



# LauderBriefs

## Updates from City Commission Meetings

*The City of Fort Lauderdale is hosting City Commission Meetings in both a virtual and in-person format. Any member of the public that is interested in speaking before the Commission virtually is required to complete the virtual speaker card. Any member of the public that is interested in speaking before the City Commission in-person may sign up to speak at the meeting or by using the virtual speaker card. Due to COVID-19 distance requirements, there is very limited seating available at City Hall; therefore, we encourage members of the public to participate virtually when possible.*

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In case you missed them, the following are highlights from the Fort Lauderdale City Commission meetings on Tuesday, May 4, 2021. The videos are available at [youtube.com/cityoffortlauderdale](https://youtube.com/cityoffortlauderdale) and the vote summary will be available later this week at [fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar](http://fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar).

### **CITY COMMISSION CONFERENCE MEETING**

#### **Discussion on City's Carbon Footprint Policy**

In response to a Commission request, the City's Sustainability Manager in Public Works presented policy recommendations to reduce the City's carbon footprint. Staff developed the proposed policies aligned with the Advance Fort Lauderdale Comprehensive Plan that was adopted in 2020. The policies were reviewed and endorsed by the Sustainability Advisory Board. The policies recommend setting goals and policies designed to increase renewable energy usage, energy efficiency, and the use of hybrid and electric vehicles. To reduce carbon footprint in the community, recommendations include increasing multimodal transportation and adopting ordinances, policies, and programs to increase green building, renewable energy, and energy efficiency city-wide. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/2Ss4btt](http://ftlcity.info/2Ss4btt).

### **COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD MEETING**

#### **Approval of Lease Agreement for Property Located at 914 NW 6th Street**

The Community Redevelopment Agency Board of Commissioners approved a four year lease agreement between FPA II, LLC and the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) located at 914 NW 6th Street. The property will be used to house the Office of Community Redevelopment Agency through the sunset date of the CRA. FPA II has agreed to extend the lease for an additional five months thereafter, until November 2025. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/3vEPoKa](http://ftlcity.info/3vEPoKa).

### **CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING**

#### **City Commission Approves the 2021 US Tennis Association National Open Clay Court Championships**

The City Commission approved a sponsorship agreement with Broward County for the USTA National Open Clay Court Championships taking place May 15 - 21, 2021. The USTA National Open Clay Court Championships is the country's premier amateur clay court tennis tournament, and is held annually at Jimmy Evert Tennis Center. The City of Fort Lauderdale Parks and Recreation Department facilitated this event on behalf of the USTA since 2008. This prestigious event showcases our nation's top tennis players drawing interest from all over the Country. For details, visit, [ftlcity.info/3ej3IYv](http://ftlcity.info/3ej3IYv).

#### **City Commission Approves the Four-Year Agreement with TASK Environmental**

The City Commission approved a four year agreement with TASK Environmental, Inc. for sampling and consulting services at the Wingate Landfill and Incinerator site. TASK has been an integral part of the overall technical, legal and regulatory aspects of this closure and is familiar with current and historic activities associated with the location. Their

continued participation will help ensure that the City's technical objectives for the site closure are met and that the closure supports the long-term beneficial end use. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/3vKr3m3](http://ftlcity.info/3vKr3m3).

#### **City Commission Approves Purchase of GTL Deep Well Electrical Power Instrumentation**

The City Commission approved an agreement for George T. Lohmeyer (GTL) Wastewater Treatment Plant Deep Well Electrical Power Instrumentation & Control project with Florida Design Contractors, Inc., in the amount of \$2,954,793. The proposed agreement includes, but is not limited to, replacement of the deep well electrical power, instrumentation and controls for the existing five deep injection wells and three offsite monitoring wells. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/2SiUoWm](http://ftlcity.info/2SiUoWm).

#### **City Commission Approves Agreement for American Cancer Society Relay for Life**

The City Commission approved an agreement with the American Cancer Society, Inc. to allow for extended hours for music during the event. City staff has been working closely with the event organizer to review logistics, road closures and security for the event. The next Relay for Life event is scheduled to take place June 4 at the Orange Bowl Field, located at Joseph C. Carter Park. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/3eWyu2L](http://ftlcity.info/3eWyu2L).

#### **City Commission Approves Parks Improvement Projects**

The City Commission adopted a resolution supporting the recommendation of the Parks, Recreation and Beaches Advisory Board to move forward with improvement projects for 39 additional City parks. Earlier this year the City and parks bond consultant, AECOM, conducted virtual meetings for public input regarding potential parks bond projects which resulted in a total of 39 parks in need of improvement. Holiday Park, Lockhart Stadium and Joseph C. Carter parks are signature projects that were already approved under the \$200 million park bond. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/33do1L9](http://ftlcity.info/33do1L9).

#### **City Commission Approves Rezoning of 0.18 Acres of Commercial Property**

The City Commission approved an ordinance on first reading rezoning 0.18 acres of land generally located north of East Las Olas Boulevard. The applicant, LLC & Mustang Properties, Inc., proposed to redevelop several parcels of land located at 1007 East Las Olas Boulevard to construct a 138 room hotel with 5,698 square feet of ground level retail space and underground parking. The proposed site currently contains an existing one story retail building and surface parking. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/3xMoyld](http://ftlcity.info/3xMoyld).

#### **City Commission Approves Ordinance Amending the ULDR for the Uptown Project Area**

The City Commission approved an ordinance amending the Unified Land Development Regulations (ULDR) for the Uptown Project Area. On November 5, 2019, the City Commission adopted the Uptown Master Plan (UMP) and associated ULDR amendments. The adopted amendments included the creation of new zoning districts for the Uptown Project Area in order to implement the vision and goals of the UMP. The plan includes a framework of steps to implement the vision for the Uptown area, including the regulatory structure and process for development approval, potential incentives for redevelopment, available public investment programs and implementation techniques. The UMP also identifies the need for future plans to address transit connectivity, land use changes and long term planning concepts. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/3nVxj88](http://ftlcity.info/3nVxj88).

#### **City Commission Adopts Resolution Urging the School Board of Broward County to Replace Stranahan High School Cafeteria**

The City Commission adopted a resolution urging the School Board of Broward County to replace the cafeteria and bathrooms at Stranahan High School based on the need established through the replacement school analysis and public input from the community. The Education Advisory Board in a communication to the Commission requested the City ensure Stranahan High School gets the actual construction upgrades promised from 2018. The School Board of Broward County is scheduled to discuss this item on May 18. For details, visit [browardschools.com/meetingagendas](http://browardschools.com/meetingagendas).

For more information on items on the May 4, 2021 Commission Meeting agendas, please visit the City's website at [fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar](http://fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar).

#### **Next City Commission Meetings on May 18, 2021**

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