, explain that this is covered by grant giver, and this is not something that is going to take away from the actual funding that will assist our residents.

MS. STEVENS: The funding that we're receiving, we're allowed to allocate up to 20 percent to administration; that is for the charge that we -- the cost that we incur in putting out the public notices; it's also for our contractual agreement with our CRA consultant, and that's for -- to process all the applications, to do the income certification, and also to do the reporting to HUD.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: I -- I think it's most important that this be explained, because questions will be asked: So why are you spending so much money to administer the program. But this is only a part of the agreement, and is acceptable.

MS. STEVENS: Yes, that is -- that is -- we are allowed up to 20 percent. However, we're only using 14 percent of that 20 percent.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you. Are there any other questions or comments? If none, may I have a motion, please?

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Motion to approve.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Second.

MAYOR MESSAM: Madam Clerk, record the votes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Barnes.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Davis.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Colbourne, seconded by Commissioner Chambers, to approve Resolution #R7413, the Commission voted:

Commissioner Barnes	Yes
Vice Mayor Colbourne	Yes
Commissioner Chambers	Yes
Commissioner Davis	Yes
Mayor Messam	Yes

Resolution No. 21-123

MAYOR MESSAM: Item number 15, please.

- 15. SECOND READING** of Temp. Ord. #O1775 approving an additional paid holiday for employees, **Juneteenth**, occurring each June 19th, changing the designation of Washington's Birthday to President's Day; and providing for an effective date.

(Passed 1st Reading on 05/19/21) (Sponsored by Mayor Wayne M. Messam)
(Human Resources Division Director Tennille Decoste)

CITY ATTORNEY NORRIS-WEEKS: An ordinance of the City of -- of the City Commission of the City of Miramar, Florida, approving an additional paid holiday for employees, Juneteenth, occurring each June 19th, changing the designation of Washington's Birthday to President's Day; and providing for an effective date, and providing for an effective date.

MS. DECOSTE: Good evening, Mr. Mayor, Vice Mayor, Commissioners, City Manager, City Attorney, and City Clerk. Tennille Decoste, Division Director of Human Resources. The presentation is -- is the exact same -- we just added when we will observe the holiday, which we're recommending this Monday, the 21st. And then -- if you could just go to the second to last slide? Second to last. Excellent. Yeah. So the City will observe Juneteenth Day on Monday, June 21st, 2021, for the first year, which is this year, and then, thereafter, we will observe the holiday according the City code and collective -- collective bargaining agreements. City Manager recommends approval.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you. The Clerk received no request to speak on this item, so back to the dais. Definitely like to thank staff for putting this together. This is a historic day, actually, because pending the passage in the City Miramar, hot off the press, Congress today just also, finally, passed Juneteenth as a national independence holiday, so it's a historic day, not only in the City of Miramar, but in our nation to observe the emancipation of African slaves that, you know, were brought to this country for nation building. And we all know the -- the -- the -- the impacts of -- of that period. And it's a great step forward in this recognition. So I'd just like to commend staff and -- and my colleagues on my Commission for the leadership to recognize the importance and significance of this day. Are there any other comments? Yes, Vice Mayor Colbourne, you're recognized.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Thank you. I just wanted to thank you, Mr. Mayor, for bringing this to us. Also thank our Human Resources Department for -- for their presentation on it. I know that there are 47 other states that do -- that do recognize this holiday this year. Miami-Dade County began to recognize it as well. I know it went before the Broward Commission sponsored by Commissioner Holness; it was not approved, but I'm truly happy to know that, you know, we're bringing it forward for our city, and, you know, next year, you know, hopefully it will be a federal holiday for everyone, so thank you.

MS. DECOSTE: Thank you, Vice Mayor.

MAYOR MESSAM: Commissioner Davis, you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Thank you. And I also want to thank the Mayor for bringing this forward. I think it's very timely. A lot has happened in the past year between the

unrest that took place, the reckoning, and I think this is just the beginning of a lot of, I guess, restoration that's taking place all across the country when it comes to black and brown issues. And so, as the largest black city in -- in -- in -- probably in -- definitely in South Florida, one of the South Florida largest cities in Broward, and the fourth largest in Broward County, we certainly feel proud that we are able to use this holiday in recognition for the sacrifices made by so many for us to be a great nation that we are today. And so we have no reservations in -- in making sure that Juneteenth is celebrated, and that our employees are paid also, because I think there is some discrepancy in some -- maybe with the County as well, that: Okay, it can be a holiday, but on your own. And I think a paid holiday just -- just speaks to how we value our employees, and but also how we recognize the importance of Juneteenth in our community. Thank you.

MS. DECOSTE: Thank you, Commissioner.

MAYOR MESSAM: Commissioner Chambers, you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Thank you so much, Mayor, for bringing this item forward. It's a good timing, and with Congress taking action today, that's just -- make it even more -- very rewarding, and I also want to thank Tennille Decoste for such a great presentation. Thank you so much; appreciate it.

MAYOR MESSAM: Okay. Lets clear that, okay. All right. Before I ask for a -- a motion, I would -- would just like to -- just to reaffirm the -- not only the significance of this day, but as we -- as we pass this, that it not be viewed as just another day off, another holiday. That in the City of Miramar we make it a day of service in our community. We make it a day of education in our community. There are many people that -- who don't truly appreciate or recognize just the impact and the travesty of slavery, and I think we can use this as a city -- and this as a city as a -- a teaching opportunity, a service opportunity, and a way for us to build and continue to build our -- our great city. So I'm just -- I'm just overwhelmed today, you know, just -- not even as the mayor, but just as a resident, you know. Earlier today we celebrated being a All-America City. We're passing this ordinance; Congress just passed the same, and I just feel real humble and proud to be a resident of this community. I feel a sense of gratitude to serve with my colleagues and the residents of this city, as we continue to do our best to represent what they want from us in this community. So I'm just happy to be, you know, a part of this and in this moment. And I see that Commissioner Barnes has indicated he would like to speak. Commissioner Barnes, you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Just -- just to add to what -- part of what you said, Mayor. I think a major component of us passing this tonight is the acknowledgement of the history that exist, a history that so many of us -- so many of us, for example in an immigrant community have no idea about. So as time goes by, what we'll be able to do is to explain to people what Juneteenth is about and, as you said, Mayor, it's not just to have a day for galivanting and so on, but it is for a -- it's -- it's a day to acknowledge certain realities that are a part of the history of this country, and understand what in that reality, in that event,

in that historic moment brought us to today. So if on no other level the education, the transfer of information about what took place in this country, this has value beyond -- beyond any kind of price. So, yes, it has the value of bringing to us the reality of the history that our forefathers in this country endured, and kind of late, but it is time; and I'm saying it again, it is time, especially members of our immigrant community understand what Juneteenth is about, and this will surely go some distance in bringing that knowledge to our people. Thanks.

MAYOR MESSAM: All right. Thank you. At this time, I'll take a motion on this item, please.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Motion to approve.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Second.

MAYOR MESSAM: Madam Clerk, record the votes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Barnes.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Davis.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Colbourne, seconded by Commissioner Davis, to approve Ordinance #O1775, the Commission voted:

Commissioner Barnes	Yes
Vice Mayor Colbourne	Yes
Commissioner Chambers	Yes
Commissioner Davis	Yes
Mayor Messam	Yes

Ordinance No. 21-18

16. **SECOND READING** of Temp. Ord. #O1743 considering an expedited state review comprehensive plan amendment to Part 1: Goals, Objectives And Policies of the Adopted City of Miramar Comprehensive Plan, pursuant to the provisions of Sections 163.3174, 163.3177, 163.3184 (3) & (11), Florida Statutes (2020), Article 1 of the Administrative Rules Document: BrowardNext - Broward County Land Use Plan, and Section 303 of the City of Miramar Land Development Code; specifically by amending the texts of the Future Land Use Element at Policy 1.14 to create the **Miramar Innovation and Technology Activity Center (“MITAC”)** Future Land Use Designation featuring the following density and intensity of land uses: 450 multi-family dwelling units, 300,000 square feet of commercial uses, 200,000 square feet of office uses, 160,000 square feet of municipal facility uses, 276,000 square feet of public school uses and 10.23 acres of park/open space; and by further amending the Future Land Use Map to delineate the boundary of the MITAC and also change the future land use designation of the 83.2-acre area also known as the Miramar Innovation and Technology Village, generally located along Miramar Parkway between the Florida Turnpike and SW 67TH Avenue and legally described in Exhibit “A”, from Institutional and Public Facilities (47.4 acres), Commercial (24.1 acres), Recreation and Open Space (7.4 Acres) and Low (5) Residential (4.3 acres), in order to create an economically productive and socially inclusive innovation district to help **revitalize Historic Miramar**; providing definitions; making findings; providing for adoption; providing for transmittal; providing for severability; and providing for an effective date. ***(Passed 1st Reading on 03/18/20) (Staff recommends continuance to the meeting of 07/07/21) (Community Development Director Eric Silva)***

Moved to 07/07/21 City Commission Meeting

QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING

17. **FIRST READING** of Temp. Ord. #O1774 relating to Land Development Regulations; amending the Zoning Map of the City of Miramar for approximately 32 acres of real properties generally located and lying on both sides of Miramar Parkway, between the Florida Turnpike and SW 68th Avenue, as further described in Exhibit “A” attached hereto, in accordance with the requirements of Subsection 166.041(3), Florida Statutes and Section 304 of the Land Development Code of the City of Miramar; more specifically by **changing the zoning map designation** of: (1) those certain parcels with Parcel ID Numbers 5141-2608-0010, 5141-2608-0011, 5141-2608-0012, 5141-2608-0021, 5141-2621-0010, 5141-2621-0020, and 5141-2622-0010 from Community Business (B2) District to Mixed-Use Low (ML) District; (2) that certain parcel with Parcel ID Number 5141-2608-0022 from Open Space/Recreation (OS) Zoning District to Mixed-Use

Low (ML) District; (3) those certain parcels with Parcel ID Numbers 5141-2600-0060 and 5141-2066-0061 from Community Facilities (CF) Zoning District and Open Space/Recreation (OS) Zoning District to Mixed-Use Low (ML) District; and (4) that certain parcel of real property with Parcel ID Number 5141-2600-0076 from Open Space/Recreation (OS) Zoning District to Multi-Family Residential (RM4) District, in order to **implement the Adopted Land Use Program for the new Miramar Innovation and Technology Activity Center (“MITAC”)** Land Use Designation, and creatively transform Historic Miramar into an economically productive and socially inclusive Innovation District; making findings; providing for adoption; providing for severability; providing for administrative correction of scrivener’s errors; and providing for an effective date. ***(Staff recommends continuance to the meeting of 07/07/21) (Community Development Director Eric Silva)***

Moved to 07/07/21 City Commission Meeting

SECOND READING SCHEDULED for August 18, 2021

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MAYOR MESSAM: Item number 18, please.

- 18. FIRST READING** of Temp. Ord. #O1776 relating to land development regulations, considering Application No. 1902522 for an amendment to the Zoning Map of the City of Miramar, more specifically by **changing the zoning map designation** of two parcels of land totaling 17.16 acres, located on the northwest corner of Miramar Parkway and SW 145 Avenue, and legally identified with parcel identification numbers 5140-27-11-0014 and 5140-27-11-0010 from **Community Business (B2) to Mixed-Use Low (ML)**; making findings; providing for adoption; providing for severability; providing for administrative correction of scrivener’s errors; and providing for an effective date. *(Community Development Director Eric Silva)*

CITY ATTORNEY NORRIS-WEEKS: An ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Miramar, Florida, relating to land development regulations, considering Application No. 1902522 for an amendment to the Zoning Map of the City of Miramar, more specifically by changing the zoning map designation of two parcels of land totaling 17.16 acres, located on the northwest corner of the Miramar Parkway and SW 145 Avenue, and legally identified with parcel identification numbers 5140-27-11-0014 and 5140-27-11-0010 from Community Business (B2) to Mixed-Use); making final -- making findings; providing for adoption of -- providing for adoption -- excuse me; providing for severability; providing for administrative correction of scrivener’s errors; and providing for an effective date. Mr. Powell. This is a quasi-judicial hearing.

CITY ATTORNEY POWELL: Yes. In that regard, I need to read the announcement for quasi-judicial (inaudible). Florida Courts have determined that there are certain types of matters, including the following application, which are to be treated differently than other

issues considered by the Commission. Most decisions of the Commission are legislative in nature, which means that the Commission is acting as a policymaking body. In contrast, in quasi-judicial matters, the Commission is applying existing rules and policies to a factual situation and is, therefore acting like a judge or a jury in a courtroom. In such cases, the courts have decided that due process and fundamental fairness requires that more formal procedures be followed. The City of Miramar's procedures for quasi-judicial hearing are as follows: All who wish to speak shall be collectively sworn in by the City Clerk. The hearing shall be conducted in an informal manner. The item will have been read into the record, which is to be considered. City staff will present a brief synopsis of the application and make a recommendation. Next, there will be a presentation by the applicant. The Commission will then hear from the -- the participants in favor of and in opposition to the application. All witnesses are subject to cross examination by the City staff, City Commission, and the applicant. A participant may request that the City Commission ask questions of a witness. The applicant and staff may make concluding remarks. No further presentation or testimony shall be permitted, and the public hearing shall be closed. All decisions of the Commission must be based upon competent and substantial evidence presented at the hearing. All backup materials presented at the hearing will be automatically become a part of the record of the hearing. All approval will be subject to staff recommended -- recommended conditions, unless otherwise stated in motion -- in the motion for approval. Clerk will now swear in everyone.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: All of those wishing to provide testimony on the following quasi-judicial item please stand and raise your right hand. Do you solemnly swear or affirm that the testimony you are about to give is the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth? Thank you.

MR. SILVA: Good evening, Mayor, Madam Vice Mayor, Commissioners. This is Maple multifamily redevelopment application, and this is first reading. Land use designation for this property is commercial, which allows the mixed-use low zoning designation. The rezoning is for real property of just over 17 acres, and the request is to go from B2, community business, to mixed-use low. On the eastern part of the 17-acre parcels, there's a four-story office building, and on the western part it's vacant, and this applicant is proposing to build two residential buildings on that vacant parcel. On May 6th of this year, the City held an open, virtual community meeting for members of the public. On May 12th, the Development Review Committee, the DRC, recommended approval. On June 8th, the Planning & Zoning Board recommended approval. At tonight's meeting for first reading of the zoning application, and on July 7th, it's second reading for the rezoning, site plan, variances, and other associated applications. This is the subject site here. It's just north of Miramar Parkway between 148th Avenue and 145th Avenue; it's right behind the Wells Fargo, La Carreta on the corner of the Walgreens; across 145th is the Publix plaza. So surrounding this property there are a lot of different types of uses: office uses, hotel uses, retail uses, and then this would be the first introduction of residential into the area. And you can see here, adding the residential will create the mixed-use environment. So, of course, we have the office building to the east, but there's many other opportunities for jobs, for entertainment, restaurant, shopping, all within walking distance. The actual

map change: Currently, the whole area is shown as B2, community business, and the 17 acres that's shown in grey is mixed use low just north of Miramar Parkway. The recommendation on first reading is for approval, and the application is here for questions and a brief presentation.

MAYOR MESSAM: Good evening.

MR. MELE: My name is Dennis Mele; 200 E Broward Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, on behalf of the applicant. And, as Mr. Silva mentioned, this is the first reading of the rezoning. On July 7th, we are hoping to be back here with the second reading and the rezoning, and also the site plan and the variances. There are two very important conditions that you will see when we come back on July 7th, and the one -- we will be making a \$1 million contribution to the Miramar Affordable Housing Fund at the time of the issuance of the first building permit for this residential structure. Secondly, -- could we put the aerial photo back up again just one minute? Any of the aerials you had earlier. As you know, you have a fire station on 148th Avenue north of Miramar Parkway, and the Fire Department tells us that they often have difficulties getting out, because of the configuration of the road, so we're working with your planning staff, your engineering staff, and your fire department on a road improvement that will improve the ability of the Fire Department to get out of that street and get out from Miramar Parkway. I don't know that we know all the details about the improvement yet, but we're committed to putting resources towards that with the City. So even though those two items don't show up on the agenda tonight, I think it's only because this is the first reading of the rezoning, and those items would be attached to conditions as part of the site plan. If you have any questions, I'll be happy to answer them; thank you very much.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you. Are there any questions for staff or the applicant from the dais? Vice Mayor Colbourne, you're recognized.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Yes, thank you. Actually, more so than a -- than a question, I have -- I have a concern, in terms of the number of rental units that are -- that we're building in the City. I have residents that are asking for homeownership, but I don't see a whole lot of that. What I see is rentals, and it's just going up in such large numbers, so I do have a concern when it comes to that. I -- you know, the concern in terms of the Fire Department, I -- I think that it's -- that is a serious concern, and it's something that I would like to see before we even approve this on a first reading. If it's okay, I would really like to see this deferred until the next meeting when we have those items, and then we can hear the item.

MR. MELE: Again, Dennis Mele on behalf of the applicant. Vice Mayor, we've been working on this project since before the coronavirus, so it's -- it's something we've been doing for quite some time. In terms of the road improvement, the City had identified a configuration for the improvement. When the engineers started talking about it, they identified there was a potential problem with the mast arm, or the length of the mast arm you would need for the traffic signal pole. So I think it's a fairly straightforward thing that

we're still working on. And I -- and I know I've heard here before in the meetings that I've attended, you know, the concern about making sure you have affordable for sale housing; you know, obviously I recognize what we're building here is not for sale, but there -- what would be there, if we did not make this change, was another office building similar to the one that's there. Obviously, the office market can't support that. The difficulty with buying a property like this means you have to have a certain amount of density even to be able to substitute residential for the office that would have been there. So our thinking, with eh \$1 million affordable housing contribution is that can be used by the City for any affordable housing program you want to use it for, including helping people buy houses. So we felt making that contribution would, hopefully, help you in that effort as well. I would hope that we would be able to pass this tonight; they've been working on it for a very long time. If there's any issues that need to be resolved, we're committed to getting those resolved before July 7th. Thank you very much.

MAYOR MESSAM: Are there any other questions for comments, Vice Mayor?

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: I -- I -- I will -- I will, for the record, in terms of the affordable housing, that -- that is definitely a concern. And I -- I certainly appreciate knowing that you are willing to have -- put a contribution into the Affordable Housing Trust. I -- I -- again, my concerns not just the fire and the road, in terms of just the number of rental units. And I do want to sit with staff and -- and discuss exactly what's -- you know, where we are with that. And I did not have an opportunity to do so when we met. I did tell them that I had a concern at that point, but we did not have a chance to go further into it. So I would like to -- to have that opportunity before -- before this item passes on first reading. I do want to know more about the traffic in terms of the area, and the impact with all the different rental units that we are building currently.

MAYOR MESSAM: Commissioner Barnes, you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Thanks, Mr. Mayor. Thanks again to staff for -- for our conversation yesterday, and what I see in this item is us expanding the whole matter of mixed use of acreage across the -- the -- the City. In fact, one of the questions I asked you in our meeting yesterday was the matter of privacy, and the map was pulled up again, and explanations were offered as to the fact that the new units would be placed at the rear of the commercial entities that faced the Parkway directly. And I -- the -- this is one of the situations that I want us to vote wholeheartedly, because as we -- as we run out of -- of usable land space across our city, these are the kinds of situations that need to be encouraged. And what -- part of the reason why I might appear to support situations like this -- because you're talking about creating these facilities where you kind of wonder where do these people come from once these units are constructed. You see them going up, and you say: Oh, nobody is going to be there, and they are barely done and open, and people are residing in them, and this does not, in any way, take away from my -- from my support for affordable housing, and also cognizant of the reality of the housing market as we speak. This is information that comes to me in my -- in my work situation, and the very fact that the market is what it is, Florida, and especially South Florida, continues to

be attractive to people who live elsewhere, not just the people who are at retirement age. One of the consequences of the pandemic is that people have seen South Florida as more attractive, not only for retirement, but for the relocation of businesses, so accommodation is going to continue to be an urgent need across all of -- all of Florida, and especially South Florida. So while -- while we acknowledge the need for affordable housing and, for that matter, homeownership, I think we -- we have to also deal with the reality on the ground that says this place, the density is going to increase, and there are benefits to the City with -- with -- with these additions. Compounded by the fact that this million dollars, it is going to be added to that other situation that we have concerns about. So I -- I'm -- I'm in absolute of this -- this going forward.

MAYOR MESSAM: Commissioner Chambers, you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mayor. You know, in regards to the Fire Station 84, this is something that I've, time and time again, brought forward -- forward, in terms of the access coming from where they are to -- get to residents, and this is a big concern of mine. And this is something that I was beating the drum since I've got here; I didn't get a opportunity to have looked at the proposal. One of the things that comes up in the last election was green space, them disappearing here in the City of Miramar. It was brought up by one of the candidates, and -- to take that into consideration. You know, this weekend I happen to be riding with my 13-year-old daughter, and she haven't been going to school for a while, so -- due to the pandemic. And we were heading to Miramar Regional Park, and just as we got over I-75, apparently, she looked and didn't see the billboard, and she started a conversation with me. She cheering how the billboard is gone; who came up with that idea; you know, so that was the conversation on the way, all the way into Miramar Regional Park. So with that said, I think I'm going to support the Vice Mayor with partially moving forward. I'm not sure if that's a great -- place for housing, apartments. I want -- I want to take a closer look, and if it's deferring the item for another meeting, I think this should be a good thing to -- to do. So I'm on board to oblige the Vice Mayor deferring this item. Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: Commissioner Davis, you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Thank you. Thanks for the presentation, and I'm -- I'm kind of surprised that I -- I wasn't briefed on this item before. You know, I met with staff on several items yesterday, and this wasn't one of them, and, at that time, we were discussing apartments and -- and purchasing homes, and purchasing condos, and this -- this never came up. So -- yeah, I can understand Vice Mayor's concern. Normally, the way this works is that we get briefed on it, and a lot of times, any questions that we have would be answered, and -- and -- and we are -- we're -- you know, we can get them resolved. But I'm -- I'm hearing today, you know, the million dollars that was never -- I like the fact that we have a million dollars that would go into funds, but because of our housing issue, and the discussions we had yesterday regarding the -- the historic neighborhoods that I had with staff, this is some of the things that came up. And there are -- I don't know how many units, if there's a traffic study, I don't know how many people were notified. I mean I live

in Monarch Lakes; I'm not sure if Monarch Lakes got notification. And sometimes we do the 1,000 -- do the 1,000-foot rule, but it doesn't really include houses, and next thing you know it's going up. It's not that I -- I disagree with the fact that we do have housing needs; of course we do. And as Commissioner Barnes said, they moment they go up, they are filled. However, I would have also liked to have gotten some more information, and it -- it's -- it's something that our residents talk about and are concerned about, the density, and -- and -- and the traffic, and, you know, any mitigating circumstances, and so on, so I'm -- I'm just surprised this wasn't brought to my attention when we were discussing this whole -- whole business of -- of -- of all the apartments going in -- in the east side, and that we'd like to see homeownership more, some more homeownership. So, you know, I know Dennis Mele had mentioned that they've been working on this for some time, but last June up until now, we've all been so consumed with COVID that, you know, if a conversation was had, that conversation would not be stuck in anybody's mind at this point. We've just gone through trying to help our residents navigate COVID-19, so this is absolutely fresh. So in -- in terms of having more knowledge of the item, that would have been good to do, even by the applicant himself. So failing that, there's been a request for, you know, a postponement of the item. I think it might benefit everyone, except those who are maybe not as detailed or as thorough to -- to go back and take a look at the full -- the full scope of this -- this work, and the -- the Fire Department never came up. I -- I wasn't aware of concerns that -- that I've been back since 2019, and all of 2020 has been consumed with -- with COVID, so there may have been issues brought up on -- on that location or that fire station that I need to be kept abreast of, up to date on as well. So that -- that's where I am on -- on the item.

MAYOR MESSAM: Okay. A couple of observations. Being that this is the first reading for this item, I don't have an issue in affirming this request to go to second reading for the following reasons: The three items that I focused on on this I -- on this item was the ingress and egress off the site, if there would be a bridge or a culvert or something placed over the canal to get additional access, just to provide an additional access from the proposed site to 148th, so, I guess, occupants of that site could access 145th or 148th, whatever would be the -- the entrance; that was one question, I think; and I guess staff can provide that comment to see if there was any discussion on that, and where did that land. But, again, in the second reading where the site plan would be presented, it will share the footprint of the proposed development, the traffic flow, all of staff's comments in terms of variances that may have to be met, and this is a normal process. First reading; if there are questions or some unreadiness between now and the next reading, staff can pro -- you know, can provide that opportunity, as well as the applicant can provide that opportunity to address questions. The other question I had was the issue with Fire Station 84 on 148th. We've always talked about some of the challenges of coming in and out, and this will present an opportunity to make some improvements, so I was happy to hear that there is discussions and a commitment to resources to helping to solve that -- that issue. And, as it relates to affordable housing, you know, it's no -- no secret or any elephant in the room in regards to the challenges for housing in the -- in the City of Miramar, and we are doing everything that we can, as it relates to improving workforce and affordable housing in the City of Miramar. So I think a million-dollar contribution to

the City's affordable -- affordable housing fund is a -- is a significant -- significant acknowledgement and contribution to the City's efforts to address affordable housing. The question become though, at that specific site, in the heart of a commercial district, are homes going to be built on that site? Is that compatible? I guess townhomes could be built there, or maybe condos could be built there as a -- a viable option. But, again, as the developers -- I -- I haven't seen their prospectus. I don't know what the -- what the market bears, but the product that they offered was for rental, and acknowledging affordable housing. I just think that a million-dollar contribution is a -- is a -- is a significant acknowledgment and contribution to our efforts. So many developers come here and propose developments, and they're not offering nowhere near that. They may give a couple of units designated towards workforce housing or affordable housing. I really do -- would like, you know, my colleagues to get the information, to get their questions answered. I just think that the second reading allows us to do that, and I think the second reading allows the formal presentation to address the traffic situation in more specificity, so that it can be on record, and that it can clearly designate it. But to not allow the first reading to go through, I think, is a bit harsh on the applicant in this process, when -- and -- and if we see that applicants are trying to work with the City, and I think that this applicant is based off of, you know, what they're committing to, to address some of these concerns, I -- I think, you know, that we should move this to the second reading. It does not approve it. If -- if they don't answer the questions that you have, if it doesn't resolve the unreadiness that you have at this moment, then if a majority of the Commission is not in support, then vote no at the second reading. You still would, you know, be -- you still would be in concert with your convictions, you still would be in concert with the concerns that you have, but I just think that to -- to not be -- I think there's opportunity to between now and the next meeting to get with staff, to get with the applicant to -- to address, you know, these issues. So -- now if this was just an applicant, they're just making a -- a -- a development in our city, no contributions, no considerations to try to address some of the traffic issues outside of what staff is -- is -- is -- is recommending, you know, then -- you know, we're not working with a -- with a -- with a developer that, perhaps, should be given some leniency in terms of the process. And -- and I would just urge my colleagues to reconsider their positions, as it relates to not even hearing or deferring this item on the first reading, and allow the second reading to move forward. And -- and that's -- that's my position on the item. And --

MR. MELE: Mr. Mayor, could I add something?

MAYOR MESSAM: Yes, sir.

MR. MELE: Just a couple things. as I was hearing the discussion. We did, of course, do a traffic study, and the traffic study was reviewed by the City's traffic engineer as well. When we do these first readings of rezonings, we generally don't go into those levels of details, because, number one, attaching conditions to an item, typically, on a rezoning to a regular zoning district, you don't attach conditions. In fact, the same question came up with the Planning & Zoning Board, and the City Attorney advised: We don't do that as part of rezonings, we do it as part of the site plan. So we did do a traffic study. Secondly, the

typical payment for an affordable housing fund that we've seen in the past, not only in Miramar, but other cities, is \$500.00 per unit. We're paying \$4,000.00 per unit; 150 units, \$1 million. Now I would hope that you would allow us to come back here on July 7th for the second reading. We will present everything: the traffic, the -- the access; I have some plans I can even show tonight, but, again, I was asked on first reading, the rezoning, to keep it straight forward, keep it simple. Also, we understand that if you vote yest on first reading, it doesn't mean you have to vote yes on second reading. If you're not satisfied, you vote no. So we've been working on this quite some time. I'm -- I'm sorry that you did not get some of the information that you wanted in advance of the meeting. But we certainly will get in advance of the July 7th meeting. Thank you very much.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you. Commissioner Chambers, followed by Vice Mayor Colbourne. Commissioner Chambers, you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mayor. You know, the word affordable housing is something that been very easily to, you know, talk about and kicked around, but, you know, but it's such a caveat to it. I wonder if anyone ever stop to speak with working class people, people who are struggling, and try to find out what affordable housing means to them. And, you know, it's -- it's -- it's not as simple as it is. Tonight I - - I think we are at a point where I thank the Mayor for his comments, and Mr. Dennis Mele, but I -- I think where we are right now is to bring the item back at another time. I -- I don't want to -- it's -- it's -- we gone through a lot of item tonight. We -- it's one of these nights that we get out of here early, and minutes to 9:00, so I -- I don't want to be beating this. I'm going to support the Vice Mayor and -- to vote for -- bring this item at another time. But I think I'm going to move this item for tonight.

MAYOR MESSAM: The Clerk did not receive any -- well, this is a public hearing, so we don't have to have that. At this time, are there any other comments or questions for the applicant or staff on the first reading on this item? Hearing none, what is the pleasure of the Commission? May I have a motion?

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: I make a motion to defer the item to the next meeting.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Second.

MAYOR MESSAM: Madam Clerk, record the votes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Barnes.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Okay. First of all, what are we voting on? Are we voting on deferring or are we voting on the item going forward?

MAYOR MESSAM: There -- there is a motion on the floor to defer this item until the next meeting.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: Okay. My vote is no.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Chambers.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Vice Mayor Colbourne.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Commissioner Davis.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.

CITY CLERK GIBBS: Mayor Messam.

MAYOR MESSAM: No.

On a motion by Vice Mayor Colbourne, seconded by Commissioner Chambers, to defer Ordinance #O1776 to the Commissioner meeting of July 7, 2021, the Commission voted:

Commissioner Barnes	No
Vice Mayor Colbourne	Yes
Commissioner Chambers	Yes
Commissioner Davis	Yes
Mayor Messam	No

Deferred to 07/07/21

SECOND READING SCHEDULED for August 18, 2021

OTHER BUSINESS

Reports and Comments:

Commissioner Reports:

MAYOR MESSAM: Starting with Vice Mayor Colbourne. Got a report?

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Thank you. Just one issue that I wanted to address with - with -- with the Commission. What City of Miramar has 40 plus parks, where our residents enjoy everything, from swimming, basketball, tennis, volleyball, walking, running, lots of greenspace in the City for enjoy -- for enjoyment. But on federal holidays, our City parks are closed to the public. This means that our residents, they can't enjoy

their parks on the holidays when they're off. They can't have a Fourth of July picnic, a -- a Labor Day picnic, because our parks are closed. And they can't rent the pavilions either, because the parks are closed. They can't take their kids for a walk, a bike ride in the parks; it means that our residents have to leave our city and go to other places, go to other cities to enjoy a park, when we have 40 parks, plus. Some of our parks don't have gates, so residents may have access to them, but because the parks are closed, the restrooms are closed. So if the park has a restrooms, then the restroom are closed to the public. The parks are not maintained on holidays. Parks play a -- a very important role in communities for our children, for our seniors, for all our families, for those who go running, walking, which is a very important part of our community. So I spoke to our senior man -- our City Manager, and I asked if we could keep our parks open during holidays, and to inform the public that these parks are opened, so that they can start to enjoy the parks right here in our city without having to go anywhere. So I just wanted to bring this issue; our residents have complained. Last holiday, Memorial Day, I -- I drove by River Run Park, there were -- there were some -- a couple of cars parked on Miramar Boulevard in front of the gate, so that they could -- they couldn't go in the park with the car, but -- so that they could go and walk on -- on the walking path in -- at River Run. So I've -- I've asked the Manager to please o -- keep our parks open, and I just want to make sure that -- that you're aware of it, and that you support that, and we can get some consensus, so that he can feel comfortable moving forward to execute that.

MAYOR MESSAM: I think that's -- I think that's a good idea. Just would like to know, in terms of the fiscal impact, as it relates to collective bargaining and holidays, so staff would have to put that together for us. And -- and as -- as long as we can -- as long as we have the -- the resources to be able to -- to fund that. Also, too, also getting a understanding on what the staffing would look like, you know. And, obviously, this would be -- probably be considered overtime, so we'd need to know what -- what that fiscal impact is, and making sure that we can have it funded, and that the Parks & Recs Department staff, you know, that it's staff has enough time, so that they can have holidays as well, so that could be a part of it as well. I think it can work, as long we, you know, kind of understand. I think it's a good idea, in terms of having the -- the parks available, but kind of have an understanding of the staffing, and what the fiscal impact would be. That would be good. I could support this item, but with that additional information. Commissioner Chambers.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Thank -- if I -- thank you. And I know Parks is prepared to speak on that as well.

MS. VALERA: Good evening, Mayor, Vice Mayor, Commissioners, City Manager, City Attorney. We -- we can definitely come back with a full report. It's -- we have a listing of what parks, and we'll also have a listing of what staffing needs, and what the fiscal impact would be. We can provide that definitely.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: We do know it's about 60 -- 60 -- he did give me a estimate on that, as to what the cost would be.

MS. VALERA: It's on an annual basis. It's approximately a \$60,000.00 impact for the remainder of the year. There is about four holidays left for the remainder of the fiscal year, and that would have an impact of about 34, \$35,000.00.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Right. So I -- I do believe that that's a very small amount for our residents to be able to enjoy all of their parks throughout the city.

MAYOR MESSAM: Mr. Manager.

CITY MANAGER HARGRAY: Mayor, Vice Mayor, Commissioners. I don't know how this got away from me, but I've been concerned about this here for about 24 years. It's just hard for me to believe that we would have a holiday, people home, people coming from all over to visit, and the parks are closed. I'm glad this has come up in here. I support this 100 percent in here. In fact, Ansin used to be open at one time in here; I can't remember what happened why we shut it down, but we -- it's like -- I would say is the juice is worth the squeeze for our residents. So I'm directing Budget to get with Parks & Recreation Director, and then we will come back with a plan in here. This is something that, to me, it's not a no -- a no brainer. We all know that when those holidays come, and you have family members coming, you'd like to go and take them somewhere other than being locked into your house. We need to move forward with this here.

MAYOR MESSAM: All right, thank you, Mr. Manager. Good idea, Vice Mayor. Anything else in your report?

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Happy Father's Day.

MAYOR MESSAM: I see a couple comments, but it's been, pretty much, resolved, so --

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Yeah. I just want to say --

MAYOR MESSAM: Unless you all want to --

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Go ahead. Go ahead.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: I was next in the queue.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: I'd like to hear your -- your comments.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: I just want to say thank you, Vice Mayor Colbourne, for bringing this forward. This has been a concern, and I do get those calls from residents when -- especially in a time like this when we're coming off the pandemic where people were lock down, and not able to enjoy the park. I think this would be a good gift to our residents to get rid of some stress, and to bring their family and friends out, and just to have a good time. And I -- and I definitely love to support this, and -- and we can make it happen, just like City Manager said. So, once again, thank you, Vice Mayor, for bringing

this forward. Thank you. And thank you Ms. Valera for all you do with the staff for the parks, really appreciate it. Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: Commissioner Davis.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Thank you. Yeah. Thanks for bringing it forward, Vice Mayor. I -- I had no idea that the parks were closed during holidays. I don't know if that's a recent development or no. I'm not sure if that was the case when I was here previously. But in terms of revenues, in terms of our pavilions, I mean this is the time when folks will rent a pavilion, and -- and we can bring revenues in, so even from that perspective, if you have your pavilions, and they're being rented, you have revenue. And I'll be curious to find out where else is closed that we could actually get revenue from that is closed to the public on Fourth of July. Is our banquet hall closed of residents to -- to rent? Are they opened?

MS. VALERA: Currently -- currently, one of them -- on seven holidays -- well, I'm sorry. The full -- all the holidays, all the parks are closed. In -- in response to the Vice Mayor's request, we reviewed the holidays, and we were -- we were contemplating opening up for seven -- seven holidays, and that would open up the facilities, it would also open up our aquatic complexes, and then the other parks, like the Vice Mayor mentioned, there are some parks that have restrooms, so we couldn't rent the pavilions, because the restrooms weren't being opened. So, definitely, there is a revenue stream that would be generated on having the parks opened during this time, and I think it would -- it would subsidize the -- the additional cost as well.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: In terms of our -- our facilities, like the Multi-Service Complex, that ballroom there, Sunset Lakes, all those are closed currently?

MS. VALERA: On the holidays, I believe so. Yes, they are closed.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: That's another source, so it's not just the actual parks and fields and so on, but in terms of somebody wanting to have an event, I -- I think even for that reason, it should be open for them to have the event. It's closed, we're not making any money, and yes, you're going to have to staff, but to the extent that you can cover the cost of the staffing for the time, the couple hours that, maybe, they're opened or not, would -- would -- I think would -- the price, if folks are able to rent these facilities, which is what we should be trying to do when folks are home with their kids, and family comes in, family reunions, and things like that. Other parks are open. Pembroke Pines parks, are they opened?

MS. VALERA: I'd have to check.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes. When you come back, if you could bring back some stats as to what other people are doing, it would be interesting to find out.

MS. VALERA: I will.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Thanks.

MS. VALERA: I will definitely bring you back a more comprehensive report of those holidays, and the -- and the neighboring cities.

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Mis -- Mr. -- Mr. Manager, does that mean that we can have those parks and bathrooms open on Juneteenth, and on Fourth of July?

CITY MANAGER HARGRAY: (Inaudible).

VICE MAYOR COLBOURNE: Thank you very much. I appreciate that. Happy Father's Day to all the fathers.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you, Vice Mayor. Commissioner Chambers?

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mayor. Before I begin, I just want to say, in regards to parks, Mr. Manager, I remember a while back when we were doing Monarch Lake Parks, we had -- I think it was two folks came in here and adamantly fought against the bathroom and pavilion at that park. And I know that we realize it was a mistake not to have more pavilion and adequate bathroom, because the park is being utilized, and -- I -- I think, hopefully, we can go back and take a look at that park to, maybe, add, maybe, two pavilions. And I don't want an answer tonight, but it's just something we can look into, and I can't imagine folks at the park and have to go home to use the bathroom, especially when it's right there in their neighborhood. Tonight I just want to share with you it's Caribbean-American Heritage Month, and as we look around and see what's happening, our life is very precious, and sometimes we take it for granted, our friends and family. Ms. Valera, I'm okay. One of our very own, Ms. Leon -- Leona who always involved in our community taking pictures and so forth, she suddenly passed away, and my condolences to her family. I also want to thank Commissioner Davis for her work with the All-American City and staff, once again. And I also want to thank PD tonight for a presentation, and for the work, you know, the community, and I want to encourage everyone to come on out this Saturday and celebrate with us at Shirley Branca Park, 6900 Miramar Parkway; "Island Hopping Experience" from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. And that's it. Thank you so much.

MS. VALERA: Commissioner Chambers, I just wanted to give you an update in regards to Monarch Lake Park. We currently have a project that will include the addition of the splash pad and an additional pavilion at Monarch Lakes.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: I'll sit with you next week, if you don't mind.

MS. VALERA: I'm sorry?

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: I would love to sit down with you next week, if you don't mind. Sometime next week.

MS. VALERA: Okay.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Thank you so much. I appreciate it.\

MAYOR MESSAM: Commissioner Davis.

COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yeah. Thank you, once again, to all staff and volunteers, and folks who made it possible for us to be a All-American City. Thank you for the leadership of Kelvin Baker and the rest of the executive on that -- on that award. Just want to encourage folks to tune into Commission Corner; that's where they get the latest information on initiatives and events, instead of here at the Commission meeting. I think it's a good tool to use. I'd like to recognize the work of Andres 2:13:34 from the Marketing Department, and Lorna and Natasha for the great job that they do with limited resources. So, once again, if you can tune in, miramarfl.gov, you can get all the latest information, and everything is -- is online for your listening and watching pleasure. Thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you. Just quickly, again, I'd like to thank my colleagues for supporting the passage of the Juneteenth ordinance; it really means a lot to our community, and sets the example for other municipalities, and now that the nation will be adopting this as well is just icing on -- on the cake. Also, I would like to congratulate all of our city staff working with Commissioner Davis for the All-America City award; it was - I didn't share this during the -- during the celebration, but, Commissioner Davis, I was - I had an opportunity to go in the Cultural Center during the live interview, and when I say that the effort, the energy of staff, our residents, the business community, the script, it was -- it was flawless. It was flawless. You can tell by the -- the panel of fellow elected officials that were the judges -- and I knew a couple of them. For example, Mayor Dailey in Tallahassee, later that that day I text him and say, "So how do you like the City of Miramar?" And he sent back, "Thumbs up, thumbs up; they did an amazing job." So -- but I just -- would just like to just share that when you all get a chance to see the recording -- I think we recorded that, just to watch it. If you didn't see it or haven't seen it yet, watch it. It really will show just how much we, you know, are doing in the community. I know we do a lot of accolades, like, you know, thanking, you know, our colleagues for bringing ideas up, but these suggestions mean nothing if we don't have the staff and the team that is doing the work, our staff is just amazing. And you all just make us proud, you make the residents proud, and just know that every day that you wake up, regardless of the mood that you're in, do know that you are being recognized, and our residents appreciate you, I appreciate you, and I know that this Commission appreciates you as well. And that concludes my report.

City Manager Reports:

MAYOR MESSAM: Mr. Manager, have a report?

CITY MANAGER HARGRAY: (Inaudible).

MAYOR MESSAM: Okay. On that note -- oh, Commissioner Barnes. Commissioner -- Commissioner Barnes, you got to start coming to meetings, or turn on your webcam, so we can see you, you know.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: One of these days, I promise.

COMMISSIONER CHAMBERS: Got to -- got a second, Mayor.

MAYOR MESSAM: Commissioner Barnes, you're recognized.

COMMISSIONER BARNES: I tried turning on my camera, but tonight it wouldn't come on. No, but I -- I want to say thanks, though, to our Vice Mayor for broaching the matter of park closures. One of the things I'm requesting from Parks Director, though, is that when you come back with the information, make sure, if it is at all possible, to give us an idea how we can make the opening of these handful of parks for both residents and revenue possibilities. A special thanks as well, I'm offering, for staff's presentation at our meeting yesterday. Incredible information, and ready questions were answered by staff, and that, I think, is part of the reason I'm able to come to meetings somewhat briefed fully on -- on -- on the issues that come up for discussion. I want to also commend our police department for the incredible work they have been doing regarding this new technology that we're going to -- to embrace in a short while. I think -- I think the -- the gifting of -- of the acknowledgement that was celebrated this morning is just part of what we are as a city, and what I continue to say is just one more reason for us to be proud, and proud as well because of the incredible work that staff does. At a luncheon today, I spoke about the fact that so many residents -- and I'm praying and hoping that no -- not a single staff member will continue to take what it is that we've tried to do in the City of Miramar for at least the 18 years that I've been on the Commission. I think and I hope that not only will we not take any of it for granted, but in a positive way be proud of what it is that we've been able to do in this city. There is a simple reason for it; if you compare what we've been able to do -- for example, in just the last year and a half during this pandemic, we have done an incredible job. I continue to support, commend, and applaud staff that continues to make us look good. I thank you.

MAYOR MESSAM: Thank you. Commissioner Barnes. All right, on that -- oh, and if I forget again, I -- I'll have to owe you something. Have to below 25 bucks though; I'll try not to forget next time.

City Attorney Reports: NONE

FUTURE WORKSHOP:

Date	Time	Subject	Location
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06/30/21	4:00 p.m.	Budget Workshop	Commission Chambers In person/Virtual
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ADJOURNMENT

MAYOR MESSAM: All right, on that note, this meeting is adjourned. Have a good meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

Denise A. Gibbs, CMC
City Clerk
DG/cp