



# City of Margate

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## Meeting Minutes Regular City Commission Meeting

*Mayor Tommy Ruzzano*  
*Vice Mayor Arlene R. Schwartz*  
*Commissioners:*  
*Antonio V. Arserio, Anthony N. Caggiano, Joanne Simone*

*City Manager Cale Curtis*  
*City Attorney Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman*  
*City Clerk Jennifer M. Johnson*

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Wednesday, August 21, 2024

6:30 PM

Commission Chambers and Zoom.us

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### CALL TO ORDER

### ROLL CALL

**Present:** 5 - Commissioner Anthony N. Caggiano, Commissioner Joanne Simone, Commissioner Antonio V. Arserio, Vice Mayor Arlene R. Schwartz and Mayor Tommy Ruzzano

### MOMENT OF SILENCE

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### 1) PRESENTATION(S)

- A. [ID 2024-232](#) MARGATE 50 YEAR RESIDENCY AWARD - DEBRA GORDON
- B. [ID 2024-261](#) 12TH ANNUAL ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS BY CITY OF MARGATE, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH REPUBLIC SERVICES. (AWARDED TO CAROLINE GILBERT, ENROLLED AT FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY, AND ELYSSA WASHINGTON, ENROLLED AT BROWARD COLLEGE)
- PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR, MICHAEL A. JONES, spoke on this Item.
- REPUBLIC SERVICES REPRESENTATIVES also spoke on this Item.

### ATHLETES OF THE MONTH

- C. [ID 2024-231](#) BASEBALL: DOMINICK SARDO, 9 YEARS OLD (CITY OF MARGATE YOUTH BASEBALL)

### EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

- D. [ID 2024-242](#) JACQUELINE CHIN-KIDD, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF FINANCE - FINANCE DEPARTMENT- 35 YEARS

STEPHEN L. MINER, COMMANDER - RECORDS - POLICE DEPARTMENT - 25 YEARS

CARL R. WILLIAMSON, DRIVER/ENGINEER - FIRE DEPARTMENT - 25 YEARS

LORNE BROWN, FIRE LIEUTENANT - FIRE DEPARTMENT - 20 YEARS

RONALD N. GANGOO, EQUIPMENT OPERATOR I - PARKS & RECREATION - 20 YEARS

CEPADIEU ST. LOUIS, MAINTENANCE WORKER I - PARKS & RECREATION - 20 YEARS

JOSE PENA, MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR - SENIOR CENTER - 20 YEARS

SEBASTIAN F. ZEHETMAIER, POLICE OFFICER - POLICE DEPARTMENT - 10 YEARS

KRISTINA DAHL, OFFICE SPECIALIST I - POLICE DEPARTMENT - 5 YEARS

FINANCE DIRECTOR, ISMAEL DIAZ, paid tribute to Deputy Director of Finance, Chin-Kidd.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF FINANCE, JACQUELINE CHIN-KIDD, spoke of her gratitude on this Item.

VICE MAYOR ARLENE R. SCHWARTZ complimented Deputy Director of Finance, Chin-Kidd.

COMMISSIONER JOANNE SIMONE complimented Deputy Director of Finance, Chin-Kidd, on her work for the Employee Benefit Trust Fund (EBTF).

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR, JONES, paid tribute to Parks and Recreation Equipment Operator, Gangoo.

MAYOR TOMMY RUZZANO complimented Parks and Recreation Equipment Operator, Gangoo.

PARKS AND RECREATION EQUIPMENT OPERATOR, RONALD N. GANGOO, thanked the City for the last 20 years of employment.

## 2) PUBLIC DISCUSSION

TRACY VAN WINKLE, 1020 SW 61ST AVENUE, thanked the Police Department for pulling over cars in the School Zone for speeding on Atlantic Boulevard and referenced that the City did not need cameras.

DONNA L. FELLOWS thanked the City for allowing the Community Giveback Event. She also thanked the Police Officers for keeping everybody safe.

THE LEGACY, CLOSET MARGI BRE, thanked the City and the Police Department with the Community Giveback Event.

MARGATE RESIDENT paid tribute to the City.

**3) COMMISSION COMMENTS**

COMMISSIONER SIMONE congratulated the City's employees for their dedication to Margate and the great job that they did.

COMMISSIONER ANTONIO V. ARSERIO, thanked all the employees that dedicated so many years working for the City.

VICE MAYOR SCHWARTZ concurred with Commissioners Simone and Arserio's respective comments.

MAYOR RUZZANO thanked everyone for attending and informed that there was another City Commission meeting thereafter.

**4) CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:10pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Transcribed by Salene E. Edwards

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Jennifer M. Johnson, City Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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