

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

MEETING DATE December 7, 2011

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY O11-121-2

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AWARDS / PRESENTATIONS / PETITIONS | <input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT | <input type="checkbox"/> RESOLUTION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC HEARING | <input type="checkbox"/> DISCUSSION & DELIBERATION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING | <input type="checkbox"/> BOARD APPOINTMENT |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ORDINANCE ON FIRST HEARING | <input type="checkbox"/> WORKSHOP |

SUBJECT: On behalf of the state Vocational Rehabilitation agency, City Council Pro-tem Billie E. Brooks presents an award to the City for its commitment to hiring the disabled.

City Attorney	Marina
City Clerk	Police
Community Development	Public Works
Finance	Purchasing
Fire	Recreation & Parks
Human Resources	Utilities
Library	Information Systems

APPROVED BY CITY MANAGER: *Ruth Jones* DATE: 12-5-11

Originating Dept. LEGISLATIVE <i>M. Jones</i>	Costs: <u>N/A</u>	City Council Actions: <input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Approved w/conditions <input type="checkbox"/> Denied _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Tabled to _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Referred to Staff _____
User Dept.	Current FY: _____	Attachments: none
Advertised: Date: Paper: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	Funding Source: <input type="checkbox"/> Capital Improvement <input type="checkbox"/> Operating <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	
Affected Parties <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notified <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	Budget Account Number:	

BACKGROUND / SUMMARY:

In November, the City of Riviera Beach was one of six employers that were honored for their commitment to hiring people with disabilities by the state Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) agency. The City began the on-the-job training program in partnership with the state agency in April, and has since hired two workers with disabilities. One of them, Senovia Thomas, attended the award ceremony at Florida Atlantic University along with Human Resources Director Doretha Perry, HR Administrator Shavona Sims and City Council Pro-tem Billie E. Brooks. Councilwoman Brooks brought the program to the City. She was aware of VR's on-the-job-training program because of her previous career working with the disabled. Besides the City, the 2011 Disability Employment Awareness Celebration also honored: Palm Beach Kennel Club in West Palm Beach; A.R.E. Utility Construction of Lighthouse Point; Canada House Beach Club in Pompano Beach; and Publix Supermarkets, Inc.

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