

# **Updates from City Commission Meetings**

In case you missed it, following are highlights from the Fort Lauderdale City Commission meetings on Tuesday, January 7, 2020. To view the video of the Commission meetings, visit bit.ly/2mgrQNI.

#### **CONFERENCE MEETING**

# **Update on December 2019 Sewer Force Main Failures**

The City Manager updated the City Commission on the progress of the City's response to the recent sewer main breaks and outlined projects that are now underway to replace pipes in several areas including Rio Vista, Victoria Park, and Coral Ridge Country Club Estates. For more details, visit <a href="https://bit.ly/350IK86">bit.ly/350IK86</a>.

## **CRA BOARD MEETING**

# Remaining FY 2019 Central City CRA Funds Reallocated for FY 2020

At the end of Fiscal Year 2019, the Central City CRA had an estimated year-end balance of \$95,873. The City Commission, acting as the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Board of Commissioners, unanimously approved the return of these funds for reallocation back to the Central City CRA to be used for expenditures in Fiscal Year 2020. For more details, visit bit.ly/2FSQF8A.

#### **REGULAR MEETING**

## City Commission Supports Study to Improve NW 31st Avenue

The City Commission adopted a resolution supporting efforts on behalf of the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and the City of Lauderdale Lakes to coordinate an improvement project on NW 31st Avenue from Broward Boulevard to McNab Road with the goal of improving safety and enhancing transportation connectivity. The City of Lauderdale Lakes will continue to be the lead applicant for funding and project management on behalf of partnering municipalities. For more details, visit bit.ly/2QRxq4m.

# City Commission Approves \$65 Million for Redundant Sewer Main

The City Commission adopted a resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget, Personnel Complement, and FY 2020-2024 Community Investment Plan (CIP) with several transfers, appropriations, and personnel adjustments. Among the approved changes is the reallocation of \$65 million to build a redundant sewer main stretching 9 miles from the Coral Ridge Country Club lift station to the GT Lohmeyer wastewater treatment plant. To learn more about ongoing and upcoming infrastructure improvements, visit <a href="bit.ly/2rBJhLk">bit.ly/2rBJhLk</a>. For more details, visit <a href="bit.ly/302bwzn">bit.ly/302bwzn</a>.

#### Plans for Stormwater Preserve in River Oaks Move Forward

The City Commission approved \$1.5 million contract with Continental Construction USA, LLC for a stormwater preserve in the River Oaks neighborhood including wetlands, bio-swales, drainage structures, and green space. The River Oaks Preserve consists of 9.1 acres of land that will feature wetlands, an elevated boardwalk, and a historic bascule bridge donated by the Florida

Department of Transportation (FDOT) that will be converted into a pedestrian boardwalk. For more details, visit <a href="https://bit.ly/2QyNCIX">bit.ly/2QyNCIX</a>.

City Commission Authorizes the Issuance of Parks and Recreation General Obligation Bonds
The City Commission adopted a resolution authorizing the issuance of General Obligation
Bonds, Series 2020A (Parks and Recreation Projects), in an amount not to exceed \$80 million.
This is the first installment following voter approval of a bond referendum to issue general
obligation bonds of up to \$200 million to fund the cost of development, design, acquisition,
construction, equipping, installation, improvement and furnishing of Parks and Recreation
projects including work at four signature parks: Joseph Carter Park, Holiday Park, the site of the
former Lockhart Stadium, and the forthcoming Tunnel Top Park. For more details, visit
bit.ly/2v0ZHOH.

City Commission Authorizes the Issuance of Police and Public Safety General Obligation Bonds The City Commission adopted a resolution authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2020B (Police and Public Safety Projects), in an amount not to exceed \$100 million. This is the first installment following voter approval of a bond referendum to issue general obligation bonds of up to \$200 million to fund the cost of development, design, acquisition, construction, equipping, installation, improvement and furnishing of police and public safety projects including the construction of a new police station. For more details, visit bit.ly/2RpHzpi.