



City of Miami Springs, Florida

City Council Meeting

Regular Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 25, 2022 7:00 p.m.

City Hall Council Chambers, 201 Westward Drive, Miami Springs, Florida

Virtual Council Meeting using Communications Media Technology Pursuant to
Governor's Executive Order 20-69

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call:** The meeting was called to order by the Mayor at 7:02 p.m.

Present were the following:

Mayor Maria Puente Mitchell

Vice Mayor Walter Fajet, Ph.D.

Councilman Bob Best

Councilwoman Jacky Bravo

Councilman Victor Vazquez, Ph.D.

City Manager/Finance Director William Alonso

Assistant City Manager Tammy Romero

City Clerk Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria

City Attorney Haydee Sera

City Attorney Roger Pou

Chief of Police Armando Guzman

City Planner Chris Heid (via Zoom)

Recreation Director Omar Luna

2. **Invocation:** Offered by Councilwoman Jacky Bravo
Pledge of Allegiance: Audience participated in leading the pledge.
3. **Agenda / Order of Business**
4. **Awards & Presentations: None at this time.**
5. **Open Forum:** The following members of the public addressed the City Council: Kaylynn Diaz, 224 Carlisle Drive; and Alisa Trujillo, 721 Lenape Drive.
6. **Approval of Council Minutes:**
 - A) April 11, 2022 – Regular Meeting

Mayor Mitchell offered a friendly amendment to the minutes, under Mayor Mitchell's Council comments, "Mayor Mitchell offered a friendly amendment to the minutes, under Mayor Mitchell's Council comments, "Mayor Mitchell recognized the Miami Springs Woman's Club and Katie Wardenski, Carpenter and Juan Calvo, Architect who built a Little Free Library replica of the Woman's Club building. It is located on Park Street in

front of the Woman’s Club to encourage reading and sharing of books in our community. The Mayor said she was humbled and honored that the Woman's Club dedicated the Little Library to her, a the first female mayor of the city. She expressed her deepest condolences to the Michael Finney family for their loss. Mr. Finney was the CEO and President of the Beacon Council, and a member of the Miami Springs Business and Economic Task Force. He will be greatly missed in South Florida.”

Councilman Best moved to approve the corrected minutes of the April 11, 2022 Regular Meeting. Councilman Vazquez seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Fajet, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Bravo, Councilman Vazquez, and Mayor Mitchell voting Yes.

7. Reports from Boards & Commissions: None at this time.

8. Public Hearings: None at this time.

9. Consent Agenda: (Funded and/or Budgeted):

A) **Resolution** – A Resolution Of The Mayor And City Council Of The City Of Miami Springs, Florida, Approving The Purchase Of An Electronic Key Management System For The City’s Police Department From Marcon International, Inc. D/B/A KEYper Systems In An Amount Not To Exceed \$14,189.94; Providing For Authorization; And Providing For An Effective Date

B) **Resolution** – A Resolution Of The Mayor And City Council Of The City Of Miami Springs, Florida, Approving The Issuance Of A Purchase Order For Rental Of Undercover/Unmarked Police Vehicles To Enterprise Leasing Company Of Florida, LLC In An Amount Not To Exceed \$15,598.75 For Fiscal Year 21/22 And An Amount Not To Exceed Budgeted Funds For Fiscal Year 22/23 By Utilizing The Terms And Conditions Of City Of Coral Springs Bid #17-C-053, Undercover Rental Services For Se FI Governmental Purchasing Cooperative Group, Pursuant To Section 31-11(E)(5) Of The City Code; Providing For Authorization; Providing For Implementation; And Providing For An Effective Date

C) **Resolution** – A Resolution Of The Mayor And City Council Of The City Of Miami Springs, Florida, Approving The Purchase Of 60 Generation 5 Glock 17 Semi-Automatic Pistols From Lawmen’s Shooter’s Supply, Inc. In An Amount Not To Exceed \$17,312; Providing For Authorization; Declaring Certain Equipment As Surplus Property; And Providing For An Effective Date

D) **Resolution** – A Resolution Of The Mayor And The City Council Of The City Of Miami Springs, Florida, Approving An Agreement With BTS Land Services, Corp. In An Amount Not To Exceed Budgeted Funds For Tree And Palm Trimming Services Utilizing The Terms And Conditions Of The City Of Hallandale Beach Request For Quotes Entitled “City-Wide Tree Trimming, Pruning, Removal, And Stump Grinding Services FY2022, 2023, 2024” Pursuant To Section 31-11(E)(5) Of The City Code; Providing For Authorization; Providing For Implementation; And Providing For An

Effective Date

E) **Resolution** – A Resolution Of The Mayor And City Council Of The City Of Miami Springs, Florida, Selecting Mario's Painting And Services, Inc. For The Exterior Painting Of The City Of Miami Springs Community Center Pursuant To Invitation To Bid No. 02-21/22; Authorizing The City Manager To Negotiate And Execute A Contract In An Amount Not To Exceed \$51,922.50; And Providing For An Effective Date

F) **Resolution** – A Resolution Of The Mayor And The City Council Of The City Of Miami Springs, Florida, Approving A Memorandum Of Agreement With The Florida Division Of Emergency Management To Provide A Mass Emergency Notification System For The City At No Cost To The City; Providing For Authorization; Providing For Implementation; And Providing For An Effective Date

Councilman Best moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilman Vazquez seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Fajet, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Bravo, Councilman Vazquez, and Mayor Mitchell voting Yes.

10. Old Business:

A) **Resolution** – A Resolution Of The Mayor And The City Council Of The City Of Miami Springs, Florida, Encouraging Residents, Individuals Using Or Renting Public Facilities, And Businesses To Use Environmentally-Friendly Or Reusable Alternatives To Single-Use Plastics And Expanded Polystyrene Food Service Articles; Providing For Authorization; Providing For Implementation; Providing For Transmittal; And Providing For An Effective Date

City Manager William Alonso read the Resolution by title and the staff memo for the record.

Mayor Mitchell requested to allow some slight tweaking of title and wording for clarity of the Resolution's intention. It was the general consensus of the City Council to approve the suggestion.

Councilman Best moved to approve the Resolution essentially in the form as read. Councilman Vazquez seconded the motion, which carried 5-0 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Fajet, Councilman Best, Councilwoman Bravo, Councilman Vazquez, and Mayor Mitchell voting Yes.

B) Discussion of Mural Regulations

City Council discussed the possibility of regulating murals, Councilwoman Bravo moved to prohibit murals in the City. The motion died due to a lack of second. The City Council further discussed the issue and the City Attorney addressed their concerns, Councilwoman Bravo moved to prohibit murals in the NW 36th Street district, Vice Mayor Fajet seconded the motion, which carried 3-2 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Vice Mayor Fajet, Councilwoman Bravo, and Mayor

Mitchell voting Yes; Councilman Best and Councilman Vazquez voting no.

11. New Business:

A) **Resolution** – A Resolution Of The Mayor And City Council Of The City Of Miami Springs, Florida, Establishing A Payment-In-Lieu-Of-Parking-Fee Pursuant To Section 150.070.1, “Miami Springs Overlay Gateway District,” Of The City’s Code Of Ordinances; Providing For Implementation; And Providing For An Effective Date

City Manager William Alonso read the Resolution by title.

After some discussion, Councilman Vazquez moved to approve the Resolution as read. Councilman Best seconded the motion, but later amended the second increasing the amount per parking space to \$25,000.00; Councilman Vazquez accepted the amendment, which then failed 2-3 on roll call vote. The vote was as follows:: Councilman Best and Councilman Vazquez voting Yes; Councilwoman Bravo, Vice Mayor Fajet, and Mayor Mitchell voting No.

Discussion continued, the City Council requested that City Staff evaluate the item further and deferred the item to a future meeting for further consideration.

B) Discussion of options with Pickleball program

City Manager William Alonso read the staff memo. Recreation Director Omar Luna was available to answer the Council’s questions. After some discussion, City Staff stated that they will bring back the layout of a tennis center if moved to the Miami Springs Golf and Country Club. It was the general consensus of the City Council to discuss this item at a future meeting.

12. Other Business: None at this time.

13. Reports & Recommendations:

A) City Attorney

City Attorney Haydee Sera had no report at this time.

B) City Manager

City Manager William Alonso had no report at this time. Assistant City Manager Tammy Romero provided a verbal list of upcoming City meetings and events, which may also be found on the City’s website.

C) City Council

Councilman Vazquez stated that he recently attended the Education Advisory Board meeting and said the board looks forward to updating the City Council at a future meeting. He stated that he would like to work on something for veterans

and those serving military forces in the City, a pool day for their families to enjoy and similar activities. Councilman Vazquez was proud to announce that his daughter graduated with a Bachelor's in Hospitality and Tourism, and is looking to seeking her Master's soon.

Vice Mayor Fajet had no report at this time.

Councilwoman Bravo hopes to see the Architectural Review Board be fully appointed so they may start working on a variety of things for the City. She had no further report at this time.

Councilman Best expressed that there was good discussion this evening. He stated that he will be doing the announcing at FIU for the Miami Springs Senior High School Baseball game this weekend. He attended the Senior Center Pioneer Dinner on Saturday and had a great time, he also recognized the loss of Lions Club member Fred Droulliard, Councilman Best expressed his condolences to the Droulliard family.

Mayor Mitchell thanked the City Council for passing the Resolution for the use of environmentally-friendly practices and products by the City, residents and businesses. She said it was especially fitting that we passed this during April, which is Earth Month. She also mentioned that April marks the one-year anniversary of the election of the current council and stated that it was an honor to serve on the City Council with them.

14. Adjourn

There being no further business to be discussed the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:


Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, MMC
City Clerk



Adopted by the City Council on
This 9th day of May, 2022.


Maria Puente Mitchell, Mayor

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