



**CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA
REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
November 29, 2011 – 7:30 p.m.**

The City Commission meeting was held in Fletcher Hall, located at 2200 N.E. 38 Street, Lighthouse Point, Florida 33064.

Call to Order

Commission President Gordon called the regular City Commission meeting for the City of Lighthouse Point, Florida, to order at 7:30 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge to the Flag

Invocation was given by Rabbi Tzvi Dechter, Chabad of North Broward Beaches, and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

Mayor Fred Schorr	Interim City Clerk Jennifer M. Oh
Commission President Susie Gordon	Finance Director Terry Sharp
Commission Vice President Michael S. Long	Fire Chief David Donzella
Commissioner Thomas A. Hasis	Library Director Doreen Gauthier
Commissioner Sandy Johnson	Police Commander Michael Oh
Commissioner Glenn Troast	Public Works Director Art Graham
City Administrator John D. Lavisky	Recreation Director John Trudel
City Attorney Michael D. Cirullo, Jr.	

Proclamation – Pompano Beach Holiday Boat Parade Day

Approval of Minutes

A **motion** to approve the City Commission Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 8, 2011, was made by Commissioner Hasis, seconded by Commissioner Troast, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Hasis, Johnson, Long, Troast, and Gordon

Treasurer's Report

City Administrator Lavisky read the Treasurer's Report for the period ending November 29, 2011.

Boards: Next Meetings:

Planning & Zoning – December 6, 2011
Code Enforcement – January 17, 2012
Community Appearance – December 15, 2011
Special Magistrate – December 7, 2011

Departments

Administration

City Attorney

City Attorney Cirullo made a report about neon open signs. At the August 23rd City Commission meeting, the Commission asked Lighthouse Point Chamber members to make some recommendations regarding this type of signage. The Chamber responded in an email dated November 17th and made the following recommendations: the static, temporary illuminated signs shall be the plug-in variety, and will be illuminated only during operating hours. The signs will not exceed 18" x 36" and will be positioned approximately 24 inches from top of window frames. The signs will be in the standard colors of red and blue neon.

City Administration's position is that the Chamber's proposal is reasonable and fair. City Attorney Cirullo does not find it necessary to change the Code.

Consensus of the City Commission was that no building permit will be required for a temporary (plug in) neon open sign. Open signs will not be calculated in the square footage of a window sign. Businesses with corner units or entrances on opposite ends of the building may use two signs. City Administration will communicate back to the Chamber that this is an acceptable alternative.

Committees

Joe Debuwitz, resident of Lighthouse Point Gardens North and Chairman of the Condominium Liaison Committee, reported on the first Condo Connection meeting held on November 28, 2011. Twelve condominium representatives were in attendance. Discussion topics included: trash collection, County pool regulations, feeding of wildlife, and water fees.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

1. Vehicle and Equipment Lease Purchase Financing Award.

A **motion** to accept the Mears Leasing/The Bancorp Bank proposal for a four-year lease purchase of one fire rescue ambulance and proceed to closing no later than December 15, 2011 was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Troast, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Hasis, Johnson, Long, Troast, and Gordon

Ordinances:

2. Second reading and Quasi-Judicial Public Hearing of an ordinance approving a Plat Note Modification for the Angelina Plat located at 2500 North Federal Highway. Advertised in the Sun Sentinel on Friday, November 18, 2011.

A **motion** to read the title of the ordinance was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Troast, and CARRIED unanimously. City Attorney Cirullo read the title of the ordinance.

The Quasi-Judicial Public Hearing was opened. No one having come forward to speak, the Public Hearing was then closed.

A **motion** to approve on second and final reading the ordinance approving a Plat Note Modification for the Angelina Plat located at 2500 North Federal Highway was made by Commissioner Troast, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Hasis, Johnson, Long, Troast, and Gordon

The ordinance on second and final reading carries the following title:

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-0896

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE REQUEST FOR PLAT NOTE MODIFICATION ON THE ANGELINA PLAT, RECORDED AT PLAT BOOK 150, PAGE 22 IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA TO PERMIT A 4,000 SQUARE FOOT BANK AND DRIVE-THRU USE ON THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2500 NORTH FEDERAL HIGHWAY, LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, LEGALLY DESCRIBED IN EXHIBIT "A" TO THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

3. First reading of an ordinance adopting regulations relating to lobbyist activities and registration.

A **motion** to read the title of the ordinance was made by Commissioner Long, seconded by Commissioner Troast, and CARRIED unanimously. City Attorney Cirullo read the title of the ordinance.

A **motion** to approve the ordinance on first reading adopting regulations relating to lobbyist activities and registration was made by Commissioner Troast, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Hasis, Johnson, Long, Troast, and Gordon

The ordinance on first reading carries the following title:

ORDINANCE NO. 2011- _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT CODE OF ORDINANCES, ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION", TO CREATE ARTICLE VIII, TO BE CALLED "LOBBYING ACTIVITIES"; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR LOBBYIST REGISTRATION; PROVIDING FOR FILING OF A CONTACT LOG; PROVIDING FOR A PROHIBITION ON USE OF LOBBYING STATEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR CONTINGENCY FEES, AND DISCLOSURES; PROVIDING FOR HEARINGS AND PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Resolutions:

4. Resolution amending the General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011.

A **motion** to read the title of the resolution was made by Commissioner Hasis, seconded by Commissioner Troast, and CARRIED unanimously. City Attorney Cirullo read the title of the resolution.

A **motion** to approve the resolution amending the General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Long, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Hasis, Johnson, Long, Troast, and Gordon

The resolution as adopted carries the following title:

RESOLUTION NO. 2011 – 1835

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2010-1769, AMENDING RESOLUTION 2011-1814, AMENDING RESOLUTION 2011-1827, AND REALLOCATING CERTAIN REVENUES AND/OR EXPENDITURES IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011 BUDGET FOR THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

5. Resolution amending the Tennis Center Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011.

A **motion** to read the title of the resolution was made by Commissioner Long, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, and CARRIED unanimously. City Attorney Cirullo read the title of the resolution.

A **motion** to approve the resolution amending the Tennis Center Fund Budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 was made by Commissioner Troast, seconded by Commissioner Hasis, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Hasis, Johnson, Long, Troast, and Gordon

The resolution as adopted carries the following title:

RESOLUTION NO. 2011 – 1836

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2010-1770 AND REALLOCATING CERTAIN REVENUES AND/OR EXPENDITURES IN THE FISCAL YEAR 2010-2011 BUDGET FOR THE TENNIS CENTER FUND BUDGET, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

6. Resolution approving an Addendum to the Agreement between Broward County and the City of Miramar for EMS County Grant Funding for Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs).

A **motion** to read the title of the resolution was made by Commissioner Troast, seconded by Commissioner Hasis, and CARRIED unanimously. City Attorney Cirullo read the title of the resolution.

A **motion** to approve the resolution approving the Addendum to the Agreement between Broward County and the City of Miramar for EMS County Grant Funding for Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) was made by Commissioner Long, seconded by Commissioner Hasis, and CARRIED 5:0 as follows:

Yes: Commissioners Hasis, Johnson, Long, Troast, and Gordon

The resolution as adopted carries the following title:

RESOLUTION NO. 2011 – 1837

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LIGHTHOUSE POINT, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE ADDENDUM TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN BROWARD COUNTY AND THE CITY OF MIRAMAR PROVIDING FOR EMS COUNTY GRANT FUNDING; AUTHORIZING THE PROPER CITY OFFICIALS TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Public Requests from the Floor:

Brent Anderson, 3940 N.E. 27 Avenue, Lighthouse Point, addressed the Commission regarding the 22-unit complex at Sunland Terrace, 2100 N.E. 39 Street. Mr. Anderson also owns a condo unit in Tarelton Manor. Mr. Anderson was concerned about the lack of communication with the City and its residents about the purchase of the property by BHP

Community Land Trust, Inc., in May 2010. He was concerned about property values as a result of the purchase, and wanted to know what steps may be taken in the future to prevent similar purchases.

Mayor Schorr provided some history of the building. The project passed through Broward County, unbeknownst to the City.

Sharon Swiecicki-Fay, 4000 N.E. 27 Avenue, Lighthouse Point, was concerned over the purchase of the Sunland Terrace property as well. She researched the project and found it had been presented at several County Commission meetings. Ms. Swiecicki-Fay was concerned about the lack of communication between the County and the City regarding the purchase.

Communications:

The Mayor congratulated Mike Long, who will serve as City Commissioner for another 3-year term.

Commissioner Gordon congratulated Police Chief Licata on the arrival of his new granddaughter, Madelyn Marie.

Commissioner Long briefly discussed billboards, and the possibility of preparing an ordinance with regard to electronic billboards. City Attorney Cirullo will review the subject and report back to the City Commission.

Commissioner Gordon reported that Wednesday, December 7th is Lighthouse A'Glow, and encouraged everyone to attend at Frank McDonough Park from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

ATTESTED

APPROVED

By: _____
Jennifer M. Oh, Interim City Clerk

By: _____
Susie E. Gordon, Commission President