

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2015 AT 5:30 P.M.**

[Gavel]

**CALL TO ORDER**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Welcome everyone to the City of Riviera Beach. Tonight we have our City Council meeting.

**ROLL CALL**

**INVOCATION**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Madam Clerk, roll call, please.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mayor Thomas Masters? Chairperson Dawn Pardo?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Present.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pro Tem Terence Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** He's here.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Bruce Guyton? Councilperson KaShamba Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Present.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Cedrick Thomas?

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** Here.

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

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Present.

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

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Present.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you. I'd like to invite everyone to stand for a moment of silence followed by the Pledge.

[Moment of silence]

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** I Pledge allegiance...

**ALL:** ...to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

**AGENDA Approval: Additions, Deletions, Substitutions**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you. Alright. Ms. Jones, do we have any additions, deletions or substitutions to the Agenda?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes, we do, Madam Chair. For your consideration tonight, I would like to add three Community Benefit Awards for your consideration. Under No. 10, \$1,500 from Chair Pro Tem Davis for the monthly movie night at the beach. Item 11, for \$300 from Councilperson Miller-Anderson to the Pathways to Prosperity Circles of Palm Beach County to assist with the dinner meetings held once a week at Lindsey Davis. And Item No. 12, \$500 also from Councilwoman Miller-Anderson to Valley of Love Ministries.

**DISCLSOURES BY COUNCIL**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Do we have a.., do we have any disclosures by Staff or by Council? [Pause]

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Do we have a motion to accept the Agenda with those additions?

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** So move.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Second.

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

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Thomas?

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Consent Agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** 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.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Do we have a motion to accept the Consent Agenda?

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** So move.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Second.

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

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Thomas?

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. That's the end of the Consent Agenda.

### **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FOR FILING**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** We'll move on now to Petitions and Communications for filing.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** None.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you.

### **AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS**

#### **3. BLACK LIVES MATTER ESSAY CONTEST - COUNCILMAN TD DAVIS.**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Awards and Presentations. Item 3. Black Lives Matter Essay Contest. Councilman Terence Davis.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Just as everyone comes up to the podium, this is a essay competition that was held by a young lady by the name of Ms. Anita Lewis. All across the country there was a lot of tragedies of people being murdered. She found a creative way to get young people to express themselves about how they felt. And she created a essay competition which I'll allow her to speak at this to tell you what it's about.

**MS. A. LEWIS:** Good afternoon. My name is Anita Lewis.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Please speak into the mic.

**MS. A. LEWIS:** Hi. I'm sorry. Hi. My name is Anita Lewis. I'm a blogger for Anita's Story dot com. We're here to present the winners for, um, the essay contest entitled, 'Do Black Lives Matter to Black People?'

The essay contest came about because, on July 12, 2015, my godson, Marcus Soo'..., Marquis 'Scoobie' Roundtree, was murdered. His murder is still unsolved but we know he was killed by the hands of a black man. There were no hashtags for him, there were no one changing their pictures on social media in remembrance of him. There was no, no outrage. There was no outcry. His death was thirty second'..., a thirty second piece about a black man being murdered with his mugshot being shown. His death became neighborhood gossip. Nobody was upset. But when a high profile case came about, the hashtag, 'Black Lives Matter,' was everywhere. It made me think, 'Do all black lives matter? Or just the ones that are taken by other races? Why should black lives matter to everyone else when they clearly don't matter to us? I was angry.

So, I thought, 'What could I do to bring forth change?' It begins with our youth. We change them, we change a generation. And to quote one of our essay winners, a small portion that says, 'In order to hear the quote, 'Black Lives Matter,' there has to be a tragedy and it has to be in mainstream media which can be deemed, to a certain extent, social faddish. It's very sad when one asks an African-American, 'Do black lives matter to black people,' and they respond with a blunt and certain 'No'. It is also very sad that, as far as we have come in history, we generate a quote such as 'Black Lives Matter' when activists such as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. have fought for equality. Not all people quoting the slogan are black so those..., so, so are those who quote the slogan, are they different, of a different descent? And race? Do their lives matter? The life of a human being should not be based on color. It should not have a time frame on when it matters. Lives should be consistently cherished all the time, whether they are in the hands of someone of the opposite race or, sadly, the same race.'

These essays are all available on Anita's Story dot com under the Essay Contest, um, storyline. I wanna thank our judges, Councilwoman KaShamba Miller-Anderson and Mrs. LaShonda Shannon. A special thank you to our sponsors, J. D. Anderson of J. D. Anderson Construction, Shandra Stringer or Grassroots Consulting Agency, LaShonda Shannon and Councilman "TD" Davis.

I present to you the winners of our first annual Anita's Story contest.

[Applause]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Maybe you all would like to come and say what school you all attend.

**MS. A. LEWIS:** I have bios.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Oh. You have the bios?

**MS. A. LEWIS:** Mhmm.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Would you like to...

**MS. A. LEWIS:** Mhmm.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay. Go ahead.

**MS. A. LEWIS:** Um, our first winner, he's the runner up in the age 13 to 15 contest. His name is Jacoby Cox. He's currently a freshman attending Suncoast High School. His GPA is a 3.0 and as far as college, he wants to..., he plans to go to college to become an entrepreneur. Jacoby Cox. [Applause].

Our second winner..., our winner of the ages of 13 to 15 is Keshon Brown. Keshon attends Palm Beach Gardens High School. He's the only son of Desiree Footman. He's undecided of what to do, however, he has visited the University of Central Florida

in Orlando. He plans to become.., he plans on pursuing a career in science or information technology. Keshon Brown. [Applause].

And, our only girl. Our 16 to 18 year old winner. Her name is Zekia Tillford [sp]. She's the youngest child of Constance Killing.., Constance Killings and it is an AP Capstone senior in high school at Suncoast Community High School. She's very ambitious and eager to attend college as she will be the first one in her family to attend since 2006. She has a 3.09 GPA with a cumulative average of 4.1. After graduation in May, 2016, she plans to attend either Florida State University or Alabama State University where she will major in criminology. Zekia Tillford.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Alright.

[Applause]

**MS. A. LEWIS:** Okay. We have the awards. Hold on.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I wanna say, I'm Councilman Terence Davis. I just wanna say, 'Thank you all because too many times we see people take a negative and just harp on it but you all took the time to share from what's inside your hearts and your brains to express to the world about how you truly feel. Anytime you open your heart and your life up to other people, you have a change. And, after reading those essays, you really had an impact on my life.

I reached out to former Councilman Shelby Lowe, who's, who's the Executive Director of the Southeast Public Market Fair and he was really moved on that. And what we've done as a partnership, we've committed to \$400 bucks for your books for college, as you enroll in school, um, and once you graduate from high school. So, we committed.., we have checks for all three of you for \$400 bucks for college and we wanna show that's our commitment to you all.

[Applause]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Jacoby Cox, please stand out front. Leshon Brown. And Ms. Zekia Tillford. Mr. Anderson, you wanna come up and say something? Okay.

**MR. J. ANDERSON:** Good evening. Joseph Anderson. President and owner of J. D. Anderson Construction.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Alright. One second, please. Let the record reflect that Councilman Guyton is on the dais. Okay. Go ahead, sir. Thank you.

**MR. J. ANDERSON:** Okay. Along with Mrs. KaShamba Miller-Anderson, we would like to present these two checks... Oh, can Mrs. KaShamba Miller-Anderson, come from the dais, down. And we would like to present these two checks from J. D. Anderson Construction to the first place and second place winners. [Pause].

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** We would like to give \$300 check to Zekia Tillford. Come on up. [Applause]. Congratulations. And, we wanna give a \$50 check to Keshon Brown. Come on. [Applause]. Congratulations.

**MS. S. STRINGER:** Good evening. Shandra Stringer for Grassroots Consulting, Inc., President and CEO. I am presenting a check of \$50 to Jacoby Cox. [Applause].

[Pause]

**MS. A. LEWS:** Keshon's actual award is \$150. His \$100 just came. So...

[Laughter]

**MS. A. LEWIS:** Um, thank you. We will be back again with this. Um, in the spring, we're gonna do this again. Um, I'm really excited about changing the youth's lives. I just really want change. We have to do something.

Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you.

[Applause]

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** And, one last thing, I wanna just make sure Ms. Lewis, please stay in touch with Ms. Williams. I got something else special, someone else called me today. They wanna do something special but private for the families. So, we're gonna make sure we stay in touch with them. Okay?

**MS. A. LEWIS:** Thank you.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you. Alright.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Alright. Thank you. And congratulations to the young men and woman. Alright. Item 4.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO: 4. PRESENTATION OF THE UPCOMING 2016 DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. FESTIVITIES.**

**MS. E. IRVING:** Good evening. Eureka Irving, Human Resources Department.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Good evening.

**MS. E. IRVING:** I just wanted to make the Council and the City aware of the 2016 activities that are being planned for MLK. Walter, if you can, could you run the little video clip that was put together for Channel 18, as well as the little slideshow presentation.

[Video plays]

**MS. E. IRVING:** Okay. The planning committee would particularly like to solicit participation from the community with the Community Service Project Day. That is one of the projects that I hold very dear to my heart. Because that's when we go back into the community to give to our area residents by doing some little beautification projects to their homes and, in order for it to be a truly success and to accomplish everything that we need.., that, that the homes need, need completed, we need the adequate number of volunteers. So, we have all of the information on the City's website, as well as some area schools of the waiver form to, to complete for the, uh, Community Service Day.

So, if you have, particularly kids that need community service hours, I, I really encourage them to be a part of this, this day to make it a, a church activity, a youth group activity or even your club activity to be a part of the Community Service Day. And it is a great opportunity to teach our kids to give back to the community as well. And, of course, we also have the parade and Reggie D., area local radio host, as well as a very positive young man. A great.., who's turning out to be a great mentor and activist, is the grand marshal for the parade this year.

And, of course, our senior citizen luncheon is on the, the 11<sup>th</sup> of January. That is at Hurst Chapel. We're gonna.., tryna do things just a little bit different there because of the space, is a little, um, tight for its parking. So, we're gonna have shus'.., but'.., bus, shuttle services for your convenience. Okay? And also, the last event, which is, everyone is turning out to really love that, is the Awards banquet. And we have noted TV host, Mr. Roland Martin, as our keynote speaker. And we have.., we are lining up some great musical acts for you as well.

Before I sit down, I want to mention who the honorees are for the 2016 year. Our Citizen of the Year is Mr. Malakai Knowles. Our Senior Citizen of the Year is Mr. Michael Slossler [sp]. Youth of the Year is Brianna Colten and, again, I mention the Grand Marshal is Reggie D. And, of course, we know we have, we are honoring our employee of the year is, our very own, my very own, Marie Sullen of the Human Resources Department. And our Customer Service of Excellent Award winner, Ms. Donna Holder of Community Development. So we're really looking forward to the up and coming year. We're hoping everyone is.., will enjoy it cause we have really put in a lot of hours. A lot of blood, sweat and tears have gone into, uh, the planning of this event. I have lost a couple of hairs, already but.., and so, with that being said, I really hope you all come out and enjoy.

And please, I almost forgot, our kickoff event, is the Interfaith Prayer Breakfast. And as I, I tell them all the time, you cannot have an MLK event without setting some time aside to, to talk to the one upstairs.

Are there any questions?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Well, Madam...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Anything from...

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** ...Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** ...the Board? Yes.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Mr. Guyton.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** All I would like to do is first thank and congratulate the MLK committee and, particularly, Eunice Irving. I know how you've been working hard. Not just this year but in past years as well. And I just want you to know that it's very appreciated and all of those that volunteer to assist you in this effort. No one is an island so I know that you have help in pulling these things together but it's very appreciated.

**MS. E. IRVING:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** And, thanks a lot.

**MS. E. IRVING:** Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** And I echo that sentiment.

**MS. E. IRVING:** Thank you. Before I sit down, one last thing.

[Chuckles]

**MS. E. IRVING:** One la'.., to my dear Council, I really wanna thank you all for your support as well. But I, I have some assignments that I have reached out to you all for. So, if you will, um, and I'll give you a friendly reminders to, um, let us know of your availability so we can find adequate replacement. And also it would be good if you all would just let us know, you know, what it is that you want. What, what it is that you want to see because, you know, we take our directions from you.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Great. Okay. Thank you very much.

**MS. E. IRVING:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Alright. We will move on now. Item 5.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** 5. MAYOR MASTERS PROC...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Excuse me?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** We, we were just, uh, Ms. Irving?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Ms. Irving?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** What was the assignment? We, we mighta overlooked our homework. We don't...

**MS. E. IRVING:** Well...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** ...seem to know what you're talking about.

**MS. E. IRVING:** [Chuckle]. I need your..., one, your bio for...

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Oh, the email that came?

**MS. E. IRVING:** Yeah. Is your bio for the Souvenir Journal.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yeah. I knew.

**MS. E. IRVING:** As long as..., as well as a, a picture.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**MS. E. IRVING:** Also, some of you have been asked about, you know, what it is, what, is there any particular program in, in..., that you will like to participate on? Cause, you know, I had it to have a greeting from each and every one of you. So, you know, just let me know if that is, is possible.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Okay.

**MS. E. IRVING:** Particularly, at, at the banquet.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Alright. Thank you.

**MS. E. IRVING:** Okay.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay? Everyone good?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Item 5.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Madam Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** ...Mayor Ma'... Yeah. Go ahead. Go ahead.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I just missed something. I just wanna ask, what was that last statement where...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Come on back.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...she's referencing to?

**MS. E. IRVING:** Okay. [Chuckle].

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** We don't have a long meeting.

**MS. E. IRVING:** Okay. Yes?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** The last part where you're talking about participation?

**MS. E. IRVING:** Okay. You know, of course, we always ask for Council participation at the events.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MS. E. IRVING:** Um, and so, we've, we've sent some, um, inquiries about avail'..., availability for, for your participation. Um, so, if you could get that back to us cause, you know, it would be nice.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MS. E. IRVING:** If, you know, if...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I get what...

**MS. E. IRVING:** ...we could hear...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** ...you're saying.

**MS. E. IRVING:** ...hear a little word from...

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Based on my calendar?

**MS. E. IRVING:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Okay.

**MS. E. IRVING:** Yes.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you.

**MS. E. IRVING:** And also, I need to re'., to remind you all that there is a historical walk that is gonna be held on Dr. King's birthday which is January the 15<sup>th</sup>. Uh, and it's gonna take place from the newly named Barack Obama., is it street, road, boulevard?

**UNK:** Highway.

**MS. E. IRVING:** Highway. Barack Obama Highway to the, um, intersection of Congress and, and MLK, ending at our Port Center building.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Alright. I'd like to make a suggestion.

**MS. E. IRVING:** Mhmm.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Can you put all of this in an email. All of the dates, the time and, um, so it would make it easier for the Council to take a look at it and then, you know, email you back and tell you, you know, what we're available to...

**MS. E. IRVING:** Yes.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** ...participate in?

**MS. E. IRVING:** Yes.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Anyone else before she sits down. Anyone? Going once? Going twice? Okay. Thank you very much. Alright. Item 5.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO: 5. MAYOR MASTERS PROCLAMATION CELEBRATING 60 YEARS OF MARRIAGE FOR ARTHUR AND BETTY MATTHEWS**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Mayor?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes. Thank you, Madam Chair. Let me preface this Proclamation first by an apology for being somewhat late but, at the last minute, things just started jumping and pumping as it relates to the renaming., or putting the signs up and we weren't notified until just hours ago.

So, I am pleased to announce to the residents of the City and to the county and anyone that's probably can get this on the internet around the world, that Old Dixie Highway sign's coming down, please, and President Barack Obama sign is coming up in the morning and what a beautiful way to celebrate 60 years of marriage with a new highway in our City? Come on up? Mr. and Mrs. Matthews. Give them a hand as they come.

[Applause]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Ms. McKinney, I wanna thank you for all that you did to make this happen. Give Ms. McKinney a hand. [Applause]. She helped me with this project. Okay. Proclamation from the Office of the Mayor, the elected Mayor. City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida. Oh, and I have scripture to read. Isn't that wonderful? I don't get that opportunity too much. First thing on here is a scripture. Wow.

WHEREAS, according to 1 Corinthians 13, 13<sup>th</sup> Chapter that is, 'Love is patient.' Obviously it is, right?

**UNK:** Mhmm.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** 'Love is kind. Always protects...

**ALL:** Yeah.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** 'Always trusts.'

**ALL:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I had a witness. I got some witnesses here tonight.

[Chuckle]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** 'Always hopes and always preserves.'

**UNK:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Perseveres. Is that, is that what that is?

**UNK:** Perseveres.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Perseveres. Alright. I'm just excited about this Barack Obama. Ya'll got to forgive me. It's, it's been a lot of work and I'm just really excited. 'Love never fails according to Arthur Williams Matthew, Jr.' That's you, right?

**MR. A. MATTHEW:** That's me.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Never fail.

**ALL:** Never.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Wow. And Betty Jean Brown. Alright. But you became Betty Jean Matthew later. You were Brown then, right? Okay. Wanna make sure. Both of you from small, rural towns in southeast Georgia, no truer scriptures were ever written or deserved to be held closer to their hearts other than 1 Corinthians 13. And,

for those of you who may not be familiar with that chapter, it is the love chapter in the New Testament written by Paul.

'The couple patiently waited, trusting and protecting their marriage, persevering for five months to keep their union a secret hoping that love never fails.' Wait, wait. Hold on a minute. You all kept a secret for five months?

**MR. A. MATTHEW:** Mhmm. Yes, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Well, I don't know what that means but you kept a secret.

[Laughter].

WHEREAS, after seeing the young basketball player on the courts of his high school alma mater, Arthur William Matthews, Jr. started scoring points of his own with Betty's father by taking two of her 15 siblings on dates.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** [Chuckle].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** With them, to the picture show and teen club. Ya'll supposed to be going playing basketball and you lookin' at her.

[Laughter]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Then seven months after, finally revealing his and Betty's Christmas Eve wedding. [Chuckling]. Seven months later. The Army specialist, 5<sup>th</sup> Class, left the military, packed up his teenage bride and moved his family to South Florida, to Riviera Beach. Right?

WHEREAS, in 1961, the Matthews were among the first homeowners in Riviera Beach Heights. Twenty-two years later, the couple built their current residence in which they have been living ever since. And for those of you who may not be aware of their residence, it's a, like a townhouse or something, right?

**UNK:** [Inaudible comments].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Two stories. It's the only one on the street, right?

**UNK:** [Inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Like that. They got a balcony and all kind of things going on. And that's on, what, 6<sup>th</sup> Street?

**UNK:** 7<sup>th</sup>.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** 7<sup>th</sup> Street. Okay. Betty Jean taught home economics to Palm Beach County students for 30 years. And it's, it's sad that, that we don't teach

home economics anymore. We've got people graduating and can't cook and do all those other things that.., cause they didn't have home economics. They have the microwave now.

[Laughter]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Alright. So, this great teacher taught home economics. Somebody knows what that is. To Palm Beach County students for 30 years while Arthur owned and operated an 18-wheeler truck, for two decades hauling goods for Tropical Shipping; and

WHEREAS, next week, Mr. and Mrs. Matthews, Jr... And I think I can say Deacon Matthews, right? Deacon Matthews, Jr. will celebrate 60 joyous years of marriage, love and dedication while also reflecting on the holiday season which, to them, the most important day is Christmas. Uh, December the 25<sup>th</sup>. And also, on the day before, December the 24<sup>th</sup>, reflecting on the holiday season which, for them, began December the 24, 1955 rendering four sons and a lifetime of memories and a symbol of family loyalty for all to be in awe; and

WHEREAS, Deacon Arthur and Betty Matthews once again are proving to be a living translation of 1 Corinthians, the 13<sup>th</sup> Chapter. 'Love is patient. Love is kind. It always protects, trusts, hopes and perseveres.' Together, now for more than six decades, they are indeed proving that chapter as an epitome of love that love never fails.

Give them another hand, if you will.

[Applause]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Deacon Matthews, you informed me that your Pastor and your.., all your family's here. Pastor and family, stand up.

[Applause]

**UNK:** And friends.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And friends. And I know with, with all you family members and friends, I know after this moment of proclamation, you all are goin' somewhere to eat. Save me a plate.

[Laughter]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Bishop Thomas A. Masters, the elected Mayor of the City of Riviera Beach, Florida for four terms, by the power vested in me, along with friends, family and residents of this great City, for four terms, do I hereby wish Mr. and Mrs. Matthews, Jr. a happy 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary on December the 24, 2015. We, at all, recognize the tremendous impact that Arthur and Betty Jean... I like that, Betty Jean. [Chuckles]. That Betty Jean, have handled their

family and in the lives of all those people, or people that they have touched, in the City of Riviera Beach and those that have touched them, to make this City to become and becoming one of the best waterfront cities in which to live, work, play and pray and I contend, Madam Chair, that if we had more families of longevity and faith and just would do the right thing, we wouldn't have a problem with violence and all the shooting in our cities.

Give them another hand. They did it. They didn't talk about it but they did it.

[Applause]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So, therefore, WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and I have caused the official seal of the City of Riviera Beach to be, to be affixed on this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2015 after the death of Christ. Bishop Thomas A. Masters, the elected Mayor and Claudene L. Anthony, CMC. Thank you very much for giving me this opportunity to proclaim that day and the entire week, the Matthews week in the City of Riviera Beach, Florida.

[Applause]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you very much, Mayor. And congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Matthews. Well done.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Congratulations.

#### **6. MAYOR MASTERS PRESENTS A KEY TO THE CITY TO STEVE WHITE**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Alright. Item 6. Mayor Masters presents a key to the City to Steve White.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I shall ask Mr. Steve White to come at this time as I present to him the key to the City. And let me preface this as I did the other one. Mr. White, the keys to the City are given on rare occasions for outstanding service and beyond. You have become someone that we are very proud of in this City and this county and I wanna thank Councilman Cedrick Thomas who first caused.., called it to our attention of some of the great accomplishments that you have done. And, as the Mayor of this City, I want the City to know. Scripture says, 'The man is without honor in his own home.' But tonight, you are with honor in your own home. Some more than just the proclamation, in addition to the proclamation, I'm presenting the key to the City based upon these facts.

WHEREAS, Steve White is a current resident and proud native of Riviera Beach. Having been raised [under breath: having said that term in a long time], having been

raised on 1<sup>st</sup> Street in the City and dedicated his adult life to serving as a mentor to African-American males for more than 30 years;

WHEREAS, Steve has worked with numerous public and private schools and higher learning institutions throughout the state conducting workshops for teachers, administrators and parents. Having worked with multiple cultural and service organizations, including the coordinating committee for the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. celebrations, Children Services Council and numerous churches and police departments throughout Palm Beach County including our very own RBPd. Steve is also actively working in the City and beyond to introduce more youth to the educational and career opportunities available within the maritime industry.

And let me pause cause I also see Mr. George Carter. He was here a minute ago, that you've worked with, at the maritime. We wanna thank him for what you do and others are doing at the Maritime Academy.

WHEREAS, Steve White has been honored by many organizations for his community service including Delta Sigma Beta Sorority, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, The Links Organization, the Riviera Beach Youth Recreation Association and many others. We are not the only ones to recognize the valuable contributions of our native son. In 2014, Steve, this young man, our native son, was recognized as the national, National Mentor of the Year, receiving the Chairman's award for mentoring leadership from the National 100 Black Men of America. Give him a hand, if you will.

[Applause]

WHEREAS, having written, not one book, not two books but three books. Was that one for the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit trilogy, right? Three books on the subject of mentoring, namely, helping black children reach their full potential and from black boy to black man. What does it take? Hm? Steve is lauded as a notable author and award winning publisher, publisher of nearly 100 books for other local and national authors. So not only did he write three but he helped to publish almost 100 books for local and national authors. For that, you oughta have two keys to the City.

[Chuckle]

WHEREAS, Steve continues to mentor young men in Riviera Beach and all across South Florida, not just in our City but southern Florida, having expanded his mentoring program into the adult and juvenile prison system, which is so needed. And working with incarcerated males, preparing them for a successful reentry into society.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Bishop Thomas A. Masters, the fourth term Mayor of the City of Riviera Beach, Florida... That's right, four terms and I thank God for it... By the power vested in me by the residents of Riviera Beach, do hereby present this key to the, to the City of Riviera Beach or from the City of Riviera Beach,

Florida, Brother Steve, as you know, it is the best waterfront City in which to live, work and play and to have Steve White as our resident, a writer of three books, a publisher for almost 100. And in honor of the great work he is doing to mentor and assist the young men in our City and throughout Palm Beach County, to live successful and productive lives, teaching them the importance of giving back to the communities in which we live and love and I know, as a mentor, that you will make sure that many of those young men will have an opportunity to go to the corner of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and President Barack Obama and, with pride, with love and with dignity.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, while somebody's phone is ringing, that I Bishop Thomas A. Masters, the Mayor of the City, I do hereby present this key to you and I, I'm just so thankful to be the Mayor to recognize, and I wanna thank again Councilman Cedrick Thomas for letting us all know that we have a star among us.

Mr. Steve White, thank you very much. This is the key to the City of Riviera Beach. It opens all doors except our banks. You can't have our money.

[Laughter]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you very much. Give Mr. Steve White a big hand. Standing ovation. [Applause]. He deserves that. On Barack Obama Day. Okay.

**MR. S. WHITE:** Good evening.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Good evening.

**MR. S. WHITE:** I just wanna say a few words very briefly, please. First, I wanna thank the Mayor for, for the award. Uh, long before he became mayor he has a very powerful record of, of service to this community so I thank him for all that he's done and I thank him for recognizing me as well. I do also wanna thank Councilman Thomas for bringing, uh, this to fruition because of him acknowledging the work that I've done and a..., the award that I received.

I wanna say that Councilman Thomas and I, we, several years ago when I ran for Council, we were political opponents but we were never enemies and I hope people will learn the difference. Okay? Also, I want to thank, uh, just the City of Riviera Beach because this is the City that I was born and raised, this is the City that I love so much and, when I was being raised here, it truly was a village and I want to, uh, especially acknowledge that part of the village that I was born and raised in, which is 1<sup>st</sup> Street, what we call the south end. So, all the people on 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street who really nurtured me and helped me to become the man that I am today. I want to, uh, acknowledge the great teachers that we had at Lincoln Elementary and Lincoln Junior High. Teachers who, where, for us, learning was not an option. Okay? So, I want to acknowledge all of those who gave me this foundation because I do not do this by myself. Also, I want to acknowledge, uh, my family. My, uh, family..., some of my family's here. My cousins. Also my....

**UNK:** [Inaudible].

**MR. S. WHITE:** ...my..., they will stand.

**UNK:** [Inaudible].

**MR. S. WHITE:** My, my, best friend, Tony Young. Also, some of the family of mine that's, that's not here. My sister, Tina, uh, my Aunt Al who, uh, Althea Hall who next month, next week will be celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. She has been a resident of Riviera Beach for over 50 years. So I wanna acknowledge her as well. Also I want to acknowledge, uh, most importantly, my immediate family, my wife. I, uh, my wife is, is just a very strong and, and beautiful woman who has been by me through thick and thin for many, many, many years. She allows me to get the recognition to stand out front but she has been by my side through everything. Okay? So, when you honor me, Mayor, you actually honor her as well. Okay?

**AUDIENCE:** [Inaudible comments]. [Applause].

**MR. S. WHITE:** And she's here. She's here. Like I said, she doesn't seek recognition but she's there in the white. Also, uh, she's also the mother...

**UNK:** [Inaudible].

**MR. S. WHITE:** ...she's also the mother of, uh, our children, my son and daughter, Steve and Kimberly who went away to school and now they make their home in Atlanta but they are with us in spirit as well. So, I want to, uh, thank them also. And, um, I think lastly what I wanted to say is, I know you say that this key doesn't open the banks and that's alright. I, I accept that but, uh, what, what I do hope is that this key will unlock the minds and the hearts of the people so that they will realize that we have a divine obligation to save ourselves, to save our children and to save our community.

So I thank you very much. To God be the glory.

**AUDIENCE:** Alright.

**MR. S. WHITE:** Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you.

[Applause]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair, if you'll indulge me for ten seconds. Mrs. Steve White, would you come...

[Chuckles]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Please. [Applause]. Ms. Anne White. I'm from the old school. You know, they call the husband by the first name.

Since you are a part of him and a half of him and I'm honoring him through you and you through him, I'm gonna give both of ya'll the key. There ya go.

**MS. A. WHITE:** Thanks. Okay.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, Madam Chair.

### PUBLIC HEARINGS

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you very much and congratulations, sir. Okay. Let's move on. Public Hearings, none. Ordinances on second reading. Item 7.

### ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** 7. ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 28 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED "SIGNS", SECTION 28-1 "DEFINITIONS", SECTION 28-5 "PROHIBITED SIGNS", SECTION 28-125 "PROGRAMMABLE DIGITAL SIGNS", AND CHAPTER 31 OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES ENTITLED "SUPPLEMENTAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS", SECTION 31-551, IN ORDER TO CREATE STANDARDS FOR INSTALLATION AND USE OF DIGITAL FUEL PRICE SIGNAGE ON PROPERTY WITH SELF SERVICE FUEL PUMPS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY AND CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Is there a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So move.

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** Second.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Properly moved and second. This is ordinances on second reading. Does anyone need another presentation? [Pause]. We're good? Okay. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Thomas?

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

### **REGULAR**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you. Alright. Regular Agenda. Alright. Let's move on.

### **DISCUSSION AND DELIBERATION**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Nothing under discussions and deliberations.

### **COMMUNITY BENEFITS**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Community Benefits. Item 8.

**8. INLET GROVE COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL, INC. - \$400.00 - COUNCILMAN TD THOMAS - FOR UNIFORMS FOR BOY BASKETBALL TEAM.**

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** TD Thomas?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** I'm sorry. TD Davis.

[Chuckles]

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Is there a motion?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So move.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Is there...

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** Second.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** ...a second? Alright properly moved and second. We have one public comment card. Fane Lozman.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Fane Lozman. I don't have an address to read into the record but I have well over a thousand linear feet on Ocean Drive.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay...

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** I should have...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** We don't ask for it.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** ...an address.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** You don't need to give us your address.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Oh, yes you do. It's on the card.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Alright. But I...

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** On the, on the...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** ...didn't ask you for it.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** ...on the pink card. But I..., for the record...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** It's fine.

**UNK:** [Inaudible].

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** ...the largest landowner in Singer Island. I should be able to come up here and give an address.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yeah.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Just like I should have police and fire when I had a bunch of guests out there today.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Right.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** The little game that your playing, Ms. Pardo...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** ...is getting old.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Item 8.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Okay? By the way, any comments on the dais have to be audible to the public.

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** Get to your comments or sit down.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** You don't have the floor. I have the floor.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. So please...

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** You want the floor...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** ...make your comments.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** ...you talk to Ms. Pardo about it. You're not in charge...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Please make...

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** ...Ms. Ryan.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** ...your comments.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Um [pause]. How does Inlet Grove Community High School normally get funding for sports? Do they get funding from the School Board? Do they get funding from the taxes? I pay taxes. A lot of people pay taxes for the schools. You know? Do they get funding through their school budget? You know? We're..., what..., why are we having to give money to school? First off, \$400 does not, does not go very far, for starters. You know, maybe, you know, it takes thousands of dollars. Where is the shortfall gonna be made up? You know? Where does \$400 come from? You know, where is the backup for this? You know, my concern is the following. My concern is, you give \$400 to Inlet Grove, what about, uh, you know, Suncoast. What about to the other schools? Why are we, the taxpayers in here and watching on TV, why are spending another \$2.199 million of Waste Management versus the lower bidder, Southern Waste Systems, why? To give \$400 to a high school that should be getting the money from the School Board? I mean, something doesn't make sense. When this would happen..., when this went on in Delray Beach, they went back and got rid of Waste Management and got the lower price. Something just doesn't make sense.

The School Board should be doing these uniforms. We pay taxes to the school department. This is basically getting taxed twice. You're getting taxed for the School Board and then you're getting taxed by spending another \$2.199 million and taking a slush fund kickback to give money back to the school a second time. There's something wrong. This doesn't go on in other cities. Other cities, you have a competitive bidding process. The best bidder gets the contract. No one up there has given me an answer why Southern Waste Systems doesn't have the contract. Why? \$2,000,000 is a lot of money. Your own Staff said to put it out for bid again. Why didn't it go out for bid again?

You know, I have a problem with that. A lot of people around town have a problem with it. But a lot of people are afraid to come up here cause they don't wanna be targeted, like I've been targeted over the years, and harassed. But, yeah. We're, we're not gonna let this slide. No. I'm not gonna let it slide.

[Beep]

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Great. Thank you very much. And for those people who, you know, if they were listening to him, as some of you aware, Riviera Beach is a unique community. Okay? And we have children over at Inlet Grove who would like to play basketball but their parents cannot afford the cost of uniforms and we all know they, you know, you get very little out of the School Board regardless of how much you're paying in taxes. So, um, we have the Community Benefits and I think all of us have given money to Inlet Grove and to the other schools. Alright? It takes a village to raise kids and if the Council has the money to assist the parents in getting uniforms for these children, I think it's well-deserved.

Okay. So we had a motion and a second. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Thomas?

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Item 9.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO: 9. RIVIERA BEACH EDUCATION COMMITTEE - \$1000.00  
- COUNCILMAN BRUCE A. GUYTON TOWARDS CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH  
SCHOLARSHIPS.**

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

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So move.

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** Second.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. One comment card. Fane Lozman.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Fane Lozman. Again, I don't have an address to give you guys. Even though I'm the largest landowner on [chuckle] Singer Island. Um, and when you own land in the City, you pay taxes by the way. It's not for free. You gotta pay taxes. So, taxes are being paid on a property yet there's no address for police and fire to come out there, if anybody visits me and breaks their leg.

Riviera Beach Education Committee, who is that? I don't know who the Riviera Beach Education Committee. Is that a non-profit organization? Is that, uh, in somebody's garage? Who are they? Who is the Riviera Beach Education Committee? Is the president here to tell us who they are? Who are they? City of Riviera Beach scholarships, who's, who's getting the scholarships? Is it one scholarship, twenty scholarships? A thousand dollars is not a lot of money for scholarship. What are the qualifications to get a scholarship? You know, where is the presentation when we have money in different projects, we have a little slide presentation. Where's the little slide presentation to tell people what this is for? You know, we don't know who these people are. We don't know, is this a City department, is this with a church, is this with, uh...

You know, where is it? A thousand dollars is a lot of money. Why is it a lot of money? Cause \$1,000 is coming from the taxpayers. You were elected by the taxpayers. Okay? To be guardians and stewards of the tax dollars that come into this City. First, you're not being good guardians cause people are st'.., struggling out there. You know? If that extra \$2.199 million, that's going to Waste Management, could be going in people's pockets and then their families could buy themselves a uniform.

I mean, what you're doing is really criminal. You're violating the competitive procurement statute by, by taking somebody with the fourth ranked bid and making 'em number one and spending millions of dollars more to get \$90,000 to give \$1,000 to somebody we don't even know who they are. Who are they? That two point... People are suffering in this community. Poverty is what, 25 or 30% of this, this City. The money that could be saved on the Waste Management contract is a lot of money to families around town. And to give \$1,000 for some scholarship, they can help put their food on the table for their children. There's something seriously wrong with this. And, even though it may have slid through the ethics board the first time, now there's a whole new group in there and I've talked to them and they have serious concern why is this happening. And, you know something, I mean, I'm not gonna let this slide. I know other people are not gonna let it slide. And we're not gonna let elected officials who participated in that decision..., I know some of you weren't around when it went the first

time, we're not gonna let you rip off the poor people in this community. Or any taxpayer in that community. We're gonna put an end to this. I promise you that.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank...

[Beep]

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** ....you. Alright. There's a motion and a second. Madam Clerk.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Thomas?

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

#### **ITEM 10**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Item 10. Monthly movie night on the beach. \$1,500, Councilperson Terence Davis. Is there a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So move.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Second.

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

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Thomas?

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**ITEM 11**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Item 11. Pathways to Prosperity. \$300, Councilperson Miller-Anderson, Circles of Palm Beach County assists with dinner meetings held once a week at Lindsey Davis. Is there a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So move.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Second?

[Inaudible background comment]

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Is there a second?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Second.

**UNK:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Alright.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Sec'...

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

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Thomas?

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

**ITEM 12**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Item 12. The Valley of Love Ministries. \$500, Councilperson Miller-Anderson to help 400 plus Riviera Beach residents with Christmas toys. Is there a motion?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** So move.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** So move. Second.

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

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Point of order.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Miller-Anderson?

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Point of order.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Yes.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** I gave a card...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** ...[inaudible] to the City...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** You're done.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Guyton?

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Yes.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** I gave [inaudible]...

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** You're done.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** ...Thomas?

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** [Inaudible].

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Pro Tem Davis?

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Chair Pardo?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Unanimous vote.

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

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** [Inaudible].

#### **DISCUSSION BY CITY MANAGER**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Do we have anything by City Manager?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** Yes, Madam Chair. Just briefly, I would like to ask our Fire Chief Reginald Duren to come forward. And, we just wanna remind our residents about safety during the Christmas season and he will be followed by Assistant Chief Madden who will also talk about how to remain safe and some of the issues we need to be concerned about during the holidays.

**FIRE CHIEF DUREN:** Reggie Duren...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Good evening, Chief.

**FIRE CHIEF DUREN:** Thank you, ma'am. Reginald Duren, Fire Chief. First, I wanna thank the Council giving me the opportunity to speak. This time of year is a very

celebratory time but we have to maintain some degree of o'.., looking at what we have before us in terms of existing hazards. Fortunately, for us, Christmas has always been a good time. We've had positive outcomes but I do wanna remind the citizens of some concerns. Like, the use of extension cords and not to use more than one extension cord. Uh, the use of lights. Always check your lights and make sure none of them are frayed. Your Christmas trees, you have a fresh Christmas tree, you know, make sure you cut the base and the trees continue to absorb water, keep water filling in the basin so you don't have a dry tree. It's been proven by NFPA that, uh, hazards.., I'm sorry, that fires caused by Christmas trees, are more dangerous than others and that's likely because there's children around. Um, also, if we use candles, you know, please, you know, put candles out when you're not in the room with them. Put candles out when you leave the house, another very hazardous situation for us.

So, with that, I just wanna say have a very safe and Merry Christmas.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Merry Christmas to you, Chief. Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I have a question for the Chief, Fire Chief, Madam Chair? You...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you. Matches, you wanna make sure that you make appeal to parents to put...

**FIRE CHIEF DUREN:** Well...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...matches up because...

**FIRE CHIEF DUREN:** Yes. I mean, clearly...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...it's...

**FIRE CHIEF DUREN:** ...we like to make sure we keep matches and lighters away from children. Um...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes.

**FIRE CHIEF DUREN:** ...they're toys to children. They're something that they see as a game but we understand the severity of playing with them and, you know, one.., lighting one little small thing grows into a larger thing. So certainly, keep them away from kids. You know, let's keep 'em in a secure place. You know, think of it almost as a weapon. You wanna keep it away from trees...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Right. And...

**FIRE CHIEF DUREN:** ...at all costs.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...that's right. Thank you...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Agreed.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** ...Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Good evening, A.C. Madden.

**A.C. MADDEN:** Good evening, Council. Mike Madden, Assistant Police Chief. I know you've probably seen on the news, around the county, there's been some incidents of car burglaries and those sorts of things and they kinda never really go away because what they are, are a crime of opportunity.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Mhmm.

**A.C. MADDEN:** And, during the holiday season, there's more people out shopping, there's more cars out there, everybody's kinda in a hurry and they forget about the simple things that, uh, you can do to really prevent a lot of these crimes. I mean, leaving things on the front seat, not locking your door, not setting that alarm that you pay \$30 a month for. Uh, you know, we have extra officers out there patrolling during the holiday season and we're keeping our eyes open but we cannot do it by ourselves. Uh, I mean, across the country you see a crime spike during the holiday season.

So, together we just need to take a minute, think about what we're doing. Uh, if we can shop with somebody else rather than go out by ourselves, uh, have your key in your hand when you go to your car. Don't wait 'til you get there and have to dig, you know, through the purse. Uh, we're gonna post some holiday crime prevention tips on our website. They should be up by the morning. So, if you wanna check for some more detailed information. Uh, and, as always, when you're, when you're out and about in the community, if you see something, say something cause if it looks, if it doesn't look quite right to you, it's probably not right. So we don't mind the phone call. We're gonna come out and we're gonna check it out. So, you know, don't let the Grinch take your holiday season.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Thank you.

**A.C. MADDEN:** Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair, I have a question for the Chief.

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

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Assistant Chief, um, would you also mention the fact., I've been doing some reading about it and they're, it's getting quite a bit of publicity how

people are getting packages and, uh, at the front door then somebody comes and takes it, you know, switch out real quickly or something. Can you mention that cause maybe that's not a good idea be'..., right now because of all the packages that's gonna be coming, being delivered.

**A.C. MADDEN:** Yeah. I mean, packages are routinely de'..., delivered by the big, you know, couriers...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Right.

**A.C. MADDEN:** ...on the honor system. They leave 'em at your door. But they a'..., they, they give you an opportunity to have special instructions for your property. Uh, you can have your..., if you're expecting something, you can register for alerts and it'll tell you that it's coming and what day so you can have a neighbor look out for it so they can, maybe, remove it off your, your porch. Uh, so there are precautions that you can take and, you know...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Okay.

**A.C. MADDEN:** ...talking to your neighbors and everybody keeping an eye out for each other is, uh, one of the most important steps.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And, and also, uh, would you pass the word up and down that we really would like to see strict enforcement of the curfew during the, um, the holidays. It's these kids, young people under 18 should not be allowed to wonder around in the, uh, neighborhood. There's some exceptions to the curfew but just hanging out in neighborhoods, on street corners, that, that we have that [inaudible], as you know. It's been very successful but we'd like to really see it enforced a little bit more during the curf'..., during the, uh, season.

**A.C. MADDEN:** Yes, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Holidays. Thank you, Mr. Chief.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you. Anything else for Chief Madden? Okay. Alright. Thank you. Anything else, Madam?

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** No, Madam Chair.

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

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Ms. Ryan, do you have anything?

**CITY ATTORNEY RYAN:** No, I do not.

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

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Alright. Thank you. Do we have any City Council Committee reports? [Pause]. Okay. I have a report. I went down to the county yesterday. We had an Item on the Agenda regarding Zone 4 on Singer Island and that zone is from the Ocean's Edge Condos south to the Oasis. And, you know, that zone never received beach renourishment but now that easements are in place, they're gonna start the renourishment. As a matter of fact, sand was delivered today over to Ocean's Edge. Anyway, so, it was on their Agenda for the, the, um, Board of Commissioners to approve it and they did. We had one person.., a person from the public spoke against it. And this person claims to be the largest landowner on Singer Island. And, um, yeah. And some very nasty comments were made about us up here. Riviera Beach.., he told the Commission that the Riv'.., that Riviera Beach is the cesspool of political corruption. He went on to say that the City has closed the easements, the public walkways along Singer Island. So there's no more.., there's no longer public access on Singer Island so all of the sand and renourishment is going to people who tell other people to get off of their property, that it's all private property. So, I reminded the Commission.., I asked them to look at their backup which clearly showed the pubic paths. Alright? And, as a matter of fact, there was a public path right next to the Martinique. And, you know, the Martinique is in Zone 4. So anyway, it did pass unanimously. But, um, I just thought it was important that you all know that.

And that is.., that's the only committee report I have. Anyone else? Okay.

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

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** We'll go on to Statements by the Mayor and Council. We'll start with you, Ma'.., Mr. Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you, Mayor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I mentioned it earlier but, um, just for the, the public digestion and knowledge, that today begins a historic day for the City of Riviera Beach and Palm Beach County, State of Florida and, perhaps, United States of America. It is said that perhaps we are the only City in the nation that now has, um, President Barack Obama Highway, street, highway that is intersecting with Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. To me, that's profound and for this to unfold so quickly as we prepare, not just for, for, for Christmas and Kwanzaa and, and Hanukah, but for Dr. King's birthday in January and to have this culmination of the celebration of the President Barack Obama Highway on January the 15<sup>th</sup>, on the day that Dr. King was born, is, is amazing, to me because, if there had not been a Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., there would not be a President Barack Obama. I get that and I'm proud and humble to be the Mayor at the historic crossroads of our City of two men who made history.

Not only President Barack Obama but Riviera Beach becomes the city that two presidents now, not just one, but national and international acclaim. We have President

Kennedy's bunker here, on Peanut Island and now we have President Barack Obama Highway in the City. So, we are accommodating two presidents of the United States.

And let me just say this to people who may not like the President, or you may disagree with some of his policies, I disagree with some of the President's policies and statements as well, but he is the President and we ought to honor and recognize that. And this is not a time to criticize the President because of terrorism. There are many things that the President and national security council and others are doing that we will never know. But this is a time that America and Americans need to pull together in unity and support the President and others who are responsible for the security of our nation.

I asked the Manager a couple weeks ago and I'm sure she's working on the protocol of preparing us in case of some type of catastrophe here in this City, at City Hall, that we would know where to go and what to do. But I can tell you, that when there's a terrorist attack, the experts are saying three things you oughta do, in this order...

[Inaudible background comments]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Run, hide and fight. But I say fight first and then do those other two things. If everybody charge but they say that's the last thing. But, but, whatever you choose to do, let's be aware of how to get out the building if we have to. Now people can take this lightly, 'Oh, it's not gonna happen in Riviera Beach,' but, it just came out..., listen to this, I told you, we have Homeland Security in our City, we have a Port in our City, we have a marina in our City, we have an Ocean Mall in our City, we have President Kennedy bunker, now we have President Obama Highway, I told you weeks ago before this came, that the gu'..., one of the guns that was used in the massacre in Paris was purchased in Delray. Right down the street from us. So how does a gun get from Delray and end up in Paris? So, people, let's not take this lightly. Scripture even tells you to watch, as well as pray.

I am preparing for the State of the City Address in which we will highlight the accomplishments of our colleagues and the City administration as we review this year and look forward to the, the new year. Tomorrow morning, which is December, what, seven, 17<sup>th</sup>, I need to call the date, December the 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m., because it's such a brief notice and, and we didn't have time to prepare, but tomorrow, December the 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m., on the corner of Blue Heron Boulevard and what used to be Old Dixie Highway, the sign will go up in the morning, December the 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. Now, this is just the beginning of the, of the sign thing going up. There will be a few more days, maybe a couple weeks, but there will be several activities celebrating this historic occasion, with the schools and the churches, the bands and all that. But tomorrow, it will begin. And if you would like to be a part of history, please be, be there. I wanna thank our Council that voted for this to happen in this City. And I wanna thank the 2,000 people who signed the Petition for this to happen throughout Palm Beach County and I wanna thank the residents of our City for sticking with us to the end and now it is a reality.

Thank you, Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you, Mayor. Ms. Miller-Anderson.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I just have a couple, few things. On yesterday, I attended the groundbreaking with the CRA. We had five new homeowners that broke ground for their new home that will be built on site and actually had two of our City employees that were a part of that. So, congratulations to all again.

In our first meeting in January, I will be presenting the update on the DC trip that we took on last month. I was going to do it tonight but we scrapped it, now we're gonna take place on, in January at our first meeting. And then the last thing, I just want to say Happy Holidays to everyone. Everyone be safe and enjoy your time with your families.

Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I forgot to say that.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Merry Christmas.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Mr. Guyton.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Thank you, Madam Chair. And, if, if the Mayor, if the Mayor and Council will indulge me, I would like to call Ms. Marie of Valley of Love very quickly, please. She reached out to me. She didn't make the deadline to, to do a quick presentation but I told her under my comments, I will allow her a short period. So, Ms. Marie, if you kinda make it quick we'll [inaudible] it.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I will indulge you, Mr. Guyton.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckle].

**MS. M. JEAN-PIERRE:** Good evening, Council Members. My name is Marie Jean-Pierre. I am the President of the Valley of Love Ministries located at 1901 Broadway in the beautiful City of Riviera Beach. We have with us...

**MR. M. DAWKINS:** Good evening everyone. My name is Martavious. I'm the assistant for the Valley of Love Ministries.

**MR. J. THOMAS:** Good evening everyone. My name is Joe Thomas. I'm acting as, uh, Chaplain and I'm also the bible worker at the Valley of Love Ministry.

**MS. M. JEAN-PIERRE:** Alright.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** And Ms. Marie, would you also tell the public, I know some already know, the services that you provide at your [inaudible].

**MS. M. JEAN-PIERRE:** Yes. We're not only a homeless ministry, we don't only feed and clothes. We have single parents, we have elderlies, we have veterans, we have everybody that comes to our ministry. We help, um, the homeless people and single parents find job. We help them, pretty much, with everything. A lot of people think we're only a homeless ministry. No, we're not. We do everything over there. We help with food. We have a food pantry that's open every single day.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Mm.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Okay.

**MS. M. JEAN-PIERRE:** People can come anytime they need food, they can call us and we always have food for them.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Okay. Thank you.

**MS. M. JEAN-PIERRE:** Well, we have a special presentation to our supporters. The first one's gonna be, ladies always first.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckle].

**MR. M. DAWKINS:** Presented, presented to Councilwoman, woman, KaSheeba Miller.

**UNK:** Mm.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** KaShamba...

**MR. M. DAWKINS:** KaShamba Miller.

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

**MR. M. DAWKINS:** Thank you for supporting the Valley of Love Ministries.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Miller-Anderson...

**MR. M. DAWKINS:** December the 16, 2015.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Go on down there, KaSheeba.

[Chuckles]

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** I've been called many different'...

**MR. M. DAWKINS:** Sorry about that.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Chuckles]. Almost the Queen KaSheeba, there, almost.

[Inaudible comments]

**MR. J. THOMAS:** I'm presenting to Mayor Thomas Masters. Thank you for supporting the Valley of Love Ministries through the years. December 16, 2015.

[Applause]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, sir. I appreciate it.

**MS. M. JEAN-PIERRE:** The next one is going Councilman TD Davis. Thank you for supporting Valley of Love Ministries through the year. December 16, 2015.

[Applause]

**MS. M. JEAN-PIERRE:** We forgot to give them the pin. Okay. The next one is for Councilman Bruce Guyton. Thank you for supporting Valley of Love Ministries through the years. December 16, 2015.

[Applause]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Don't hug him too tight and break him up now.

[Laughter]

**MAYOR MASTERS:** He's still recovering.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** My money stays on the Island.

**MS. M. JEAN-PIERRE:** And again, thank you very much everybody and have a Happy Holiday.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Great. Thank you.

**MS. M. JEAN-PIERRE:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** And Madam Chair, that's all I have. Oh, I...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Great. No. Thank y'.. [stammer]. You said that's all you have. Mr. Thomas.

[Chuckles]

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** And you can't even walk fast [chuckle] so, you're done.  
[Inaudible comments]

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** I just wanna wish everybody hap'.., Happy Holidays.  
That's all.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. You can...

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Okay. [Chuckle].

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** Okay.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Wait, wait, wait, wait. Let me...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Let him just say Happy Holidays and then that's it.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Um, I'd just like to wish...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** [Stammer]...

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** ...all of the residents, employees and businesses a happy and safe holiday. Do be careful and safe and we appreciate all that you do to include the residents, employees and businesses to make this City a great city. Happy Holidays.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Alright. Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Alright. Mr. Thomas.

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** Um, yes. Only, I do wanna also extend a greeting of Happy Holidays to everyone, as well. But I do want to wish Ms. Lucinda a happy birthday.

[Applause]

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yay.

[Singing Happy Birthday]

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** I didn't know if she wanted that or not but, uh, I just wanted to let you know that...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** There's cake.

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** ...I did hear them singing today...

**MAYOR MASTERS:** [Inaudible].

**COUNCILPERSON THOMAS:** ...and congratulations on another birthday. So, happy 21<sup>st</sup> birthday to you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** No 22. [Chuckles].

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Alright. Anything else? Great. Thank you. Mr. Davis.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** Oh, okay. Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Yeah.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** I want to talk about and say thank you to all those who came out and supported the second monthly Family Movie Night Out. The residents came out and had a wonderful time. The movie that was shown was Polar Express and had an even larger turnout this time. Everyone was on great behavior. We was in and out by nine o'clock. I wanna say thank you to all the Staff starting with Public Works, Parks and Recreation Staff, police department, fire. The City Clerk's office, they had some volunteers that came out and really supported. I wanna say thank you so much for coming out. Southeast Public Market Fair. Thank you to Whites Construction for providing the construction netting to make everyone feel safe. Thank you to Waste Management for providing the flashlights and the vests for safety. Riviera Beach Bridge and Inlet Grove basketball team for being great volunteers to making sure that everyone got their popcorn in time. Thank you to my Staff, Ms. Williams, uh, Regina Williams. And, anyone else? I'm afraid I'm missing one person. Johnny Longboats for providing their family-friendly menu for the, for the children. Something that's very affordable.

Next month, as we kickoff the new year, January 9<sup>th</sup>, the movie that we're gonna show is gonna be a Disney movie, which is the Princess and the Frog on January 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00. I will make sure that more flyers continue to go out, emails will go out. The event was well attended, like I stated before. We wanna continue promoting family. You know, too many times that I sit on this dais and, before I got here, we talk about what can you do on a Saturday night in Riviera Beach. But, at least now you know, every second Saturday, you can come out right in front of Ocean Mall and enjoy a nice time with their family for two hours.

And that'll be all. Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you. I'd like to wish all of our employees, their families and our residents a Merry Christmas, a very Happy New Year. Great things are in store for the City in 2016.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC -8:30 PM Non-Agenda Item Speakers (Three Minute Limitation)**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** With that, we'll go to public comment. Please be reminded... Oh, hold on. Alright.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** 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.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** First comment Fane Lozman. And then Rick King.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** Fane Lozman. Singer Island. Correct, I did say Riviera Beach is the cesspool of political corruption and the evidence across the years shows it has been. The, uh, you know, Riviera Beach's poverty rate is 26%. Yet, uh, numerous elected officials have engaged in malfeasance, have not taken the best bid for the residents, have, have, uh, had relationships with developers to make sure that when contracts change, they never went out for bid. There's a lot going on we write about all the time in the Palm Beach Sun. We're gonna start having some town hall meetings where we're gonna educate people as to who, specifically, did stuff.

Plus, the good news, I know the Mayor wants to do something with this warehouse out there. Try to get that on the referendum. Effective, the end of January, we're putting together a committee to recall Dawn Pardo for malfeasance. We tried to recall her once before, we only got 60% of the vo'.., uh, the signatures but now that I've made a lot of good relationships on the mainland, been going to the different churches, with the Corey Jones, uh, situation. I noticed I never saw Ms. Pardo out there but I did see KaShamba Miller and, uh, Mr. Davis at some of the functions.

Let's talk about Singer Island. For the record, I'm going to give to the Clerk, a copy of a stipulated Final Judgment, signed by Judge Rogers and one of the defendants with the City of Riviera Beach, and on Page 3, it said the City would maintain the easement from Ocean Drive to the beach at the Via Delfino, Sea Winds Condominium. This is just one of many public easements that was voted on by the Council that is closed to the public, even though there's a Court Order said it has to be open. So, I'm gonna give this to the Clerk [pause] for the record. And I know the Mayor looked into it but Ms. McKinney has refused to follow the Court Order, the easements are closed off. I provided this information to the state and I'm gonna provide it to the federal permitting agencies and I'm gonna try to get the permits for the beach renourishment closed until the easements that were proved by prior Councils, and some of them were affirmed by court orders, are reopened. Ms. McKinney had been provided that information by the Mayor. I

provided the information to her. It's now with the Clerk and yet, the easements are still closed. So, you have, you may have won the first battle yesterday but, until those easements are open, I'm gonna try to get all funding cut off because, basically what you're doing, you're funding private property. Are there a couple easements to the beach? Sure. Through the park and through the, uh, through the mainland there.

Now, Item 12, Ms. Pardo, you clearly violated Florida Statute 268.0114. I had my card in time, you wouldn't take my card. The City Attorney gave you no guidance. You are personally responsible for the legal fees and a fine for refusing to abide by public comment. Okay? It's not your discretion. The legislature said if somebody wants to talk about something, they should talk about it. My card was in.

[Beep]

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** You're not a dictator and the court will explain that to you.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Well, I thought, according to you, I was a dictator. Okay. Rick King.

**MR. F. LOZMAN:** [Inaudible].

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Rick King and then Pat Fadina [sp]

**MR. R. KING:** Good morning, Rick King, Palm Beach County Police Benevolent Association.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good ev'..., good evening.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Good evening.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** You said good morning.

**MR. R. KING:** I did? Good evening, sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** You're in the spirit. That's alright.

**MR. R. KING:** Sorry. Long time.

**UNK:** Long day.

**MR. R. KING:** But, first thing I wanna do is I want to commend the Commission and I wanna thank you for whatever, if, if you have given direction to the negotiating team for the police un'..., for the police contract with the officers to come back to the table and I'm encouraged, or I'm hopeful, that the direction that you've given them is to help resolve the issue. The officers that work here work very, very hard. And they're not trying to be at the top of any pay scale, the just wanna get off the floor. And with

that, I, I, I'm..., I sincerely hope that the direction that you've given 'em was in that direction.

Secondly, I wanna thank the Commission, or the Council, again for.., and the, the Manager, for appointing Assistant Chief Coppin as the Interim Chief during Chief Williams' absence. Uh, Chief Coppin's leadership and his open door and his direction to, uh, the, the members was uplifting and really renewed the spirit of many of the officer that were working here.

To that end, I also wanna, in my last couple minutes here, I just wanna address a rumor. And I'm..., I will come out front and say it's a rumor. But I just want to let you know that, should the rumor be true, the stance of the PBA. We've been told that a member of the dais, um, is attempting to come back to the police department to serve in the capacity as a captain or a major. Um, the PBA wholeheartedly disagrees with that movement. In the, in the, in the vein of there are men and women, right now, who are out serving, leaving blood, sweat and tears in the street who are looking for a chance for promotion, to rise up the ranks, and it will be a slap in the face of those men and women for someone to come off the dais to re'.., to take a command positon at the police department when then are people that are, right now, struggling to get there. And what we're saying to them is, is that you're not good enough. We're gonna take this guy off the street who hasn't been a cop in forever. Um, we need to give those people that are working an opportunity to rise up through the ranks to take advantage of the training they've been given and to serve this community with the tools and the education that you've given 'em. So, that's where we stand on that.

And again, Happy Holidays. I appreciate your time.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Madam Chair?

**MR. R. KING:** Thank you very much. Yes, sir?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Mr. King.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Sir.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I have to be recognized by the Chair.

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

**MAYOR MASTERS:** You did preface that and said that it was a rumor.

**MR. R. KING:** Rumor only, sir.

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

**MR. R. KING:** Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you. Pat Fadina.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** She just stepped out.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Did she leave? Okay. Horace Towns.

**CHAIR PRO TEM DAVIS:** [Inaudible].

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Ms. Fadina. They were calling you. You can come to the..., come on. She just called your name.

**MS. P. FADINA:** Hello.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** My name is Pat Fadina. My, uh, I live in the City of West Palm Beach but my grandmother was a longtime resident here, in the City, and she worked in the City. Her name was Ms. Curly Jerrell [sp]. Um, my son was gunned down in the City on 4<sup>th</sup> Street on November 13<sup>th</sup>. I've been going through some things. Uh, started a Stop the Violence campaign. I've reached out to several people and no one has answered. I'm not gonna call any names but I am here today to make you guys aware of it. And I also went to the meeting that they had in West Palm Beach at Gaines Park and I made my concerns known and considering my son was gunned down here in Riviera Beach, I feel like I need to speak with you guys.

I tried to get a meeting with the Chief of Police. No, I didn't personally try to contact him. I've been dealing with St. Mary's Medical Center. Um, being billed, or trying to be billed for my son's being at their hospital. Um, there are some issues that I would like to help with training, I feel, needed with the police department because of the way that I was, uh, treated. I would not like to hear of any mother being treated the way I was by that department or the hospital.

So, that being said, I'm not gonna say a lot more but I'm asking that you guys will open up your doors and listen to my concerns and I'm also, like I said, started my own Stop the Violence campaign. I've been out on the streets alone. Praise God the killer turned himself in before the detectives could even call me to let me know about his first appearance. So, uh, things can be done. I have a lot of people telling me that, 'It won't stop. You can't do anything.' I don't want anybody to tell me what I can't do. And maybe I can't but, my God can. And one thing about me, I'm not afraid to speak. I'm actually 62 years old. I may look 26 [chuckle]...

[Beep]

[Chuckles]

**MS. P. FADINA:** ...uh, but I'm 62 so, again, I have my cards and I appreciate you letting me speak today but I will like to speak again.

Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Okay. [Stammer] Ma'...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Thank you. Hold on a second.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Madam Manager.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Wait. The Manager has something to say.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** No. It's, um..., first of all, let me express my sympathy and condolences and I probably speak for everyone up here and we will be talking about the treatment because there are some things that we can do. And, like you, I agree, we may not be able to but we know the one that can.

**MS. P. FADINA:** Amen.

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** So we will be doing that.

**MS. P. FADINA:** Thank you so much.

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

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** And, and Ma'...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Go ahead.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** ...Madam Chair?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Go ahead, sir.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Madam Manager? Would you..., have you met with her yet to ascertain what the...

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** No. That's...

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** ...concern...

**CITY MANAGER JONES:** ...what I'm... No. I [inaudible].

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** You're, you're gonna coordinate that? Okay.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** She just took...

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Sorry.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** ...all the information.

**COUNCILPERSON GUYTON:** Alright. Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Okay. Thank you. Alright. Horace Towns.

**MR. H. TOWNS:** Uh, good evening to the Board.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening, sir.

**MR. H. TOWNS:** Try this again. Uh, and Happy Holidays to the Board and all the Riviera Beach residents. I first would like to recognize Councilperson Anderson for her service...

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** [Inaudible].

**MR. H. TOWNS:** ...these past few months or year, on the Board and, um, also would like to salute Councilman Davis for, uh, standing and trying to bring a resolution on behalf of the residents regarding their liens and issues in the City.

Also, at Monday's meeting, the Executive Director Aurigemma, Aurigemma?

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Aurigemma.

**MR. H. TOWNS:** Aurigemma. Uh, I believe that he actually did a flawless job of explaining to the residents the issues, especially around the Solitron issue. Um, I have a field.., a, a background in that field and I think that, you know, you have to take the health risks to residents very serious.

Also, going down the line, this week on Monday, a Council Member made a comment that there were no qualified candidates in the race for the District 1 seat and what bothered me about that was how comfortable different candidates have gotten in making statements to the public. Uh, I had an issue a couple months ago about the stipend. The stipend did not bother me. What bothered me was that it came at the expense of the residents. What also bothered me is that, I don't know if it's the Staff or just a lack of ability for a Councilman in one of those seats to receive the information and relaying it to the residents properly. You made a comment about, uh, stormwater rates going from \$4.50 to \$9.00 but you left out more clarification that that's now \$9.00 per residential home. How.., I don't know how many homes there are in Riviera Beach but \$9.00 per home is a lot of money. So, I'm just asking for a, a Council Member to, I guess, show a little integrity in the midst of him serving in the last months, you know, on the dais.

I have 13 years of government experience and municipal experience and I'm running for the District 1 Council seat. I think that it is time that we do need to make a change in our City. Uh, some of you have served the City well. The Mayor is everywhere, I see him often. Ms. Pardo, I have to be non-biased and say that you've done a well, good job for Singer Island but, for District 1, 3, that's not Singer Island.

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**MR. H. TOWNS:** Riviera Beach is bigger than Singer Island. So let's make a change at the ballots this year. Thank you.

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Great. Thank you. Okay. There.., we don't have any more public comment. All of the business is done.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**CHAIRPERSON PARDO:** Alright. We are adjourned. Merry Christmas everyone.

**There being no further business, the meeting was duly adjourned at 6:31 p.m.**

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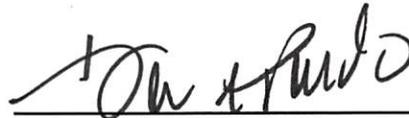
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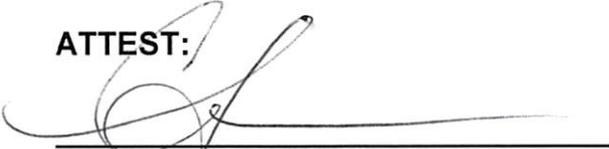


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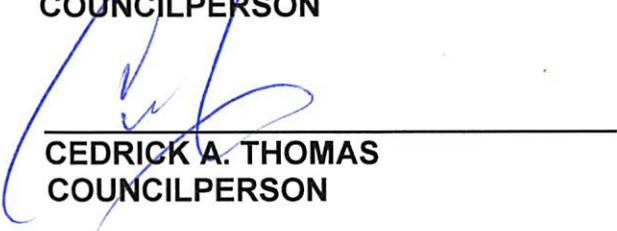
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