

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2015 AT 5:30 P.M.**

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**CITY CLERK CALLS THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Good evening, everyone. We will now begin with our March 18, 2015, regular City Council meeting. I'm asking that everyone silence their cell phones as we proceed with the business of the City. At this particular time, the roll call will take place after the newly-elected officials are sworn in. So may we now stand for a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**INVOCATION PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Shall we pledge?

(Everyone stood for a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance led by Interim City Clerk Claudene Anthony).

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Madam City Manager?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes. At this time, I am pleased to announce the swearing in of the City Clerk, Mrs. Claudene Anthony. She will be sworn in by Miss Chevelle Nubin who is the First Vice President of the Florida Association of City Clerks as well as the City Clerk for the City of Delray Beach.

**I. CITY CLERK OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED**

**DEBBIE BUFF:** Front and center, lady.

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** Honorable Mayor and Commissioners and members of the audience. It is indeed a privilege and an honor to be here tonight to perform the swearing in for your City Clerk, Claudene Anthony. And we have some other City Clerks that we brought with us from various cities in Palm Beach County and I'm just going to ask them to stand in the audience.

We have Crystal Gibson from the Town of Lantana. Melissa Teal from the Village of North Palm Beach. We have Crystal [sic] Puhalainen from the City of Atlantis. And we also have Lakisha Burch from the Town of Sewall's Point. And we have Debra Buff who is also the Palm Beach County Municipal Clerk's Association President and she's the City Clerk for the City of Belle Glade.

So Claudene, if you will stand here and raise your right hand and repeat after me. And Miss Anthony wants us to know that her mama is here. So give honor to Mama. Would you raise your right hand and repeat after me? State of Florida --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** State of Florida --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- County of Palm Beach --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- County of Palm Beach --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- City of Riviera Beach --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- City of Riviera Beach --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- I, Claudene Anthony --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- I, Claudene L. Anthony --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- do solemnly swear or affirm --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- do solemnly affirm --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- that I will support the Constitution of the United States --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- that I will support the Constitution of the United States --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- and the State of Florida --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- and the State of Florida --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- and conform to the statutes --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- and conform to the statutes --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- and general laws of the State of Florida --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- and general laws of the State of Florida --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- and do all in my power --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- and do all in my power --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- to uphold --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- to uphold --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- support --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- support --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- and enforce the Charter --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- and enforce the Charter --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- and Ordinances of the City of Riviera Beach, Florida --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- and Ordinances of the City of Riviera Beach, Florida --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- and perform the duties --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- and perform the duties --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- of the office --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- of the office --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- upon which I am about to enter --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- upon which I am about to enter --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- to the best of my ability --

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- to the best of my ability --

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** -- so help me God.

**INTERIM CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- so help me God.

**CHEVELLE NUBIN:** Congratulations.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Manager.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I'd like to make a comment on -- just now since you're --

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** First and foremost, I want to -- go ahead. I'll follow you.

**UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** No. We're waiting on you. Go ahead.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. First and foremost, I want to commend and compliment the Manager, the City Manager, for promoting from within, from promoting someone who had served faithfully in the second position, and I'm always for that. If someone has given most of their life, adult life, in the second position, perhaps over 25 years, that person certainly qualifies to move up and become not just an acting city clerk, but moves up to become the city clerk. She earned it, she worked hard, and the manager did the right thing. Thank you very much. Amen.

**DEBRA BUFF:** May I say a few words? Okay. Thank you. When I came in, I could already tell Claudene has a big head. But it -- it'll -- it'll come back down to size. And the party animal that she is, I know she's going to serve you even better than that, okay? So you do have a good city clerk. What I would like to say is that you continue her education. That is vital. We're kind of like attorneys even though we're not. We're kind of like engineers even though we're not. We have specified training that you cannot get anywhere else except through the Florida Association of City Clerks. We two -- we have two academies every year. It's vital. I can't stress it enough. The law changes; that's where we find this information out. Election laws changes; this is where we find this information out. The Palm Beach County Municipal Clerk's Association also has a good training source going on, concerning elections, specifically. But we are also a fantastic networking group. We have the best in the state of Florida, if not the nation, as an association, and our members are active. And I want to congratulate Claudene on behalf of the Palm Beach County Municipal Clerk's Association -- I'm about to cry -- for her accepting this position. It's well deserved.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** All right.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Okay. I was asked if I was going to give a speech and I'm going to try to do this without -- to cry. I just wanted to tell the City Manager, Miss Ruth Jones, thank you for the opportunity to serve my community in a higher capacity. I've been serving with the City for 25 years plus. I've been a resident of the City for over 40 years. So it is indeed an honor and a privilege to serve you in this capacity. And I also want to -- I know you're supposed to separate church and state -- but I have to thank God for allowing my mom to still be here. My mom was in the hospital 66 days and of those 66 days, she was on the ventilator for 45. So I have to thank God for that. And I give -- also give honor to my pastor, Reverend Doctor Tony F. Drayton, and then I have my husband, Mr. Wallace Anthony. Stand up, babe. And the other secret part of my life, my sisters, my older sister Karon [phonetic] Fayerweather, will you please stand? My younger sister, Janine Humphrey, will you please stand? And I have one of auntie pumpkins running around somewhere around here, Mr. Frederick Fayerweather. He's in the back with the pink shirt on.

So, again, I say thank you and I will continue, as I have always done, serve you honestly, truthfully, and I will serve you well. At this particular time, we will proceed with the administration of oath for our newly elected officials.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Miss Anthony.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Yes, sir.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Let me just say something very quickly. For those who don't know, Miss Anthony wasn't just given the position. She had to compete for it. And she rose to the top. I think it was 64 --

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Sixty-four.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** -- sixty-four applicants. So she should be proud. She competed and she got it the right way and she's well deserving of it. And congratulations.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Thank you. Y'all gonna make me cry. Okay. Let's get started.

## **II. OATH OF OFFICE ADMINISTERED AND PRESENTATION OF ELECTION CERTIFICATE TO EACH NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIAL**

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I would now like to call up Miss KaShamba L. Miller, the elected representative for City Council District 2. Accompanying Miss Miller is special loved ones from her family, but also our mayor, Mayor Thomas Masters, and the Honorable Reverend Griffin Davis, Sr., from the Hilltop Missionary Baptist Church. They're going to hold the Bible, and so Miss Miller, I'm going to ask that you place your left hand on the Bible and that you raise your right hand at this time. Okay. We're going to have to do this arrangement a little differently. I need you to come -- come on around on the other side. Thank you. Yeah. Stay there. Okay. And the Mayor would like to -- me to announce that he's standing in his Bishop capacity at this time. Is that it? Okay. Miss Miller, I would like for you to repeat after me. I, KaShamba L. Miller --

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** I, KaShamba L. Miller --

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- being a citizen of the State of Florida --

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** -- being a citizen -- who's gonna hold that -- of the State of Florida --

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- and of the United States of America --

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** -- and of the United States of America --

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- and being elected to represent --

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** -- and being elected to represent --  
**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- City Council District 2 --  
**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** -- City Council District 2 --  
**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- in the City of Riviera Beach --  
**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** -- in the City of Riviera Beach --  
**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- Palm Beach County, Florida --  
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**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- and a recipient of public funds --  
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**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- in this capacity --  
**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** -- in this capacity --  
**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- do hereby solemnly affirm --  
**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** -- do hereby solemnly affirm --  
**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- under oath --  
**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** -- under oath --  
**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- that I will support the Constitution --  
**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** -- that I will support the Constitution --  
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**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** -- and do all in my power --

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**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** -- to uphold --

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- support --

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** -- support --

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- and enforce the Charter --

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**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Congratulations. Miss Miller, if I can get you to sign your oath of office. Thank you. Miss Miller, I hereby present you your Certificate of Elections, your oath of office, as well as a quick reference book. It is just reference. They're used to us giving out the big books. Yeah. So in this book, you will find a copy of the Florida Municipal Officials Manual as well as the Florida Commission on Ethics Guide to Sunshine and in the back you will find useful links. In addition to this quick reference book, I present you a copy of the 11<sup>th</sup> edition of the Robert's Rules of Order for your studying. These are your tools. Congratulations. If you will have a seat, I will let you know when you can sit on the dais. Thank you. Uh-huh.

You ready? I now call up Miss Dawn S. Pardo, who ran unopposed, to represent City Council District 4. Good evening, Miss Pardo.

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** Good evening.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ... Yes, I do. Miss Pardo, if you would raise your right hand and repeat after me. I, Dawn S. Pardo --

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** I, Dawn S. Pardo --

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**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** -- being a citizen of the State of Florida --

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- and of the United States of America --

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** -- and of the United States of America --

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- and being elected --

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** -- and being elected --

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- to represent City Council District 4 --

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** -- to -- to -- I'm sorry, what?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- to represent City Council --

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** -- City Council District 4 --

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**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- so help me God.

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** -- so help me God.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Congratulations. Miss Pardo, you're not new to this. This book is a little smaller than what you're used to getting.

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** Amen.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** But I am presenting you with your Certificate of Election and your oath of office and a quick reference book that includes the Florida Municipal

Officials Manual and the Florida Commission on Ethics Guide to the Sunshine, as well as the 11<sup>th</sup> edition of the Robert's Rules of Order.

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** This is for your studying.

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** That's great.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Amen. Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** Thank you very much.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** I -- I'm not in church. Congratulations. And at this particular time, I will ask that all of the newly elected officials now take your seat on the dais. At this particular time, we will proceed with the roll call. **ROLL CALL**

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mayor Thomas Masters.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Present.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Bruce Guyton.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Here.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson KaShamba Miller.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Present.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Cedrick Thomas. Councilperson Dawn Pardo.

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** Present.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Terence Davis.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Here.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** City Manager Ruth Jones.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Present.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** City Clerk Claudene Anthony is present. City Attorney Pamala Ryan.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Present.

**III. CITY CLERK REQUEST NOMINATIONS FOR THE CITY COUNCIL CHAIR FOR 2015/2016**

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** At this time, the floor is open --

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mr. Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** As we get prepared to restructure this governing board with the chair and pro tem, I see that we don't have all the members here present and I don't think it would be proper for us to focus on the future Riviera Beach Board and its structure, to make a decision without all board members present. I think it's something that we may need to cancel until the next meeting that this entire Board is together so we can make -- have everybody have ample vote on the restructuring of this Board.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mr. Guyton.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yeah. I don't have a problem with that. I would ask that the previous vice chair be allowed to just run the meetings until we have a full quorum or, I mean, a full Board to make the selection of who we want to lead in -- into our next year.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** No problem here with that.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Council, as your City Clerk, it is my responsibility to advise you of what your City Charter says. In Article 2, Section 7, it states that, "At the next City Council meeting after officials are elected and sworn in," that, "you must elect a chair and a vice chair." How you move on that, it's up to you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Well, I -- Miss Ryan.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Yes, sir.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes, ma'am. Is -- is it -- is it -- would it be -- would it be illegal for us to postpone this until the next meeting due to the fact that we don't have all our Board members present so we can make sure everybody have a opportunity to cast a vote whether they want -- whether they choose to be in leadership, or just cast a vote on who's going to be the next leader of this Board and vice chair as well? Because I know the Charter states what we shall do but it also doesn't address whether or not if we choose not -- it doesn't say that we can't postpone.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Right.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** It doesn't state that.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Well, for clarity, I will read subsection -- I'll read the section 7, the portion that applies and we can go from there.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Under "Continuance of Present Officials," it states that, "The terms of the present elected officials shall continue until successors thereto have been elected and qualified at the regular and run-off election hereinabove provided, and all shall take office at the next regular City Council meeting after general election. At such time shall commence with selection of chair and chair pro tem."

I think that you may have an obligation to at least see if there is an opportunity to select the chair and the vice chair. In fact, you don't have to -- the person doesn't have to be here to be selected if that's the Council's desire. I would say that if -- because we have an even number of Council members, if you can't reach a decision, then that would force it to the next meeting. But without some kind of a discussion on the matter, I think you could be in violation of the Charter because it does say "at such time shall commence." It doesn't say it has to end. But it does say "shall commence."

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mr. Guyton.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** I'd like to nominate Miss Dawn Pardo as the chair.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I don't have a -- a vote but I do want to make a statement.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Hold on, hold on. The -- it's open for nominations. So after she closes nominations, then you could have a -- you could make a statement.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** To support, I can wait --

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Right now --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- until then.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Of course. But there will be no vote until --

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Are there any other nominations for the chairperson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Madam Chair.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mr. Davis.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** I'd like to nominate KaShamba Miller as chair.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Are there any additional nominations for City Council chair?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** I'd like to nominate Terence Davis for chair.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Well, it look like we're moving on.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Turnabout's fair play.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Are there any additional nominations for chairperson? The floor is now closed for chairperson nominees.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Now you can speak.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair. I've thought long about this, very long. I've prayed about it. I -- I was hoping that former chair Cedrick Thomas could be here tonight but he's not. I know if he could be here, he would be here. He certainly knows how I feel about him being chair in the times that he was chair. But for me, it's not about popularity. It's not about anything else other than doing the right thing.

There was one particular time that I thought the Council did the wrong thing and that's when -- I'm happy to see her here tonight -- and that's when Lynne Hubbard -- Lynne Hubbard was in the second position as co-chair. The right thing would have been for Miss Hubbard to move up to become chair. That didn't happen because politics got in the way. I never forgot it and I thought it was wrong. Tonight we have an opportunity to do what is right, what is protocol, as we've done earlier tonight whether other people competed for the position of City Clerk or not. The fact remains that when you have someone in that position, second, for 25 years, she should just walk on up, period, as far as I'm concerned. But she competed and won.

I've said all that to say that to me, it doesn't matter who's in that second position. Tonight, it happens to be Councilwoman Dawn Pardo. And I think the right thing to do is to be consistent with what we have done in the past except for that one -- one exception. And we have an opportunity to right that tonight. So I support moving up the second person that was in that spot as co-chair, to become the chair of this City just by virtue of the position that she held previously. Thank you, Madam Chair.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** At this time, we will call the vote for Councilperson Pardo to serve as chair of the City Council for the year of 2015-2016. Councilperson --

**FANE LOZMAN:** (Inaudible) I have a card in for this item.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Uh-uh. Miss Ryan.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** We've never done that.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Uh-uh, uh-uh.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** This isn't an item to speak on.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Miss Ryan here?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Miss Ryan.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Yes. We do not allow the public to speak on these items.

**FANE LOZMAN:** Where is that written (inaudible)?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** We will proceed with voting. Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** This is for the vice chair --

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Miss Pardo.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** -- moving up? Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Pardo?

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** That nomination fails with Councilperson Terence Davis and Councilperson KaShamba Miller dissenting. We will now vote on Miss KaShamba Miller being the chairperson. Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Pardo?

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** That nomination fails with Councilperson Guyton, Pardo and Miller dissenting. We will now proceed with a vote on Councilperson Terence Davis being the chairperson. Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Pardo?

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** That nomination now fails. At this particular time, I will again open the floor for nominees for the chairperson.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Madam Clerk.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Co-chair, you mean?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Madam -- no. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mr. Davis.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Miss -- Attorney Ryan, so we just made an attempt, three ways, and this has died. At this time, is it -- is it okay for us to -- to postpone this until the next meeting for -- when we have all bodies, members of the Board here, to proceed with the selection of this chair?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Absolutely.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Thank you so much.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** And Madam Clerk?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mr. Guyton.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** And as I suggested before, I would recommend that the previous vice chair conduct the meetings until the next meeting and we're able to select a chair or vice chair.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Is that a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** I'll make it a motion.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Can I get a second?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** What's -- what's the motion again?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** The motion is for Miss -- Councilperson Pardo to serve as the chairperson for this meeting, and the selection of our chairperson and vice chairperson would be held at our next regularly scheduled City Council meeting.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** That's this meeting only?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes. It's just to -- just to get us to the next meeting.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** I second.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** The motion has been properly moved and second. Any discussion? I now call for the vote. Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Pardo?

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Miss Pardo.

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** You are now the chairperson for this City Council meeting and --

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** -- and I gladly pass you the gavel.

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you very much. And we are now going to continue. Do you have public comment cards here for me?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** It's -- go ahead and put them (inaudible).

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Ask for the census now.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** But we'll just -- okay. All right. Just let me get my bearings here for a second. Okay. Okay. We're going to move down to the agenda right now.

**IV. NEWLY ELECTED CITY COUNCIL CHAIR REQUESTS NOMINATIONS FOR CITY COUNCIL CHAIR PRO-TEM FOR 2015/2016**

**NONE**

**V. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REMARKS**

**COUNCILPERSON PARDO:** Mayor, we'll start with you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes. I want to say a couple of things. I know that at the next City Council meeting, we will proceed with the nomination of the chair and the co-chair. I may -- may or may not be in the city. So I do want to make a statement for the record at this time. Miss Ryan, may I make a statement for the record?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** About?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** About (inaudible) to the co-chair. I just want to (inaudible).

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** You're not going to be here at the end of the Council meeting?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I may not -- at the end of this Council meeting? Yes.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** 'Cause this is really about --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yeah. This is really congratulating.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** This is about congratulations.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Oh, okay. I will defer until the end of the Council meeting. I do want to read the Scripture that newly elect KaShamba Miller had her hand on the Bible that was held by Pastor Griffin Davis and myself. And this is one of her favorite Scriptures that has --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Mayor, excuse me, please. If you are departing the Chambers, could you please keep your voices down? We're trying to run a meeting here. Thank you. I'm sorry, Mayor, continue, please.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** This -- no, that's fine. This has been the Scripture that has followed Miss Miller down through the years from a child. It is from the Book of Jeremiah, Prophet 29 -- 29<sup>th</sup> chapter and the 11<sup>th</sup> verse.

It says, "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you an expected end." And tonight we are here with a newly elected person with that expected end, the end of a people's movement, an end of a people's campaign to allow the people to speak from across this city. I want to say the people have spoken. They have spoken loud and clear. They spoke on the island and they spoke in historical numbers on the mainland.

I certainly want to congratulate the pastors, ministers, for their civic engagement. It was their civic engagement that caused a historical number of African-Americans to turn out like never before in a off year on the mainland. And, for the record, I want to thank them for getting the people to see the importance of voting, particularly for African-Americans who died to get the right to vote -- who were beaten, who were locked up. Dogs and water hoses were put on them.

And these are the pastors, for the record, that participated in this historic civic engagement: Pastor Williamson, Hurst Chapel; Dr. Tony Drayton, St. James; Reverend Parris [sic], Pleasant Heights; Pastor Griffin Davis, Sr., from the Hilltop Baptist Church, who actually led the charge of the ministers and pastors in this civic engagement; Pastor Evans from the Pentecostal Church of God In Christ; Minister Jonathan Young for S Avenue Church of Christ; Pastor Hepburn, Church of God; Bishop Thomas Masters, New Macedonia; Pastor Rayford, Bibleway Church of God In Christ; Pastor Haywood Williams, Victory Tabernacle Apostle; James Lofton, Pastor Jean Dixon, Christian Temple; Pastor Kisner, Tabernacle Baptist; Pastor Tyson, St. John Baptist; Pastor Philpart from the New Bethel Church as well as New Bethel Primitive Baptist; Pastor -- what's his name -- Pastor Reed [phonetic], the pastor of Payne Chapel AME; the pastor of Antioch and three more, Pastor Altidor from the First Baptist Haitian in Riviera Beach who went the extra mile to ensure that the Haitian Americans would participate in this election; Pastor Tammy Wilkins and the pastor of Allen Temple, Pastor Teresa Nelson. Last but not least, Pastor James Bentley -- one more -- from Bibleway, West Palm Beach, Pastor A.C. Evans and Reverend James Adams from the Mount Zion Baptist Church.

Ladies and gentleman, will you give these pastors a hand of applause for their participation in a historic civic engagement. And having said that, I congratulate KaShamba Miller for doing something that has never been done in the history of Riviera Beach with this pastoral and minister civic engagement. It's a pleasure to be here. I look forward to your wisdom, your knowledge, your understanding. I want people to understand that you will not be a puppet for anybody up here. We all helped in this election, but I know that you will speak for yourself. There will be times that you will disagree with me and others but you are here to speak for the people as best as you can and your convictions. May God bless you and to God be the glory.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you, Mayor. Councilwoman Miller.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Thank you. I tell you, if you had asked me about this maybe 10, 12 years ago, I would have never imagined myself to be up here at this time. In order to get here, you know, in life, you have to go through a lot of things. And I think I was prepared very well to sit up here and be able to interact and -- and just make good decisions based on what the community is -- is voicing. I'm a very good listener and I think that that will come in handy.

I -- I actually had my first occurrence with a constituent on -- yesterday. I was just bringing my -- my things into the office and they said, "Councilman Miller," and I turned around, I'm like, "Who are you talking to?" You know? So it's taken a little getting used to and I told her, "Sure, come on in. I -- I -- I'll tell you whatever I can tell you. I have -- haven't even set up my computer or anything at this point. But, you know, I -- I'm just blessed to be here. I'm thankful to all of the residents who believed in me enough to give me an opportunity to be a voice for the people.

I tell you, running against an incumbent that had been in office for 10 years was not an easy task. But, you know, I -- I committed myself to running a positive campaign and I -- I feel that that's what I did the entire time. It was a great experience. I loved knocking on doors and being able to meet people that, you know, have had different opinions, given a different perspective, on different ideas and -- and sharing ideas of how they want their city to move forward. And I -- I just think that I want to be able to continue that and be able to work with the community.

I look forward to working with all of the department heads, the Council members, the Mayor. I certainly want to thank all of the individuals that participated on my team. I know sometimes I -- they were giving me a lot of suggestions, as I called them, and I -- I would dissect it and I listened and I listened and I would pray about it. And they said, "You're gonna do -- you -- you're not gonna do it, are you?" I say, "I'm listening to you. I am listening."

But I -- you know, I, like I said, as the Mayor did share, I -- I really, you know, make sure that I'm doing what's right by people and that's -- you know, as long as I'm doing what's right by the people, I don't think I can go wrong. And I do want to be held accountable for any action, anything that I'm doing. Please feel free to call me. My city office number is 561-845-3684. So I, like I said before, I want to be within arm's reach, phone, be able to call me whenever you have a concern and I certainly want to thank everyone for believing in me, again, to represent our city in District 2. Thank you so much.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Councilman Davis.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** First of all, I wanna say thank you everyone for coming out and thank you for all those who participated in the actual process. First of all, I'd like to welcome Pro Tem -- Madam Chair Dawn Pardo back to the Board as well as I'd like to welcome KaShamba Miller, newly elected to the Board.

And I want to -- people to kind of focus on this upcoming year. This is a new year. They have a new representative on this Board but we all must understand that we all

bring something different and unique to this Board. And once we all understand that we bring something different and unique and we're willing to listen and work together as a team and keep the people first, this City is on tap with limited resources and we can reach the goals that the people talking about in the community.

So I just ask all the -- all my colleagues on this Board, just keep in mind -- think about it. We bring something different to this Board. What do we each -- each want for our people? Let's work together and make this goal happen. Thank you.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Mr. Guyton.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Thank you, Madam Acting Chair. First, let me welcome Miss Pardo back to the Board. Congratulations for being elected unopposed.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** That speak volumes when you're in politics when no one decides to run against you and that's a testimony to the work you've done. Also, I would like to welcome Miss Miller to the Board. As she was on the campaign trail, when I saw her, I would be pleasant and also asked her that whether she win or lose, we would get together and talk about how we can move this City forward. So politics is never personal with me. We're -- we're allowed to choose who we like. But once that campaign is over, it's time to come together as a team. It's about moving this City forward and I look forward to working with Miss Miller. And we are on a cusp as a city of doing a lot of great things and I look forward and I hope that we can continue in the direction that we're going with all of the development and businesses that are coming into our city.

Let me also say, Miss Judy Davis will be missed by me. She -- she has a wealth of knowledge about these issues and I definitely wanted to give her the kudos that are very deserving, whether you supported her or not, or supported Miss Miller, anybody that decides to put themselves out for a position like this, need to be commended. It is something that not many people do but everyone criticizes, ridicule, attack, and that is something that not everyone can handle. And I think Miss Davis did a very, very wonderful job as the chair and she also was very instrumental in bringing a lot of projects and dollars to this community.

But having said that, now we're moving forward and to Miss Miller, I'm here for anything you may need that does not violate the Sunshine Law. And we can work together as a team to keep this City moving, and welcome aboard.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Thank you.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. And I'll make my comments. First of all, congratulations Miss Miller and welcome to the team. I look forward to working with you as we continue to move the City of Riviera Beach forward. I would like to thank my

constituents on -- in District 4 for believing in all of the work that I've been doing for the past seven years and it is quite an honor for me to go unopposed. I had one election in 2008 and I've been unopposed three times since. And I think, you know, there's a lesson to be learned there. Look out for your constituents, work hard for them and they will come back and they will keep re-electing you.

I'd also like to thank all of the unions that supported me. I'd like to thank the AFL-CIO, I'd like to thank the PBA for their support, the Fire Fighters for their support and the other unions that supported me. And, as a Republican, I take that to heart. I really do. And, you know, I'm always there fighting for our local people, making sure that they get some of the work in this City and at this point, I really look forward to working very hard for the City of Riviera Beach for the next three years. We have -- we made a lot of accomplishments in, you know, seven and eight years, and there's still a lot of hard work to continue with. So I am confident, as a team, this City will continue moving forward. So, again, thank you all. Yes. Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Madam Chair, I was remiss in stating in my comments that I also stand on the broad shoulders of our former City Clerk Carrie E. Ward, and the first City Clerk that I served up under, Miss Gwendolyn E. Davis. So I just wanted to say thank you -- 'cause I know you're looking at me -- for giving me the chance to serve in the Office of the City Clerk. And now you can be very proud and shed tears of joy. I hope I make you proud.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** That's great. Okay. Now we're gonna go -- we have a couple of special comments. Okay. We'll start with Juanita Nalls and then Manny Almira.

**VI. SPECIAL PUBLIC COMMENTS AGENDA Approval: Additions, Deletions, Substitutions Disclosures by Council Adoption of Agenda Comments From the Public on Consent Agenda (Three Minute Limitation)**

**JUANITA NALLS:** Good afternoon.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Good afternoon, ma'am.

**JUANITA NALLS:** The Council and all of our citizens here in Riviera Beach. I'm Juanita Nalls, and I'm in the Park Manor Neighborhood Association area and I wanted to congratulate KaShamba Miller on being our newly elected district person for our area. And my prayers for our Council -- our entire Council -- starting from now is that we will -- you will gain wisdom, love and understanding for all of the citizens here in Riviera Beach. And that we will be able to go forward with a vision that will help our entire city. Not just part of our city, but our entire city, and look forward to not just saying we want to have a place to -- to work, play and live, but we want to be able to be successful here in this great city that we have in Riviera Beach. Thank you so much.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you, ma'am. Okay. **MANNY ALMIRA** and then **FANE LOZMAN**.

**MANNY ALMIRA:** Thank you and good afternoon. Manny Almira, Executive Director of the Port of Palm Beach.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Welcome.

**MANNY ALMIRA:** My heartfelt congratulations to both Miss Miller and Miss Pardo.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you.

**MANNY ALMIRA:** We certainly look forward to working with the both of you as well as everyone else. From the Port, again, we are -- we know and we realize that we are part of the City and, again, we are working so hard, as Miss Pardo can tell you, to make this realization even better and the relationship even stronger. Also with me, I have Commissioner Jean Enright -- or Dr. Jean Enright, and Commissioner McArthur.

**UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** He's newly elected, too.

**MANNY ALMIRA:** You guys (inaudible).

**DR. JEAN ENRIGHT:** On behalf of the Board of Commissioners, Port of Palm Beach, we would just like to say congratulations to Miss Pardo and also Miss Miller.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you.

**DR. JEAN ENRIGHT:** And we look forward to a prosperous year and a very good relationship. Congratulations again.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Thank you.

**DR. JEAN ENRIGHT:** Thank you.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you, ma'am.

**MANNY ALMIRA:** Again, just a quick congratulations to you both. I wish you well. I know just from my own brief experience, it's not as easy as I thought it was gonna be. But I'm -- I'm enjoying my role and I'm sure you will enjoy yours. I want to thank Miss Pardo. We had a wonderful meeting yesterday and I think we're going to do great things together. Congratulations and good luck.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Thank you.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you, sir. Okay. **FANE LOZMAN** and then Mary Brabham.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair, while Mr. Lozman is coming --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- I did a interview on channel 12 today as relates to the new casino boat that's coming into the port and we're looking forward to doing business and also promoting the City of Riviera Beach by people coming in to participate on that boat. We stand with you. Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Good evening, sir.

**FANE LOZMAN:** **FANE LOZMAN**, Singer Island. I'd like to first congratulate the City Clerk to her appointment to her new position. I'd also like to suggest that going forward, she continue the tradition of Miss Carrie Ward and provide each elected official with a copy of the "Government-in-the-Sunshine Manual," which is a more complete book of the Sunshine Law.

One of the important changes that happened was Senator Joe Negron's bill that Governor Scott signed in June of 2013, with an effective -- in October, 2013 -- was mandatory public comment. Prior to that, that was not allowed. For the matter of City business that occurred a few minutes ago, the public should've been allowed to comment on that City business. As far as Miss Miller, congratulations.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Thank you.

**FANE LOZMAN:** I look forward to seeing a new face on the dais. You bring a refreshing wealth of experience from what I've read, contrary to some of the accusations that have been made around town and especially on Singer Island. I have had no discussions with Miss Miller regarding any floating home developments or any development at all in Singer Island. And I'm glad that the residents who voted for you were able to see past that disinformation that was done both at the polling places by some elected officials and through multiple mailings. You have a wealth of experience in the public and private sector and that certainly is needed in this city.

And finally, as far as the vote for the chairperson that will take place at the next City Council meeting, I think it is important that anybody that has served in that position in the last eight years, whether it be Dawn Pardo or Cedrick Thomas, they should step aside and the position of City Chair should come down to Mr. Guyton, Mr. Davis or Miss Miller. We need to have some new leadership blood. We don't need to keep recycling the chairs and vice chairs that we've had over the eight years. And part of the step going forward is to have new leadership on the dais. So I think it should be limited going forward to one of these three Council persons that have not filled the role of chairperson previously.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you, sir. **MARY BRABHAM.**

**MARY BRABHAM:** Good evening.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Good evening, ma'am.

**MARY BRABHAM:** Mary Brabham, Riviera Beach. First of all, let's say congratulations to Miss Claudene, Miss Pardo --

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Thank you, ma'am.

**MARY BRABHAM:** -- and Miss Miller.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Thank you.

**MARY BRABHAM:** I took, in reference to what Acting Chair Pardo said, and it should be served as a wake-up call for this governing board, too. She works for her constituents. She does everything over there. The Board up here, always is not divisive. They give her; they build up over there. We expect the same thing over here. No -- nothing more, no less.

The mandate is, "We the people." That's the mandate. That mandate brings inclusiveness. Yes, this city is on the move. We -- we plan to continue to keep it on the move. But it's -- there's things that I have constantly said on -- on the west side, we need to be built up -- Silver Beach Road within our communities, our streets and our lives. It's disgraceful when the City just only put lights on one -- one section of the street. If you can't do a whole section at one time, leave it until you can get the money to do it. It doesn't -- speaks volumes for our neighborhood.

All over there on the island, it's beautiful and it's continuously to be built up. We expect that from this Board here. We will not be the second class residents of this city no more. That's over with.

Reverend Griffin Davis, the last time that we was in this Council here in the Town Hall meeting, I gave the preachers the charge to do what we know to do back there. Gather up the harvest and stay united. It will never be this way again, not in this city here. We have said that we want to share the wealth of this city and we want this city to be built up. We want the things that we deserve, not so much of what you want. But we want you to bring inclusiveness.

I'll leave Miss Miller and the Board with this thought here. It's not where you've been, but it's where you're going. Isaiah 26:3 says, "Thou will keep Him --"

**MAYOR MASTERS:** "In perfect peace."

**MARY BRABHAM:** "-- in perfect peace."

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes.

**MARY BRABHAM:** "In perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee because he trusts in thee." I trust in him and I hope that this Board here trusts in him also. We don't want to be radical in this city here. The mandate is "We, the people." Do the things that we, the people, have asked you to do. Look out for the well being of the city; look out for the seniors and look out for the -- for the youth of our community then you will be successful. It doesn't matter where you've been but where you going at. Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's -- that's the Rosa Parks.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Okay. Madam City Attorney -- City Manager, do we have any additions, deletions or substitutions to the agenda?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes, Madam Chair. We have one correction on item number 8.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Under community benefits, for Save the African-American Youth, the STAAAY, should read \$300 instead of \$1,000, from Mayor Thomas A. Masters to support the mentoring program to strengthen the character, faith and direction of the young men and women.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Anything else?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** (Inaudible).

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Mr. Davis, try to stay if you can. I got something to tell you.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Also, I would like your consideration. We -- if you recall, for the George Street Project naming, you allocated \$3,000 for that. It did not take a full \$3,000 and so the request is that the remaining \$1,000 go into the City Scholarship Fund because April 1<sup>st</sup> the funds go away anyway.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** And then there's another addition from Councilperson Terence Davis and this is to the Southeast Florida Public Market Fair Association. And that is \$4,400 from Councilman Terence Davis. So there's the two add-ons and the one correction.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. So the \$4,500, that will be 8B.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** 4,400.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** I'm sorry, 4,400 will be 8B. Okay. And then do we have the backup?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** I will get copies. I have the original here with me.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I have a question.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Can someone make the copies and --

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes. (Inaudible) copies.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Do we have a motion to accept the agenda?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I have a question on that.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** On the District 2.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** On the what?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Um, the district -- the balance of \$1,000 that went into the --

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Make that 8A, \$1,000.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** No. It is -- the \$1,000 going into the scholarship is 8A.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Right.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. Well, just --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** 8A.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I know but --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yeah.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- somebody mentioned and I have a question.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yeah. Well, you can ask the manager.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Manager, this money that's going -- District 2 -- this happened prior to the newly elected Councilperson coming on. Now, since she is District 2 representative now, does she not or should she sign onto this as this is what she wants to do with the remaining money.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** That is a pot that is in order if that is her desire. But the money goes away after this meeting. So unless she's got someone that she wants to give it to today -- 'cause the money doesn't carry over into the next six months. Then if she has someone, then we can go get a form and we can do it if she's got an entity that she wants to give it to.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So that would be any non-profit organization that she desires to give it to if she does not want to accept what was in the motion before --

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** If she does not want to accept --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- she became elected.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** -- it's going into the Scholarship Fund. Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you. I just wanted to be clear on that.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. All right. Do we have a motion to accept the agenda?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Second.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** I have --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Go ahead. Miss Miller.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** -- I'm sorry, I had a question.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Go ahead.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** And this is -- we're accepting the agenda with the minutes from January 21<sup>st</sup> and February 4<sup>th</sup>? Have we gotten to that?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Well, right now --

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** We haven't gotten to that --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** -- what we're doing --

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** -- yet. I'm sorry.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** -- is we're just accepting the -- the amendments --

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** But is that a part of it or --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** No.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Okay.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** The next motion --

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Okay.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** -- then you can pull. (Phone ringing).

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Okay.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. So -- all right? Madam Clerk? Can someone please turn that telephone off?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** And that worked.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson -- Chair Pardo?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Let's see where are we? All right. We have time. Okay. So consent agenda.

### **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.**

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** We do have a card for item 3. Do we have a motion to accept Consent?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Second.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** But wanted to look at something for discussion.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** What would you like to pull?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** The minutes from January 21<sup>st</sup> and February 4<sup>th</sup>.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. So we will pull items 1 and 2. Okay? Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Go ahead.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Item 1. Madam City Manager, I just wanted to ask a question regarding the minutes from January 21<sup>st</sup> and February 4<sup>th</sup>. Being that I wasn't sworn in at that time, I'm a little leery to approve minutes for a meeting that I wasn't in attendance for. And also, I -- I wanted to know, going forward, what we -- is this a common practice where we have the minutes or is there a certain amount of time when the minutes are supposed to be done, possibly for the next meeting?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** There is no set time. We kind of allow 60 days because they are sent out to an outside entity but to have them back on the agenda within that time span.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Uh-huh.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** So for the Robert's Rules, it -- it doesn't apply where they have to be done at the immediate meeting afterwards? Like, for that one, January 21<sup>st</sup>, there was a February 4<sup>th</sup> and a February 18<sup>th</sup> meeting. Are we able to see that we can - going forward, we're able to make it where we're able to get an approval the very next meeting with that company that does it?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** That -- I will have to work with the Clerk 'cause the company is through the Clerk's Office, so we can check with them to see if they can turn them around within two weeks.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Okay. So for the next meeting, we can kind of have a update on that, possibly?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Okay.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. And -- all right. So we had a -- do we have a motion to accept item 1?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Second.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Madam Clerk?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes, yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** That motion is approved with Councilperson Miller dissenting.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you. All right. Item 2. Miss Miller? Was that the same --

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Same thing here for February 4<sup>th</sup>. Same issue. I wasn't present during those meetings. I will ask for the same thing that I just asked for item 1.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Do we have a motion to accept item 2?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Second.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Properly moved and second. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** No.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** That motion is approved with Councilperson Miller dissenting.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thanks. Okay. We did approve item 3 but there was a card. Miss Larson.

**BONNIE LARSON:** Couple of issues tonight with the cards. My comment number 3 was for the Canvassing Board and then nothing happened. Nobody called my name. I just asked Mr. Johnson. He said, "I didn't see your card." It's a little juvenile to have to do this but I don't want to have to resort to when I turn in my cards, to ask for a receipt for my cards. Because it happened last time, too. Miss Pardo, you let me speak. You said you didn't have -- you said you didn't have the card last month.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** No. Hold on a second. You have a public comment card.

**BONNIE LARSON:** Yes, I have that also.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Right. Okay.

**BONNIE LARSON:** This is not public comments.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** So you have item 3 and a public comment.

**BONNIE LARSON:** I'm telling you --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** And what other ones did you say you had?

**BONNIE LARSON:** -- I -- I submitted two cards tonight.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. But we have it. All right. So --

**BONNIE LARSON:** One was for item number 3, Resolution.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** -- okay, fine. Continue, please.

**BONNIE LARSON:** Okay. I will. All right. We have to -- we're trying to attract new businesses and investors into Riviera Beach. We have to look, act and feel

professional. If you look at this -- I looked online. I couldn't find the resolution. It wasn't on -- online. I looked as late as probably this morning -- early this morning. All right.

Now this resolution says -- it's talking about the election and it's talking about and further naming the recipients. It doesn't name the recipients on the agenda nor does it name the recipients in the actual resolution.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Hold on, hold on.

**BONNIE LARSON:** Could I finish, please? We're only allowed three minutes here.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** No. Could you please tell us where you're speaking? We're down in the regular agenda.

**BONNIE LARSON:** Right --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Item 3 -- resolution.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** We are down on Consent, resolutions.

**BONNIE LARSON:** You're on resolutions. Well, I'm -- okay. Then my question is what -- the number 3 I had in was for the number 3 back here where we were talking about the election. What happened -- why didn't I get to speak then?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** That was a Canvassing Board.

**BONNIE LARSON:** Right.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** That was a totally different Board.

**BONNIE LARSON:** And people cannot speak at a Canvassing Board?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Well, number one, that happened at 5:15. Did you wish --

**BONNIE LARSON:** I was here. I had my card in before you got to that point. I was here. I put my card in.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Okay. Well, you could've spoken then but that was a totally different meeting.

**BONNIE LARSON:** Nobody called my card.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Okay. Well --

**BONNIE LARSON:** Nobody called my card. And like I said, do I have to resort to -- to - to having someone sign in that, Yes, I gave you a card. 'Cause it happened last month also. I'm getting a little tired of that where you said, Well, we don't have your card. Well, where did it go from this table to you? Where did it go? I'm getting a little tired of

that and I have to resort to that, I will. But I really don't think that's a professional way to handle the meeting. So now I cannot speak on that item, right?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Right. We're on -- we thought --

**BONNIE LARSON:** Okay. Well, you missed me, you missed my card, you missed everything. Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you. That's the end of the Consent Agenda. Petitions and communications for filing.

## **MINUTES**

1. **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD, JANUARY 21, 2015.**
2. **MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD, FEBRUARY 4, 2015. RESOLUTIONS**
3. **RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE FLORIDA EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES COUNTY GRANT AWARD FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2014-15, TO EXPAND AND/OR IMPROVE THE CITY'S EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES DELIVERY; AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES TO SET UP A BUDGET IN THE STATE EMS GRANT FUND (107) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$56,536.85 TO PURCHASE TWO LIFEPAK 15 EKG MONITOR DEFIBRILLATORS FROM ACCOUNT 107-0921-526-0-6455; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

## **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING**

**UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** None.

## **AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Awards and presentations. None.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Public hearings? None.

**UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** None.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. We will go down to our regular agenda which we really don't have anything. Discussions and deliberations.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC -7:00 PM Non-Agenda Item Speakers (Three Minute Limitation)**

Public Comment should be restricted to issues, matters, or topics pertinent to the City of Riviera Beach. Please be reminded that the City Council has adopted "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 or attendee removed from the podium, from the meeting and/or the building, if necessary. Please govern yourselves accordingly.

Public Comments shall begin at 7:00 PM unless there is no further business of the City Council, which in that event, it shall begin sooner. In addition; if an item is being considered at 7:00 PM, then comments from the public shall begin immediately after the item has been concluded.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** First comment is **FANE LOZMAN** and then Sean Mitchell.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair, as Mr. Lozman is coming, I just wanted to say to my fellow colleagues, and this is to all of you up here, there's an old African proverb that says, "If you want to go fast, go alone. But if you want to go far, go together." And we must try harder than ever before to stay together and to go together as a team to move the City forward. Thank you, Madam Chair.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Good evening, sir.

**FANE LOZMAN:** **FANE LOZMAN**, Singer Island. I'm the trustee for the Renegade Trust. The Renegade Trust has a large parcel of submerged lands on the west side of Singer Island. I think it's important to educate the public as to a lot of the disinformation that is going on out there and also to bring to the forefront what I consider to be an ethical violation by Miss McKinney and Miss Pardo in trying to interfere in the development of the Renegade Trust property.

In the 1920s, the State of Florida sold a parcel of land that goes from McArthur Park all the way south to the Blue Heron Bridge and it runs a -- a couple thousand feet out from Ocean Drive. And it also included east of Ocean Drive in that parcel. Over -- between the 1920s and 1960s, about two-thirds of that property was filled in. That means they dredged and dumped the dirt and they built all the houses.

In that area of housing is where Miss Pardo and Miss McKinney live. We have obtained public records, both myself and another property owner in that area and we have determined that they have aggressively tried to interfere in the development of that

property to do anything: to build a dock, to put a floating home, to develop private property where taxes have been paid on that property going back to 1924. Now, why is that an ethical violation?

Because if you own a piece of property in that area, okay, and you are interfering in other people building in the same area that your house is, okay, you -- that's making your house more valuable 'cause there's not going to be more supply of homes, whether if those lands are filled in or whether they're floating. Okay? So Miss McKinney is making her home more valuable by precluding development in that few hundred acres of land that's north of Pine Point Road. That's an ethical violation. I've talked to the ethics people; I've talked to the OIG. She has a conflict of interest. She's a property owner in the same piece of property that's trying to be developed. She doesn't want anybody developing. Miss Pardo doesn't want anybody to develop in that area. She has to stand aside and disqualify herself 'cause she has a financial interest. She will benefit financially by keeping the limited supply of homes as they are today.

That -- that's going to be something for the Ethics Boards to -- to iron out. We'll know here in the next few months, you know, maybe the next four to six months how things go. But if it comes back with a formal opinion that Miss Pardo and Miss McKinney did violate their ethical obligations, there should be a formal vote of censure by the Board to say you can't do that. And, you know, occasionally, ethics violations do -- are found to be the case. Here's a press release from March 11<sup>th</sup> where the Ethics Board found Mr. Guyton had committed an ethical violation, although it was only minor for a few hundred dollars, it still has to go to the Governor. We have to live ethically in the conduct of business on that dais.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you very much. All right. **SEAN MITCHELL** and then **STEVE WHITE**.

**SEAN MITCHELL:** Madam Chair, **SEAN MITCHELL**, 1001 West 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Riviera Beach. Just a public service announcement.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Good evening.

**SEAN MITCHELL:** Anybody that's traveling north of Donald Ross tonight, do not take I-95, it will be shut down for hours. That's a public service announcement. I just want to thank Judy Davis for her years of service. I look forward to working with Miss Miller and congratulations to Miss Pardo on your re-election.

Two things. One, I -- I should probably bring it up in front of the CRA but you're talking about these hometown rules and policies. You guys work very diligent with me to make sure that all jobs over a certain threshold, there would be apprentices and people living in the City. Right out of the gate, we did all the -- the reinforcing that was done at your redevelopment was done by a company called Drowdy Brothers. No local participation, no apprentices. So I hate to say I told you so, but we needed oversight and we didn't get the oversight we needed.

There's two bills that Miss -- Chairman Pardo alluded to. Senate Bill 934 and House Bill 527, prohibits project labor agreements and much more. I need the community to help. If you want to keep hiring local people for local jobs and keeping the money in the community, you've gotta fight back. The other one is State Bill 7 -- Senate Bill 778 and House Bill 113, prohibiting local governments construction preferences with 50 percent or more from state funds. I've worked my entire adult career to try to help living -- people to lift them up. People not looking for a handout, but a hand up. And with one fell swoop, this could all be taken away. So please reach out. Please have your lobbyist reach up to the people that are pushing this and it -- it serves no good for the public. And that's it. I congratulate all of you and thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Madam Chair.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes, Mr. Guyton.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Mr. Mitchell. First, could you leave a copy of that information or -- or do you have an extra copy? And -- and also the -- that was one job that -- that we need to investigate where you said that they didn't have local participation.

**SEAN MITCHELL:** All the reinforcing, Mr. Guyton.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** The reinforcing?

**SEAN MITCHELL:** I think I called you on it.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yeah.

**SEAN MITCHELL:** I called you on it.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Now, are there -- there are areas that we were on top of local participation, would you agree to that? We --

**SEAN MITCHELL:** Yes, sir. It just -- funny. I went to help you all with the Job Fair, pre-planning with some important players in this City and when I pulled up at the job site, all the work that -- I represent iron workers, there it is all being done and no local participation, no apprentices. So --

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yeah.

**SEAN MITCHELL:** -- my feelings were hurt.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yeah. But what -- what I don't want is the people to think that we didn't have any local participation.

**SEAN MITCHELL:** No.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** That's -- that's -- that's --

**SEAN MITCHELL:** That's not the case.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** That's not the case, okay.

**SEAN MITCHELL:** No, sir.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Thank you.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Mr. Mitchell. Excuse me.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes, Mayor, go ahead.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** You -- the Office of the Mayor will support your efforts and we will give you a letter in support because it's -- it's shameful that that didn't happen on that job for local people.

**SEAN MITCHELL:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And whatever -- whatever good the letter may do, everyone's -- wherever you need to take it, I will sign on the bottom line.

**SEAN MITCHELL:** Thank you, Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And we'll fight for the union jobs.

**SEAN MITCHELL:** Thank you.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Always.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Of course, non-violently.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Always.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Steve White and then Bonnie Larson.

**STEVE WHITE:** Good evening. Steve White, 1660 Essex Lane.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Good evening.

**STEVE WHITE:** I'm here to talk about an educational opportunity for the students here in Riviera Beach. But before I do that, I would also like to congratulate our new City Clerk, as well as Miss Pardo and --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you.

**STEVE WHITE:** -- Miss Miller. You are a welcome addition to the Council. We look forward to your leadership. I've been an educational consultant and -- and mentor for nearly 30 years and I've always been an advocate of students taking advantage of all the educational opportunities available to them. Now, we know that going forward, many of the career opportunities are going to be in the areas of STEM, Science, Technology, Engineering and Math, as well as the marine industry. And I want the people to know that right here in the City of Riviera Beach, really is an oasis. The Riviera Beach Maritime Academy is a school that focuses on STEM, Science, Technology, Engineering and Math, as well as the marine industry which here in South Florida alone there's an 11 billion dollar industry.

But what has -- what we have found out is only eight percent of the students that attend the school are black and -- and very few students here in the City of Riviera Beach are taking advantage of that educational opportunity.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** That's right.

**STEVE WHITE:** So I have become associated with the school to really try and change that dynamic. So we really are encouraging students to take a real hard look at the Riviera Beach Maritime Academy. It is a free high school here in the city. Although it's a Charter School, it is a free high school and, again, it offers great educational opportunities.

Now, I've also had the opportunity to work with the City's Academic Summer Camp, which unfortunately is no longer in existence. But one of the things that we are doing this summer at the Riviera Beach Maritime Academy, is we will be offering an Academic Summer Camp for middle school students. So it's an excellent opportunity for students here in the City of Riviera Beach to be introduced to the marine industry, to actually get out on the boats and actually do some hands-on activities this summer and also to be introduced to the STEM programs as well. So if I may, I will leave some literature on the counter that talks about the -- the school and the Academic Summer Camp this summer. And we really just want to encourage parents and students to take a look at this educational opportunity that is right here in the heart of our City. Thank you very much.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you, sir. Okay. Reverend Arthur -- I'm sorry. Bonnie Larson and then Reverend Arthur Evans.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair, as she's coming, Mr. White, Steve White. Make sure you send that to me electronically so we can post it on Facebook and get it out right away.

**STEVE WHITE:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**BONNIE LARSON:** Bonnie Larson. I always add to my list as the meeting goes on. What I started to say a few minutes ago on number 3, the original one, where we talked

about the -- the new people coming into office, it -- the resolution says "further naming the recipients," but it doesn't name them. And when I looked as late as this morning, I couldn't find the resolution. I see it now but we still don't name the people who are coming into office, Miss Miller and Miss Pardo returning. The only one -- it says, "Now therefore be it resolved that Dawn Pardo was" dedicated -- excuse me -- "declared the representative for District 4." But what happened to District 2? It doesn't mention Miss KaShamba Miller on here at all until you get farther down, then it just happens to mention District 2, KaShamba Miller. But how come there's a whole paragraph regarding District 4 but just barely nothing about District 2?

The other thing is we need to do some housekeeping with our -- with our documentation and in that same paragraph where it says "naming the recipients," which are not named, it also goes on to say the post elections (inaudible) and voting system (inaudible). You got two misspellings in one sentence. Now, we're trying to attract new businesses. We need to cross our Ts and dot our Is. And we look illiterate. I've said this before. This document passes through many people before it goes on the web. How can it possibly -- we've got spell check on every kind of electronic device we have. How can we possibly misspell things? We don't want to be known as illiterate Riviera Beach. So let's -- let's look at our documents.

All right. The next page where it says "Agenda, Comments From the Public on Consent Agenda." So now we know people can comment on the Consent Agenda. However, and I've mentioned this before, the next line says, "There will be no separate discussion of these items," being consent agenda, "unless a Councilperson so requests." There's contradictory statements there, so let's fix that. Right here it says you got three minutes, public has three minutes. The next line says no, it has to be a Councilperson who pulls the events -- who pulls the item. So let's -- let's get with it and let's make our documents as professional as we want to be seen.

So many things here. The trailer parks are coming down if some of you haven't seen it. It's around 31<sup>st</sup> Street and North. I never knew there were so many trailer parks in Riviera Beach. We're probably going to end up with a lot of homeless people there. But I've asked both the CRA, who lost my request, and now I've asked the City what is to become of those properties? What is the new owner's use or -- you know, proposed use of those properties? I haven't gotten an answer from either entity. The CRA says they lost my request. Okay. And Miss Jones is working on it.

Also, the plaque out front -- Mr. Thomas is not here -- that advertises Jazz After Dark. The -- the thing looks like it's falling apart. It needs some paint. We (inaudible) slap some paint on that thing. We -- we need to spruce up our City, our signs, everything we've got. We were going to get a sign out front, that was approved a long time ago now, one of those electronic signs out front, advertising the meetings. It was approved. Where is it? That's been months and months and months ago. Thank you.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Reverend Evans and then Pastor Griffin Davis.

**REVEREND EVANS:** Let me first take this opportunity to congratulate our new councilpersons, Miller, newly elected and of course, re-elected Pardo and Collette [sic] as well, Anthony.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you, sir.

**REVEREND EVANS:** And -- but I'm here before you tonight to really talk about something that is serious in this City that's affecting a whole lot -- and you will hear some others probably talk about this -- but it's a lot of homeowners in this particular City has been affected by the code liens that are against them. And I just wanted to remind you that it's really not doing the City any good or the citizens any good to hold these liens against these properties, because the people are -- are in jeopardy and -- and I'm not talking about my property because there's about a \$110,000 against mine. But I know how to get it off mine. I'm -- I'm already fixing it up and I got -- I know how to process it. But there are many homeowners who doesn't have that capability to make the contact, borrow the money and get it done. So, which means, that as long as these liens are against the properties, there's no way can they get a loan from anybody and you do know that the Community Development Program of Palm Beach County can provide grants but they won't give any grants unless the property is free.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Uh-huh.

**REVEREND EVANS:** I'm sure you all know that because they do have to take a 10-year lien -- I mean, a mortgage against it to -- not a mortgage, per se, but they will take a -- have to take collateral and let it be paid off 10 percent for -- for 10 years. And -- but it's a grant. So the only way they can use that money is to get these properties free. So what I'm recommending to the City Council is, number one, to have your Clerk, her office, or whoever's in charge of these liens and giving you a record, each one of the Councilpersons should have a copy of all the properties in Riviera Beach and the amount of the liens that are listed. And I can tell you now, mine is over -- over \$100,000. But I'm working on mine. And there are some of them over 200 and \$300,000 on individual properties. And it's really, really a problem.

So I'm -- I'm -- I'm suggesting that the Council consider wiping the slate clean with these liens, taking them all off, with the understanding that each person will have 24 months to bring their properties up to code, which would be meet the code. And then if it fail at that point, then you could start the liens all over again. But as far as the persons who are not able to make the contact, as far as the County grants are concerned, once we get the properties free and clear so they can get the grants, and I would certainly offer my services to work with any of them. And I know there are a lot of other people in this City Hall at night who completely are aware of the grants that are given to citizens.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**REVEREND EVANS:** All right? So I just wanted to say that to you.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** All right.

**REVEREND EVANS:** And let me just say this in -- in closing, ask yourself what Jesus would do. Good question. Thank you.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Thank you, Reverend. All right. Pastor Davis and then we have Reverend Burrs.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Jesus would probably say get rid of the liens, huh?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** I'm sorry. Reverend --

**PASTOR GRIFFIN DAVIS:** My name is Reverend Davis, pastor of Hilltop Baptist Church, Riviera Beach, Florida.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Uh-huh.

**PASTOR GRIFFIN DAVIS:** First, let me say I was born and reared in this city and I have never seen like -- nothing like this all the days of my life. It's a disgrace that we sit here taking these people home -- I said taking them, putting liens on them and people can't afford these liens. And talking to their -- the Code Enforcement is like talking to a -- a -- a bunch of bears. They're not gonna hear you. Okay? You -- you come -- you -- they tell you to come up to code. They come out there and look at your property and just let it stay like it is. But I'm telling you, these people have nowhere to go to. So how can -- what kind of heart do y'all have to sit here and do these people like this.

The people have voted. They've spoken, said that they want a change. They want these liens off their property. And let me say this to you. We live in -- in a democracy form of government. We not a dictator. Where they say -- where the government is for the people, by the people and of the people. That means, in case you don't know, that means you're supposed to hear the cry of the people. Not what you want, what the peoples want. And you all forgetting that the people don't want these liens on their property. I've never seen it before. I got a son. I gave him three pieces of property a few -- few years ago. Two of them, piece of property worth 25,000 apiece. They got 400-and-something thousand dollars within two or three years.

I gave another apartment down on A Street a little -- little small five-unit. And they got 496,000. All total 827,000. Now, if that's not a disgrace before God, I'm not standing here. The only thing I'm scared of, somebody gonna hurt some of y'all, okay? When y'all start taking these people property like this, some people -- some people can't take it. They work and just live in their homes all their lives and you all are taking their property from you. It -- they're not -- some people gonna take this. Not me. I can take it. But some people can't stand you taking their property from them. All you gotta do is make a motion to take these liens off these people property.

You're talking about coming up to code. How you come up to code when the -- when the code inspector mean? As I said, they're not gonna -- they're not gonna let you do it, okay? They come out to your place. My son Sidney called the Code Enforcement. They came out. I want y'all to hear this, too. He came out and he -- he put down new

grass for two times. New shrubbery, new flowers and they said to him, "Put some more flowers down." I mean, what kind of codes y'all going by?

He put -- I'm gonna tell you what I know myself. He put the grass down and the mulch down and they came -- and they -- and he tried to talk to them again; they wouldn't talk. He had to get Lawyer Brown to come speak for him at the -- the Code Enforcement's office. They won't talk to you. I mean, this is owned by the people. You all -- if I was up there, this wouldn't be. Okay? I don't have time to run for no Council. My business is too -- it's too important. But if I ran for Council, this wouldn't be. I wouldn't let him do that. The mean -- mean inspector could go somewhere else, okay?

And then I -- I got a -- I got a letter here -- before I sit down -- from the Water Department where they getting ready -- this is adopted February of this year -- they're getting ready to try to foreclose on water liens. Now y'all need to check this out. It's a disgrace, okay?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you, Reverend.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Madam Chair.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Reverend Burrs and then Delores Dawson. Yes, sir.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Madam Chair, let me just clarify something. The City does not take anybody home that lives in it, homestead. It doesn't matter how many -- how much your liens are. This a very delicate, sensitive issue, but as information is dispersed, it should be accurate. The City's not taking anybody home that they lived in. I challenge somebody to give me one name of somebody living in the home -- it was their homestead home, not a rental property -- their homestead home that they're living in -- not happening. So this is something that we've had a discussion about with the attorney some time comments are made as if we are insensitive. It's not true. When we sit up here, we have laws that we abide by. Sometimes people think that the laws are not fair. Sometime they think that they're not enforced fairly. I can tell you that codes are something that every community needs. We need some standards by which we must live.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** We need the type of environment that would be conducive to people wanting to invest. I have directed on more than one occasion, staff to help senior citizens who have code violations. I don't get up here and grandstand about what I'm doing behind the scenes. There are some serious issues with the codes. There are people that need help. But the solution is not to wipe everybody lien out. That would be catastrophic. I'm a planner and that's not good governing, either.

So I -- my position is not a popular one but I'm one that I'm going to be honest. I'm gonna help my people where I can, but I'm going to be realistic, too, in this approach. So I don't want anybody to think that because somebody comes to the mic and say that

homes are being taken, that that is the case. So if you living in your home, if you -- especially if you're a senior citizen, we are always trying to help those who can't help themselves.

**PASTOR GRIFFIN DAVIS:** In answer to your question, let me say to you --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Wait. I'm sorry, Reverend. This isn't a rebuttal.

**PASTOR GRIFFIN DAVIS:** No. He --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Because we'll be here all night, then.

**PASTOR GRIFFIN DAVIS:** -- okay. But he --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Can we talk to you after the meeting?

**PASTOR GRIFFIN DAVIS:** Okay. He was saying that he wanted a question. I wanna tell him if you shouldn't put them on the liens, 3 and \$400,000, they can't -- they can't mortgage their house, they can't do nothing with it.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** I under -- I understand.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** We will -- we'll have this discussion later.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** But we -- no. We're not going back (inaudible).

**PASTOR GRIFFIN DAVIS:** But you said you own the city. You don't own the city, Bruce.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Who said I own the city?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**PASTOR GRIFFIN DAVIS:** You said it yourself.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** All right. No, no, no, no. We're not -- come on.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Absolutely not true.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Reverend --

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** The -- the -- the only point that I was making is that we're not taking homes.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. All right. Let's go -- let's move on.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** And -- and we're not.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Reverend Burrs and then Miss Dawson.

**REVEREND BURRS:** Madam Chair.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Sir.

**REVEREND BURRS:** Congratulation to Miss Miller, Clerk and Miss Pardo --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you, sir.

**REVEREND BURRS:** -- for coming to serve on the Council here again and Miss Miller, for a job well-elected. And to the City Councils, we -- you are elected city-wide. You serve in Districts, but you are elected city-wide and I have to congratulate Miss Pardo for doing a well job in her District. But there -- but yet, we expect her to support every District when we have some needs. We don't expect the person in the District just to answer to our needs. When we have a need, if -- if it's in Councilman Guyton District or any other District, we expect all the Council to support whatever need to be done in that District. It's -- and the -- the reason we have Districts is because we wanted to have every segment of the city represented. That's why we got Districts. Not that you are -- are just obligated to your District. You're obligated to the whole city because we all vote for you all. So again, we thank you all.

So now my other concern is as we've been saying it, you know, in talking with somebody, the landlords, that the issue -- and I think Councilman Bruce made it clear in the last Council meeting what needed to be done to -- to remove the landlords from this item that they have that we have to -- or support to get tenants in their -- in their units. We got to bring the guy -- I thought it was settled. But he told -- I called over here. He said, No. You got to bring your -- your -- your -- your -- your contract, your lien -- your contract rather with the tenant, plus write a amendment to the contract.

That don't make -- that don't make dog sense to me. If I got a tenant who's coming to get the water in their name, well -- with my contract, well, I gotta write a amendment to the lien, then I gotta go and fill out another form. Now, that's what they told me. I said, That was settled before. And I think Councilman Bruce made it extremely clear what need to be done. But they going back doing something totally difference from what he said before. And I think this need to be settled.

The gentleman got to understand, he works under you all, but he works for us. We pays his -- we pays his -- pays his -- pays his salary and we need to get -- he need to understand. And -- and -- and I think, to get this issue dissolved [sic], he need to sit down and talk with us so he can get a understanding. I don't know why he don't want to sit or meet and talk with us. It -- there's a lot of other landlords we -- we are -- meet every Thursday at Sam's and et cetera. All he got to do is say, You all come and tell me what you -- matter of fact, get the minutes that what Councilman Bruce made last Council meeting and follow that, and we'll be out of the deal. So they're saying that if a person bring a phony lien to the -- to the Water Department --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**REVEREND BURRS:** -- that's to be the landlord's problem. Turn the water on. If there's a wrong, turn it off and keep the deposit.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**REVEREND BURRS:** Simple.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Miss Dawson and then Earl Davis.

**DELORES DAWSON:** Delores Dawson, the Southside Coalition, 669 W. Sixth Street and the Concerned Mothers. Congratulation Mrs. Miller and God bless you Mrs. Pardo.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you, ma'am.

**DELORES DAWSON:** Now that all of you are here and are elected, we have lots of complaints. Our neighborhood is at an utter disgrace. The sidewalks are done and the street is terrible. They didn't clean up around the sidewalks, all around the poles and everywhere is just a disgrace. To leave our city, our area, and tell us about the Marina - - we are grateful for the entertainment last Thursday. But it's just a disgrace to see our neighborhoods, how it -- I know they're doing a lot for the Marina but from First Street to 13<sup>th</sup> Street, I don't -- it's terrible when you pass by. Old Dixie is a disgrace. Even though it's Old Dixie, it's still a disgrace. All our neighborhoods look terrible.

Where the sidewalks have been done, all the sand is up all over there. Nobody came by to clean it up. It just downright disgrace. Maybe now Mrs. Miller along with Mrs. Pardo and along with Mr. Guyton and Mr. Davis, you all will come over and help Mr. -- Mr. Thomas in our neighborhood. It is a disgrace. It look terrible and if you come through there, you will see it look terrible. Nobody have to tell you.

And I know that you would never -- you wouldn't -- if they were building in -- on Singer Island, you would never put those bricks and that dirt that they're taking up on Seventh Street where everybody can see it. It's a eyesore and it's a shame for them to do that. I pay taxes and I pay lots of taxes. I -- I might be one of those, Mr. Guyton, you might need to help, senior citizen.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** (Inaudible) let me know.

**DELORES DAWSON:** But -- I will.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** (Inaudible).

**DELORES DAWSON:** But -- but one other thing -- it's so sad. It seems so blighted. Is -- is that the word you use, "blighted" area?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Uh-huh.

**DELORES DAWSON:** It's a downright, dirty disgrace. For our city to be spending money everywhere else, the lights are half on, the sidewalks (inaudible). They pick up

the trash all up under there, deep holes. It's just a shame. Why don't you all come through there? I think Mrs. -- I think Mrs. Dozier sent some of you a email yesterday. I think she did. Did any of you receive a email from Miss Dozier? Well, some -- she's gonna send them. But it's just a shame. If you would -- if you would take us in consideration. We don't -- we don't want a garden. All that money you're spending for the garden, we don't want that. But if you would --

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Hold on.

**DELORES DAWSON:** -- spend some of that money --

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** All right.

**DELORES DAWSON:** -- if you would just spend a little of that money over there to help our neighborhoods, we would be delighted. It -- the money you spend in the bathrooms, you're gonna put over there. We would be delighted to have some trees and shrubbery in our neighborhoods. Now, we're gonna --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair.

**DELORES DAWSON:** -- (inaudible) for you all's doing that.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Right. Thank you, ma'am. All right.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair, I want to --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Just one second. Let me just call the names and then you can speak, Mayor. Okay. Next we have Paul Martin and then Cheryl -- Cherald [phonetic] Mitchell. All right, Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yeah. I just want to concur with Miss Dawson. You've spoken well and it is shameful and hopefully, the City Manager or whoever is responsible to day-to-day operation of the City and the Council will immediately do something -- start doing something about it. Pastor Evans and Pastor Davis are men of God. And when they speak, they speak volumes. And I do not want either one of these ministers, men of God, to leave here tonight -- I want you not to leave here tonight not knowing that I'm with you. Everything you said, Pastor Evans, everything you said, Pastor Griffin Davis. And I think it would be good governing if the City can get rid of the liens and give people amnesty. That -- we can do what we want to do. So I support you. Let's make it happen. Thank you.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Mr. Martin.

**PAUL MARTIN:** Thank you very much. I -- I thought you had lost my card 'cause I was the first one here tonight and that's what happens. Anyways --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** That's what happens.

**PAUL MARTIN:** God bless you all. Congratulations on the -- the victories. I'm part of the League -- League of Cities and I know, well, your -- your city is also part of that. And what I -- what I'm representing at this point is something that really is incredible. That is I represent a company called Future Energy Solutions which will bring to your town, if we can get the qualifications through, where the lights will be changed -- not these lights -- the outside lights will be changed for nothing. They will be maintained for 15 years for nothing. There'll be no credit check and there's no bank -- there's no bank check.

And you say, How do you do that? Well, the point is, Future Energy Solutions comes in and analyzes it with me and we determine there is a savings. If there's no savings, the deal is off. If we can produce a savings, we're gonna split and go hand in hand with the savings, in that the contract is set on the first year and it's basically, you got 30/70 in the first year. But it's locked in on the first year. So every year -- you don't think Florida Power & Light rates are going down, I don't think.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Nope.

**PAUL MARTIN:** As they go up, the -- the arrangement becomes a 50/50 arrangement. I, as -- as part of the League of Cities, I've made this presentation to -- it's very difficult to get, you know, this -- the way the meetings are set up. I'm now up to about 10 cities and villages and towns. I have already one that has formally submitted a proposal. We are looking at it at this time. Sadly, I have 28 more to go. So I gotta do this 28 more times. I can't wait to do that. But, in any event, I have something here that I would like to leave with the City Manager. It's a story on it. The next step is to get together with the Public Service people, unless you want to handle it with me. Either way, it -- it's fine with me. But I'm telling you this is absolutely incredible. I wouldn't be involved in it if it wasn't.

There are gas stations. When you go to a gas station, they say, Can you do it tonight? They want the lights changed. I know the process with a condo, a co-op HOAs and towns, municipalities, it's a little more time consuming. But this is a real savings that is mind boggling. So I thank you very much. And --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** And -- yeah. And, sir, please leave that and if you have any additional copies, if you can leave it and --

**PAUL MARTIN:** Well, I'll be more than happy to bring --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** -- we will make sure that the City Manager --

**PAUL MARTIN:** Do you want me to supply the entire Board with copies?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** We would love that, please.

**PAUL MARTIN:** Okay. Now all of you were blessed with a letter from me --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**PAUL MARTIN:** -- and the email, if you looked at your email. I know the voting's been going on.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Sure.

**PAUL MARTIN:** But there was a letter emailed to everybody, but there's been some changes.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**PAUL MARTIN:** So I will leave that (inaudible).

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** That's great.

**PAUL MARTIN:** Okay?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** All right. Yeah. And thank you very much for coming. Appreciate it. And we will get back to you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I have --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes, Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- I have a question, Madam Chair. Sir, where -- where is your headquarters? Where are you from?

**PAUL MARTIN:** The headquarters -- the head -- this company started in London.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Right to the point, where's your headquarters?

**PAUL MARTIN:** It is now in Fort Lauderdale.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** My final question to you is how many minorities do you have on your Board?

**PAUL MARTIN:** On the -- it's a privately-held company and I'm not one of the -- I'm not one of the principals.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, sir.

**PAUL MARTIN:** Okay.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you. All right. So we have Cherald Mitchell and then Miss Duncombe. Good evening, ma'am.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** Good evening. I am Cheryl Mitchell. I am from Riviera Beach. Wanted to take a moment here. We would like to know from the City Council what type of demolition is allowed by law -- okay -- to be done while the residents are still living in their homes? The -- the new owners, East Coast Property, who bought Southern Court

Mobile Home and Oasis Mobile Home Parks, are doing demolition every day with heavy equipment: Bobcats, loaders, bulldozers. And they're -- they're doing it with little or no regard to the safety and well-being of the residents at all.

They -- it takes us to several health and safety issues. Our water is being shut off three or four times a day for -- for hours at a time with no notice. Many people have gotten sick, children had to go the hospital, dysentery. We've got -- they're pulling up our trees, They're breaking up the roads.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Dysentery?

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** Excuse me? Dysentery, yes. Children and animals. I almost lost my dog from dysentery.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** We had to call in the Health Department. I had to call in the EPA to get it shut down, for them to force a -- a boil water notice to us. The -- as I said the roads are being destroyed. The dust, the debris in the air resulting in many residents having asthma attacks, skin rashes. It -- it's horrific -- it's horrific. Trailers have been ripped open by unlicensed people with broken glass all -- everywhere. It looks like a category four hurricane came through our community. It really does. And it -- it's causing mental stress on everyone.

And if you'll remember back when we came to the meeting of January 7<sup>th</sup>, and that's where the Council agreed to reduce the \$2.4 million code enforcement liens to \$120,000. East Coast Attorney Winderman verbally assured the City Council and Mr. Guyton, who was very concerned and I do commend you for being so concerned about the welfare of us and our homes. But they assured you guys that they would negotiate with us, the residents, in good faith and assured you guys there would be a smooth transition, as well, as they would give us a premium to make everything smooth. But none of this is happening. None of this is happening. They've turned their back on us.

We've given no notice. They've -- they've told us nothing. They're saying they're not paying us anything for our homes. They bought the property, they own it, our homes are our problem.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Hmm.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** We've been treated with no dignity, no respect whatsoever and we're just asking someone to please overlook this project.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Now, my question to you, have you contacted the City Manager's Office about this? Have you called anyone or is this the first time that we're hearing about this?

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** Well, I -- I have called Mayor Masters and, you know, he has told me what to do as far as calling the Health Department and I have contacted the Attorney General's Office. But --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. But did -- inside the City, though?

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** No, I have not.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** No, I have not.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** So the City Manager -- any issues like this, they need to go to the City Manager.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** Okay.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Because if you don't go to the City Manager, the City is in the dark then.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** Okay.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** This is the first I'm hearing about this and I'm sure most of my colleagues and the City Manager isn't even aware of it.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** It's horrific.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** So we could -- then -- I agree. And there's a process and the developer needs to follow the process. Do all of you live there right now?

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** Yes, we do.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. So Miss Jones and -- yeah. You need to get and, you know, the Assistant City Manager is sitting right here. You all need to get with these residents. Perhaps, if you're gonna stay after the meeting or first thing in the morning. You know? I have your contact information but the City will be in contact with you.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** Okay. That's all we ask.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Okay.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** That's all we ask.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yeah. And again, if something like this happens, you need to call the City Manager.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** Okay.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** You know, you shouldn't have to wait until we have, you know, the next Council meeting.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** Well, we've had the news there.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** As I said, we've had the -- the -- the Health Department.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** But you didn't contact us.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** Yes. I -- I wish --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** They're not going to do anything.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** -- I had thought -- we were just -- we've been so distressed --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Right. That's fine.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Understood.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** -- overwhelmed.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Understood.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Understood.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** But going forward --

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** You know, we didn't know where to turn.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** -- you need to contact the City Manager.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yeah.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Miss Mitchell.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** And -- and Madam Chair.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Hold on one second. Yes, sir.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** To the City Attorney --

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** -- is there some way -- I don't -- I would like to know if they can cease -- until everybody is gone -- with the demolition. Is that possible?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Yeah.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Oh, wait, wait, wait. This is --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Wait, wait. This isn't --

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** -- this is not a discussion for you all.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** -- yeah.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** And let them talk, yes.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Please, please --

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Madam Chair. In -- can I speak?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Go ahead.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Okay. Instead of us having this discussion now, let us look at our agreement with them --

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Well, that is what I want you to look at.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** -- and our codes, because this should not be happening.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yeah.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** I -- I -- it just should not be happening and so if the Council will allow staff to get on this first thing in the morning --

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Absolutely.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** -- we will do so. Miss Mitchell, please leave your -- your address and phone number.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** She has it.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** I have it.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Because --

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** I -- I left everything there.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So --

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** -- what you're saying is not -- it's not correct. I'll say that.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** And so I know that Miss McKinney will send someone from Code -- from Community Development first thing in the morning. And if they have violated some laws, they will be shut down immediately.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Okay?

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** Thank you very much.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** We'll get on that tomorrow.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** Thank you so much.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you all.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Is there --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Miss Duncombe.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Is the water -- Cheryl, is the water -- is any water turned off now?

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** It's turned off every day.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** They turn it off every day. We're without water for --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**CHERYL MITCHELL:** (Inaudible) hours a day (inaudible).

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Just let them know that.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. All right.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** 'Cause we -- we control the turning on and off of water.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yeah. That --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** All right. Thank you. Miss Duncombe and then John Lick. Good evening, ma'am.

**NORMA DUNCOMBE:** Good evening. Norma Duncombe. First of all, I'd like to tell everybody who went out to vote to give yourself a pat on the back. You cannot sit home

and complain and get change. You have to be involved with every election, and your primary involvement with your local election is the most important thing that will impact your life. And this conversation just now is -- is -- is really an example of it in terms of how these people have been treated.

The next thing I want to say is that when I looked at the agenda this afternoon, the first thing I saw --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** I'm -- I'm sorry, Miss Duncombe. I'm sorry. One second, please. Okay. Can the group back here, if you're gonna have discussions, please go outside the Chambers. We still have a meeting going on. Thank you. All right. Miss Duncombe, I apologize for that. Go ahead, ma'am.

**NORMA DUNCOMBE:** That -- that's okay. Did I make my comment that -- congratulation the three of you?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes, yes.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**NORMA DUNCOMBE:** Okay. I want to make sure I do that.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Thank you.

**NORMA DUNCOMBE:** And I want to make sure people understand that your voting is important because it affect your life. And you cannot control your life unless you get out and vote. The next thing I want to bring up is when I looked at your little agenda, I saw this statement, "Public comments should be restricted to issues." And I said, Wait a minute. You can't restrict what people say. You can demand that they respect you and you respect them. But you cannot restrict what people say. They have the right to speak at -- on whatever subject they want to if they live in this city.

Okay. Now, let me get back to the back and forth about the liens. Let me just say, a month or two ago, you reduced a \$2.4 million lien for a -- this same -- these same people who are taking those folks' homes. You restricted a \$2.4 million lien, 99 percent. Now, just do the same thing for everybody else. That's all their asking. Do the exact same thing. Reduce their liens and code violations to the very same thing.

The next thing, we need to have some kind of workshop to do something about stabilizing the entire City. We have too many vacant homes. We have the condition of the streets and what have you. It's a disgrace and it should not be that way. It's an easy thing to solve the vacant homes. All you have to do is when the homes are lost and they've been turned over to the City -- and we can have a workshop on this -- give those homes to people who work for the City: Fire Department, Police Department, Public Works, whatever. Give them a certain time to -- to prepare those places, fix them up, and they can't sell them for 15 years. That will stabilize the city because you would not have all these vacant houses around here.

Now, when you borrowed \$19 million for the Marina, you were sitting as the Marine Board. You borrowed \$19 million. What did you borrow for the other communities? You gave them a -- a garden and I don't see anybody in here who is under weight. Everybody's nice and healthy. So they did not need that. They need to stabilize their community.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**NORMA DUNCOMBE:** Thank you.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you, ma'am.

**NORMA DUNCOMBE:** Have a workshop somebody.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you, ma'am. John Lick and then Dorothy Gay. Please, this is --

**JOHN LICK:** My name is John Lick. I live at 48 Citrus Drive, Southern Court. My complaint is -- is to the Board and all. We've had people being evicted now that has paid their rent in the Southern Court, the one Miss Mitchell was just talking about. I'd like to know what the City can do about this. Like they said, you reduced a -- a lien against the property for these contractors to come in and buy this place. Now they're willfully and destructively destroying homes. We have families here that are going to be homeless, just like me. I live on Social Security. Okay? They take my home, it's over (inaudible).

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Sir. Sir. Can you go to the Assistant City Manager, please? Okay. Dorothy Gay.

**DOROTHY GAY:** Okay. I'm gonna say this again as I've said before. This is the third time I'm saying it. Like, some cards, I think we need to put numbers on those cards 'cause it seems like most of the time -- this is the third time -- I, along with the young lady, like our card be shuffle to the last. My interpretation of my belief.

Hi. I'm -- I'm Dorothy Gay, 720 W. Sixth Street, still speaking on the same subject. Utility Department, after various workshops and the fine PowerPoint to the point of saying these are the things that the City, the Water Utilities, will be doing. As we come to that process right now, it has not been processed; it has not been trained; it has not been started to be enacted. It has not been. That means we have set five or six months dialogue, over and over again, nothing has been put into action. We were told when we came to the last meeting, the landlords, that you will manipulate this -- this was about to occur. The training will be on to another Monday. The process will go on. It will be done in a precise manner.

Nothing has really taken place. Nothing. That means people in -- in that office, they are still demanding that a landlord come, that a landlord fill out paperwork and we made it emphatically clear that we choose not to sign anything, will not come in. I made that emphatically clear. Will not come in to sign anything. When I do get a tenant there, that

person is to come in, get that water bill, pay whatever deposit they have to. Do not include the landlords. Do not include us. We made that emphatically -- I'm using that terminology over and over again -- that we will not sign anything. Don't need to call us; don't need us to come in.

We do not send -- and like you say, some people hear you and I'm very proud to hear that you have new addition to the Council now. That said a key word to me. I'm listening; I'm hearing. Evidently, all this talk we've done in the last five months, no one has listened to us. Some, as I observe behaviors of the Board, the Council members, some tune us out real fast. The impression they are -- they are tuned out to other things. They are not really listening.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Hmm.

**DOROTHY GAY:** You need to listen. Thank you.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Miss Jones. Okay. So what's going on with the water? I thought we, you know, at our last meeting, we passed, you know, either it was --

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** -- we amended the Ordinance.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** We amended the Ordinance on February 25<sup>th</sup> and we had 30 days in -- before we were to start training and implementing that, which would give us to March 25<sup>th</sup>.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** And so that's where we are. I've viewed the PowerPoint that would be on channel 18.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Right.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** They're going to do that so that we could also educate as well as. But we did not commit in this 30 days that those changes would be taking place. So --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Perfect. All right.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** -- in that 30 days.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** All right. Just wanted to make sure. All right. Do we have a motion to adjourn?

**MARY BRABHAM:** No. My card -- I gave you a card.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Do we have another card from Miss Brabham?

**MARY BRABHAM:** (Inaudible).

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Miss Brabham, come on up. I don't see a card here, but it could be sitting somewhere else.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** That's fine. Come on. Yeah. We don't -- we don't -- might be sitting somewhere.

**MARY BRABHAM:** It -- it -- it is there but don't start the clock -- don't start the clock. It is there.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. That's fine. Go ahead.

**MARY BRABHAM:** Mary Brabham, Riviera Beach. First of all, you know, we have to give accolades to the parents also.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Yes.

**MARY BRABHAM:** Miss Miller, Jackie and her dad, we've been in the trenches. So -- so -- so we are -- we are workers. We know how to work it. So she comes from good stock and she would definitely be a good -- a -- a good leader.

It is some things here that -- I want you all to listen. I want you all to listen. Blue Heron and Silver Beach Road, we do know that those are state roads. But we do expect you, as a collective Board, to work with the State as well as the MPO Board because that's the only way that you can make things happen. The MLK corridor, we expect for all of you representatives to work on that, too, to make sure that that is beautiful -- that -- our beautification is done on there just like at the end of Military Trail. We expect that to come up on our end, also.

The -- I'm gonna say this because on last Thursday -- well, last Wednesday, we had that meeting over there. And I, along with my staff, as well as other residents, you all need to get on this. I don't know whether it's being swept underneath the rug, but we trailblazers, we're well aware of it. You need to work in conjunction with the Port. These Asian termites, they are real. They are real. These Asian termites, they not just fly, just in -- over at that immediate area; they will fly all over this city here. We encountered them over on 10<sup>th</sup> Street. Miss Gloria Daniels, that runs that beautician shop on Old Dixie Highway, Claudius knows, they have white feathers and they are real. And they are eating up these people's homes. What we have said, it's the freight cars that's coming in. You, as a Board, get together and have this city sprayed. Miss Pardo, they not only will invade on this side, but they will invade over there also. We need to get on that ASAP. We talking about the homes being saved. We need to do that.

Pamala Ryan, I say your mom a speedy recovery. I will also like to thank the residents for all of your cards -- all of your cards, all of your meals that you -- that you have given me and my husband. I'm making progress. I had some major surgery on my back. The rods and screws in both sides of my back. So -- but your -- your calls and -- and -- and

everything what you've done to me, I would just like to say thank you. But most of all, I thank you for getting up to vote. Voting enables us to have a voice, whether it's a good voice or bad voice. Every voice should be heard.

So you all work on that. Old Dixie Highway, that is a -- a -- a county road. But we need to work on these termites. They are real. They are real.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**MARY BRABHAM:** Some of the residents' doors --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**MARY BRABHAM:** -- and homes have been eaten away. These things are powerful.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** We will work on it. All right. Thank you. Do we have -- that's the end of our agenda. Do we have a motion --

## **REGULAR**

**NONE**

## **DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION**

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Nothing. Community benefits, item 4.

## **COMMUNITY BENEFITS REQUESTS**

- 4. HEALTHY FOOD, HEALTHY LIVING FOOD BANK - \$300 - COUNCILMAN TERENCE D. DAVIS - TO SUPPORT PROVIDING FOOD FOR FAMILIES AT THE COMMUNITY FLEA MARKET.**

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Second.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Properly moved and second. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Item 5.

- 5. HEALTHY FOOD, HEALTHY LIVING FOOD BANK - \$300 - MAYOR THOMAS A. MASTERS - TO SUPPORT PROVIDING FOOD FOR FAMILIES AT THE COMMUNITY FLEA MARKET.**

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Do we have a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Second.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Properly moved and second. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Item 6.

- 6. HURST CHAPEL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION - \$350 - MAYOR THOMAS A. MASTERS - TO SUPPORT THE 91ST ANNIVERSARY AND UPCOMING FRIENDS AND FAMILY DAY TO BE HELD, MARCH 29, 2015.**

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Do we have a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** I'll move -- second.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Second.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Item 7.

**7. JESUS AND YOU OUTREACH MINISTRIES (J.A.Y.) - \$300 - MAYOR THOMAS A. MASTERS - TO SUPPORT THE ANNUAL FUNDRAISING GALA OF THE MINISTRIES' OUTREACH SERVICES AND PROGRAMS.**

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Second.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Second.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you.

**8. SAVE THE AFRICAN AMERICAN YOUTH (S.T.A.A.Y) - \$1,000 - MAYOR THOMAS A. MASTERS - TO SUPPORT THE MENTORING PROGRAM TO STRENGTHEN THE CHARACTER, FAITH AND DIRECTION OF YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN.**

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Do we have a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** I move.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Second.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Madam Clerk.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** I have a question. Is it still 1,000? Was that changed to 300?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** No, it's -- it's --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** No, it's 300.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** 300.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** 300, okay.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** (Inaudible) before that.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes. Okay? So we have a motion and a second. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Item 8A, Riviera Beach Scholarship Fund, \$1,000, District 2 balance from the renaming of George Street Park Project in support of the scholarship fund for local college recipients.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So moved.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Second.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. And we have one comment card, Miss ROSE ANNE BROWN.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I know she's very happy.

**ROSE ANNE BROWN:** Not yet.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Oh, you want some more money? Oh, Lord.

**ROSE ANNE BROWN:** Good evening.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Good evening.

**ROSE ANNE BROWN:** And Councilwoman Pardo, welcome back.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you, ma'am.

**ROSE ANNE BROWN:** Councilwoman KaShamba Miller welcome.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Thank you -- thank you.

**ROSE ANNE BROWN:** And I am here -- my name is Rose Anne Brown. I'm here on behalf of the Riviera Beach Education Advisory Committee asking -- there's a saying -- no, it's not a saying. It's in the word. You have not because you ask not. So we are hoping that we will have an additional \$1,000 to be available for allocation for scholarships this year. The City Council allocated \$19,000. The deadline for this year's scholarship is April 20<sup>th</sup>. The applications are coming fast and furious. We can't even keep copies, I think, in the City Manager's Office, because it took a little bit to get it online. So on behalf of the Education committee, I am asking you, Miss Miller, to support the \$1,000 that will come from the District 2 which is really your district now.

So we're asking if you would support that \$1,000 coming to the Scholarship Fund so that we will know that we will have \$20,000 available. Last year, we -- we -- the -- we -- we evaluated -- the City Council awarded \$28,000 last year to 28 winners. This is the 18<sup>th</sup> year for the Scholarship Program. The City Council has awarded over \$300,000 to that program. It is an excellent program. Oh, I will be calling you for an appointment, though, to ask for your support --

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yeah. Of course.

**ROSE ANNE BROWN:** -- on the new allocation. But at this time, I am just asking that you support the \$1,000 that would come to the Scholarship Fund from District 2.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Sure.

**ROSE ANNE BROWN:** Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair --

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- for Miss Brown.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yep. Go ahead, Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Miss Brown, I understand that you and Miss Miller work together as a volunteer at Summer Youth Program for many years at Kennedy, was it? And --

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**ROSE ANNE BROWN:** Miss Miller's a true product of this community and it's too bad you weren't here when we were looking for support to continue that program. It is never too late.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And that was the Summer Youth Program.

**ROSE ANNE BROWN:** It was the City of Riviera Beach Academic Summer Camp for middle school students held on the campus of JFK Middle School.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And she was one of the volunteers that worked in that program?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** I was a teacher.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Teacher, okay.

**ROSE ANNE BROWN:** She was with us almost from the very beginning.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So we gotta get it back going -- you gotta get it going again.

**ROSE ANNE BROWN:** I'll be making an appointment for that.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay. You're good.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. All right. Thank you, ma'am. All right. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. 8B. Let's see. Southeast Florida Fair Association, \$4,400 for a fair and public market --

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So move.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Second.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** -- in Riviera.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Second.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** All right. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Discussions by the City Manager.

**DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER**

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Thank you, Madam Chair. Just a -- a couple of items. First of all, congratulations to Miss Miller and Miss Pardo on your return. I look forward to working with each of -- both of you.

Would like to announce and you will see this on our television channel, TV 18, that there will be a fundraising benefit, and I know there may be others that are here that are going to talk about that later. But I think it's a very important benefit for the Max A. [sic] Fisher Boys & Girls Club and it will be held on April the 16<sup>th</sup> and if other individuals would like information, I saw someone here that I thought might have put in a card. But it is a fundraiser and it is the Michael Jackson Experience. Last year, it was the Motown Experience. We had lots of fun, but more importantly than anything, it benefits our local Boys & Girls Club. The tickets are \$50 and so we will have that information on our website as well as on the television station.

Just to give you a -- a brief update, I know there were some other issues that were hanging out there. Just wanted you to know that working with -- the CRA staff has met to begin talking about parking, particularly at Ocean Mall. We recognize that there is an issue with individuals that are not going either to the mall or to the beach. But they're taking up the parking spaces and so we have placed "No Parking" signs and we will be contacting the entities around the area. We're working with the CRA so that we might be able to have an ambassador or someone in the basic area, but just wanted you to know that staff was following up on that as you had requested.

The other thing is that we will be bringing forward to you at later date, some consideration as it relates to the activity that's taking place within the legislature. You may be aware that there has been a proposed change in the date of the presidential primary in 2016. That has passed both the House and the Senate and it's just waiting on the Governor and his basic actions. But what that does, it makes the presidential primary fall on the third Tuesday in March, which potentially could conflict with us having an election the second Tuesday in March. Because you got the same voting machines and you may not have time -- the Supervisor of Elections may not have time to test the machines and get them ready for the next week.

So we will be continuing to watch. We feel as though the Governor will sign that. But we will bring that back to you for discussion very early, of what options you would like for us to exercise so that we can do that -- do what we need to do, so that we know on what date we will be having that -- that election.

We will also be bringing forward information as it relates to moving forward with our ordinances and potentially, I will be asking you to do a moratorium. And that moratorium will be on marijuana cultivating, dispensing and all of those activities. It is moving quickly in the legislature this year so we feel as though it's getting ready to come back. And so before it comes back, we want to make sure that we've got ordinances in place and so that we are in front of the curve and not behind the curve. And we will be bringing that to you for consideration.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I have a question for the Manager.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Go ahead, Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Manager, on the primary election, if the -- if the Council decides to -- or can the Council decide to put the election of the Council and the Mayor on the same date of the primary?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** And that will probably be what we will recommend because that way, we don't have to pay for an election by our self.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Save money.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** We save money. As well as, it would be only when there's a presidential primary, so that would be the only year that would be impacted by that change. So, yes, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yeah.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you. Miss Ryan, do you have anything?

#### **DISCUSSION BY CITY ATTORNEY**

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Okay. Not much. Not much. First, welcome back Miss Pardo and congratulations Miss Miller.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Thank you.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** I look forward to working with both of you. I don't really have very much. I sent the Council an email today asking for dates. I need you to look at dates to have a closed executive session. I will be putting it on the next agenda. We need to do that. I will also have an update for you on the I.G. litigation and on the

Ocean Mall. I've sent you three emails today that I -- I really want you to take a look at, at your earliest convenience.

If I can take a moment of personal privilege, and say thank you to the residents and to the employees who have reached out to me and --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That's right.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** -- concerning my grandmother, who was brutally beaten last Sunday on Avenue J. She's been in the hospital. She's getting better. But I want to thank Council, residents, Park Manor Neighborhood Association sent me a beautiful card. The employees, and especially the -- the Fire Department and the Police Department, they were -- they gave my grandmother excellent treatment. The Police has given me constant updates on the gentleman who -- I'm gonna be nice -- who is in jail right now. I know that the City -- we're gonna work on our police just doing more things and I want to be a part of that. This has been a very difficult time for my family but I just wanted to thank everybody. The outpouring of support has been wonderful and I appreciate it.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Yes. And Mayor Masters was right there.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Any City Council committee reports?

#### **CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. I have a report. I am the liaison between the Port of Palm Beach and the City of Riviera Beach. Yesterday, the City Manager and I had a meeting with the Port Executive Director and Commissioner Payton McArthur. And we -- tomorrow night, they're going to propose to their committee and right now I'm gonna propose to our Council, that we have a joint meeting with the Commission -- with the Port of Palm Beach Commission on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. At first, we were thinking about doing it during the week but we do have commissioners on our Board who work and the same with the Port of Palm Beach. So we thought if we had it on a Saturday morning, we would televise it and we would be able -- hopefully, we would be able to take that day to work out all of the issues.

We have issues with stone rock. We have issues with whether or not we want to continue to enforce the 1996 Inter-local Agreement with them. There's -- we spoke about beautification efforts at the Port of Palm Beach, especially along the Old Dixie Corridor. FPL, you know, there were a lot of issues. So I would ask that our Council look at your May -- look and see if May 2<sup>nd</sup> is good and get back to the City Manager and then we can, you know, coordinate with the Port so we can finally hash out all of the disagreements and figure out how we're gonna move forward. And that's all I have with that. Let's see. We still have 10 minutes before public comment. Statements by the Mayor and Council. I'll start with you, Mr. Guyton.

## **STATEMENTS BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** The only thing that I have, the City Manager and I went to Tallahassee for Palm Beach County Day and most of you know, that is a day where many from our county go up to lobby in the legislature on issues impacting their respective communities. That -- that meeting -- that day was very productive. Our lobbyist, who is Sean Pittman -- I might add he's a homegrown attorney here. He's now practicing law and he's our city lobbyist. He set up meetings with a number of different legislators, the Lieutenant Governor, heads of various committees, and he kept us going non-stop. But it was productive. I even received a card from one of the committee chairs indicating that they were gonna do what they can to assist in what we requested. But we requested a number of things.

But it was primarily focusing on funds for infrastructure, the natural resources. We met with the Secretary of DEP. We discussed those issues. And there were a number of different other issues. We discussed the Enterprise Zone that is scheduled to be Sunset. That's a -- a program where companies that come into communities with high unemployment rate and high poverty rates, they get tax credits to bring jobs into the community. So we were up there doing what we do to try to bring the funds back home and it was very productive and I just want my colleagues to know that our lobbyist, Mr. Sean Pittman, is -- is very well respected and he was definitely on this job up there. So that's all I have, Madam Chair.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you, sir. Mr. Davis.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Thank you. Madam Manager, I've -- I have one major concern that has been a few residents who've been discussing it, just Silver Beach Road. It's been -- it's getting a little -- how can I -- it's getting very dangerous over there on that road. That road is really broken up into all types of pieces, to the point when you're driving, you hit the wrong hump, you either going left or right and that's very -- no one (inaudible). Just like the -- Silver Beach Road, yes. Silver Beach Road just as you're coming down right there -- specifically, when you get to the light right there by S Avenue. There's not a light; it's a stop sign. But when you drive -- it's very -- it's to the point now where you really have to drive very, very slow to make sure you don't hit the wrong spot on the road. Because if you hit the wrong spot at the right speed, you're either going hard left into Lake Park or you're going -- a hard right into Lake Park or a hard left into someone's home. And I want to get -- want the residents of Riviera Beach to understand that we are concerned and the City's going to do something about it. Just like to sit down and discuss with you, create a plan on what we can do in the near future to --

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** That's a County -- we have to write the County.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** It's a County road, correct.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** So we'll --

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** It's a County road.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** -- we'll -- we'll meet with our commission (inaudible).

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes. That -- please drive by there sometime if you could this week, and just take a look and you'll really see how dangerous it is. But drive very careful as you go down there.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** I went today.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Okay. So you understand, then.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Uh-huh.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** And plus we want to talk about what the -- what we can do in the future with potential sidewalks. Because that area is very narrow. A lot of those residents, when they come out of their home, they're walking to the bus stop and they have to kind of like straggle [sic] the -- the line as they walk down. So it's very dangerous for the -- where those bus stops are located in the vicinity as they leave their homes. So that's one of the major concerns I'd like to work with you and with the County to do what we need to do to give us what we need on that particular project on that road.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes, sir.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Thank you so much.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Miss Miller.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** I'm -- just wanna say my congratulations to Miss Dawn Pardo for her unopposed position coming back. That -- that does say a lot about your respect over there on the island.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** And I do want to say thank you to all. I do look forward to working with everyone in moving the City forward and I -- I do want to announce my legislative aide. I think she's here. Her name is Tina White. She will be working with me. I'm very -- very -- stand up, Miss Tina White, please, so that everyone sees you. Miss Tina White comes with a wealth of knowledge. I was very impressed by her research capabilities, her knowledge, and that is something that I feel is very important in this position. And I did give you the number. The number is 845-3684, my office number. For my community benefits, I do have -- I wanted to make sure that the residents and 501(c)(3) organizations are able to apply for any benefits that they may need. So please feel free to contact me at the office number so that you can apply so that we're able to provide a donation to your organization, especially with Miss Rose Anne Brown just suggested. So that would be -- and you know I'm all for education so that is -- that will be ideal. But just please contact Miss Tina at my office number.

And again, I just -- I wanna truly thank the residents for coming out to vote, first of all, and just giving me an opportunity to be able to represent the people and -- and be able to listen to you and -- and do what's right about the people and move the City forward so that everyone benefits. And, you know, I certainly want to thank the Mayor and Councilman Davis and Dr. Jean Enright as well as my family and friends. I -- I had people coming out the woodworks to support me, people I didn't think really were worried about, you know, politics. But I think they just were concerned about seeing a change and, you know, they -- they stood right by me and helped me get through to the end. And I just want to thank everyone, even the -- especially the residents because I -- I had a lot of support behind the -- with the residents and -- and the friends and family. So thank you so much.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Mr. Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, Madam -- Madam Chair. I want to -- I forgot a couple of people from the civic engagement of the pastors and ministers. None of this could've happened if it had not been for Pastor Burrs. He was the -- the catalyst and the originator of bringing this to the forefront. So, Pastor, I want to thank you personally for your engagement, not just in Long Pine, but with the pastors -- with Pastor Griffin Davis.

Also want to thank some people for civic engagement. I don't want to give the impression it was just only pastors that were engaged in a -- at a historic level. But, Maria -- please stand as I call your name for the Valley of Love who helped us get out the Haitian -- Haitian-American vote, Pierra [phonetic], Periette [phonetic]. I'll get it right one day. Thank you. And also Mrs. Brabham who helped us with the senior vote. Earl Davis, please stand. Miss Meekens and Miss Wooten, thank you for turning out historic numbers of seniors. Give them a big hand. They deserve it.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Mayor. Let's -- let's not forget Miss Dawkins.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Oh, Miss Dawkins here?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** And Dawson.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Dawkins and Dawson.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Dawkins and Dawson.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Dawson and Dawkins.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Dawson and Dawkins.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** All right. There we go. Stand up. Certainly want to welcome on board Miss Tina White as a legislative aide to Mrs. Miller. You already know I don't do anything you want me to do -- nothing. Nothing. No, we -- we're good. I saw Cory Neering here earlier.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** But I certainly want to congratulate Cory on a very good race. And certainly, I'm very thankful that the Mayor of West Palm Beach, who I have worked with tenaciously on several events -- particular job events -- won the seat and is back. So I want to congratulate the mayor of West Palm -- Palm Beach. He's not here tonight, but I do want to represent -- do wanna congratulate, Marvel Saffell [phonetic] that was very instrumental in getting out the youth vote at a historical number, never before did we have the youth vote. Give Marvel Saffell a hand.

A couple of things briefly. As you know, the Mayor has been helping to lead another peoples' movement to rename Old Dixie Highway -- and I just went to Old Dixie. I went to -- to Birmingham, Alabama -- Martin Luther King, III -- Mayor Johnny Ford and myself led the march, the last leg of the march, from Selma to Montgomery, to the capital. So I saw Dixie flags flying everywhere. And I'm -- I've come back even more determined to get rid of Old Dixie Boulevard in the heart of this community and rename it Barack Obama. If you agree with that, please let me know by your applause. Thank you very much. Please do not leave tonight without signing the petition. It will be in the back. My Chief of Staff, Debbie Isaac, will have the petition for you to sign on to, to rename Barack -- rename Old Dixie, Barack Obama.

I may not be here at the next Council meeting, so I want to make two statements as it relates to the election of the chair and the co-chair. And I think I told someone this. I never told him this before. But I observed Bruce Guyton chairing a meeting -- one meeting -- and he was excellent. He did a superb job, almost as good as I could've done, but not quite. No, I'm just kidding. But he did a great job and I just want him to know that. I never told him that, but I really appreciate the way that he chaired that particular meeting that particular night. So Mr. Guyton, I was just talking about you but it was good this time.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Oh, it was good? That's good.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yeah. It was good, surprisingly. But my statement that I want to make just in case if I'm not here, I certainly want to support this young man to be the co-chair because I think he deserves it, I think he has worked hard, and he's earned it. And that's Terence Davis. Thank you very much. That ends the -- the Mayor's comments.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you very much, Mayor. And then my comments. I was in Washington last week. I had a meeting with the -- I was appointed by the National League of Cities to a Transportation and Infrastructure Committee that Congresswoman Lois Frankel is the chair of in Washington. So I was at that meeting and then on Monday, I went up to the Capital and I lobbied on behalf of the City of Riviera Beach. The Fire Department filled out an application -- well, submitted an application for a SAFER grant, which is Staffing for Adequate First Response -- Emergency Response. And we are seeking 17 new firefighters.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Wow.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** I met with our entire delegation and everyone is on board with it. As a matter of fact, a day or two ago, we received a letter of support from Senator Nelson and Congresswoman Frankel and Congresswoman -- Congressman Murphy, are in the process of putting their letters together. And we did receive verbal support from Senator Rubio's office also. So it was very good, very positive and it was quite interesting because every office that we visited, they wanted to know what was going on with the redevelopment. So it's still -- we're still on their radar and so the meetings there were great.

One thing that I need to mention and I did forward an email from the State to the Council last night. The City Manager is aware of it and also our lobbyist. There's a bill being proposed up in Tallahassee. It passed -- today was the third committee. The committee was -- I think it started at 3:00. So I don't know what the outcome was but I'm quite certain that they passed it. The State is trying to kill local preference.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Hmm.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Now, we have worked very, very hard in this city to make sure that we had local preference on city-funded development. And there's a bunch of representatives up in Tallahassee that want to take that right away from all of the cities. The Florida League of Cities has been lobbying very hard to make sure that they kill this bill but it's now up to all of us to make sure that the bill is killed and it's not going to be heard. It passed committee, so the next step is it'll be heard on the floor and then it'll go to the Senate. If you are a contractor in the City of Riviera Beach or if you are employed -- if you get jobs through the City -- it's imperative that you all reach out to our state representatives and ask them to fight really hard to kill this bill. Because if not, instead of having local preference here, you're gonna see more companies, like you saw in the FPL plant, coming in from Tennessee and from Alabama instead of local people working. So I know Sean Pittman is working hard on it. I know the Manager had a discussion with him. But it's gonna take all of us to make sure that bill is killed.

The last thing I'd like to mention, I did a -- a clean-up and beautification over on Singer Island a couple of weeks ago and I would like to thank and I'll -- at the next meeting, I'll formally thank all of the staff that came out and help us -- helped us. We had a lot of people from Public Works that came out and they helped plant bougainvillea and we painted light poles on Park Avenue and Lake Drive. And then we had a lot of the residents come out also in that area to help us. So with that, thank everyone and now we're going to move on to public comment.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Move to adjourn.

**ACTING CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** All right. Thank you. Thank you, everyone, for coming out.

(CONCLUSION OF MEETING)

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**SECONDED BY:** T. DAVIS

**B. GUYTON** ABSENT

**K. MILLER** AYE

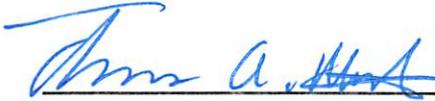
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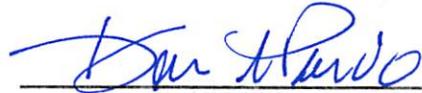
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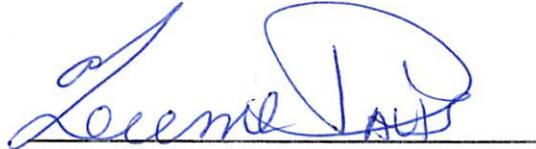


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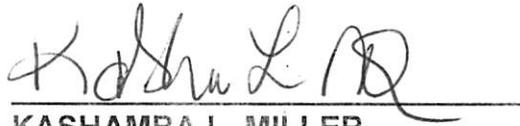
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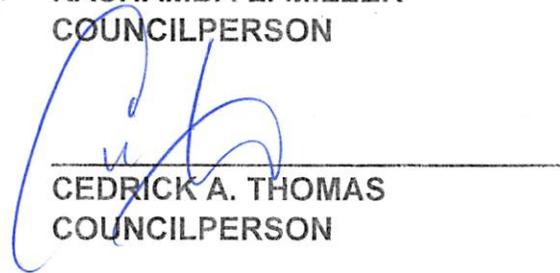
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