

MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
April 5, 2016
6:30 PM
Government Center
6601 Main Street
Miami Lakes, Florida 33014

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Pizzi called the meeting to order at 7:17 PM. Special Presentations started at 6::00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL:

The Town Clerk, Gina Inguanzo, called the roll with the following Councilmembers present: Manny Cid, Tony Lama, Ceasar Mestre, Frank Mingo, Nelson Rodriguez, and Mayor Michael Pizzi. Vice Mayor Tim Daubert was absent.

3. MOMENT OF SILENCE

Pastor Bodin led the moment of silence.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Gloria Velasquez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

The Mayor and Council presented a special recognition to the Main St. Banner Art Contest Winners.

The Mayor and Council presented a special recognition to the Charter Revision Commissioners for their commitment to the Town of Miami Lakes. The Mayor also presented a special recognition to Councilman Ceasar Mestre for his involvement in the Charter Revision Commission.

The Mayor and Council presented a special recognition to Brian Rodriguez for his exemplary efforts in promoting civic engagement among youth of all ages in Miami Lakes. His involvement allowed him to receive the National PTA Youth Advocacy of the Year Award demonstrating the positive impact his creativity, leadership, and dedication has had in our community.

The Mayor and Council presented a special recognition to Dr. Michael Alessandri, Director of the UM/NSU Center for Autism & Related Disabilities in Miami Lakes. Under his

direction, the UM/NSU CARD provides essential services to the special needs community. Ivan accepted the award on his behalf.

The Mayor and Council presented an award to Marianela Alvarez for her work as founder and team captain for The Hope for Autism Community Team. Marianela Alvarez has become a voice for her son as well as many other children with autism and other disabilities in the community. Since its founding, the Hope for Autism team has educated community members, advocated for children's rights, and created activities oriented to include special children into society. Claudia Luces accepted the award on her behalf.

The Mayor and Council presented an award to Oscar Amuz for his involvement in the founding of Autism Soccer. Autism Soccer has provided services to local schools and expanded to provide services for children diagnosed with mental, neurological, and physical disabilities. Since its start in spreading awareness in our community, Autism Soccer is now working to unite experts in the field of Autism to provide information on effective treatment for individuals in Latin America, where resources and information about autism are exceptionally poor.

The Mayor and Council presented a proclamation to Oscar Amuz in honor of Autism Awareness Month.

The Mayor and Council presented a special recognition to a Main St. Banner Art Contest Winner.

Councilman Ceasar Mestre took a moment of personal privilege to recognize the Project Citizen winners in the audience.

The Town of Miami Lakes was presented a "Healthy Weight Community Champion" Award from the Florida Department of Health.

The Town of Miami Lakes was presented a \$13,000 check by Commissioner Esteban Bovo to keep the Town of Miami Lakes' Senior Programs funded.

Mayor Pizzi asked for a five minute recess.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Ingy-Cruz came before the Town Council to speak in support of the help her 7th grade class and Bobcat Law Society group received from the Town of Miami Lakes Councilmembers and Town of Miami Lakes Staff.

Mayor Pizzi took a moment to recognize the Relay for Life group in the audience.

Dr. Dave Bennett came before the Town Council to speak against the Mobility Fee ordinance. He suggested an improved signal system, more mass transit, and urged the Town to propose the County to get large vehicles off the streets during rush hour.

Pastor Stuart Bodin and Jorge Garcia came before the town to speak to speak in favor of Celebrate Recovery, Item 14A. Jorge Garcia gave a brief testimony on the program and how it has affected him.

Mayor Pizzi and the Councilmembers stepped down from the dais to present a Special Recognition to Main St. Banner Art Contest winners.

Esther Colon came before the Town Council to speak in regards to Items 10B, C, D, and F; 12A, and 12E. She spoke about transparency in government and honoring the Citizens' Bill of Rights.

Carol Wiley came before the Town Council to speak on a Quasi-Judicial matter, Item 13B. She was told she would have to be sworn in to testify on this Item.

The Mayor, Town Attorney, and Town Clerk clarified which items were Quasi-Judicial: Item 13A, Item 13B, 13C, and 13D.

Councilman Tony Lama spoke on a moment of personal privilege to recognize Ms. Bunny Patchen who came to thank the great work done by the Town Staff, specifically Elia Nunez and the Public Works department.

Gloria Garcia came before the Town Council to speak in support of the Town Council and Town Staff's cooperation in the Relay for Life event.

Lynn Matos came before the Town Council to speak in support of the town's staff for their involvement with Relay for Life. She also thanked the Miami Lakes Police Department and Firefighters. She announced Relay for Life in Miami Lakes will be coming back next year.

Councilman Nelson Rodriguez took a moment of personal privilege to thank Carmen Garcia, Carmen Stewart, and Nicole Singletary for all they did for Relay for Life.

Cindy Beyer came before the town to thank the Mayor for inviting her to the Relay for Life event. She spoke against the Public Works department handling of the closure of a traffic on 67th avenue. She also spoke against the trash and furniture deposited on Biscayne Canal Bank which is attracting a criminal element.

Geoffrey Shideler came before the town to speak in support of efforts to improve traffic gridlock and the implementation of the complete streets program. He stated the town scored low on "walkability."

Michael Huffaker came before the town to speak in favor of Item 13B.

Mirtha Mendez came before the town to speak against the amount of time it took for the meeting to commence. She also came before the town to speak against the traffic problems that could affect the town due to the new development and the Ana Mendez University.

Claudia Luces came before the town to thank Councilman Mestre for recognizing Marianela Alvarez. She is thankful the town is recognizing Autism Awareness Month.

Former Mayor Wayne Slaton came before the town to speak in favor of Item 13B.

Darryl Roberts and Vivian Roberts came before the town to speak about the SAFEE Flight Air Expo. Their goal is to bring aviation exposure to Dade county students.

Chris Knox came before the town to speak about the partnership between YMCA and Swimming with Jenny.

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

Mayor Pizzi asked to combine 13A and D and moved it up after the committee reports.

Mayor Pizzi pulled items 10B, 10C, 10E and 10F from consent.

Councilmember Rodriguez requested to co-sponsor Lama's item on traffic.

Councilman Mestre asked to move 17A after consent.

Town Manager asked to defer Item 13C to the May meeting.

Mayor Pizzi asked to move 13B after consent, before 17A.

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended and all were in favor. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

8. APPOINTMENTS:

There were no appointments.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mara Falero, Chair of the EDC, came before town to waive the reading of The Economic Development Committee reports.

Louis Collazo, Chair of the Elderly Affairs Committee, came before the town to recognize the Elderly Affairs Committee's senior living guide. He also mentioned that on May 14 the Committee will be showcasing their partnership with Miami Dade County and their senior services.

Josh Dieguez, Chair of the Neighborhood Improvement Committee, came before the town to waive the reading of the Neighborhood Improvement Committee reports.

10. CONSENT CALENDAR:

A. Approval of Minutes:

- March 1 2016 Regular Council Meeting
- March 15 2016 Special Call Meeting on Adoption of LMS
- March 15 2016 Canal Stabilization Workshop
- March 15 2016 Sign Code Workshop
- March 16 2016 Special Call Meeting on Setting the Date for Special Election

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda. The motion received a second from Councilman Mestre and all were in favor. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

B. RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES PROVIDING FOR QUALITY NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM PAYMENTS AND TRANSFERRING LOCAL PARKS TO THE TOWN; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING TOWN OFFICIALS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (REY)

The Town Attorney read the title of the resolution into the record. Councilman Cid made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Mestre seconded the motion and all were in favor. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

C. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMIDADE COUNTY AND THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES PROVIDING FOR FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) FUNDED STORMWATER DRAINAGE PROJECTS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING TOWN OFFICIALS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (REY)

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

Councilman Cid made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Rodriguez seconded the motion and all were in favor. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

- D. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, TO APPROVE AWARD OF RFP 2016-21, TOWN FIREWORKS DISPLAY TO ZAMBELLI FIREWORKS MANUFACTURING COMPANY, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED BUDGETED FUNDS PER FISCAL YEAR; 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. (REY)

Approved on Consent.

- E. CONTRACT CHANGE ORDER- CONCRETE, CURB AND GUTTER REPLACEMENT. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER UNDER CONTRACT No. 2014-90, FOR CONCRETE, CURB AND GUTTER REPLACEMENT, WITH AUM CONSTRUCTION, INC. IN AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$166,800 FOR PART "A" OF THE CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CHANGE ORDER; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (REY)

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

Councilman Mestre made a motion to approve the resolution and the motion received a second from Councilman Cid. The Town Clerk called the roll and all were in favor. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

- F. LAKE MARTHA CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION SERVICES - ADDITIONAL SERVICES. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION ADMINISTRATION SERVICES FOR THE LAKE MARTHA ROADWAY AND DRAINAGE PROJECT UNDER CONTRACT NO. 2012-04 FOR MISCELLANEOUS ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH ADA ENGINEERING, INC.;

MODIFYING THE BUDGET APPROVED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 BY ORDINANCE NO. 15-186, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 16-190; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE CONTRACT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (REY)

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilman Lama seconded the motion and all were in favor.

- G. CONTRACT ASSIGNMENTS - RIGHT OF WAY MAINTENANCE AND TREE TRIMMING SERVICES. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT TO ASSIGN CONTRACT 2012-02BG BETWEEN THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES AND THE BRICKMAN GROUP LTD, LLC FOR TREE TRIMMING SERVICES TO BRIGHTVIEW TREE CARE SERVICES, INC.; APPROVING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT TO ASSIGN CONTRACT 2012-05RBG BETWEEN THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES AND THE BRICKMAN GROUP LTD, LLC FOR GROUNDS MAINTENANCE SERVICES TO BRIGHTVIEW LANDSCAPE SERVICES, INC.; AUTHORIZING TOWN OFFICIALS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT AMENDMENTS AND ASSIGNMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT AMENDMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (REY)

Approved on Consent.

11. ORDINANCES-FIRST READING (PUBLIC HEARING)

- A. SIGN CODE ORDINANCE. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE BY AMENDING ARTICLE IX, SECTIONS 13-1901 THROUGH 13-1905, ADDING SECTIONS 13-1906 AND 13-1907; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Rey/Gastesi)

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to extend the meeting to midnight. The meeting was seconded by Councilman Lama and all were in favor. Soon thereafter, Mayor Pizzi made a motion to re-consider his motion to extend the meeting. Councilman Mestre seconded his motion. Mayor Pizzi then asked to defer the Mobility Fee ordinance and resolution to

a later date and to schedule a special call meeting before May 2nd. The motion was seconded by Councilman Mingo and all were in favor. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

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

Councilman Mingo made a motion to approve the Ordinance in first reading, with the caveat that a Sign Code workshop be held between the first and second reading. The motion received a second from Mayor Pizzi. The Town Clerk called the roll and the Ordinance in first reading passed unanimously, Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

12. ORDINANCES-SECOND READING (PUBLIC HEARING)

- A. MOBILITY FEE ORDINANCE. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE BY AMENDING ARTICLE III, SECTIONS 13-302 AND 13-304, AMENDING ARTICLE X, CREATING NEW DIVISION 1, GENERALLY, NEW DIVISION 2, MOBILITY FEE AND NEW DIVISION 3, SCHOOL CONCURRENCY, AMENDING SECTIONS 13-2001 AND 13-2002, ADDING SECTIONS 13-2003 THROUGH 13-2013 AND RENUMBERING REMAINING SECTIONS AS NECESSARY; MENDING ARTICLE XI, SECTION 13-2102; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Cid/Rey)

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

Mayor Pizzi asked to defer the Mobility Fee Ordinance and resolution to a later date and to schedule a special call meeting before the May 2nd Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Mingo and all were in favor. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

13. RESOLUTIONS:

- A. RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE (DORMANT) CENTRE LAKE MULTIPURPOSE MAINTENANCE SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT FOR THE PROPERTY GENERALLY LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF NW 87 AVENUE AND NORTHWEST 154 STREET AND IDENTIFIED BY MIAMI DADE COUNTY TAX FOLIO NO. 32-2016-000-0020 ("DUNNWOODY LAKE"); AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Rey)

The Town Attorney, Raul Gastesi, read the title of the Resolution into the record.

Councilman Lama made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion received a second from Councilman Mestre. The Town Clerk called the roll and the motion passed 5-1. Councilman Cid voted in opposition. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

- B. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING A REQUEST IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 13-303 OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR A CONDITIONAL USE FOR A NONPUBLIC EDUCATIONAL FACILITY; APPROVING A REQUEST IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 13-304 OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR A SITE PLAN APPROVAL; SUBMITTED FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 15201 NW 79TH COURT, MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, FOLIO NUMBER 32-2022-009-0025, IN THE IU-C ZONING DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL WITH A MODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR VIOLATION OF CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR APPEAL; AND, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (REY)

The Town Attorney, Raul Gastesi, read the quasi-judicial procedures and the resolution to the record. The Town Clerk swore in anyone wishing to speak.

Mr. Jose Bueno, spoke in support of the resolution.

Mr. John Tingle spoke in support of the resolution.

Mayor Pizzi then opened up the public hearing.

Carol Wyllie spoke in support of the resolution.

Brandon Schaad, Planning Director for the Town of Miami Lakes, presented the item and answered questions posed by the Town Council.

Councilman Lama made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion received a second from Councilman Mestre and the motion passed 4-2. Councilman Cid and Mayor Pizzi voted in opposition. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

Mayor Pizzi called for a 5 minute break and Councilman Rodriguez made a motion to take a 5 to 10 minute recess. All were in favor.

- C. SITE PLAN AMENDMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6723 KINGSMOOR WAY. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, DENYING A REQUEST IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 13-304 AND SECTION 13-445 OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR A SITE PLAN AMENDMENT FOR THE ADDITION OF ENCLOSED AIR CONDITIONED SPACE TO AN EXISTING TOWNHOUSE UNIT; DENYING REQUESTS FOR VARIANCES FROM SUBSECTIONS 13-444 (9) AND 13-444(10) FOR TOWNHOUSE REAR SETBACK REQUIREMENTS AND TOWNHOUSE OUTDOOR PATIO AREA REQUIREMENTS; FOR PROPERTY LOCATED 6723 KINGSMOOR WAY, MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, FOLIO NUMBER 32-2014-009-0370, IN THE RU-TH ZONING DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR

INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR DENIAL; PROVIDING FOR APPEAL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (REY)

This resolution was deferred to the May Council Meeting.

- D. RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING A REQUEST IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUBSECTION 13-308(F)(2) OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR A PRELIMINARY PLAT ENTITLED DUNNWOODY LAKE SUBMITTED FOR PROPERTY LOCATED NORTH OF NW 154TH STREET AND BETWEEN NW 87TH AVENUE AND I-75, MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, FOLIO NUMBER 32-2016-000-0020, IN THE RM-13 ZONING DISTRICT; PROVIDING FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL; PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR VIOLATION OF CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR APPEAL; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (REY)

The Town Attorney, Raul Gastesi, read the quasi-judicial procedures and read the title of the resolution into the record.

The Town Clerk, Gina Inguanzo, swore in anyone wishing to speak.

Mayor Pizzi opened up the public hearing.

Gloria Velazquez, spoke in favor of the resolution and urged the Town Council to support and approve said resolution.

Brandon Schaad, Planning Director for the Town of Miami Lakes presented the item and answered questions a posed by the Town Council.

Hugo Arza, spoke in favor of the resolution and urged the Town Council to support and approve said resolution.

Councilman Mingo made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion received a second from Councilman Lama. The Town Clerk called the roll and the motion passed 4-2. Councilman Cid and Mayor Pizzi voted in opposition. Vice Chairman Daubert was absent.

- E. MOBILITY FEE RESOLUTION. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING THE MEAN AUTO OCCUPANCY BY LAND USE AND THE RATE PER DAILY TRIP UNDER THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES MOBILITY FEE. PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Rey)

The Town Attorney, Raul Gastesi, read the title of the Resolution into the record.

Mayor Pizzi asked to defer the Mobility Fee ordinance and resolution to a later date and to schedule a special call meeting before May 2nd and the motion was seconded by Councilman Mingo. All were in favor. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

14. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Faith Based Initiatives (Cid)

Councilman Cid made a motion for the Town to allow Celebrate Recovery to advertise on the Town's Website, on the Community Calendar, on Facebook Page and all other media services used by the Town and if the Town of Miami Lakes Grants Writer comes across any grant opportunities that the Federal government has regarding faith based initiatives, I would like the Grants Writer to then pass the information along to Pastor Bodin. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pizzi for discussion. The Town Manager emphasized that the Town would not provide for funding but would be more than willing to pass the information to them, if the Grants Writer becomes aware of any opportunity for of this nature. All were in favor. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to extend the meeting to midnight and the motion received a second from Councilman Rodriguez. Mayor Pizzi then a motion to reconsider the motion that was made to extend the meeting. The motion received a second by Councilman Mestre.

B. Accelerating our Efforts to Resolve Traffic Gridlock (Lama)

Councilman Lama made a motion asking the Town Manager to continue putting pressure on staff and on the related agencies and also asked Mayor Pizzi to accelerate all efforts to resolve the traffic gridlock in our town and to take this before the MPO and request the funding for the NW 67th Avenue and the Gratigny, traffic studies that are going to be conducted and engineering work that is needed for 67th Avenue and the Gratigny, and for all of this to be done quickly. The motion received a second from Mayor Pizzi. The Town Clerk called the roll and all were in favor. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

C. Miami Lakes Budget Oversight and Efficiency in Government (Pizzi)

Mayor Pizzi deferred this item and expressed his desire for this item to be discussed during the Budget cycle.

D. Infrastructure Week Across America - May 16 - 23, 2016 (Cid)

Councilman Cid made a motion requesting for a resolution, officially recognizing infrastructure week in the May Council Meeting and he expressed that he would like to coordinate a field trip for the councilmembers to visit the Miami Dade County Traffic Signals and Signs Division and the Miami Dade County Water & Sewage Plant, in order

to celebrate Infrastructure week. Mayor Pizzi seconded the motion and all were in favor. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

E. Leveraging Technology for Council Meetings (Lama, Cid)

Councilman Lama asked his colleagues to discuss the use of technology for Town Council Meetings. Specifically, Councilman Lama addressed the use of skype services during the Council Meetings. Councilman Rodriguez seconded Councilman Lama's efforts to discuss the role of skype services in said meetings. Councilman Cid also mentioned his desired for the Town to offer services of skype for public comments and said that he believed it was a good idea for the Town of Miami Lakes.

F. Implementation of Complete Streets Program (Pizzi, Cid)

Mayor Pizzi made a motion directing staff to take affirmative steps to implement the complete street concept throughout the Code, to the extent that it is feasible to the Town. The motion received a second from Councilman Cid.

After some discussion, Mayor Pizzi amended his motion, and directed the Town Manager to come back with a memo, giving the Town Council options on how to implement complete streets program with or without the mobility fee ordinance and for this memo to include options for payments. Councilman Lama seconded this motion and all were in favor. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

G. Lobbyist Contract (Lama)

Councilman Lama made a motion requesting the Town Manager to start the process and evaluate what the criteria would be with respect to the lobbying firm that would start services in January 2017, given the fact that the current lobbyist contract is due to expire in January 2017. Councilman Lama stated that he would like the service to be bid out. Mayor Pizzi seconded the motion and all were in favor.

H. Avoidance of Traffic Obstruction

Mayor Pizzi asked the Town Manager to explain what is the Town's protocol and procedure on notification and mitigation of impact on construction projects in our town. The Town Manager explained that the Town uses the Miami Laker, social media, the Town Website and Smart Sign to communicate to the residents. Also, the Town Manager explained that if the project can start and stop, the project is done during off hours and during the weekends. If the project is one that cannot start and stop, the Town Manager will aim to finish the construction project as soon as possible.

Town Manager also explained that staff is developing a community calendar, in which all projects that will be done by the Town, by ATT, and by Water & Sewage, will be

included in said calendar, so that residents can have access to the calendar and be informed at all times relevant, of what project is going to be taking place and

15. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:

- A. National League of Cities Congressional City Conference (Cid)
Councilman Cid requested to skip the Mayor and Councilmember's report due to time constraints. All were in favor.
- B. Roadway Expansion of Windmill Gate Rd (Rodriguez)
Councilman Cid requested to skip the Mayor and Councilmember's report due to time constraints. All were in favor.
- C. Meeting with County Mayor (Pizzi)
Councilman Cid requested to skip the Mayor and Councilmember's report due to time constraints. All were in favor.
- D. Flood Insurance Rating (Pizzi)
Councilman Cid requested to skip the Mayor and Councilmember's report due to time constraints. All were in favor.
- E. Swimming with Jenny Program (Pizzi)
*This item required a waiver of Section 6.7 of the Council Rules and Procedures.

Mayor Pizzi asked the Town Manager for the Town of Miami Lakes to work with "Swimming with Jenny" and with the Opa Locka Airport Flight Expo Program and to help with the promotion of these two programs. Mayor Pizzi stated that these two programs would not require expenditures of funds.

16. MANAGER'S REPORT:

- A. Boat Storage Yard

The Town Manager explained that the Town has been engaging in conversations with Miami Dade Aviation Department regarding a possible location for the Boat Yard facility. The Town Manager explained that the next step is to send a letter to Miami Dade Aviation Department expressing that the Town is interested in purchasing a property from them, so they can start the process to declare a surplus and for them to appraise the value. The Town Manager clearly stated that it does not mean that the Town would need to purchase the property but it would initiate the process and help them make a determination as to whether or the Town agrees with the appraised value. Councilman

Cid made a motion in accordance to the Town Manager's recommendation. Councilman Rodriguez seconded it and all were in favor. Vice Mayor Daubert was absent.

B. Charter Revision Voter's Guide

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to extend the meeting for 15 minutes more minutes. All were in favor.

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to send the Voter's Guide to the Good Government, for them to review the language and to do a notice in The Laker and in the Town Website. The motion died due to a lack of second.

Shortly thereafter, Mayor Pizzi made a motion to send the language of the Voter's Guide to the Good Government and to let them review it. Councilman Lama seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Then, Councilman Lama made a motion to send the language of the Voter's Guide to the Good Government for them to review it, condense it, get rid of any inflammatory language, neutralize it and send it out as is, via a mailer. This motion was seconded by Councilman Mestre and all were in favor.

17. ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

A. Mayor Pizzi's Litigation against the Town of Miami Lakes

In regards to the remaining lawsuit where the Mayor is seeking \$2 million in attorney's fees for his criminal defense, Mr. Gastesi explained that an email circulated from the Mayor's Legal team expressing their intention to abate the cause of action for 45 days. Mr. Gastesi explained that he has asked the Mayor's legal team to abate the cause of action while he proceeds against the insurance company. However, Mr. Gastesi stated that the 45 days are over and that the Mayor's Legal team has proceeded with the litigation and in full force. Mr. Gastesi said that the legal fees will be extensive and he proceeded to ask for an Executive Session.

Once Mr. Gastesi finished speaking, Mr. Reiner, Mayor Pizzi's attorney, asked to speak. Mayor Pizzi then made a motion to open the Public Comments section and after discussion, the motion was seconded by Councilman Mingo. All were in favor.

Mr. David Reiner spoke about the hearing scheduled to take place on May 13th which is a Motion to Dismiss hearing that was coordinated with the Town's Attorney. He also mentioned that other hearings have been scheduled to take place. Regarding the Insurance case, he stated that a complaint has been filed but that no motion to dismiss has been filed.

After much discussion, Ms. Esther Colon spoke about following proper and historically procedure that must be respected during the public comments section of the meeting. She also spoke about the appearance of impropriety of having public comments re-opened after that section of the meeting was closed and about the public records that she will continue doing to educate herself and others about the legal expenses incurred by the Town.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

Approved this 3rd day of May 2016.

Michael Pizzi, Mayor

Attest:

Gina M. Inganzo, Town Clerk