



LauderBriefs

Updates from City Commission Meetings

The City of Fort Lauderdale is hosting City Commission meetings in-person at City Hall located at 100 N Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301. Since Wednesday, December 1, 2021, public participation during all City Commission and Advisory Board meetings has returned to an in-person format only. If any person wishes to address the City Commission, the person shall sign up using the online Speaker Card prior to the meeting or sign up in the City Hall lobby using the City Clerk's iPad. The online Speaker Card can be accessed at fortlauderdale.gov/citycommissionmeetings.

The public can listen to and view City Commission meetings on [FLTV](#), [YouTube](#), Comcast Channel 78, and AT&T U-verse Channel 99. To learn more about City Commission meetings, including how to view agendas and sign up to speak, visit fortlauderdale.gov/citycommissionmeetings. In case you missed them, the following are highlights from the Fort Lauderdale City Commission meetings on Tuesday, February 1, 2022. The videos are available at youtube.com/cityoffortlauderdale and the vote summary will be available later this week at fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar.

CITY COMMISSION CONFERENCE MEETING

Broward County Transportation Surtax Update

The Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) provided the City Commission with an update on the Broward County Surtax program. The 30-year one-percent discretionary sales surtax was approved by Broward County electors and began on January 1, 2019. A percentage of the revenues collected would be used for future municipal capital transportation and mobility projects that Broward County municipalities must apply for to obtain funding. The City's Transportation and Mobility Department will work with the MPO to submit applications this spring for potential funding of projects in 2027. For details, visit ftlcity.info/34tB0fl.

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD

CRA Board Approves Service Agreement for FY 2021/2022

The City Commission, acting as the Community Redevelopment Agency Board of Commissioners, voted to approve a Service Agreement between the City of Fort Lauderdale ("City") and the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) for fiscal year 2021/2022. The agreement allows the Northwest-Progresso-Flagler Heights CRA and the Central City CRA to utilize certain City services to implement the goals and objectives of each area's redevelopment plan. For details, visit ftlcity.info/3ujTbyX.

CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

City Commission Denies the Purchase of Financial Analysis Services for Bahia Mar

The City Commission denied the purchase of financial analysis services from Ernst & Young Infrastructure Advisors, LLC (EYIA) for the Bahia Mar Lease proposal in the amount of \$89,999. EYIA would have been contracted to conduct an analysis of the financial projections provided by Bahia Mar related to their request for a new lease, which would also assist the City in identifying the best financial value to the City over the lease term from rent, future revenue sharing and tax revenues. The City Commission requested the City Manager explore, and if within his authority, to decide upon, other options for conducting this financial analysis. For details, visit ftlcity.info/3gex5WD.

City Commission Accepts Grant from the Florida Inland Navigation District

The City Commission accepted a grant in the amount \$46,000 from the Florida Inland Navigation District (FIND) through the Water Assistance Program. The grant program is designated to provide financial assistance to local municipalities for waterway improvement projects such as the purchase of marine law enforcement-related equipment. The funds received will assist in replacing old and malfunctioning engines with two sets of outboard motors. The City will meet the grant's required 50% cash match by funding the balance of the cost. For details, visit ftlcity.info/3Gmy41k.

City Commission Accepts Donation of Solar Light Poles and Light Fixtures

The City Commission approved a motion authorizing the City Manager to accept a donation of three solar light poles and three light heads to replace broken lights throughout the City. The donation was gifted from local real estate developer Affiliated Development and manufactured by Solar Solutions FL, LLC. The estimated value of the donated light poles and light fixtures is \$50,884.60. For details, visit ftlcity.info/3GeNXHe.

Sistrunk Parade and Festival Returns February 26

The City Commission approved an event agreement, related road closures and requests for extended hours for music with Sistrunk Historical Festival, Inc. for the Annual Sistrunk Parade and Festival, Saturday, February 26 from 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 p.m. The parade will take place along Sistrunk Boulevard and travel between NW 9 Avenue to NW 14 Avenue and feature decorated floats, performance steppers, drill teams, live music, food, bounce houses, and more. For details, visit ftlcity.info/3oewnx2 and www.sistrunkfestival.org/events.

City Commission Authorizes Bonds for the Las Olas Undergrounding Project

The City Commission approved a resolution authorizing the issuance of Special Assessments Bonds, Series 2022 for the Las Olas Isles Undergrounding Project. The Series 2022 Bonds will finance the undergrounding project throughout the Las Olas Isles Neighborhood and pay any cost associated with the bonds in an amount not to exceed \$9,000,000. The project includes undergrounding of all overhead utilities, including, without limitation, electrical, telephone and cable television, the replacement of street lighting, roadway resurfacing, and restoration of all infrastructure affected by such undergrounding project. For details, visit ftlcity.info/3gfnQFo.

City Commission Approves Rezoning for Mixed-Use Development Project

The City Commission passed an ordinance on the first hearing to rezone 4.95 acres of land currently zoned as Commerce Center District to Uptown Urban Village Northwest District. The City, on behalf of the property owners, Citrix Systems, Inc., and Cypress 6261 LLC., requested the rezoning of the land located at 701 West Cypress Creek Road and 6261 NW 6 Way to allow for the development of a mixed-use project on the site. For details, visit ity.info/32Pw6ZJ.

More Information

For more information on items from the February 1, 2022, Commission meetings, visit the City website at fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar.

Next City Commission Meetings on February 15, 2022

The next City Commission meetings are scheduled for Tuesday, February 15, 2022. City Hall is open, and members of the public are invited to attend meetings in person. *Since Wednesday, December 1, 2021, public participation during all City Commission and Advisory Board meetings has returned to an in-person format only.* The public may also listen to and view the meetings on [FLTV](#), [YouTube](#), Comcast Channel 78, and AT&T U-verse Channel 99. To learn more about City Commission meetings, including how to view agendas and sign up to speak, visit fortlauderdale.gov/citycommissionmeetings.