



# 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. If any person wishes to address the City Commission, the person shall sign up in the City Hall lobby using the City Clerk's iPad. 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, visit [fortlauderdale.gov/citycommissionmeetings](http://fortlauderdale.gov/citycommissionmeetings).*

In case you missed them, the following are highlights from the Fort Lauderdale City Commission meetings on Tuesday, May 3, 2022. The video is 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 JOINT WORKSHOP WITH BUDGET ADVISORY BOARD**

#### **City Commission Discusses FY 2023 Budget Development**

The City Commission and Budget Advisory Board (BAB) held a joint workshop to discuss the development of the fiscal year (FY) 2023 budget. As part of a discussion on the City's General Fund and the possibility of maintaining the current millage rate for the upcoming year in light of the predicted increase in property value, the City Commission identified funding priorities including enhancing public safety and advancing Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) projects focused on roads and sidewalks. Updated property value information is expected from the County in June. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/3vXYhjW](http://ftlcity.info/3vXYhjW).

### **CITY COMMISSION CONFERENCE MEETING**

#### **City Commission Discusses Community Resilience and Policy to Address Roadway Inundation**

The City's Assistant Director of Public Works led a presentation focused on strategies to address roadway inundation caused by tidal flooding that is becoming increasingly frequent due to climate change and sea level rise. The presentation included information on the challenges of roadway elevation and considerations for policy development on this topic. Next steps for City staff include conducting a citywide vulnerability analysis and researching best practices by other jurisdictions in order to identify location-specific solutions and determine how to fund them. In the meantime, the City is moving forward with measure such as lining and replacing stormwater pipes, installing tidal valves, and raising seawalls. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/3ybKXey](http://ftlcity.info/3ybKXey).

#### **City Commission Establishes New Rules for Neighbor Presentations at Commission Meetings**

The City Commission discussed Neighbor Presentations at City Commission meetings and established new rules: 1) Speakers must be Fort Lauderdale residents, 2) Neighbors will be permitted to speak once per quarter, and 3) Neighbor Presentations will alternate between the Conference Meeting and the Regular Meeting on a monthly basis to better accommodate

diverse neighbor schedules. To learn more about City Commission meetings and apply to deliver a Neighbor Presentation, visit [www.fortlauderdale.gov](http://www.fortlauderdale.gov).

## **COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CRA) BOARD MEETING**

### **CRA Board Approves Funding for Finally Friday on Sistrunk**

The City Commission, acting as the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Board of Commissioners, approved \$355,000 for the Finally Friday on Sistrunk event series. Finally Friday on Sistrunk is a series of free, family-friendly outdoor events held on vacant lots and/or underutilized properties along Sistrunk Boulevard for the purpose of marketing the community redevelopment area. The events feature presentations about the CRA, food trucks, vendors, music, live entertainment, and an interactive kid's zone. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/382Qidl](http://ftlcity.info/382Qidl).

## **CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING**

### **City Commission Authorizes Agreement for USS Fort Lauderdale Commissioning Activities**

The City Commission adopted a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Navy League of the United States, Fort Lauderdale Council, Inc. that includes a City contribution of up to \$250,000 for USS Fort Lauderdale commissioning activities that are expected to take place this summer. The USS Fort Lauderdale will support a wide range of operational missions including humanitarian relief efforts; providing medical, logistics, and air support; and coordinating and assessing damage with local government and relief crews. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/39EQDn7](http://ftlcity.info/39EQDn7).

### **City Commission Approves Agreement for Watersports Activities Rental Concession at George English Park**

The City Commission approved a five-year agreement for watersports activities at George English Park with Blue Moon Outdoor Center LLC with an annual revenue amount of 25% of monthly gross concession receipts net of sales tax and capital improvements to the concession area of up to \$75,000. Blue Moon Outdoor Center LLC, also known as Blue Moon Outdoor Adventures, has operated at George English Park since 2017 and offers both non-motorized and motorized personal watercraft. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/3KI8AOP](http://ftlcity.info/3KI8AOP).

### **City Commission Approves Interim Agreement for Prospect Lake Clean Water Center**

The City Commission approved an interim agreement with RI Flamingo Holdings, LLC and IDE Americas, INC. for placing of a pilot plant at the Fiveash Water Treatment Plant to facilitate investigation, discovery, inspection, and testing of the Prospect Wellfields Property. Activities to be conducted include soil testing and boring, environmental studies, water quality studies, and surveying. The access granted through this interim agreement is the first step in developing a comprehensive agreement for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the City's new water treatment facility. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/3vEjAl6](http://ftlcity.info/3vEjAl6).

### **City Commission Affirms Interest in Movie Studio Complex Project**

On April 20, 2022, the City received an unsolicited proposal to develop, construct, operate, and maintain a full-service movie studio complex on city-owned property located at 1400 NW 31

Avenue. The project would bring film industry jobs and educational opportunities to the area. The City Commission approved a resolution providing notice of intent to enter into a comprehensive agreement for the project and notice of intent to accept other proposals for the same project. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/3kFhvp0](http://ftlcity.info/3kFhvp0).

### **City Commission Affirms Interest in Pickleball Facility Project**

On August 30, 2021, the City received an unsolicited proposal to develop, operate, and maintain a pickleball facility on the southwest portion of Snyder Park located at 3299 SW 4 Avenue. The City Commission approved a resolution providing notice of intent to enter into a Comprehensive Agreement for the project and notice of intent to accept other proposals for the same project. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/3ygrd9o](http://ftlcity.info/3ygrd9o).

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

The City Commission adopted a resolution approving the Parks, Recreation and Beaches Advisory Board's recommendation for approval of 12 parks improvement projects, including 11 joint use parks within Broward County Public Schools: North Fork Elementary School/Park, Sunrise Middle School/Park, Stranahan High School/Park, Stephen Foster Elementary School/Park, Westwood Heights Elementary School/Park, Rock Island Elementary School/Park, Thurgood Marshall Elementary School/Park, Dillard 6-12 School/Park, Harbordale Elementary School/Park, Virginia Shuman Young Elementary School/Park, Sheridan Technical High School/Sunset Park, and George English Pickleball Courts. City staff along with the program manager will work to finalize the improvements for each site. For details, visit [ftlcity.info/3OUhZFK](http://ftlcity.info/3OUhZFK).

### **More Information**

For more information on the May 3, 2022, Commission meeting, visit [fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar](http://fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar).

### **Upcoming City Commission Meetings**

The next regularly scheduled City Commission meetings will take place on Tuesday, May 17, 2022.