

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**December 4, 2018**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**Government Center**  
**6601 Main Street**  
**Miami Lakes, Florida 33014**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Manny Cid called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. ROLL CALL:**

The Town Clerk, Gina Inguanzo, called the roll with the following Councilmembers being present: Carlos Alvarez, Luis Collazo, Joshua Dieguez, Jeffrey Rodriguez, Marilyn Ruano, Vice Mayor Nelson Rodriguez and Mayor Manny Cid.

**3. MOMENT OF SILENCE:**

Rabbi Weiss from the Chabad of Miami Lakes led the invocation.

**4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Boy Scout Troop 584 led the pledge of allegiance and the presentation of colors.

**5. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:**

Boy Scout Troop 584 led the presentation of colors.

A proclamation was presented to the Miami Lakes Zonta Club to recognize their End Violence Against Women campaign.

Eagle Scout Danny Armina from the Boy Scout Troop 584 was recognized for his 21 merit badges earned and for completing his Eagle Leadership Project.

The American Legion Post 144 recognized the Town of Miami Lakes with a proclamation for the Town's welcoming stand, over the years, towards the American Legion Post 144.

The Town presented a check of the funds raised during the Mayor's Gala for the Special Needs Advisory Board.

Students from the Civic Engagement Academy from Bob Graham Education Center presented a video of their Feed the Meter program.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Nayib Hassan came before the Town Council to thank all the volunteers and sponsors involved in the 5K Jingle Bell Jog.

Al Leoncio came before the Town Council to speak in favor of Edward Pidermann's consideration for the position of Town Manager.

Jim Hamilton Maria Kramer came before the Town Council to speak in favor of Edward Pidermann's consideration for the position of Town Manager.

Maurice Kempt came before the Town Council to speak in favor of Edward Pidermann's consideration for the position of Town Manager.

Hugo Rodriguez came before the Town Council to speak in favor of Edward Pidermann's consideration for the position of Town Manager.

Gerald Churchill came before the Town Council to thank the Council on their efforts with the Windmill Gate Homeowners Association.

Abel Fernandez came before the Town Council to congratulate the newly elected officials and speak on the Town Manager selection process.

Dr. David Bennett came before the Town Council to speak on the Town Manager selection process.

Mirtha Mendez came before the Town Council to speak on the roadway improvements in Miami Lakes.

Herminio Lorenzo came before the Town Council to speak in favor of Edward Pidermann's consideration for the position of Town Manager.

Michael Huffaker came before the Town Council to speak on the Town Manager selection process.

Maria Kramer came before the Town Council to speak on the Town Manager selection process.

Angelo Garcia came before the Town Council to speak on his concern of the canal embankment.

Tony Fernandez came before the Town Council to speak on the Town Manager selection process.

Manny Lopez came before the Town Council to speak on the Special Taxing Districts.

Peter Montenez came before the Town Council to speak in favor of Edward Pidermann's consideration for the position of Town Manager.

Claudia Luces came before the Town Council to speak on the line item of park improvements included in the budget.

Eloy Garcia came before the Town Council to speak in favor of Edward Pidermann's consideration for the position of Town Manager.

Roberto Alonso, via remote public comments, spoke in favor of Edward Pidermann's consideration for the position of Town Manager.

The Town Clerk voiced into the record the received email comments in support of Edward Pidermann for the selection of Town Manager.

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

Mayor Manny Cid motioned to co-sponsor item 10B. Councilmember Joshua Dieguez motioned to combine items 11A and 11C. Councilmember Ruano motioned to approve the new Order of Business. Councilmember Rodriguez seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

**8. APPOINTMENTS:**

Jesus Mendoza was appointed to the Blasting Advisory Board, nominated by Councilmember Carlos Alvarez.

Edward Paez was appointed to the Veteran's Committee, nominated by Councilmember Joshua Dieguez.

Stephanie Cruz was appointed to the Elderly Affair's Committee, nominated by Councilmember Joshua Dieguez.

Eddy Seden was appointed to the Youth Activities Task Force, nominated by Councilmember Joshua Dieguez.

Angel Luis Vazquez was appointed to the Veteran's Committee, nominated by Councilmember Luis Collazo.

Javier Ley-Soto was appointed to the Neighborhood Improvement Committee, nominated by Councilmember Jeffrey Rodriguez.

Juan-Carlos Fernandez was appointed to the Planning & Zoning Board, nominated by Councilmember Jeffrey Rodriguez.

Hector Abad was appointed to the Education Advisory Board, nominated by Councilmember Jeffrey Rodriguez.

Dr. Herman Vera was appointed to the Blasting Advisory Board, nominated by Councilmember Jeffrey Rodriguez.

Reynaldo Garcia was appointed to the Neighborhood Improvement Committee, nominated by Vice Mayor Nelson Rodriguez.

Alejandro Sanchez was appointed to the Neighborhood Improvement Committee, nominated by Mayor Manny Cid.

Stanley Lichaj was appointed to the Public Safety Committee, nominated by Mayor Manny Cid.

Helen Roldan was appointed to the Sports Hall of Fame Committee, nominated by Mayor Manny Cid.

Councilmember Collazo motioned to approve the appointments. Vice Mayor Rodriguez seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

#### **9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Sports Hall of Fame Committee Chair, Roman Garcia, reported on their requested changes to the Committee's resolution to aide in the organization of induction ceremonies.

Mayor Cid motioned to approve the changes to Resolution 15-1291. Vice Mayor Rodriguez seconded the motion. Councilmember Collazo amended the original motion to not lock in the date to the second week of June. Councilmember Alvarez seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

#### **10. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Councilmember Collazo motioned to approve the items under the Consent Calendar. Vice Mayor Rodriguez seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

##### **A. Approval of Minutes**

- October 2, 2018 Regular Council Meeting Minutes
- October 16, 2018 Special Call Meeting Minutes
- October 22, 2018 Attorney-Client Executive Session Minutes
- October 22, 2018 Special Call Meeting Minutes
- October 23, 2018 Traffic Study Workshop Minutes
- November 27, 2018 Regular Council Meeting Minutes

Approved on Consent.

- ##### **B. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$57,000.00 TO CONTRACT NO. 2018-38 WITH H&R PAVING, INC.; AUTHORIZING TOWN OFFICIALS TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CHANGE ORDER;**

AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CHANGE ORDER; AUTHORIZING THE MANAGER TO EXPEND CAPITAL FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Approved on Consent.

- C. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR RFP 2018-36, AGENDA MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE TO ESCRIBE SOFTWARE, LTD. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$166,000.00 IN THE INITIAL TERM AND NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00 IN SUBSEQUENT TERMS; 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.

Approved on Consent.

- D. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO UTILIZE CDW GOVERNMENT, LLC, CONTRACTS 2018011-01 AND 171725-01 WITH THE NATIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL PURCHASING ALLIANCE AND CONTRACT 100614-CDW WITH NATIONAL JOINT PURCHASING ALLIANCE FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PURCHASES; WAIVING THE PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO ACCESS THE STATE AND FEDERAL CONTRACTS AND TO IMPLEMENT THEIR TERMS AND CONDITIONS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE CONTRACTS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Approved on Consent.

## **11. NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Resolution Extending Manager Selection (Dieguez)  
Councilmember Dieguez motioned to pull his item.
- B. Speed Study on Balgowan Road (Alvarez)  
Councilmember Alvarez motioned to start a speed study to minimize the speed limit going into the community on Balgowan Road. Councilmember Rodriguez seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

C. Manager Hiring Process (N. Rodriguez)

This item was discussed along with item 11A.

Vice Mayor Rodriguez motioned to nominate Ana Garcia for the next Town Manager position. Councilmember Ruano seconded the motion.

Councilmember Dieguez nominated Edward Pidermann for the Town Manager position.

Councilmember Rodriguez nominated Edward Pidermann for the Town Manager position.

Councilmember Alvarez nominated Edward Pidermann for the Town Manager position.

Mayor Cid nominated Edward Pidermann for the Town Manager position.

Vice Mayor Rodriguez withdrew his motion.

Councilmember Dieguez motioned to nominate Edward Pidermann for the Town Manager position. Councilmember Alvarez seconded the motion.

The Town Clerk called the roll and the motion passed, 6-0, with Councilmember Collazo absent.

D. Saturday Town Hall Hours (Cid)

Mayor Cid made a motion requesting from the Town Manager to analyze the type of services that could be offered to Town residents on a Saturday. Councilmember Collazo seconded the motion and amended the motion by adding to analyze the possibility of extending office hours as an alternative. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Resolution directing Town Manager to ban or restrict the use of glyphosate-based herbicides in public parks, lakes and other Town Property (J. Rodriguez)

Councilmember Rodriguez made a motion requesting that the Town Manager to research on banning or restricting the use of glyphosate-based herbicides in public parks. Vice Mayor Rodriguez seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

F. Change of Council Meeting Date (N. Rodriguez)

Vice Mayor Rodriguez motioned to change the Regular Council Meeting day from the current first Tuesday of the month to the second Tuesday starting in March 2019 and also changing the January meeting date to January 15<sup>th</sup> 2019. Mayor Cid seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

G. Ceasar Mestre Public Safety Act (Dieguez)

Councilmember Dieguez made a motion to increase and manage the number of Police Officers present at Town events for security purposes. Councilmember Collazo seconded the motion. Councilmember Dieguez amended his motion to include a threat assessment

model and at least one officer must be present at each Movies at the Park event. Councilmember Rodriguez seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

H. Town of Miami Lakes Police Reserve Program Sober (J. Rodriguez)

Councilmember Rodriguez made a motion consider the option of implementing a Police Reserve Program in Miami Lakes to encourage retired police officers to volunteer their time in the community. Councilmember Dieguez seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

I. Historical Society Committee (Dieguez)

Councilmember Dieguez made a motion to cease the existence of the Historical Society Committee and transfer or encourage the Cultural Affairs and Neighborhood Improvement Committee to take on the functions. Councilmember Ruano seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

J. Reduce Speed Limit on Miami Lakeway North and Miami Lakeway South (J. Rodriguez)

Councilmember Rodriguez made a motion to lower the speed limit from 35 to 30 MPH on Miami Lakeway North and Miami Lakeway South. Vice Mayor Rodriguez seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**12. MANAGER'S REPORT:**

A. Town Manager Monthly Police Activity Report

Javier Ruiz, Town Commander, provided the monthly police report to the Town Council. He reported on the LPR's placement update.

B. Miami Lakes Optimist Club Contract

Tony Lopez, Chief of Operations, reported on the Miami Lakes Optimist Club contract renewal for an additional 5-year period and it's amended items. Councilmember Ruano made a motion to approve the addition of \$5 per registration. Councilmember Dieguez seconded the motion. Councilmember Ruano then withdrew her motion.

Councilmember Alvarez made a motion requesting that CPR certified volunteers be present during practices at Miami Lakes Optimist Park be CPR certified. Councilmember Dieguez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

C. Request for Reallocation of Funds for the Cultural Affairs Committee

Vice Mayor Rodriguez made a motion approving the reallocation of funds for the Disco and Jazz concerts. Councilmember Collazo seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

D. January Council Meeting Date

This item was discussed and approved under item 11F.

**13. ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

A. Attorney's Report on Pending Litigation

The Town Attorney, Raul Gastesi, reported on the need to transfer the amount of \$50,000 from the \$400,000 litigation reserve to pay for litigation expenses. Councilmember Ruano motioned to approve the transfer. Councilmember Rodriguez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Town Council, the meeting adjourned at 12:36 a.m.

Approved on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019.

Attest:

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Manny Cid, Mayor

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Gina Inguanzo, Town Clerk