MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
June 6, 2023
6:30 p.m.
Government Center
6601 Main Street
Miami Lakes, Florida 33014

1. PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AND AWARDS:

Councilmember Collazo presented a proclamation to Ms. Ana Knapp for her years as a school social worker and Project Up Start Liaison for the North Region Schools.

Councilmember Collazo presented a proclamation to Major Javier Ruiz for his service in the Town of Miami Lakes.

2. CALL TO ORDER:

The Deputy Town Clerk, Victoria Martinez, called the roll at 6:30 p.m. with the following Councilmembers being present: Luis E. Collazo, Josh Dieguez, Ray Garcia, and Marilyn Ruano. Councilmember Tony Fernandez attended the meeting in person at 6:41 p.m. and Vice Mayor Carlos O. Alvarez joined the meeting via Zoom at 8:02 p.m. Mayor Manny Cid was absent.

3. MOMENT OF SILENCE:

Mr. Hector Abad led the prayer.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Josh Dieguez.

5. ORDER OF BUSINESS (DEFERRALS/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS):

Councilmember Ruano moved Item 14A to after Public Comments and Councilmember Collazo moved Item 12B to after the Consent Calendar.

Councilmember Dieguez motioned to move the Order of Business and Councilmember Garcia seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0; Councilmember Fernandez, Vice Mayor Alvarez, and Mayor Cid were absent.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

(Phonetic spelling of each speaker's name will be used throughout the minutes unless correct spelling is known.)

The Deputy Town Clerk, Victoria Martinez, read the instructions of proper decorum that are to be respected and followed during public meetings.

Ms. Claudia Luces came before the Town Council to participate in public comments. She spoke about the issues of NSD-Section 1 such as how speed bumps are not necessary and the equipment not working properly. She also addressed the exposed PVC pipes and how they need to be taken care of.

Ms. Maria Gonzalez came before the Town Council to participate in public comments. She spoke in support of Item 14A and what Mr. Fred Senra means to her. She spoke about his character and asked the Town Council to vote to honor Mr. Senra.

Mr. Larry Borman came to the Town Council to participate in public comments. He spoke in support of Item 14A and stated that Fred Senra is the most honorable man in his life. He then listed the many contributions Mr. Senra makes to the Town.

Honorable Rene Garcia came to the Town Council to participate in public comments. He spoke about Fred Senra and how much of an advocate he is for veterans. He thanked Mr. Senra for being the man he is and also informed him that this item is to rename a road after him.

Mr. Pedro Fiallo came to the Town Council to participate in public comments. He stated that Fred Senra is a person that whenever you need anything, he never says no and always helps.

Mr. Brandon Diaz participated in public comments via zoom. He spoke in support of Item 14A and added that Fred Senra is not only a patriot in serving our nation, but he's been serving our Town for many years. He added that Mr. Senra goes above and beyond for everyone.

Mr. Matthew Casamayor came to the Town Council to participate in public comments. He stated that Fred Senra, his grandfather, has done so much in the Town for the business and veteran community. He added that what Mr. Senra does for the Town goes beyond being a veteran or businessman, it's about the values he shows this Town such as teamwork and leadership.

Ms. Esperanza Reynolds asked to give public comments via zoom at the time Item 11A is discussed and Councilmember Collazo allowed her to do so. She thanked him and then expressed support for Item 14A.

There being no further public comments, public comments closed.

7. APPOINTMENTS:

None.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Blasting Advisory Board

Chairperson Miguel Martinez and Secretary Steven Herzburg presented the semi-annual committee report on behalf of the Blasting Advisory Board. They also answered questions posed by the Town Council.

9. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

None.

10. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Councilmember Fernandez moved to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez. The motion passed 5-0; Vice Mayor Alvarez and Mayor Cid were absent.

- A. Approval of Minutes
 - May 9, 2023 Regular Council Meeting
 - May 16, 2023 Attorney-Client Executive Session
 - May 25, 2023 Sunshine Meeting to Discuss Green Initiatives

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

B. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE AND INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES AND MIAMIDADE COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

C. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE AWARD OF CONTRACTS FOR ITB 2023-21, TO SFM LANDSCAPE SERVICES, LLC AND JUNIPER LANDSCAPING OF FLORIDA, LLC FOR TREE AND PALM PURCHASE, REMOVAL, INSTALLATION, AND RELOCATION SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

D. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING, PURSUANT TO CONTRACT 2017-32(K) FOR

MISCELLANEOUS CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES, WITH KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC. ("KHA"), A CHANGE ORDER IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SIXTEEN THOUSANDS THREE HUNDRED EIGHTY EIGHT DOLLARS AND 50/100 (\$16, 388.50) FOR FRANCESCA MARY DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CHANGE ORDER; AUTHORIZING LINE ITEM BUDGET MODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

E. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE AWARD OF CONTRACTS FOR RFP 2023-08, DISASTER DEBRIS MONITORING SERVICES TO DEBRISTECH, LLC, THE HIGHEST-RANKED PROPOSER AND GOODWYN MILLS CAWOOD, LLC, THE SECOND HIGHEST-RANKED PROPOSER; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This item was approved on the Consent Calendar.

11. ORDINANCE-FIRST READING:

A. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA APPROVING, ADOPTING, A NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS; APPROVING, ADOPTING AND RATIFYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT RATES FOR SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO SECURITY GUARD AND MULTIPURPOSE MAINTENANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Attorney Raul Gastesi read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Ms. Hope Reynolds, participated in public comments via zoom. She stated her concerns regarding Miami Lakes Section 1 Guard Gate Budget -the Special Taxing District in her community, that speed bumps installed on Dundee Terrace are in violation of the Code, that many drivers avoid driving in the streets bumps direction, that access cards provide intelligence and that perhaps dissolving the Special Taxing District would remove issues from their lives.

Councilmember Fernandez motioned the ordinance in first reading and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez.

During discussion, Councilmember Ruano asked Town Staff some questions about the increase of the Miami Lakes Section 1 Budget. She stated that she was not going to support higher assessments to install Holiday Décor and to continue refurbishing the guardhouse. Councilmember Ruano then made a motion to amend the Miami Lakes Section 1 Budget, to

keep the budget as it was last year and for the Town Council to look into these numbers and determine is there's any savings possibilities. The amendment was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez and the amendment passed 5-0; Mayor Cid and Vice Mayor were absent.

Budget Officer, Ms. Melissa Hernandez and Parks & Recreation Director, Mr. Jeremy Bajdaun, answered questions posed by the Town Council.

The Deputy Town Clerk called the roll and the main motion, as amended, passed 5-0; Vice Mayor Alvarez and Mayor Cid were absent.

B. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA; AMENDING CHAPTER 42, AMENDING TITLE TO READ "TREES AND BIRDS"; CREATING SECTION 42-13 OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES CODE OF ORDINANCE, TITLED "BIRD SANCTUARY"; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION INTO THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE TOWN CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Attorney Gastesi read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Councilmember Fernandez made a motion to approve the ordinance and Councilmember Garcia seconded. The Deputy Town Clerk called the roll and the motion passed 5-0; Vice Mayor Alvarez and Mayor Cid were absent.

C. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA; AMENDING CHAPTER 39, ARTICLE III. GOLF CARTS, SECTION 39-52, 39-53, 39-57, AND 39-58 OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES CODE OF ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION INTO THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE TOWN CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Attorney Gastesi read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Councilmember Fernandez made a motion to approve the ordinance in first reading and Councilmember Dieguez seconded the motion. Councilmember Fernandez asked the Town Manager for Town Staff to inform via email, all the residents that have the decals, to provide them with a legislative update of these new rules, to keep them informed of the changes made.

The Deputy Town Attorney provided a synopsis of the changes made. He explained that the changes make sure that the Golf Carts are being operated safely. He stated that the legislature made a real significant change, regarding the age. He stated that it used to be 14 and now the age is 18 years of age, and that proof of driver's license is required or some sort of identification. He also explained that if you are not 18 years of age and you are riding, you

must have a driver's license, or you will be cited. The Deputy Town Clerk called the roll and the motion passed 5-0; Vice Mayor Alvarez and Mayor Cid were absent.

12. ORDINANCE IN SECOND READING:

A. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING A LOAN IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT EXCEEDING \$20,000,000, IN THE FORM OF A NON-REVOLVING LINE OF CREDIT, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING LIQUIDITY FINANCING FOR THE PROJECT DESCRIBED HEREIN; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A NON-REVOLVING CREDIT NOTE TO EVIDENCE AND SECURE THE LOAN; PROVIDING THAT DETAILS, TERMS AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF THE NON-REVOLVING CREDIT NOTE SHALL BE ESTABLISHED OR PROVIDED FOR IN A SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE RESOLUTION AND A LINE OF CREDIT AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR A COVENANT TO BUDGET AND APPROPRIATE NON-ADeV ALOREM REVENUES, AS MORE SPECIFICALLY DESCRIBED IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE RESOLUTION: AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO PROCEED TO DEVELOP NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO AWARD AND ISSUE THE NON-REVOLVING CREDIT NOTE AND TO DETERMINE THE SPECIFIC DETAILS OF THE LINE OF CREDIT AGREEMENT AND NON-REVOLVING CREDIT NOTE WITHIN THE PARAMETERS SET FORTH IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Attorney Gastesi read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Councilmember Collazo opened the public hearing. There being no one wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Fernandez moved the ordinance, and it was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez. The Deputy Town Clerk called the roll and the ordinance in second reading passed 5-0; Vice Mayor Alvarez and Mayor Cid were absent.

B. QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARING

HEARING NUMBER: ZONE2023-0126 & PHSP2023-0127 APPLICANT: Miami-Dade County Library Department

FOLIO: 32-2013-004-2420

LOCATION: 6699 Windmill Gate Rd MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA 33014

ZONING DISTRICT: RU-TH

FUTURE LAND USE: Institutional and Public Facilities

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP TO REZONE A 89,514 SQ.FT PROPERTY LOCATED EAST SIDE OF NW 67th AVE AND JUST SOUTH OF THE PALMETTO EXPY, FROM THE RUTH, RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOUSE DISTRICT, TO THE BU-2, SPECIAL BUSINESS DISTRICT; PROVIDING FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTION TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICIAL;

PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Attorney Gastesi read the quasi-judicial rules and title of the ordinance into the record.

The Deputy Town Clerk sworn in anyone that provided testimony. Principal Town Planner, Ms. Susana Alonso, presented the item and answered questions posed by the Town Council. She explained that the Town Council needs to first hear the proposed ordinance for rezoning of the property from RU-TH (Residential Townhouse District) to BU-2(Special Business District). Then as a separate case, the Town Council would hear the Site Plan approval to expand and renovate the existing library building by 5,000 square feet. She emphasized that both items must be voted separately because they are completely independent. Ms. Alonso explained that the rezoning would allow for this use to come to conformance with the underlying zoning, which is not the situation they have now.

Deputy Town Attorney Cobiella presented the covenant, which was requested by the Town Council at the May Regular Council Meeting. He emphasized that in the covenant, a provision states that it is to be a library and if this is not to be a library, then it would be converted to a passive park. He explained that the applicant proffered a covenant restricting future use of the site to library use.

The Applicant on behalf of the Miami-Lakes Library Department spoke on behalf of the rezoning and asked for approval of the item. He also answered questions posed by the Town Council.

Councilmember Fernandez moved to approve the ordinance in second reading and Councilmember Dieguez seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0; Vice Mayor Alvarez and Mayor Cid were absent.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, PERTAINING TO A REQUEST IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 13-304(h) OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR A SITE PLAN APPROVAL AS PROVIDED AT EXHIBIT "A"; FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6699 WINDMILL GATE RD, AS MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AT EXHIBIT "B", BEARING FOLIO NO. 32-2013-004-2420; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR VIOLATION OF CONDITIONS, PROVIDING FOR APPEAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Attorney Gastesi read the title of the resolution into the record.

Councilmember Dieguez moved to approve the resolution and Councilmember Fernandez seconded. The motion passed 5-0; Vice Mayor Alvarez and Mayor Cid were absent.

No discussion was held for the resolution.

13. RESOLUTIONS:

A. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, WITH ATTACHMENTS, AUTHORIZING A LOAN IN THE AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT EXCEEDING \$20,000,000, IN THE FORM OF A TAXABLE NON-

REVOLVING LINE OF CREDIT FROM BANKUNITED, N.A. (THE "LENDER") FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING LIQUIDITY FINANCING IN RESPONSE TO DISASTER AND EMERGENCY OCCURRENCES ONLY, AS DESCRIBED HEREIN; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A NON-REVOLVING CREDIT NOTE TO EVIDENCE LOANS MADE UNDER THE NON-REVOLVING LINE OF CREDIT: MAKING FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS AS TO SAID NON-REVOLVING CREDIT NOTE; ACCEPTING THE LENDER'S PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE THE NON-REVOLVING LINE OF CREDIT AND PURCHASE THE NON-REVOLVING CREDIT NOTE; PROVIDING FOR A COVENANT TO BUDGET AND APPROPRIATE NON-AD VALOREM REVENUES TO SECURE THE TOWN'S OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE NON-REVOLVING LINE OF CREDIT AND THE NON-REVOLVING CREDIT NOTE; PROVIDING FOR THE METHOD OF EXECUTION OF THE NON-REVOLVING CREDIT NOTE; AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH NON-REVOLVING CREDIT NOTE; APPROVING THE FORM OF A LINE OF CREDIT AGREEMENT WITH THE LENDER IN CONNECTION WITH THE NON-REVOLVING CREDIT NOTE AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF SUCH LINE OF CREDIT AGREEMENT AND NON-REVOLVING CREDIT NOTE; AUTHORIZING OTHER REQUIRED ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Attorney Gastesi read the title of the resolution into the record.

Councilmember Fernandez moved the resolution, and it was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez. The main motion, as amended twice, passed 6-0; Mayor Cid was absent.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING PRIORITY OF EMERGENCY LINE OF CREDIT SINKING FUNDS FROM FEDERAL AND, OR STATE OF REIMBURSEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (RUANO)

*This resolution was not part of the published Agenda and was added on the Dais.

Town Attorney Gastesi read the title of the resolution into the record.

Councilmember Ruano explained that during her Agenda Briefing with the Town Manager, she expressed her concern regarding reimbursements of funds the Town receives after an emergency. She stated that this resolution mandates the Town to reallocate those reimbursed funds to the sinking fund, to ensure the payment of the emergency line of credit and to allow the payment to be done in an expeditious manner.

The Deputy Town Attorney presented the resolution. He explained that this is a piggyback to the Line of Credit Resolution that that Councilmember Ruano is offering it as an amendment to the Line of Credit Resolution. Thus, Councilmember Fernandez moved it, and it was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez. The amendment to the main motion passed 5-0; Mayor Cid and Vice Mayor Alvarez were absent.

Town Manager Pidermann then explained that during the budget amendment, the Town Council allocated all the funding for all expenses that go over the opening of the line of credit, from the carry forward amendment. He explained that the only thing that was not from the carry forward amendment were the legal fees for the Town Attorneys. Thus, Town Manager

Pidermann asked for an amendment to be made on this matter and asked for \$30,000 to be transferred from legal reserves to the appropriate line, so we can pay for it. Councilmember Fernandez made a motion to this effect, and it was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez. The second amendment to the main motioned passed 6-0; Mayor Cid was absent.

14. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS:

A. Street Naming for Fred Senra (Ruano)

Councilmember Ruano presented this item in honor of Mr. Fred Senra and explained it would be to rename 59th avenue as Fred Senra Way. She added that he is an amazing human being and proceeded to thank him for all he does for his community, neighboring municipalities, and veterans.

Councilmember Ruano then moved to co-designate 59th avenue as Fred Senra Way. Councilmember Fernandez and Councilmember Collazo seconded simultaneously.

Councilmember Dieguez and Councilmember Fernandez then asked to cosponsor the item and after Councilmember Ruano recognized Ms. Millie Gonzalez for bringing this item to her attention, Councilmember Collazo stated that the sentiment would be for the entire Council to cosponsor this item.

Town Manager Pidermann stated this would start on the north end at 167th however he asked for clarification on how far south and Councilmember Ruano stated as far south as 59th avenue goes. Town Manager Pidermann then added that would be Miami Lakes Drive.

The motion passed 5-0; Vice Mayor Alvarez and Mayor Cid were absent.

Mr. Fred Senra then spoke and stated that the designation is an honor. He acknowledged his partners support all his ideas and stated that he loves the Town and always wants what is best for everyone. He then reiterated how he is honored and hopes to never disappoint.

The Town Council then recessed for 2 minutes to allow for a photo.

After the recess the Deputy Town Clerk, Victoria Martinez called the roll again with the following Councilmember being present: Luis E. Collazo, Josh Dieguez, Tony Fernandez, Ray Garcia, and Marilyn Ruano.

B. Afternoon Traffic Detail Survey Monkey (Dieguez)

Councilmember Dieguez presented this item and made a motion to authorize Town Staff to put together a Survey Monkey that can be distributed by email, etc., asking if the residents feel we should continue funding the pilot program of the afternoon traffic detail that was initiated as a pilot program and make it a permanent part of our budget. Councilmember Fernandez seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0; Mayor Cid was absent.

C. Civil Penalties for Catalytic Converter Robberies (Garcia)

Councilmember Garcia presented this item and explained via motion that due to the alarming rise in catalytic converter robberies in Miami-Dade County, he proposes that the Town work

with the interim Major to impose large civil penalties of \$1,000 per converter and if someone is found or arrested for this, we can find a way to also add civil penalties. He also added that any items that are found from robbing a car or home, we can add additional civil penalties, if allowable, to discourage crime in the town. Councilmember Fernandez seconded his explanation.

Councilmember Fernandez then asked the Town Attorneys if this is allowable, and Deputy Town Attorney Cobiella, stated that the issue is that the State already has this as a crime, and we cannot impose a separate fine. He suggested adopting an ordinance that discourages the stealing of catalytic converters. Councilmember Fernandez then stated he would like Deputy Town Attorney Cobiella to do more research on how the Town can do as suggested.

The motion passed 5-0; Councilmember Dieguez and Mayor Cid were absent.

D. Mental Health Awareness (Collazo)

Councilmember Fernandez made a motion to waive Section 7.2 of the Special Rules of Order and Councilmember Ruano seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0; Councilmember Dieguez and Mayor Cid were absent.

Councilmember Collazo then presented this item and explained that the City of Hialeah has wrapped some of their public works' vehicles with the new 988 number which is a suicide hotline, and they did so through partnering with organizations.

Councilmember Collazo then made a motion directing Town Staff to work with mental health organizations to raise awareness for 988 and other mental health resources and it would be a cost neutral item. Councilmember Fernandez seconded. The motion passed 5-0; Councilmember Dieguez and Mayor Cid were absent.

E. Storm Water Projects Relief for Negatively Impacted Residents (Ruano)

Councilmember Ruano presented this item and explained some of these projects have had negative impacts on residents. In conversations, one thing that came to her attention was that when residents have to redo their approaches or driveways on their own due to these projects, they have to pull a permit and pay a permit fee. In an effort to alleviate some of the burden, Councilmember Ruano would like to find a mechanism by which the Town can reimburse them or somehow cover the cost of the permit. She added that she is aware there are some state statues and other things that may prohibit the Town from doing so.

Councilmember Ruano then made a motion directing Town Staff, the legal team, and Public Works to see if there is any way that the Town can find a way to perhaps create a fund as part of the stormwater projects to utilize for reimbursements. Councilmember Fernandez seconded the motion.

Town Manager Pidermann recommended and requested that if this item were to pass, to give Town Staff an opportunity to explore what avenues there are for any relief for these situations.

After further discussion, the motion passed 6-0; Mayor Cid was absent.

F. Town Drone (Garcia)

Councilmember Garcia presented the item and explained via motion that he was surprised to find out the Town does not have a drone to properly survey upcoming and current projects to be transparent with residents and therefore he asked his colleagues to look into investing in a drone that can be shared by all departments or piggyback on a county contract or find a grant or someone that can donate a drone to help with transparency. Councilmember Fernandez seconded.

Town Manager Pidermann stated Town Staff will conduct research on all aspects of obtaining a drone and will bring back the findings to the Town Council for their consideration.

The motion passed 5-0; Councilmember Collazo and Mayor Cid were absent.

G. Banner Installation (Ruano)

Councilmember Ruano presented this item and explained this item arose when she was driving down the street, seeing the banner installation and she realized this used to be done in the evening hours because it is very disruptive. She added there are a lot of things we do during the day that she believes should be done in the evening.

Councilmember Ruano then made a motion to direct the Town Manager to revisit this evening installation of our banners and furthering the item to also try to revisit street sweeping and pressure cleaning in the evening, cost permitting. Councilmember Fernandez seconded the motion.

After further discussion and questions asked to Town Manager Pidermann and Public Works Director, Mr. Omar Santos, the motion passed 6-0; Mayor Cid was absent.

15. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:

None.

16. MANAGER'S REPORTS:

A. Monthly Police Report (Gonzalez)

Interim Major Jose Gonzalez began the police report by addressing short-term security enhancements and suggestions for Main Street which had been discussed with the Grahams. He also presented the crime report for the month of May and addressed the burglary detail, traffic detail, speeding enforcement, golf carts, and other plans. Interim Major Gonzalez then answered questions posed by the Town Council.

B. Monthly Infrastructure Report (Santos)

Director of Public Works, Mr. Omar Santos, presented the monthly infrastructure report and answered questions posed by the Town Council.

C. Monthly Report on MLOP (Bajdaun)

Director of Parks and Recreation, Mr. Jeremy Bajdaun, presented the monthly report on Miami Lakes Optimist Park and answered questions posed by the Town Council.

D. Park Pavilion Report (Bajdaun)

Director of Parks and Recreation, Mr. Jeremy Bajdaun, presented the report on park pavilions and answered questions posed by the Town Council.

E. CAC – Reallocation of Funds (Pidermann)

Town Manager Pidermann presented this report and explained that this is to move monies from events that have transpired to the Concerts on the Fairway line item to better fund that event. He explained the five moves are dictated in the memo.

Councilmember Dieguez then made a motion to move the request as stated and Councilmember Fernandez seconded. The motion passed 6-0; Mayor Cid was absent.

17. ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Deputy Town Attorney Lorenzo Cobiella reported on Senate Bill 102, the Live Local Act, which was passed. This Act provides historic funding for workforce housing. He added that it can and will eventually have a profound impact on the Town and what we can do with future developments. He asked to have a Workshop in either July or August in which himself and Principal Town Planner Ms. Susana Alonso can come back and discuss it with the Town Council.

Councilmember Dieguez then made a motion for the Town Attorney to come back to the Town Council in August with a report on the Live Local Act and what the Town can do to adapt with it. Councilmember Fernandez seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0; Mayor Cid was absent.

18. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Town Council, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Approved this 11th day of July 2023.

Manny Cid, Mayor

Attest:

Gina M. Inguanzo, Town Clerk