



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 Janette M. Smith
City Clerk Joseph J. Kavanagh

Wednesday, August 19, 2020

5:00 PM

Virtual Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87822580053>

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Present: 4 - Commissioner Anthony N. Caggiano, Commissioner Antonio V. Arserio, Vice Mayor Arlene R. Schwartz and Mayor Tommy Ruzzano

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Joanne Simone

Commissioner Caggiano attended via Zoom

Commissioner Simone was not present

Commissioner Arserio attended via Zoom

Vice Mayor Schwartz attended via Zoom

Mayor Ruzzano attended in person

City Manager Cale Curtis attended in person

City Attorney Janette M. Smith attended in person

City Clerk Joseph J. Kavanagh attended in person

MOMENT OF SILENCE - INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1) PRESENTATION(S)

- A. [ID 2020-275](#) A FOLLOW UP PRESENTATION TO UPDATE THE PUBLIC ON THE STATUS OF PARKS BOND PROJECTS.

CITY MANAGER CALE CURTIS introduced Parks and Recreation Director Mike Jones and said that they were very excited about projects that they had completed together with some others which were in the pipeline. He explained that he wanted to know whether there would be any additional feedback or direction from the City Commission following

this update.

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR MICHAEL A. JONES thanked the City Manager, City Commission and public for sharing the success of the projects. He advised that this was the second update to the Bond project and said that they could ask questions at the end of his PowerPoint presentation. He advised that this was a financial report in terms of what their current statistics were standing for each account and project. He referenced the final payment on the Southeast Park project and commented on Vinson Park improvements, they issued a Purchase Order to MBR Construction at \$1,160,000 and at Oriole Park, \$1,121,250 and that it was in design and had not yet gone out for a bid. He said that Centennial Park was the same and it was budgeted at \$908,500 and that they were currently on contract with Chen Moore & Associates. He said that Calypso Cove's Lazy River project was budgeted at \$3,500,000 and they were still in the design criteria. He said that the LED Sports lighting projects which was budgeted at \$680,000 was closed out and that they were ahead of schedule and under budget. He indicated that the total assigned budget was \$9,269,750 and at the close of September, 30th, 2019, they had a fund balance for Bond proceeds at \$9,904,000. He continued with his PowerPoint presentation detailing the requirements of each park and what had been accomplished to date.

Discussion ensued on the cost savings on lights.

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR JONES continued with his PowerPoint presentation on the City's park projects and referenced Vinson Park.

Discussion ensued on the cost savings on lights at Vinson Park and the location of its playground and permits from Broward County.

CITY MANAGER CURTIS said that he had heard Mayor Ruzzano's comments on Vinson Park and that both he and Parks and Recreation Director Jones would work together with the architect to see what they could revise.

Discussion ensued on the architect working on both the Vinson Park project and the City's expansion of the Building Department.

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR JONES continued with his PowerPoint presentation and referenced the water feature for Vinson Park. He discussed Oriole Park.

Discussion ensued including the playground, splash feature, trees and covered pavilions at Oriole Park.

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR JONES continued with his PowerPoint presentation and referenced Centennial Park.

Discussion ensued pertaining to implementing splash pads and close circuit television (CCTV) at the City's parks and implementing pickleball courts, additional lighting, trees, signage, restrooms, parking spaces and a walking trail at Centennial Park.

CITY MANAGER CURTIS asked the City Commission for CONSENSUS to add a fitness/walking trail.

Discussion ensued.

CONSENSUS was given by the City Commission to have a fitness/walking trail at Centennial Park.

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR JONES asked for CONSENSUS from the City Commission for 10 – 12 additional parking spaces at Centennial Park.

Discussion ensued on parking and signage at the City's parks.

CONSENSUS was given by the City Commission to add 10 - 12 parking spaces, if needed, at Centennial Park.

CITY MANAGER CURTIS asked the City Commission for CONSENSUS to add additional lighting at Centennial Park.

Discussion ensued on lighting.

CONSENSUS was given by the City Commission for additional lighting at Centennial Park.

Discussion ensued on installing CCTV and security at the City's Parks and establishing more information on the Nextdoor app.

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR JONES continued with his PowerPoint presentation and referenced and discussed Calypso Cove.

Discussion ensued including the admittance price, creating initiatives in increasing additional revenue, general maintenance and installing a Lazy River at Calypso Cove.

CONSENSUS was given by the City Commission to put Calypso Cove project on hold and re-evaluate.

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR JONES said that he would discuss these plans with City Manager Curtis, circle back and put the best plan and tact forward to address all the comments that were made at this meeting. He discussed the history of Calypso Cove and thanked the City Commission.

CHARLIE ARTNER, 6631 NW 22ND COURT discussed security and installing CCTV in the City's parks.

NORTH LAUDERDALE PANTHERS STANLEY LOUIS discussed a recent backpack drive and said that he loved what they were doing at the City and thanked them for their efforts. He spoke on the City's sports programs for the youth and referenced marketing and branding.

MARILYN A. KNEELAND 7955 NW 5TH CT, APT 108 thanked the City for the delivery of masks and hand sanitizers for her complex.

PROCLAMATION(S)

- B. [ID 2020-218](#) 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF AMENDMENT 19 - AUGUST, 2020 (Presented to Patti Lynn, member of the Weston Branch of American Association of University Women (AAUW))

2) PUBLIC DISCUSSION

CITY CLERK JOSEPH J. KAVANAGH explained the protocol for submitting a Public Discussion.

There was no Public Discussion.

3) COMMISSION COMMENTS

COMMISSIONER ANTHONY N. CAGGIANO thanked everyone who was watching the meeting and for those who were wearing masks and physical distancing.

COMMISSIONER ANTONIO V. ARSERIO thanked Parks and Recreation Director Jones for his presentation. He appealed to the public to continue to social distance, to be responsible and to wear a mask. He highlighted the hurricane season and asked the public to pay attention and get what they needed in advance.

2) PUBLIC DISCUSSION CONTINUED

JULI VAN DER MEULEN, 2913 NW 68 LN. discussed the Comprehensive Plan.

Discussion ensued on locking in the Comprehensive Plan which was organized with the Mellgren Planning Group.

CITY MANAGER CURTIS responded to Mrs. Van Der Meulen's comments and said that the First Reading of the Ordinance for the Comprehensive Plan would be coming before the City Commission at the next meeting on August 26th, 2020.

CITY ATTORNEY JANETTE M. SMITH explained the process on amendments to make any changes to the Comprehensive Plan and the Ordinance.

Discussion ensued including the cost recovery.

3) COMMISSION COMMENTS CONTINUED

VICE MAYOR ARLENE R. SCHWARTZ highlighted that they were distributing masks within the senior community to homeowners' associations and condos. She questioned City Manager Curtis and City Clerk Kavanagh whether they wanted other organizations to contact them to set up appointments for a mask distribution.

CITY MANAGER CURTIS explained that for the next week, they had scheduled approximately 13,000 masks going to 14 different senior communities in Margate. He asked for CONSENSUS from the City Commission for the remaining 12,000 masks to be unrestricted and to go to Margate residents regardless of age for distribution.

Discussion ensued including senior communities that were not on the list and the possibility of another mask giveaway event with the State representative.

CONSENSUS was given by the City Commission to have the remaining 12,000 face masks go to the Margate community at large and have it come back at the next City Commission meeting as a Resolution.

MAYOR RUZZANO explained that Broward County Schools Superintendent Robert Runcie wanted to put nurses in some schools at a cost of \$6,500,000. He said that Broward County's Mayor Dale V. C. Holness wanted the cities to pay this from their Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding, which he did not agree with. He referenced yesterday's Early Voting and congratulated the candidates

that won and those participants who applied. He asked for CONSENSUS to move 7A up after the Consent Agenda.

CONSENSUS was given by the City Commission to move Item 7A up after the Consent Agenda.

MAYOR RUZZANO referenced the soccer league reopening and suggested that they could coincide this with their grand opening of the soccer field.

CITY MANAGER CURTIS confirmed that the grand opening had been coordinated with that.

4) CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

CITY MANAGER CURTIS hoped that the children had a great first day of school.

MAYOR RUZZANO questioned why Broward County was not picking up the cost of free internet throughout the district. He referenced Broward County's budget and also questioned the utilization of funds which was previously assigned for free lunches and school buses.

Discussion ensued.

5) CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed under Consent Agenda are viewed to be routine and the recommendation will be enacted by one motion in the form listed below. If discussion is desired by the Commission, the item(s) will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately. Anyone wishing to comment on any item on the Consent Agenda should approach the podium now. Each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes.

- A. [ID 2020-267](#) MOTION - APPROVAL OF CITY COMMISSION MINUTES: JUNE 3, 2020 - REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING; JUNE 4, 2020 - CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP; JUNE 17, 2020 - REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING.
- APPROVED**
- B. [ID 2020-132](#) RESOLUTION - ADOPTING THE CITY OF MARGATE 2020-2025-2035 STRATEGIC PLAN.
- RESOLUTION 20-044
- APPROVED**
- C. [ID 2020-236](#) RESOLUTION - RENEWING THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CORAL SPRINGS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT TO PROVIDE BULK POTABLE WATER DURING TIMES OF EMERGENCY.
- RESOLUTION 20-045
- APPROVED**
- D. [ID 2020-246](#) RESOLUTION - APPROVING A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOR A MATCHING GRANT 1:1 FOR CONDUCTING A TREE

INVENTORY OF ALL CITY PARKS, FACILITIES, AND RIGHT-OF-WAYS.

RESOLUTION 20-046

APPROVED

Not Present: 1- Commissioner Simone

- E. [ID 2020-250](#) RESOLUTION - APPROVING AN EXTENSION OF THE TOWING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH J&J TOWING, INC. FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR FROM THE CURRENT EXPIRATION DATE OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2020 OR UNTIL A NEW SOLICITATION FOR TOWING SERVICES IS RELEASED AND AWARDED BY THE CITY; WHICHEVER OCCURS FIRST. PROVIDING THAT ALL OTHER TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND SPECIFICATIONS OF THE AGREEMENT REMAIN AS STIPULATED IN RFP 2010-001, WHICH WAS APPROVED AND AWARDED BY THE CITY UNDER CITY RESOLUTIONS 11-756 AND 15-094; PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE.

RESOLUTION 20-047

APPROVED

- F. [ID 2020-261](#) RESOLUTION - APPROVING ACQUISITION OF A DEEP TREKKER DT340X PIPE CRAWLER PORTABLE VIDEO PACKAGE CAMERA SYSTEM FOR THE STORMWATER DIVISION OF PUBLIC WORKS, AUTHORIZING WAIVING OF BIDDING FOR SOLE SOURCE ACQUISITION FROM PAT'S PUMP & BLOWER, L.L.C.; NOT TO EXCEED \$29,999.99; PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE.

RESOLUTION 20-048

APPROVED

- G. [ID 2020-264](#) RESOLUTION - APPROVING WAIVING OF BIDDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE (245) NEW GLOCK 9MM PISTOLS WITH ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM LOU'S POLICE DISTRIBUTOR'S, INC. ALONG WITH AMMUNITION FROM FLORIDA BULLET, INC.; DECLARING CURRENT GLOCK PISTOLS WITH ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS TO THE NEEDS OF THE CITY; AUTHORIZING THE SURPLUSED PISTOLS AND ANCILLARY EQUIPMENT BE UTILIZED AS A TRADE-IN TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF THE NEW GLOCK PISTOLS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$63,000.

RESOLUTION 20-049

APPROVED

- H. [ID 2020-270](#) RESOLUTION - APPROVING AN EXTENSION AGREEMENT BETWEEN PALM BEACH COUNTY AND THE CITY OF MARGATE, FOR FIVE YEARS, PROVIDING FOR CONTINUED RADIO COMMUNICATION FOR FIRE AND EMS OPERATIONS.

RESOLUTION 20-050

APPROVED

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Commissioner Caggiano, seconded by Commissioner Arserio, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Caggiano, Commissioner Arserio, Vice Mayor Schwartz and Mayor Ruzzano

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Simone

7) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

A. [ID 2020-289](#) THE NORTH LAUDERDALE PANTHER FOOTBALL/CHEERLEADING PROGRAM IS REQUESTING TO HAVE ALL PERMIT FEES WAIVED FOR THE PERMITTED USE OF ORIOLE PARK FOOTBALL FIELD. THE USE OF THE PERMIT IS FOR FOOTBALL DRILLS AND SKILLS TRAINING, AND **NOT** FOR TYPICAL COMPETITIVE GAMES. ESTIMATED FEES FOR ALL PERMITTED USE IS \$250 PER WEEK, AND PER CITY RESOLUTION 16-174 ANY FEE WAIVER MUST BE APPROVED BY A MOTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION.

Item 7A was heard immediately before Item 6.

CITY ATTORNEY SMITH explained the protocol for this Item.

NORTH LAUDERDALE PANTHERS LOUIS spoke on this Item.

COMMISSIONER CAGGIANO suggested that Margate's name should be incorporated.

Discussion ensued.

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR JONES spoke on this Item.

A motion was made by Commissioner Arserio, seconded by Commissioner Caggiano, to approve waiving \$250 per week for up to eight weeks; allow use of the City's name and logo and include a sponsorship banner welcoming them to Margate.

Discussion ensued.

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR JONES explained that any fee waiver had to be waived by the motion of the Commission and this was the reason why this Item was presented as a Discussion and Possible Action. He indicated that the North Lauderdale type of football and cheer programs were not official partnered youth sports organizations. He advised that this program was not a partnered organization and that historically, they had been paying the City for the use of the fields and that North Lauderdale's Parks were closed for their practices and training. He said that it was processed this way as

COVID-19 had changed the manner in how that organization had been operating and the way they were permitting and using the parks and fields and that was the reason why they were doing it on a biweekly basis. He asked if the City Commission set a time certain, fees would be waived until then and should the pandemic continue through November, they would discuss other alternatives. He believed his program for the use of the park for six to eight weeks of fee waivers would put them in the right spot but if they were looking at a partnered organization to waive fees indefinitely for the future and make this a Margate organization, then that decision would be up to Mr. Louis and the City at a different time.

Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Caggiano pulled his second.

Commissioner Arserio pulled his motion.

A motion was made by Commissioner Arserio, seconded by Commissioner Caggiano, to approve waiving \$250 per week through to November 30th, 2020; allow use of City's name and logo and include a sponsorship banner welcoming them to Margate.

Discussion ensued.

This motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Caggiano, Commissioner Arserio, Vice Mayor Schwartz and Mayor Ruzzano

Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Simone

6) RESOLUTION(S)

A. [ID 2020-061](#) APPROVING APPOINTMENT(S) OF:

~~TO THE FIVE MEMBER MARGATE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT FOR A TERM COMMENCING AUGUST 19, 2020 - MARCH 24, 2021.~~

B. [ID 2020-062](#) APPROVING APPOINTMENT(S) OF:

~~TO THE FIVE MEMBER MARGATE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD FOR A TERM COMMENCING AUGUST 19, 2020 - MARCH 24, 2021.~~

C. [ID 2020-127](#) ~~APPROVING APPOINTMENT OF _____ TO THE CIVIL SERVICE BOARD FOR THE TERM COMMENCING AUGUST 19, 2020, THROUGH AUGUST 18, 2022.~~

D. [ID 2020-251](#) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF MARGATE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION TO NEGOTIATE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE HIGHEST RANKED FIRM, WALTERS ZACKRIA ASSOCIATES, PLLC, FOR REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) 2020-006 - PROFESSIONAL DESIGN CRITERIA DEVELOPMENT SERVICES FOR THE BUILDING, DEES AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENTS ADMINISTRATION BUILDING; FURTHER AUTHORIZING THAT THE ADMINISTRATION, IN THE EVENT OF IMPASSE, IS AUTHORIZED TO TERMINATE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE HIGHEST RANKED FIRM AND COMMENCE NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE NEXT AND SUCCESSIVE HIGHEST RANKED FIRM UNTIL A SUCCESSFUL AGREEMENT TO BE PRESENTED TO THE CITY COMMISSION FOR CONSIDERATION IS REACHED; PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE.

RESOLUTION 20-051

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Schwartz, seconded by Commissioner Caggiano, that this Resolution, should be approved. This carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Commissioner Caggiano, Commissioner Arserio, Vice Mayor Schwartz and Mayor Ruzzano

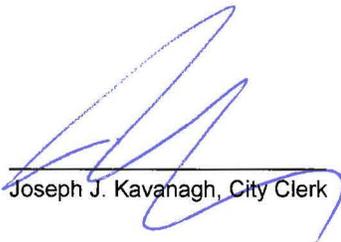
Not Present: 1 - Commissioner Simone

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Transcribed by Salene E. Edwards



Joseph J. Kavanagh, City Clerk

Date: 10/22/2020

PLEASE NOTE:

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, the person will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Anyone desiring a verbatim transcript shall have the responsibility, at his/her own expense, to arrange for the transcript.

[Appendix A – Zoning – Section 3.3] Any representation made before any City Board, any Administrative Board, or the City Commission in the application for a variance, special exception, conditional use or request for any other permit shall be deemed a condition of the granting of the permit. Should any representation be false or should said representation not be continued as represented, same shall be deemed a violation of the permit and a violation of this section.

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One or more members of the City of Margate advisory boards may be in attendance and may participate at the meeting.

CITY OF MARGATE

FINDINGS AND PROCEDURE FOR VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

The City of Margate is holding a virtual public hearing on August 19, 2020, at 5 p.m. This statement explains the MCRA's findings related to the need to hold the virtual public meeting, and the ability of the public to access the virtual public meeting.

The City of Margate's findings and procedure for the virtual public meeting are as follows:

- Pursuant to Governor DeSantis' Executive Orders 20-51 and 20-52, in which the Governor declared a public health emergency and a state of emergency, there is a recommendation to limit public gatherings.
- On March 20, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-69, suspending the quorum requirements for public meetings held by a local government body, and the requirement that a local government body must meet at a specific public place.
- On June 23, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-150, extending Executive Order 20-69 regarding local government public meetings until 12:01 a.m. on August 1, 2020.
- On July 29, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-179, extending Executive Order 20-69 regarding local government public meetings until 12:01 a.m. on September 1, 2020.
- On August 7, 2020, Governor DeSantis issued Executive Order 20-193, extending Executive Order 20-69 regarding local government public meetings until 12:01 a.m. on October 1, 2020.
- Consistent with the authority contained in the Governor's Executive Orders, and in order to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the City of Margate's clients and employees, the City of Margate finds that it is in the best interest of the City of Margate to hold this virtual public meeting.
- Therefore, the City of Margate will be holding this virtual meeting through the use of electronic communication. Members of the public are invited to join the City of Margate meeting by accessing the meeting through this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87822580053> or can listen in via telephone by calling one of the following phone numbers: US: +1 312 626 6799 or +1 929 205 6099 - Webinar ID: 878-2258-0053
- A copy of the Agenda for this Virtual Meeting is posted on www.MargateFL.com and on the main bulletin board outside City Hall located at 5790 Margate Blvd, Margate, FL 33063.
- Any comments related to any item on the agenda can be submitted to the City of Margate via the following e-mail address: JJKAVANAGH@MARGATEFL.COM

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATING IN THE CITY OF MARGATE VIRTUAL MEETING

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2020 AT 5 P.M.

THROUGH THE CITY'S WEBSITE:

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PRIOR to the start of the meeting, email Public Comments to JJKAVANAGH@MARGATEFL.COM (all public comments that are three (3) minutes or less will be read into the record.)

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3. On the computer users should click "Participants" then see option to raise hand
4. Once you have been selected to speak, you will be prompted to unmute your device or stay muted.