The North Lauderdale City Commission met at the Municipal Complex on Tuesday, March 14, 2017. The meeting convened at 6:00 p.m.

1. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Commissioner Moyle gave the invocation and led the pledge.

2. **ROLL CALL** – Clerk called roll. **All present.**
   - Mayor Jack Brady
   - Vice Mayor Lorenzo Wood
   - Commissioner Rich Moyle
   - Commissioner Jerry Graziose
   - Commissioner Samson Borgelin
   - City Manager Ambreen Bhatty
   - City Attorney Samuel S. Goren
   - City Clerk Patricia Vancheri

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
   a. **February 28, 2017** – Vice Mayor Wood moved to approve the Minutes as submitted. **Commissioner Moyle seconded the motion.** Commissioner Graziose commented that he would like Item 4(c) of the Minutes amended to record the fact “that the original request to have a free English class came from the Principal of Broadview Elementary School and the Pastor of Broadview Baptist Church, both in District “B”. **Vice Mayor Wood moved to approve the Minutes as orally amended by Commissioner Graziose.** Motion seconded by Commissioner Moyle. Clerk called roll. Amended Minutes approved unanimously.

4. **PROCLAMATIONS** – Clerk read the following Proclamations into the record:
   a. **National Boys & Girls Club Week – March 27-31** - Rich Ouellette, Senior County Director of the B&G Club was present to receive the Proclamation. He indicated that he has been with the B&G Club for 35 years and reported that the Levine/Slaughter
Club in North Lauderdale is the largest club with the highest membership and average daily attendance and thanked the City Commission for their support.

b. Irish American Heritage Month – March

c. Walk-on Proclamation: Women’s History Month “Honoring Trailblazing Women in Labor and Business” - March

5. PUBLIC DISCUSSION – No one spoke.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

a. ORDINANCE – First Reading - Proposed Fee Schedule Revision (Article 1, Section 4 of Appendix F) - To Modify Local Business Tax Receipts and Associated Processing Fees

Commissioner Moyle moved to read. Seconded by Commissioner Graziose.

Attorney read:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE 1, SECTION 4, OF APPENDIX F OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE, ENTITLED LOCAL BUSINESS TAX, TO INCREASE BY FIVE PERCENT (5%) OF THE CURRENT RATE STRUCTURE AND INCREASE THE PROCESSING/INSPECTION FEES BASED ON HOURLY SURCHARGES FOR LOCAL BUSINESS TAX RECEIPTS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Tammy Reed Holguin, Community Development Director, presented the item based on backup memorandum. This is the first reading of the Ordinance to amend the fee schedule which determines the fee schedule for the local business tax that is issued by the Community Development Dept. The ordinance was revised in 2015 and subsequently amended. Based on Florida Statutes municipalities may increase their local business tax receipt fees by 5% every other year. The attached ordinance will provide an amendment to increase the fee by the statutory limit effective in 2017. Ms. Reed-Holguin stated this increase will amount to less than $10.00 per year for most of the City’s businesses, and will also apply to two processing and inspection fees to cover costs for inspections done by outside building inspectors. Upon approval of first reading, the second reading of the revised fee schedule will be applied to all renewals that are issued for the FY 2017-2018 and to all new business tax receipts issued after the effective date of Wednesday, July 2, 2017. Public hearing opened. No one spoke. Commissioner Graziose moved to adopt. Seconded by Commissioner Moyle. Commissioner Borgelin asked for clarification of the conditions of Florida Statute 205.0535(2). Ms. Holguin responded that this is the statute that establishes the occupational license fee
structure for cities and in order to put that in place, back in 1995 the City had to form a board or commission to look at the types of businesses that would be licensed and establish a fee structure. Once the City met the requirements of the statute and established the business tax receipt, then every other year the fee could be increased by no more than 5%. Commissioner Borgelin asked how often a commission or board should be formed to do an equity study to present to the local government. City Attorney Goren responded by saying that a commission was formed many years ago to create the fee structure and the statute now allows that the Commission now sits as its own equity study commission by making a decision every other year to be able to increase up to 5% against the categories that were initially established; it does not allow for the establishment of new categories. Attorney Goren said if state law is changed this session, this may be for naught, in that the potential for the current HB 17 that is in place would eliminate the ability for the City to assess for this up to 2020. But with the current FS 205.0535(2), the Commission is legally authorized to act as its own equity study commission and make the increase. City Manager Bhatty reiterated that as a condition, we cannot create any new business categories, so we go over the categories that were established in 1995. Commissioner Borgelin asked if this was a revision ordinance and Attorney Goren replied no, that once the categories were created they stay in place through the present time. City Manager commented that we are abiding by the current statute. At this time, resident Yolande Maxius of 1322 SW 74 Avenue, as a potential business owner, asked why is the City asking for an increase in business taxes. Ms. Reed-Holguin responded that it is only a 2 ½% increase each year, for a total of 5% every other year, and basically the reason is that the cost of implementing the program; inspecting and issuing local business tax receipts and monitoring compliance with business regulations increases every year, so the 5% assists the City in covering those costs. Commission Borgelin stated he has difficulty in going with the 5% because of how it may affect home rentals or business rentals. City Manager Bhatty commented that for most businesses, the increase is less than $10.00 a year, or approximately a $1.00 a month. Ms. Reed-Holguin stated that the City did not increase or impact the fees for the most recently adopted ordinance for single family rentals; it is only for commercial businesses. No further discussion; clerk called roll. Commissioner Borgelin – NO; Commissioner Graziose – YES; Commissioner Moyle – YES; Vice Mayor Wood – YES; Mayor Brady – YES.

ORDINANCE PASSED ON FIRST READING WITH A 4-1 VOTE.

b. RESOLUTION - Change Order- Fire Station 44 Bay Floor Repair Additional Concrete Work

Vice Mayor Wood moved to read. Seconded by Commissioner Graziose.

Attorney read:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR HER DESIGNEE TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED CHANGE ORDER FOR ADDITIONAL CONCRETE WORK AT FIRE STATION #44 BAY FLOOR BY GATOR PAVING AND CONSTRUCTION LLC, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $6,566.00; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
George Krawczyk, Public Works Director, presented the item based on backup memorandum. He stated that this is for an on-going project which was approved on November 15, 2016 as part of the upgrade of Fire Station 44. The project ran into additional concrete work needed on the floor which exceeded the contract value previously approved by $6,566.00. This is necessary to keep the warranty fully supported by the tile company. **Commissioner Moyle moved to adopt. Seconded by Commissioner Graziose. Clerk called roll. All yes.**

**RESOLUTION NO 17-03-6378 PASSED AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY**

c. RESOLUTION - Phase I - Field/Court Light Replacement Project

Vice Mayor Wood moved to read. Seconded by Commissioner Moyle. Attorney read:

*A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF $648,220.00 TO MUSCO LIGHTING UTILIZING THE CLAY COUNTY, FLORIDA BID FOR PHASE I OF THE FIELD AND COURT REPLACEMENT PROGRAM. FUNDING IS AVAILABLE IN THE 2016-2017 PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT GENERAL FUND 3117071-563100; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.*

Mike Sargis, Asst. City Mgr/Parks and Rec Director, presented the item based on backup memorandum. He explained that this is part of the previously approved allocation for the first phase of a 2 year replacement project to replace light poles that are 30-50 years of age. He reminded the Commission of the fact that they have looked at many funding options that did not materialize and currently we have submitted to Florida legislature for some appropriation money. He said the good news is that if the Commission approves this resolution tonight and the project moves forward, if any appropriation monies are approved, we can use it to pay back the city for work that was already completed. Mr. Sargis reported that the time line to get the poles in is about 3-6 months from the time of ordering to completion. He explained what poles and lighting will be replaced for security and parking lot lighting; at what fields and the impact on residents, if any, with regard to Phase I of the project. Mr. Sargis said Jason, the Sales Rep. from Musco is in the audience for any questions about the project. They will be utilizing the Clay County bid, for a total cost not to exceed $643,220 and an additional $5,000 cushion for state permit fees that are not able to be waived. Mr. Sargis commented that they should be able to provide uninterrupted service; programming and access to the facilities with lights for the next 30-40 years. He said this is a turn-key project, so the dollar amount requesting to be approved today will be the total cost. **Commissioner Graziose moved to adopt. Seconded by Commissioner Moyle.** Vice Mayor Wood asked for clarification of the parks included in Phase I. Commissioner Graziose commented that Musco did the lights at Pompano Park a few years ago, he is familiar with them and happy with their work within FEMA costs after Hurricane Wilma. Commissioner Borgelin likes the project, but asked if Jaycee Park could be included in the project for security lighting. Mr. Sargis said they could add this as a CIP project in the upcoming budget process, and they will get some pricing for that. **Commissioner Graziose commented on FPL’s program for putting security lights on their poles that could get billed to the City’s***
account. Mr. Sargis said they do that, but once installed, the City would have to take ownership of those poles. Commissioner Borgelin asked for a break-down of the costs. Mr. Sargis said he can provide that to the Commission. Clerk called roll. All yes.

RESOLUTION NO 17-03-6379 PASSED AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

d. SUBJECT - Sponsorship – Silver Lakes Middle School – Parents English Language Learners (PELL) Program

Attorney Goren read:

i. MOTION – To approve a City Sponsorship for the PELL Program at Silver Lakes Middle School for the use of the City Logo for the flyers, assistance in distributing flyers to the residents and advertising the program, and to provide funding for the program in an amount not to exceed $1,000.00, subject to this group obtaining a non-profit charitable status.

Vice Mayor Wood moved to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Graziose. Commissioner Graziose commented that the terminology in the motion is confusing regarding the “non-profit charitable status” for the “group”. He said it is School Board employee volunteers and students from Coconut Creek High School as interpreters; it is not a formal organized group as “PELL” is an acronym that was developed by the volunteers that are putting on the English program. Commissioner Graziose stated that the school district is a not-for-profit, so would we have to ask a school board member to adopt the program in order for it to be a non-profit charitable seeing that we have contracts with the schools? He said he is seeing how we can do this as this group of volunteers is not equipped to apply to the State of Florida for a not-for-profit 501 C (3) status. Commissioner Moyle commented that the school already is a non-profit so wouldn’t they fall under that umbrella. City Attorney Goren stated that the school is not the applicant so that is the challenge. City Manager Bhatty commented that the school district is not sponsoring this program. Commissioner Graziose commented that the teachers are being paid out of the general budget of Silver Lakes Middle School to do this after-hours. Commissioner Graziose commented that his Homeowners Association gave a donation as a gesture to help solicit funds for this program and another corporation, Arena Shops, has stepped forward to donate. He said he is trying to help solicit funds for this program. Mr. Tavures Williams, Silver Lakes Middle School, addressed the Commission and commented that “PELL” was just a name of the program and not meant to be a separate entity, but more like a partnership between the school and the community, by using the Silver Lakes Middle School facility and Silver Lakes teachers, who would be paid from the general fund of the school which has a non-profit status. Mr. Williams said to establish a non-profit would cost money. Commissioner Moyle commented that getting a 501 C (3) status from the government is not an easy thing to do and is also time consuming. Commissioner Borgelin asked if this would create an issue for other organizations that might apply to the City for help? Vice Mayor Wood stated that when this item was first brought forth, he thought the teachers would be paid through another source and the funding was for a charitable organization to go toward the supplies to help with the curriculum and utensils for the teachers to use for the students. He said we do give to 501 C (3) organizations, and it is costly to
apply for that, but asked if the school has a PTO or PTA, which are falling under the non-profit status. Vice Mayor Wood stated he is in favor of this program which was the brain-child of a group in the community, but if there is a group within the school that already carries the non-profit status maybe they would be willing to help out. Commissioner Graziose stated from past experience the PTA is a national organization and PTO is school based and he is not aware of a PTO that has that status. Vice Mayor Wood said if the group is already there in the school and is established as a non-profit, then we may shoulder up under their umbrella with this program. Commissioner Borgelin commented that he disagrees somewhat and is looking at two angles; one being that he recalls a women coming to the Commission who was encouraged to obtain a 501 C (3), and if any other organizations pop up like that how can we deny them? Mayor Brady commented that the Commission has a right to say yes or no depending on the impact to all residents. Mr. Williams interjected that when this idea came about, it was not just for Silver Lakes Middle School or Broward County Public Schools, but the concept is that it is a partnership between the schools within our community as well as with the City and asked if a motion could be made to make a formal partnership between the schools and the City, and possibly have the City be an official partner or sponsor of this program to provide funding, rather than have the funding filtered through the School. Attorney Goren stated that at the last meeting when this item was discussed, he made it clear on the record that when a City wants to spend its public money on a municipal and public purpose and wants to support a charity, we must adopt a resolution such as the one that follows as the next item on the agenda. This can only be done so long as it meets the requirements of the Broward County Ethics Code. Attorney Goren stated that there is no charitable organization that this group has formed; they are a group of caring individuals, but they do not have an entity for which the City can actually physically support and the PELL program is only a concept between people. Attorney Goren stated that the Vice Mayor is describing an actual concrete entity, because under the Ethics Code, it specifically says that solicitation and receipt of contributions; charitable contribution fundraising; solicitation of funds by an elected official (which could be the Commission), for a non-profit charitable organization as defined under the Internal Revenue Code is permissible so long as there is no quid pro quo or other special consideration including any direct or indirect benefit between the parties to the solicitation. Attorney Goren further commented that this City has a long history, since this Code was adopted, of adopting resolutions for what is called a co-sponsorship so that they could make a contribution and support the organization, but it has to be some entity and if this group does not have an entity or cannot create an entity, or have the consent of someone to create an entity, then they have to find an entity that can align with what they are trying to accomplish. He said if the school district has such a charitable organization who could be the supportive end of this resolution, and to whom the money could be given, then you would satisfy all of the potential needs. Attorney Goren urged, that since the Ethics Code is so serious, you cannot destine these funds to a group of individuals who have not yet formed a charitable organization as defined by the Code, otherwise it would be a violation of the Ethics Code for this Commission to give money to a non-organization. Attorney Goren stated that without the benefit of this Broward County Ethics Code Ordinance being followed anyone who walked in the door could ask for money for any purpose. Commissioner Borgelin asked for clarification of what would constitute the difference between “sponsorship or co-sponsorship” with regard to this resolution. Attorney Goren replied that co-sponsorship means that this City could acknowledge some other existing organization such as the Komen Walk for the Cure or the Sickle Cell group. So if there is an existing organization within the school such as a PTSO or PTO or some group that qualifies as a
charitable organization, that we could make a relationship with, then the monies could be designated for that purpose and be in compliance. Commissioner Graziose stated this was the question he asked at the beginning that went unanswered. Vice Mayor Wood stated that the program in itself and in its concept will help the residents who are struggling with the native language of English and there has to be a way for the PTSO to help so that this group can receive these funds. He suggested that if Silver Lakes does not have a PTSO or PTA, maybe Broadview or Morrow does as this is going to service the families of the students that reside in North Lauderdale, and if not, we should table the item and bring it back. City Attorney Goren referred to the Exhibit A of the next item, which is the resolution, that adds to the list of co-sponsorships the Broward County School Board/Silver Lakes and stated that if someone on the record could align this destination of funds and sponsorship to an entity, then we could amend the document to reflect that entity to be in compliance with the Ethics Code. Attorney Goren said he is hopeful that the Commission would find an entity to designate the money to for clarification. Mr. Williams stated that they do have a PTA but cannot speak to their 501 C (3) status. He said they are partnered with Broadview Baptist Church, who has been working closely with this project, may possibly have that status. Attorney Goren stated that the motion has drafted how to allocate the money, so it could be adopted subject to compliance; similarly the resolution could be worked toward that end. Attorney Goren stated it would have to be a non-religious organization. Commissioner Graziose also commented that not all PTOs have a 501 C (3) status. Commission Borgelin asked if the project could be enlarged to allow other non-profit organizations to help out and questioned how they measure the success of a 10 week program. Mr. Williams said they have a full curriculum based on Burlington English Licenses and the participants have taken diagnostic tests to determine levels and they have a wide range of participants which fall between level 2 and level 4 categories. Mr. Williams said the curriculum has been vetted and proven. Attorney Goren commented that the motion on the floor; Mayor Brady commented subject to compliance. Clerk called the question. Motion passed unanimously.

ii. RESOLUTION – Recognizing City Sponsorship for the PELL Program at Silver Lakes Middle School

Vice Mayor Wood moved to read. Seconded by Commissioner Graziose. Attorney read:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING A SPONSORSHIP OR CO-SPONSORSHIP RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE AND THOSE CHARITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS LISTED IN EXHIBIT “A”, ATTACHED HERETO AND INCORPORATED HEREIN, AS MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME, FOR THE EXPRESSED PURPOSE OF COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 1-19(C)(5)(A)(4) OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Goren stated that before the Commission is a form resolution which has been approved many times by this Commission; but the change will be in the Exhibit A. It currently reads
Broward County School Board/Silver Lakes Middle School PELL Program. Attorney Goren stated that the motion was adopted to clarify that so as long as we have a destination of where he funds are to go to comply with the County Ethics Code, it is legal to adopt the resolution subject to clarification of Exhibit A. Vice Mayor Wood moved to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Graziose. Clerk called roll. All yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-03-6380 PASSED AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

e. RESOLUTION - Purchase of Water Plant Polymer Chemical

Vice Mayor Wood moved to read. Seconded by Commissioner Graziose.

Attorney read:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GENERIC CHEMICAL FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $98,000 FOR THE PURCHASE OF POLYMER CHEMICAL GP-108 FOR THE CITY’S WATER PROCESSING OPERATIONS STARTING FROM JULY 1, 2017 UP TO JUNE 30, 2020; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

George Krawczyk, Public Works Director, presented the item based on backup memorandum. This item is for an extension of a contract for the purchase of a polymer chemical for the water plant. Mr. Krawczyk reported that we have been using this vendor for over 13 years and the product works for the chemistry of our water and wish to keep using this product. The current contract is expiring on June 30, 2017. Mr. Krawczyk would like to extend the contract for another three years; the payment monthly is a set fee of $2,650. After 14 months there may be an increase of up to 7%, and is based on the market value. Commissioner Moyle moved to adopt. Seconded by Commissioner Graziose. Commissioner Borgelin asked if there was an open bid to other competitors. Mr. Krawczyk replied that basically this polymer chemical is purchased from Generic Chemical who is the manufacturer of the product which the City has used for over 13 years. City Manager Bhatty commented that producing the water is a very complex operation and must be permitted by the health department; producing a good water quality depends on having the right mix of chemicals. She said this is the manufacturer of this chemical that suits very well the production of the water. City Manager Bhatty said we used to pay a lot more when US Water provided the chemical, but we amended that a few years ago because we could get a better price as a government entity and we got the best supplier through the co-op program run by government agencies which different vendors are part of. Since this provides a lower rate, we will keep this as a sole provider of this particular type of chemical for our water plant. Commissioner Borgelin commented that he just wanted to know if in all fairness this was opened to others to. Vice Mayor Wood reiterated that he understands Commissioner Borgelin’s concern about opening it up for bid process, but as he read it, this product works best for our water source here in North Lauderdale; it has been tested, tried and proven and Generic Chemical produces this product. Vice Mayor Wood said there are other products on the market but they may not work to service our residents. Mr. Krawczyk said they
could change the chemistry of our water. Vice Mayor Wood commented that changing the chemistry of the water might create other problems down the road and we don’t want to end up like other parts of the country where water supplies have not been properly maintained. Mr. Krawczyk stated that this is the lowest priced chemical that we buy and other chemicals are purchased through the co-op. Vice Mayor Wood stated he felt confident that this works best for our supply so as not to change the water. Commissioner Borgelin said he understands and asked that going further if this explanation could be provided then he will know if others had been given an opportunity. Mr. Krawczyk replied that to be specific it is a sole source polymer. City Manager Bhatty added that the charter allows for different ways to purchase, and if it is a sole source provider or product then we can waive a bid or going out on the street for an RFP. No further discussion; clerk called roll. All yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-03-6381 PASSED AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

f. SUBJECT – Legislative Matters

Vice Mayor Wood moved to read. Seconded by Commissioner Moyle. Attorney read:

i. RESOLUTION – Supporting Palm Beach County Sober Homes Task Force Report (The Report is available for Public Review in the City Clerk’s Office)


Commissioner Graziose moved to adopt. Seconded by Vice Mayor Wood. No discussion. Clerk called question. All yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-03-6382 PASSED AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

ii. RESOLUTION – Opposing HB 17 and SB 1158

Vice Mayor Wood moved to read. Seconded by Commissioner Moyle. Attorney read:
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA URGING ALL MEMBERS OF THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO OPPOSE HB 17 AND SB 1158 WHICH PREEMPTS LOCAL BUSINESS REGULATIONS, PROHIBITS LOCAL GOVERNMENT FROM IMPOSING OR ADOPTING ANY NEW REGULATIONS ON BUSINESSES UNLESS EXPRESSLY AUTHORIZED BY THE LEGISLATURE; DIRECTING CITY ADMINISTRATION TO TRANSMIT A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE BROWARD LEAGUE OF CITIES, THE BROWARD COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION, AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Graziose moved to adopt. Seconded by Commissioner Moyle. No discussion. Clerk called question. All yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-03-6383 PASSED AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

iii. RESOLUTION – OPPOSING PCB PIEC 17-03

Vice Mayor Wood moved to read. Seconded by Commissioner Moyle.

Attorney read

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA URGING ALL MEMBERS OF THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO OPPOSE BILL# PCB PIEC 17-03 WHICH WILL REQUIRE MUNICIPAL ELECTED OFFICIALS AND CANDIDATES FOR ELECTED MUNICIPAL OFFICE TO FILE AN ANNUAL FORM-6; DIRECTING CITY ADMINISTRATION TO TRANSMIT A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE BROWARD LEAGUE OF CITIES, THE FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES, THE BROWARD COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION, THE PALM BEACH COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES, THE MIAMI DADE COUNTY LEAGUE OF CITIES AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Moyle moved to adopt. Seconded by Commissioner Graziose. No discussion. Clerk called question. All yes.

RESOLUTION NO. 17-03-6384 PASSED AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Attorney Goren stated that these three items, and especially the last two Bills, HB 17 and SB 1158 and PCB PIEC 17-03, are very serious pieces of legislation which is making headway right now; they have a lot of legs and support and have a conservative view on how government should run and are preemptive of local home rule. There was some discussion about how these would create a loss of revenue base for the municipalities; how it affects home rule and other issues, concerns and impacts.
7. REPORTS

a. Traffic Box Wrap Around Presentation

City Manager Bhatty said the presentation was prepared to present some themes and concepts for the traffic boxes and to get some feedback from the Commission. George Krawczyk presented a PowerPoint, a copy of which is available in the City Clerk’s office. He reported that posters have been defacing the boxes and one thing which has been done, due to the strong push of one of the Commissioners, is that there is now a complaint reporting process which was created and there is currently an ordinance in process and other cities are getting on board. Mr. Krawczyk reported that they are looking into vendors who can do the wraps, and indicated other cities that currently have the wraps. Ten locations have been identified by staff to incorporate the wraps. Mr. Krawczyk reported that a local print shop that does these wraps is a franchise and with regard to the cost, once an image has been determined it costs about $500 per image to process and wrapping the boxes is about $1,100 for a total of about $1,600 per design per box. He explained the two step permit process for the DOT right of way and we will follow that once a design has been chosen. Some discussion ensued regarding Commissioner’s thoughts for themes; artwork and where to get it from. Commissioner Graziose suggested doing the preliminaries, but not installing any wraps until such time as a County ordinance is in place so that we could get restitution if a club or anyone would damage a $1,600 wrap.

b. Possible discussion and motion for further direction on Traffic Box Wraps

City Manager said they will continue to look at all the ideas and will keep the Commission updated on the progress from time to time until they are at a point where we are ready to do it.

8. COMMISSION COMMENTS

Mayor Brady – Commented on a resident, Erin Dresser, who came in to personally tell him that City Clerk Vancheri was very helpful to her and said we don’t often have residents who commend employees in that way.

Commissioner Moyle – Personally thanked Commissioner Graziose for all of the effort he puts forth regarding the traffic box issues; his work with the MPO; the School District getting the boundaries set and other things and said he was a good member of the Commission.

Commissioner Graziose – Commented that he is glad that we passed the resolution about the graffiti on traffic boxes and stated that other cities are getting on board. He commented that the MPO said if other cities pass a resolution like North Lauderdale, they will bring it up at a County Commission meeting. He also discussed an issue brought up to the MPO regarding school zones. He proposed to have a resolution drafted for all existing school zones and all new school zones change their design to include a yellow light at the end of each school zone sign. He said other counties do it but Broward has not. The reason is that people forget they are in the school zone if the light is in the middle. City Manager Bhatty commented that they are solar lights.
Consensus of the Commission was to request City Attorney’s office to draft the resolution to bring back to the next meeting.

Commissioner Graziose also commented he was contacted by the School Board and would like to set up an informal group to get together once a month to develop a communication with the schools for projects that may come up at a North Lauderdale School that needs a representative of the City with regard to a Smart Program pertaining to a Bond. This program will go on for five years and the first project will be at Broadview Elementary, although no date has been set. Commission Graziose said when this does happen, a committee will be set up at the school which will have to include someone; so he would like to be proactive and jump ahead to develop an informal group to have representation on behalf of the Commissioners for all of the schools in the City so that we are ready when that Bond issue comes up. He stated he is willing to start it. City Manager Bhatty commented that Charles Webster was going to send some information and based on that it can be an agenda item at an upcoming meeting to officially appoint someone to represent the City in the Smart initiative. She said regarding an informal meeting, she said there would be staff from different departments. Also, there could not be more than one elected official on a committee, or it has to be publicly noticed. Vice Mayor Wood said it is a good idea and commented that his school has an Education Committee that the Mayor and sometimes other Commissioners attend, that is publicly noticed, but the public doesn’t usually attend as it is school business. He said having an open line of communication by setting up a committee would be wonderful and it’s a good idea to get a committee up and running. Commissioner Graziose said he has documentation to show how the committee would look. Vice Mayor Wood said each Commissioner has a school in their district, so each one should be a part of the Committee to also work with the Principal of that school. He said he agrees with what Commissioner Graziose wants to do, but to form an Educational committee with all of them. City Manager Bhatty said she will review the information to use as a model to build our own committee based on the City’s needs for representation.

Commissioner Graziose also said he received a request today from the American Lung Association and shared the information to see if the City wanted to participate. Also, he thanked Tammy Reed-Holguin and her staff for their work on a restaurant that has been trying to open in the City for over a year that had issues with their architect; thanked Public Works for some work on SW 70th way and mentioned that a petition has been signed to try to close that road; and reported on an MPO event happening on Sunday – “Lets go Biking” at Pompano Community Park at 9:00 am. MPO was asked to contact North Lauderdale for a walking event next year. City Manager Bhatty commented that since the application for the greenway was downsized, they have discussed at some point to submit another application to MPO for a bike path along 81st Avenue to tie into the C-14 canal and Hampton Pines Park.

Commissioner Borgelin – had a word of praise for the work the City did on the sidewalk projects that were scheduled and completed and stated the residents are happy with the results.

9. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

a. Seeking authorization for the Mayor to sign acknowledgement letters to Business2Business Mixer Participants and Sponsors and to authorize Mayor
Brady to sign such letters to acknowledge participants and supporters of economic development events going forward.

City Manager Bhatty stated that the Business2Business mixer was successful and staff would like to thank those who participated at this event and seeks approval of a letter for this item and any events going forward. Commissioner Moyle made a motion to approve signature of the Mayor for these letters. Vice Mayor Wood seconded. Commissioner Graziose asked for a friendly amendment to the motion to included that the City give new businesses a welcome certificate. Commissioner Moyle amended the original motion; Seconded by Vice Mayor Wood. All in favor by voice vote.

b. Upcoming Events
   • Friday, March 17 – 7:15 pm - Free Movie on Lawn of City Hall

10. CITY ATTORNEY COMMENTS

Attorney Goren mentioned the legislative document that the City Attorneys’ office prepared and is tracking and said keep your eye on these and he will keep the Commission posted. He said after this meeting the Commission will convene to the North Lauderdale Foundation meeting.

11. ADJOURNMENT – There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm and convened to the North Lauderdale Recreation Foundation.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Vancheri, CMC
City Clerk