

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2011 AT 6:30 P.M.**

**ANY PERSON WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON AN AGENDA ITEM (NON-CONSENT ITEMS ONLY), PLEASE FILL OUT A PINK PUBLIC COMMENT CARD LOCATED IN THE BACK OF THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND GIVE IT TO THE LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING. IN NO EVENT WILL ANYONE BE ALLOWED TO SPEAK ON AN AGENDA ITEM AFTER THE RESOLUTION IS READ OR ITEM CONSIDERED.**

**CITY CLERK CALLS TO ORDER**

**Roll Call**

Chairperson Pardo was present and presided. Upon a roll call by City Clerk Ward, the following were present: Chairperson Dawn S. Pardo; Councilperson Billie E. Brooks; Councilperson Cedrick A. Thomas; and Councilperson Shelby L. Lowe. Also present were: City Manager Ruth Jones; City Clerk Carrie E. Ward, MMC; and City Attorney Pamala H. Ryan.

Councilperson Davis was absent; Mayor Masters was tardy.

**Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance**

Everyone stood for a Moment of Silence and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Chairperson Pardo.

**AGENDA Approval:**

**Additions, Deletions, Substitutions**

**City Manager Jones** made the following revisions to the agenda: addition – Resolution reference grant application for \$1 million; deletion – No. 10 – resolution reference banking services. She stated that No. 7A was indicated under Awards and Presentations; however, Mr. Robinson was not able to attend due to death in the family.

**Disclosure By Council**

***(If any Council Member has anything to disclose regarding any item on the Agenda, please do so at this time)***

**NONE**

## Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by **Councilperson Thomas** and seconded by **Councilperson Brooks** to approve the agenda.

**MOTION**

Upon a roll call vote by City Clerk Ward, the vote was unanimous.

**MOTION APPROVED**

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THIS ITEM ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE AND ACTION WILL BE TAKEN BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A COUNCILPERSON SO REQUESTS, IN WHICH EVENT, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE GENERAL ORDER OF BUSINESS AND CONSIDERED IN ITS NORMAL SEQUENCE ON THE AGENDA.**

## **MINUTES**

1. **MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD MARCH 2, 2011.**

## **RESOLUTIONS**

2. **RESOLUTION NO. 26-11 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH AND PALM BEACH COUNTY FOR RECEIVING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$266,901; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO SET UP A BUDGET AND APPROPRIATE FUND BALANCE IN THE PAVING AND DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$640,000; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **ITEM PULLED FOR DISCUSSION****

**City Clerk Ward** read the aforementioned resolution into the record.

**Bonnie Larson, W 27<sup>th</sup> Street**, inquired as to whether or not the funds being transferred to the paving and drainage account was for the entire city or just the proposed project.

A motion was made by **Councilperson Brooks** and seconded by **Councilperson Thomas** to approve Resolution No. 26-11.

**MOTION**

Upon a roll call vote by City Clerk Ward, the vote was unanimous.

**MOTION APPROVED**

3. **RESOLUTION NO. 27-11 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING SUPPORT TO MAINTAIN ANY EXISTING LANGUAGE FOUND IN PALM BEACH COUNTY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN WHICH PROHIBITS RESTAURANT USES ON PEANUT ISLAND; AND ACKNOWLEDGING PALM BEACH COUNTY'S AND THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH'S COMMITMENT TO PROTECT THE WELFARE OF THE PUBLIC AND THE ENVIRONMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. ITEM PULLED FOR DISCUSSION**

City Clerk Ward read the aforementioned resolution into the record.

A motion was made by **Councilperson Brooks** and seconded by **Councilperson Thomas** to approve Resolution No. 27-11.

**MOTION**

**Gerald Ward, W 20<sup>th</sup> Street**, stated that there was not enough information provided to determine that the proposed action needed to be taken.

**John Sprague, Palm Beach Gardens**, stated that the marina was currently experiencing parking issues and allowing a restaurant to be built on Peanut Island would add to it. He stated that it was inevitable that the trash which would be generated from the establishment would end up at the marina just as it does now without a restaurant being located on the island; and the lift station was currently running at almost max capacity.

A motion was made by **Councilperson Lowe** to postpone action on the proposed resolution until the next meeting.

**MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF SECOND**

Upon a roll call vote by City Clerk Ward, the vote was unanimous.

**MOTION APPROVED**

4. **RESOLUTION NO. 28-11 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING A TRI PARTY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, E. PLEASANT PLAZA, INC. AND EARL AND MARGARET PLEASANT (OWNER DEVELOPERS) FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF \$297,000 IN EDI GRANT FUNDS AWARDED TO THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH IN 2006 BY THE US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL RETAIL FACILITY TO BE LOCATED AT 2701 OLD DIXIE HIGHWAY; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE TRI PARTY AGREEMENT AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM FINANCE DIRECTOR TO SET UP A BUDGET AND DRAW DOWN THE FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **ITEM PULLED FOR DISCUSSION****

City Clerk Ward read the aforementioned resolution into the record.

A motion was made by **Councilperson Brooks** and seconded by **Councilperson Thomas** to approve Resolution No. 28-11.

**MOTION**

**Earl Pleasant, W 37<sup>th</sup> Street**, expressed appreciation to everyone that assisted in bringing the project to fruition.

Upon a roll call vote by City Clerk Ward, the vote was unanimous.

**MOTION APPROVED**

5. **RESOLUTION NO. 29-11 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD OF PALM BEACH COUNTY FOR THE MUTUAL USE OF RECREATIONAL FACILITIES; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**
6. **RESOLUTION NO. 30-11 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, OF PALM BEACH COUNTY FOR THE CONTINUED IMPLEMENTATION OF YOUTH EMPOWERMENT PREVENTION INTERVENTION PROGRAMS IN THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,590; AUTHORIZING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR TO SET UP A BUDGET FOR THE SAME AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**  
**ITEM PULLED FOR DISCUSSION**

**City Clerk Ward** read the aforementioned resolution into the record.

A motion was made by **Councilperson Brooks** and seconded by **Councilperson Thomas** to approve Resolution No. 30-11.

**MOTION**

Upon a roll call vote by City Clerk Ward, the vote was unanimous.

**MOTION APPROVED**

- 6A **RESOLUTION NO. 31-11 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION FOR \$1 MILLION DOLLARS FOR MUNICIPAL MARINA REMEDIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION PHASE TWO, UNDER THE FLORIDA INLAND NAVIGATION DISTRICT WATERWAYS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; AND**

UPON NOTIFICATION OF AWARD, ACCEPT THE GRANT AND AUTHORIZE THE INTERIM FINANCE DIRECTOR TO ESTABLISH THE BUDGET; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **ITEM ADDED TO AGENDA**

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by **Councilperson Brooks** and seconded by **Councilperson Thomas** to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

**MOTION**

Upon a roll call vote by City Clerk Ward, the vote was unanimous.

**MOTION APPROVED**

**PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING**

NONE

**AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**

7. PRESENTATION BY RIVIERA BEACH YOUTHBUILD REGARDING A PROGRAM UPDATE AND INTRODUCTION OF ITS NEW PROGRAM DIRECTOR.

Tamar Reno, President of YouthBuild, presented the accomplishments of the program and introduced Miguel Rada, Program Director.

- 7A PRESENTATION BY ANTHONY ROBINSON, DIRECTOR, PALM BEACH COUNTY AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY ON THE RELAY FOR LIFE EVENT TO BE HELD AT THE DAN CALLOWAY RECREATION COMPLEX ON APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> AND APRIL 2, 2011, 6:00 P.M. **ITEM ADDED TO AGENDA**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING**

NONE

**ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING**

8. ORDINANCE NO. 3088 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENACTING A TWO-YEAR MORATORIUM AS TO THE FILING AND/OR RECEIVING OF ANY APPLICATION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PAIN MANAGEMENT CLINICS; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS, INTENT AND PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR A DEFINITION OF PAIN MANAGEMENT CLINIC; PROVIDING FOR THE BOUNDARIES SUBJECT TO THE

**MORATORIUM; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**City Clerk Ward** read the aforementioned ordinance into the record.

A motion was made by **Councilperson Brooks** to approve the ordinance on first reading.

**MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF SECOND**

9. **ORDINANCE NO. 3089 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENACTING A ONE-YEAR MORATORIUM AS TO THE FILING AND/OR RECEIVING OF ANY APPLICATION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ADULT ARCADE AMUSEMENT FACILITIES; PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS, INTENT AND PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR A DEFINITION OF ADULT ARCADE AMUSEMENT FACILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE BOUNDARIES SUBJECT TO THE MORATORIUM; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**City Clerk Ward** read the aforementioned ordinance into the record.

A motion was made by **Councilperson Brooks** to approve the ordinance on First Reading.

**MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF SECOND**

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – 8:00 PM\*<sup>1</sup> WILL NOT BE TELEVISED – Non Agenda or Consent Item Speakers (Three Minute Limitation)** *Please be reminded that the City Council has adopted a set of "Rules of Decorum Governing Public Conduct during Official Meetings", which has been posted at the entrance of the Council Chambers. In an effort to preserve order, if any of the rules are not adhered to, the Council Chair may have any disruptive speaker removed from the podium, from the meeting and/or the building, if necessary. Please govern yourselves accordingly.*

**George Carter, Palm Drive**, stated that the procurement policy should be placed on the TV18 in an effort to encourage local business and vendor participation. He stated that the Youth Empowerment Program and the Summer Academic Program were vital programs and encouraged the city to provide whatever support was necessary to keep the programs going.

**Bonnie Larson, W 27<sup>th</sup> Street**, stated that the US1 corridor projected needed to be revisited because proposed plans were not beneficial to the businesses located along the thoroughfare. She stated that she felt that the resolution regarding restaurant uses on Peanut Island should have been on the regular agenda so that the public could voice their concerns. Ms. Larson stated that she previously voiced the necessity to have visible numbers on homes and businesses and the problem had not been properly addressed.

**Pam Williams, W 33<sup>rd</sup> Street**, voiced her concerns regarding public comments not being televised. She continued with voicing her concerns regarding the mayor not being present at the beginning of the meeting, his representation or lack thereof for all of the residents of the city, and his disregard for providing accurate information as to who was responsible for donating the Thanksgiving dinners he assisted in distributing during the holiday season.

**Earl Davis, W 4<sup>th</sup> Street**, congratulated Mr. Thomas and Ms. Brooks on being re-elected to their respective seats. He expressed appreciation to those who supported the referendum question. He inquired as how long candidates had to remove their signs after the election.

**Mike Mahoney, Broadway**, requested that the US1 corridor project be revisited. He stated that he had a meeting scheduled with the CRA executive director for March 21<sup>st</sup> to voice his concerns and get feedback on the issue.

**Sylvia Blue, W 1<sup>st</sup> Street**, expressed appreciation to those who supported the referendum question and supported the re-election of Councilperson Thomas and Councilperson Brooks. She encouraged the residents to exercise their right to vote on March 22<sup>nd</sup> and to vote for George Carter and Bruce Guyton.

**Travis Wilkins, Langston Avenue**, stated that it was dangerous for one to call someone of the same ethnic background a racist. He stated that to leave the weight of change on the shoulders of the mayor and city council was dangerous and the question becomes what you're doing as a citizen. He stated that the states of mind of college students were different and that they look at the picture in its totality which included changes that have occurred and financial stability. He wished the mayor and the city council good luck in their efforts of moving the city forward.

**Bruce Guyton, W 26<sup>th</sup> Court**, congratulated Councilperson Thomas and Councilperson Brooks on their re-election. He stated that reality could not be denied and when an individual, not matter what their ethnic background was, makes racist comments they needed to be called to the carpet on it. He expressed words of appreciation to those who supported the referendum.

**Alan Mentser, 39<sup>th</sup> Court**, stated that the Big Heart Brigade provided the meals that were distributed at Newcomb Hall. He stated that the goal was to distribute 100,000 meals and if the city would like to assist in the fundraising efforts it would be greatly appreciated.

**Tom DeRita, Flagler Drive**, stated that he started the Big Heart Brigade prior to becoming a lobbyist for the city. He stated that his organization raised 750,000 lbs. of food and medical supplies for the Haiti Relief efforts. He stated that the Big Heart Brigade was proud to provide meals to disenfranchise of Riviera Beach and encouraged those who desired to do become a volunteer.

**Gerald Ward, W 20<sup>th</sup> Street**, stated that Representative Mack Bernard announced that a Student Summer Employment Program was available for college students and for more information contact the Human Resources Department at the Veterans Affairs Hospital and that application would be accepted until the close of business day on March 24<sup>th</sup>. He announced that a boat race would be held within the city on March 27<sup>th</sup>. He inquired as to what assistance the staff from the Community Development Department was providing to Rybovich/Huizenga in getting their \$45 million project on 20<sup>th</sup> Street started.

†Public Comments shall begin at 8:00 PM unless there is no further business of the City Council, which in that event, it shall begin sooner. In addition; however, if an item is being considered at 8:00 PM, then public comments shall begin immediately after the item has been concluded.

## **REGULAR**

10. **RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING STAFF'S RECOMMENDATION RANKING BRANCH BANKING & TRUST (BB&T) AS THE #1 RANKED PROPOSER AND AUTHORIZING STAFF TO NEGOTIATE A CONTRACT FOR THREE (3) YEARS WITH AN OPTION TO RENEW FOR AN ADDITIONAL THREE (3) YEAR TERM AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**ITEM DELETED**

## **DISCUSSION & DELIBERATION**

NONE

## **BOARD APPOINTMENT(S)**

NONE

## **DISCUSSION BY THE CITY MANAGER**

**City Manager Jones** announced that a Closed Executive Session regarding labor issues was scheduled for March 23, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Manager's Conference room. She announced a Budget Workshop was scheduled for March 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m. to be held in the City Council Chambers. City Manager Jones announced that she and Councilperson Davis attended Palm Beach County Day in Tallahassee and were able to present the three priorities that were previously approved. She stated that there was a lot discussion and interests in the problem the city experiences with the trains blocking the railroad crossings.

Discussion ensued upon Councilperson Thomas re-approaching the dias, he questioned if the ordinances could be reconsidered for discussion due to their importance.

**City Attorney Ryan** stated that although Robert's Rule of Order did not address the issue of what happened with Nos. 8 & 9, she was pretty confident that the City Council was within its right to discuss the issue again. She stated that one of the reasons was because Councilperson Thomas was present and the chairperson could have called for a recess. Mrs. Ryan stated that Robert's Rule of Order stated that a motion could be reconsidered at the same meeting if it passed or at the next meeting; she continued with that if the city council desired to discuss the items they could do so even though it died for lack of a second.

A motion was made by **Councilperson Thomas** and seconded by **Councilperson Brooks** to discuss No. 8 and No. 9 at this time.

**MOTION**

Upon a roll call vote by City Clerk Ward, the vote was unanimous with Councilperson Lowe absent from the meeting.

**MOTION APPROVED**

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**City Clerk Ward** read the aforementioned ordinance into the record.

A motion was made by **Councilperson Thomas** and seconded by **Councilperson Brooks** to approve the ordinance on First Reading.

**MOTION**

**Gerald Ward, W 20<sup>th</sup> Street**, stated this action was continuing in the anti-business process and being oppressive. He stated that the city has a horrible reputation as it relates to completing research within the timeframe of the moratorium.

An amended motion was made by **Councilperson Thomas** and seconded by **Councilperson Brooks** amending the ordinance to read enacting a moratorium for up to two years.

**AMENDED MOTION**

Upon a roll call vote by City Clerk Ward, the vote was unanimous.

**MOTION APPROVED**

**ORDINANCE NO. 3089 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ENACTING A ONE-YEAR MORATORIUM AS TO THE FILING AND/OR RECEIVING OF ANY APPLICATION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ADULT ARCADE AMUSEMENT FACILITIES;**

**PROVIDING FOR LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS, INTENT AND PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR A DEFINITION OF ADULT ARCADE AMUSEMENT FACILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE BOUNDARIES SUBJECT TO THE MORATORIUM; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**City Clerk Ward** read the aforementioned ordinance into the record.

A motion was made by **Councilperson Thomas** and **Councilperson Brooks** to approve the ordinance on First Reading.

**MOTION**

**Gerald Ward, W 20<sup>th</sup> Street**, stated this was sending the message that the city did not want this business or any other type of business. He stated that he did not see how this was a bad deal for the city and that the city did not honor its moratoriums.

**Bonnie Larson, W 27<sup>th</sup> Street**, stated that she did not feel that this was the type of business needed in the city. She stated that the city should consider enacting an ordinance prohibiting such businesses as this as well as pain clinics.

**Peter Turner, W 26<sup>th</sup> Street**, stated that he was in support of this type of business being located within the city. He stated that the city should encourage business development within the city not discourage.

**Al Angram, W 28<sup>th</sup> Street**, stated that he submitted an application for this business and that he further advised staff if he had to get signed petitions in support of this business, he would do so. He stated that he did not feel that a moratorium was necessary for this issue.

An amended motion was made by **Councilperson Thomas** and seconded by **Councilperson Brooks** amending the ordinance to read enacting a moratorium for up to one year with a 30 day report being provided to the city council.

**AMENDED MOTION**

Upon a roll call vote by City Clerk Ward, the vote was unanimous.

**MOTION APPROVED**

**LEGAL DISCUSSION/REQUEST**

NONE

**DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS BY CITY COUNCIL**

**Councilperson Lowe** encouraged the residents to exercise their right to vote on March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Councilperson Thomas** expressed appreciation to the residents who supported him on March 8<sup>th</sup>. He announced that the West Palm Beach Chapter of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc. would be hosting its 12<sup>th</sup> annual Community Baby Shower

Building Blocks for Healthy Babies, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at 21 Clear Lake Park Road. He announced that on March 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> Court Kings Tournament would be held in Belle Glade and Palm Beach Gardens respectively. Mr. Thomas stated that he and Ms McKinney would be meeting on the large family day care center issue and that further information would be disseminated upon completion of the meeting. He announced that new garbage cans were being distributed and that residents would not be able to keep their old receptacle. **Councilperson Brooks** expressed appreciation for the support she received on March 8<sup>th</sup>. She announced that the Annual Spring CleanUp would be held April 16<sup>th</sup> and volunteers were needed.

**Chairperson Pardo** congratulated Councilperson Thomas and Councilperson Brooks on their re-election and Mayor Masters on being in the run-off. She stated that she was pleased that Rybovich would stay in the city after being courted by the City of Jacksonville. She announced that she met with Don Colee of F.I.N.D. and she shared the timeframe with him but it was a necessity for the city to keep on task and the application approved on the Consent Agenda was due on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Mayor Masters** expressed appreciation for the residents who exercised their right to vote. He requested that interim Fire Chief LeDuc address the issue of the closing of fire stations.

**Peter LeDuc, Interim Fire Chief**, stated that he was not aware of plans to close any of the fire stations.

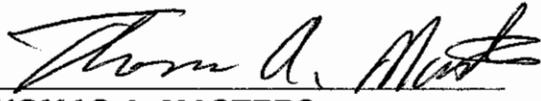
Mayor Masters stated that he was questioned by youth in the community regarding Spring Bling and it was his understanding that BET would not be conducting Spring Bling at all however he would be traveling to Washington D.C. and while there, he would meet with the officials of BET and advocate on behalf of the program as well as them returning to the city. He stated that he would be appointing an Economic Development Commission which would include the appointment of Phillip Dukes and Fercella Davis Panier. He announced that if anyone was not able to return their absentee ballot to the Supervisor of Elections Office, he would ensure that it was returned and that it should be completed prior to anyone picking it up.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned at 9:05 p.m.**

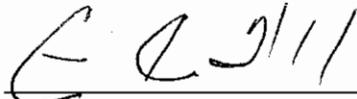
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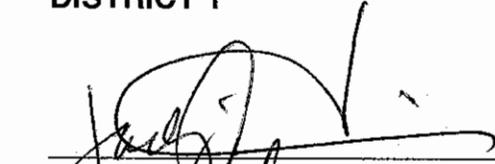
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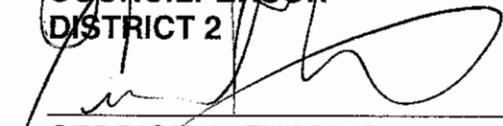
  
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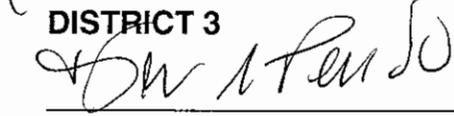
  
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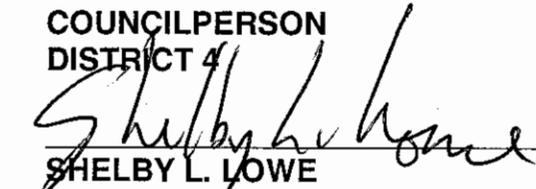
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DATE APPROVED: 04/06/2011