



**CITY OF WEST MIAMI
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 20TH, 2015
7:30 PM
COMMISSION CHAMBERS
901 S.W. 62ND AVENUE
WEST MIAMI, FLORIDA**

1. **INVOCATION.** City Manager Yolanda Aguilar gave the Invocation.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** Police Captain Carlos Avila led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **ROLL CALL.** The meeting was called to order by the Vice-Mayor at 7:35 P.M. Present were Vice-Mayor Juan M. Blanes, Commissioner Candida Blanca, Commissioner Rhonda A. Rodriguez and Commissioner Luciano L. Suarez. Mayor Eduardo H. Muhiña was excused
4. **PRESENTATION OF MINUTES FOR APPROVAL FOR MAY 6TH, 2015 REGULAR CITY COMMISSION MEETING.** Commissioner Blanca motioned to approve the Minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez. All voted in favor.
5. **REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER.** The City Manager submitted a verbal and written report, which included the following:
 - 4th of July 2015 Celebration, budget and projected expenses
 - Staffing needs

Also Vice-Mayor Blanes requested and instructed the City Manager to send condolences letters to the families of Nelson Lorenzo and Mr. Bader.

6. **REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY.** No report submitted.
7. **REPORT OF THE CITY ENGINEER.** No report submitted.
8. **COMMITTEE REPORTS.** No reports submitted.
9. **CITIZEN PRESENTATIONS.** The following residents were welcomed by the City Commission:
 - Sean Wood, resident of 5939 SW 16th Terrace, West Miami
 - Jorge Tormes, resident of 5939 SW 16th Terrace, West Miami



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10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A) REQUEST FOR AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION # 2015-17 AND CLARIFICATION BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY.** The City Attorney recommended amending Resolution # 2015-17, which established fees for grandparents residing in the City of West Miami who desire to enroll their grandchildren in the Afterschool and Summer Camp Programs, to add language for legal sufficiency. Commissioner Rodriguez motioned to follow the City Attorney's recommendation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Suarez. All voted in favor.

11. NEW BUSINESS AGENDA ITEMS:

- A) PUBLIC HEARING; SECOND READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI REPEALING CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE II TITLED "WATER BOARD", SECTION 15-27 THROUGH SECTION 15-46 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** The City Clerk informed that this Second Reading and Public Hearing were advertised on a newspaper of general circulation on May 8th, 2015, following statutory requirements.
- The Vice-Mayor opened the Public Hearing. There being no comments for or against the subject matter the Mayor closed the Public Hearing.
- Commissioner Suarez motioned to approve the Ordinance as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rodriguez. This Ordinance was adopted unanimously by 4-0 voice vote.
- B) REQUEST FOR MITIGATION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT LIENS FOR CODE VIOLATIONS AT THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6391 SW 19TH TERR, WEST MIAMI, FLORIDA, AND OWNER MARIA DAMERAS.** The property owner Maria Dameraz, resident of 12605 SW 43rd St, Miami, FL respectfully requested mitigations of the fines for code violations at the property in question. Norma Contreras, the listing agent, spoke on behalf of the buyer. After a lengthy discussion the Commission agreed to mitigate the liens for a total of fourteen thousand seventeen dollars and seventy-four cents (\$14,017.74). Being \$ 3,322.74 for utilities and \$10,695.00 for code violations, provided that the purchaser assumes responsibility of the amounts approved by the City Commission and apply for proper permits to include, but not limited to refurbishing and/or demolishing in order to bring the property into compliance.



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- C) **RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT A MITIGATION OFFER IN THE AMOUNT OF FOURTEEN THOUSAND SEVENTEEN DOLLARS AND SEVENTY-FOUR CENTS (\$ 14,017.74) FROM MARIA DAMERAS ON CODE ENFORCEMENT LIENS FOR CODE VIOLATIONS AT THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6391 SW 19TH TERR, WEST MIAMI, FL; PROVIDING THAT IF PAYMENT IN FULL IS NOT PAID BY JULY 20TH, 2015, THEN THE AMOUNT OWED SHALL REVERT TO THE ORIGINAL AMOUNT; PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE.** Upon motion by Commissioner Rodriguez, second by Commissioner Suarez and unanimous 4-0 voice vote, the foregoing Resolution was adopted.
- D) **REPORT BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK AND REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF PETITION BY THE ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT TO USE THE RECREATION CENTER MULTIPURPOSE FACILITY AS EARLY VOTING SITE.** The City Clerk reported about the request by the Elections Department for an early voting site within the City. Earlier this year the Community Center had been requested as an early voting alternate site and subsequently the Rebeca Sosa Multipurpose facility was also requested. Since in a short future the City will be demolishing a City property adjacent to City Hall and parking will not be an issue anymore, the City Clerk recommended to allow the use of the West Miami Community Center as an early voting site for the 2016 countywide elections. The City Manager recommended approval. Upon motion by Commissioner Suarez, second by Commissioner Blanca and unanimous 4-0 voice vote, the use of the West Miami Community Center as an early voting site for the 2016 countywide elections was approved.
- E) **RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI RATIFYING RESOLUTION # 2015-18 ADOPTED MAY 6TH, 2015 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT A MITIGATION OFFER IN THE AMOUNT OF TWELVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS FROM US BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION ON CODE ENFORCEMENT LIENS FOR CODE VIOLATIONS AT THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6541 SW 13TH TERR, WEST MIAMI, FL; PROVIDING THAT IF PAYMENT IN FULL IS NOT PAID BY JUNE 10TH, 2015, THEN THE AMOUNT OWED SHALL REVERT TO THE ORIGINAL AMOUNT; PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE.** Commissioner Suarez made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Blanca. All voted in favor.



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F) **RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI APPROVING A LAW ENFORCEMENT MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT FOR VOLUNTARY COOPERATION AND OPERATIONAL ASSISTANCE BETWEEN AND THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA MIAMI-DADE SCHOOLS POLICE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.** Upon motion by Commissioner Blanca, second by Commissioner Rodriguez and 4-0 unanimous voice vote, the foregoing Resolution was adopted.

12. **GOOD OF THE ORDER:** The City Manager announced that City Hall will be closed in observance of Memorial Day.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business before the City Commission the meeting was declared adjourned at 8:58 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Annery Gonzalez, CMC