

**MINUTES
CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH
REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING
CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBER
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 02, 2025 – 6:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Resch on the above date at 6:10 PM in the City Commission Chamber located at City Hall, 7 North Dixie Highway, Lake Worth Beach, Florida.

ROLL CALL: (1:02:40) Present were Mayor Betty Resch, Vice Mayor Sarah Malega and Commissioners Christopher McVoy, Mimi May and Anthony Segrich. Also present were Interim City Manager Jamie Brown, City Attorney Elizabeth Lenihan and Deputy City Clerk Shayla Ellis.

INVOCATION OR MOMENT OF SILENCE: (1:02:54) was led by Mayor Betty Resch,

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: (1:03:34) led by Commissioner Christopher McVoy.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/REORDERING: (1:03:55)

Unfinished Business, Item B – Ordinance No. 2025-17 – First Reading – amending Chapter 23, Article 6, Section 23.6-1 regarding penalties for tree abuse and removal without a permit, fee-in-lieu of replacement of trees, and appeals was deleted and will be heard at the January 6 commission meeting.

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Segrich and seconded by Commissioner May to waive Rule 12(1) of the City Commission Rules & Procedures regarding New Business, Item D – Discussion regarding the establishment of a Task Force to address crime at the Cultural Plaza.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners May and Segrich. NAYS: Commissioner McVoy.

Consent Agenda, Item B – Ratification of Historic Resources Preservation (HRPB) and Planning & Zoning (PZB) Advisory Board appointments was reordered to be heard after the Approval of Minutes.

Action: Motion made by Commissioner May and seconded by Commissioner McVoy to accept the agenda as amended.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

PRESENTATIONS: (there is no public comment on Presentation items)

A. Update regarding the South Bryant Park Playground from Stuart Sword, Leisure Services Assistant Director (1:16:14)

Action: Consensus to have staff review methods of adding shade to the South Bryant Park Playground and present them on a future agenda. (1:32:51)

B. Proclamation declaring December 1, 2025 as World AIDS day (1:34:12)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OF NON-AGENDAED ITEMS AND CONSENT AGENDA: (1:41:27)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: (2:13:14)

Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor Malega and seconded by Commissioner May to approve the following minutes:

- A. November 14, 2025 - pre-agenda workshop
- B. November 18, 2025 - special
- C. November 18, 2025 - regular

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA: (public comment allowed during Public Participation of Non-Agendaed items) (2:13:44)

Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor Malega and seconded by Commissioner McVoy to approve the Consent Agenda, Item A.

- A. Settlement of personal injury lawsuit Trevor Rafferty v. City of Lake Worth Beach
- B. (reordered) Ratification of Historic Resources Preservation (HRPB) and Planning & Zoning (PZB) Advisory Board appointments

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA: (public comment allowed during Public Participation of Non-Agendaed items) (2:14:11)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner May and seconded by Commissioner McVoy to approve Item B of the Consent Agenda.

- B. (reordered) Ratification of Historic Resources Preservation (HRPB) and Planning & Zoning (PZB) Advisory Board appointments

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: (2:18:41)

- A. Ordinance No. 2025-22 – Second Reading – calling for referendum to amend the Charter regarding lease terms for other City-owned properties (2:18:42)

City Attorney Lenihan read the ordinance by title:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-22 OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA, CALLING FOR A REFERENDUM OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH TO BE HELD ON MARCH 10, 2026, AS TO WHETHER SECTION 4 OF ARTICLE II OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH CHARTER SHALL BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE THAT CITY-OWNED PROPERTY WEST OF THE A1A ROADWAY TO THE LAGOON, DOWNTOWN, AND PUBLIC PARKS WITHIN THE CITY MAY BE LEASED FOR UP TO 99 YEARS; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE AND ADVERTISING OF THE REFERENDUM; PROVIDING REQUISITE BALLOT LANGUAGE

FOR SUBMISSION TO THE VOTERS; PROVIDING FOR REFERENDUM CANVASSING; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION SHOULD THE REFERENDUM PASS; REPEAL OF CONFLICTING LAWS AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor Malega and seconded by Commissioner May to approve Ordinance 2025-22 calling for referendum to amend the Charter regarding lease terms for other City-owned properties.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners May and Segrich. NAYS: Commissioner McVoy.

B. Ordinance No. 2025-23 – Second Reading – calling for referendum to amend the Charter regarding vacancy in the Office of the City Manager (2:38:44)

City Attorney Lenihan read the ordinance by title:

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-23 OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA, CALLING FOR A REFERENDUM OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH TO BE HELD ON MARCH 10, 2026, AS TO WHETHER SECTION 3 OF ARTICLE IV OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH CHARTER SHALL BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE FOR FILLING A PERMANENT VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF CITY MANAGER; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE AND ADVERTISING OF THE REFERENDUM; PROVIDING REQUISITE BALLOT LANGUAGE FOR SUBMISSION TO THE VOTERS; PROVIDING FOR REFERENDUM CANVASSING; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION SHOULD THE REFERENDUM PASS; REPEAL OF CONFLICTING LAWS AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Action: Motion made by Commissioner May and seconded by Commissioner Segrich to approve Ordinance 2025-23 calling for referendum to amend the Charter regarding vacancy in the Office of the City Manager.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners May and Segrich. NAYS: Commissioner McVoy.

C. Ordinance No. 2025-26 – Second Reading – providing for the City’s consent to be included to the Palm Beach County’s Fire/Rescue Municipal Service Taxing Unit for Fire-Rescue, Fire Protection, Advanced Life Support, Fire Code Enforcement and Other Necessary and Incidental Services and Providing for Effectiveness and Duration of Consent and Acknowledging Ad Valorem Millage Rate Limitation (2:44:33)

City Attorney Lenihan read the ordinance by title.

ORDINANCE 2025-26 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR THE CITY’S CONSENT TO THE INCLUSION OF THE ENTIRE TERRITORY WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES INTO PALM BEACH COUNTY’S FIRE/RESCUE MUNICIPAL SERVICE TAXING UNIT FOR FIRE-RESCUE, FIRE PROTECTION, ADVANCED LIFE SUPPORT (OR SIMILAR EMERGENCY SERVICES), FIRE CODE ENFORCEMENT AND OTHER NECESSARY AND INCIDENTAL SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR INTENT, PURPOSE AND CONSENT; PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVENESS AND DURATION OF CONSENT; PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVENESS OF REPEAL; ACKNOWLEDGING AD VALOREM MILLAGE RATE LIMITATION; AND

PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, CAPTIONS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Action: Motion made by Commissioner McVoy and seconded by Vice Mayor Malega to approve Ordinance No. 2025-26 on first reading and set the second reading and public hearing for December 2, 2025.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

D. (deleted) Ordinance No. 2025-24 - First Reading – amending multiple sections of Chapter 23 “Land Development Regulations” related to recovery residences

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Amendment 1 to Task Order 34B for Mobility Plan Phase Two and Funding (2:46:05)

Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor Malega and seconded by Commissioner Segrich to approve Amendment 1 to Task Order 34B for Mobility Plan Phase Two and Funding.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

The meeting recessed at 8:48 PM and reconvened at 9:06 PM.

Vice Malega left the meeting at 8:48 PM and rejoined via Zoom at 9:07 PM.

B. (deleted) Ordinance No. 2025-17 – First Reading – amending Chapter 23, Article 6, Section 23.6-1 regarding penalties for tree abuse and removal without a permit, fee-in-lieu of replacement of trees, and appeals

C. Work Order 2 with Mya Construservice, LLC for the installation of Dahoon Holly Trees Downtown (3:57:13)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner May and seconded by Commissioner Segrich to approve Work Order 2 with Mya Construservice, LLC for an installation of Dahoon Holly Trees Downtown.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioner May and. NAYS: Commissioners McVoy and Segrich.

D. Resolution No. 48-2025 – amending the City Commission Rules of Procedure (4:11:22)

City Attorney Lenihan did not read the resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 48-2025 OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR LAKE WORTH BEACH CITY COMMISSION; REPEALING ALL RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Segrich and seconded by Commissioner May to approve Resolution No. 48-2025 amending the City Commission Rules of Procedure accepting all changes with the exception of Commission Liaison Reports and Comments being limited to the third meeting of each month and removing the text line “All speech at City Commission meetings shall be limited to matters

that are pertinent to the City.” in Rule 13.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners May and Segrich. NAYS: Commissioner McVoy.

Action: Motion made by Commissioner May and seconded by Commissioner Segrich to extend the meeting until 11 PM.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

Action: Motion made by Commissioner May and seconded by Commissioner Segrich to amend the agenda to move New Business, Item D – Discussion regarding the establishment of a Task Force to address crime at the Cultural Plaza brought forward by Commissioner Segrich to the January 6th agenda.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners McVoy and May. NAYS: Commissioner Segrich.

E. Discussion regarding Commission approval of landscaping changes in public parks brought forward by Commissioner Segrich (4:46:17)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner McVoy and seconded by Commissioner Segrich to approve unpausing the NEST tree plantings (Phase II) as designed and dictate that all future plantings (Phase III) be brought forth to the commission for approval before they begin.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

Action: Motion made by Commissioner McVoy and seconded by Commissioner Segrich reorder New Business, Item C – Work Orders 8 and 9 with The Paving Lady for paving and concrete repair work to be heard after New Business, Item A. (5:34:44)

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: (1:16:40)

A. Second Amendment to the Agreement with Odyssey Manufacturing Co. to purchase 50% Caustic Soda for water treatment and odor control (3:15:01)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner May and seconded by Commissioner McVoy to approve the Second Amendment to the Agreement with Odyssey Manufacturing Co. to purchase 50% Caustic Soda for water treatment and odor control.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

C. (reordered) Work Orders 8 and 9 with The Paving Lady for paving and concrete repair work (3:43:35)

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Segrich and seconded by Commissioner May to approve Work Orders 8 and 9 with The Paving Lady for paving and concrete repair work.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

B. Ordinance No. 2025-27 – First Reading – amending Chapter 23 “Land Development Regulations” related to the affordable housing workforce housing program (5:36:04)

City Attorney Lenihan read the ordinance by title.

ORDINANCE 2025-27 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 23 “LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS”, ARTICLE 2 “ADMINISTRATION,” DIVISION 3 “PERMITS,” SECTION 23.2-39 – AFFORDABLE/WORKFORCE HOUSING PROGRAM, BY ADDING THERETO A NEW SUBSECTION M “CREDITS,” RELATED TO CREDITS THAT MAY BE APPLIED TOWARD CITY FINES, LIENS, AND PENALTIES; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, CODIFICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Action: Motion made by Commissioner May and seconded by Commissioner Segrich to approve Ordinance No. 2025-27 on first reading and set the second reading and public hearing for December 16, 2025. **MOTION WITHDRAWN.**

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Segrich and seconded by Commissioner McVoy to table Ordinance No. 2025-27 – amending Chapter 23 “Land Development Regulations” related to the affordable housing workforce housing program on first reading to a future agenda. **MOTION AMENDED.**

Action: Amended Motion made by Commissioner Segrich and seconded by Commissioner May to approve Ordinance No. 2025-27 on first reading and set the second reading and public hearing for December 16, 2025 with the additional language that the violations cannot be self-imposed.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

D. (deleted) Discussion regarding the establishment of a Task Force to address crime at the Cultural Plaza brought forward by Commissioner Segrich

COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS: (4:29:53)

Action: Consensus to bring forward the ghost house project for discussion regarding the conceptual designs on a future agenda. (6:00:28)

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

Interim City Manager Brown did not provide a report.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

City Attorney Lenihan did not provide a report.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND WORKSHOPS:

December 12 @ 9 am - pre-agenda workshop
December 16 - regular meeting

ADJOURNMENT: (6:00:56)

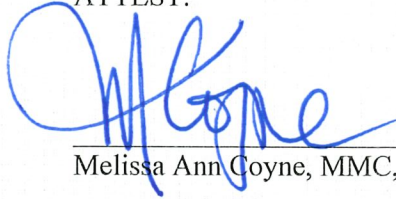
Action:

Motion made by Commissioner Segrich and seconded by Commissioner May to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 PM.

Vote:

Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Resch, Vice Mayor Malega and Commissioners McVoy, May and Segrich. NAYS: None.

ATTEST:



Melissa Ann Coyne, MMC, City Clerk

Minutes approved December 16, 2025

Item time stamps correspond to the recording on YouTube.


Betty Resch, Mayor