



**NORTHWEST COUNCIL OF ELECTED OFFICIALS**

**MEETING NOTICE**

**DATE:** MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2019  
**TIME:** 12:00 Noon  
Lunch served promptly, meeting held concurrently  
**HOSTED BY:** The City of North Lauderdale  
**LOCATION:** City Hall - Commission Chambers  
701 SW 71<sup>st</sup> Avenue  
North Lauderdale, FL 33068  
(Southwest Corner Rock Island Road & Forest Boulevard)  
**CHAIRMAN:** Mayor Ana M. Ziade

**AGENDA**

1. Approval of Minutes – February 11, 2019 - City of Parkland (Attached)
2. **GUEST SPEAKERS** – Attorney Samuel S. Goren of the Law Firm of Goren, Cherof, Doody and Ezrol
3. Old Business
4. New Business
  - a. Legislative Update (Attorney Sam Goren)
5. Next Scheduled Meeting – Monday, April 8, 2019 – City of Lauderhill
6. Adjournment

**Please RSVP by Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup> to Patricia Vancheri, 954-724-7056, or via email at [pvancheri@nlauderdale.org](mailto:pvancheri@nlauderdale.org), with the number of representatives from your city who plan to attend.**

NOTICE IS HEREWITH GIVEN TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES THAT IF ANY PERSONS SHOULD DESIRE TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE AT THE FORTHCOMING MEETING OF THE NORTHWEST COUNCIL OF ELECTED OFFICIALS, SUCH PERSON WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED AT SUCH MEETING AND FOR SUCH PURPOSE HE OR SHE MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH ANY SUCH APPEAL MAY BE BASED.  
**\*\*MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC DO NOT NEED TO PURCHASE LUNCH IN ORDER TO ATTEND THIS MEETING. \***

**MINUTES OF THE  
NORTHWEST COUNCIL OF ELECTED OFFICIALS MEETING**

Monday, February 11, 2019

12:00 Noon – 1:00 PM

Aston Gardens

5999 N. University Dr.

Parkland, FL 33067

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Christine Hunschofsky, City of Parkland, called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance. Hunschofsky mentioned Aston Gardens has been in Parkland a long time, and they are very much a part of our community, integrated through the library and recreational programs.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Vice Mayor Sandra L. Welch	Coconut Creek
Commissioner Becky Tooley	Coconut Creek
Commissioner Mikkie Belvedere	Coconut Creek
Mayor Pro-Tempore Joy Carter	Coral Springs
Mayor Hazelle P. Rogers	Lauderdale Lakes
Commissioner Marilyn Davis	Lauderdale Lakes
Commissioner Beverly Williams	Lauderdale Lakes
Commissioner Veronica Edwards-Phillips	Lauderdale Lakes
Mayor Kenneth Thurston	Lauderhill
Commissioner Howard Berger	Lauderhill
Commissioner Denise Grant	Lauderhill
Mayor Anthony N. Caggiano	Margate
Vice Mayor Tommy Ruzzano	Margate
Commissioner Arlene R. Schwartz	Margate
Commissioner Antonio V. Arserio	Margate
Commissioner Joanne Simone	Margate
Mayor Ana Zaide	North Lauderdale
Mayor Christine Hunschofsky	Parkland
Vice Mayor Ken Cutler	Parkland
Commissioner Richard Walker	Parkland
Commissioner Stacy Kagan	Parkland
Commissioner Bob Mayersohn	Parkland
Mayor Michelle Gomez	Tamarac
Commissioner Julie Fishman	Tamarac

**ALSO PRESENT:**

External Affairs Area Manager, FPL, Tim Hogans	
Jennifer Johnson, City Clerk	Parkland
Stephanie Frohman, Deputy City Clerk	Parkland

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of the meeting minutes for the January 8, 2019 meeting hosted by the City of Margate.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Joy Carter, City of Coral Springs, moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stacy Kagan, City of Parkland. There was a unanimous voice vote of approval.

### **3. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

FPL External Affairs Area Manager, Tim Hogans, gave a presentation on economic development and environmentally friendly programs for cities. Various topics were discussed. Hogans informed the Council Members there are fifty four (54) utilities in Florida. FPL is the largest. FPL has made \$85 billion in U.S. capital investments in thirty three (33) states from 2004-2017. This is one of their competitive advantages. Their goal is to install thirty (30) million solar panels by 2030. FPL's economic impact in Florida includes \$448 million in annual property taxes. FPL enhances and supports economic development by providing solutions to help businesses grow. They support existing businesses in Florida, and offer on-line tools to aid small business owners. Incentive rates are offered to new businesses, and for very large new commercial and industrial customers. Hogans encouraged Council Members to call or text if they need anything regarding FPL.

Vice Mayor Sandra Welch, City of Coconut Creek, asked if incentives could be offered retroactively. Hogans said it depends on the size of the new business, if they meet the criteria.

Vice Mayor Tommy Ruzzano, City of Margate, asked Hogans if he recommends underground infrastructure for new projects. Hogans responded underground infrastructure is mandated for new sub divisions. FPL's typical standard is overhead infrastructure, to start with, for new commercial or industrial development. FPL offers discounts for cities that wish to convert their entire city from above ground infrastructure to underground. Ruzzano asked Hogans what can be built under transmission or distribution lines. Hogans responded parks and walking trails can be built under transmission lines. No structure can be built within fifteen (15) feet of distribution or transmission lines.

Commissioner Arlene Schwartz, City of Margate, asked Hogans about residents getting solicitations from FPL for insurance on water lines. Hogans responded that FPL Energy Services sells insurance for water lines, air conditioners and refrigerators. Hogans promised to get this information out to the elected officials, so it can be shared with residents.

Commissioner Joanne Simone, City of Margate, asked Hogans who is the best person to call when you have street lights that have no power. Hogans stated step one (1) is to call 1-800-4OUTAGE to put in a trouble ticket. There are also local 954 numbers. Trouble tickets can also be logged in through the FPL app. There are the external affairs area managers who report to City Managers and elected officials, and government agency reps who usually deal with Public Works Directors. Hogans stated if there are ever any issues or concerns to call him anytime.

### **5. SCHEDULE OF NEXT MEETING**

Mayor Christine Hunschofsky, City of Parkland, announced the March 2019 Northwest Council of Elected Officials meeting would be hosted by the City of North Lauderdale. Before

adjournment, Hunschofsky asked for quick introductions. Introductions were made around the room.

Vice Mayor Tommy Ruzzano, City of Margate, said he won't be able to attend the interfaith ceremony on February 14<sup>th</sup>, but he wishes Parkland the best. He spoke about Margate's Mayor's Fitness Challenge.

Vice Mayor Ken Cutler, City of Parkland, thanked all the cities for their outreach as we come up on the anniversary of February 14<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Pro-Tempore Joy Carter, City of Coral Springs, spoke about the Temple of Time being constructed on Sample Road, in Coral Springs.

Vice Mayor Sandra Welch, City of Coconut Creek, talked about their MSD Tree Planting Ceremony and Moment of Silence on February 14<sup>th</sup>, and their Butterfly Festival on February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Mayor Michelle Gomez, City of Tamarac, said the One Tamarac Multi-Cultural Festival, will be held on Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Tamarac Sports Complex.

Mayor Hazelle P. Rogers, City of Lauderdale Lakes, announced the Statewide Domino Tournament was held on February 2nd in Tamarac. She said the organizers are trying to get every city in Broward County to host. She said she can't remember if we carried over anything from the last meeting. We should always try to make sure we close things out, if anything from our last meeting has been assigned.

Mayor Christine Hunschofsky, City of Parkland, thanked everyone for being there for the City this past year. She said without the support of all the communities in Broward County we could not have gotten through this past year. She wanted to personally thank those who she's always relied on.

Commissioner Becky Tooley, City of Coconut Creek, talked about a Hands on Broward service project that was done at the Recreation Center on Lyons Road dedicated to Jaime Guttenberg. A mural of 17 butterflies was painted in a dance room at the recreation center in honor of the 17 lives lost in the Parkland tragedy.

## **6. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

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Stephanie Frohman  
Deputy City Clerk