

Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Associations  
Draft  
General Membership Meeting  
January 10, 2017

**Call to order:** The meeting was called to order by Marilyn Mammano, President, at 7:00pm.

**Roll Call:** Taken by Ron Centemore, quorum declared.

**Approval of minutes:** Motion to approve minutes of Nov 08, 2016 General Membership meeting was made by Ron Centemore and seconded by Jackson Boren. Motion passed.

**Guests/Presentations:**

**Lee Feldman, City Manager** updated on 3 key issues:

- Police Body Cameras: FTL received a \$600,000 federal grant for a pilot program. Currently, about 12 vendors have submitted bids, which are being reviewed. The pilot program will use 4 vendors and at the end of the program, one vendor will be selected. A body camera program will cost about \$1.5-2 million per year. The major cost is not the cameras, but the data storage, retrieval and redactions costs.
- Proposed Special Assessment Ordinance is being developed. While the city has the authority to impose special assessments, they like to do so only for major projects. With this new ordinance, they are trying to create a mechanism/process for neighborhoods to identify and initiate desired projects/services. Examples are: traffic calming or utility wire undergrounding or extra neighborhood security patrols. The ordinance would specify the process, including neighborhood voting.
- Noise Ordinance and the “Nighttime Economy” was discussed. The city had a consultant review our effectiveness at balancing the needs of businesses in the “Nighttime Economy” with those of residents. The report should be received within about 3 weeks. It addresses noise, litter, security, traffic and parking. Once the report is received it will be posted on the city’s and CFLCA’s websites. It will be discussed by the commission at their 2<sup>nd</sup> conference meeting in February. The membership had a lot of questions and comments about the noise ordinance piece of this issue. Lee clarified that the noise ordinance applies to all areas of the city—no exceptions. However, enforcement is extremely difficult as FL statute requires a violation to be witnessed by a law enforcement officer. CFLCA will create an ad hoc committee to stay updated on this issue and provide feedback to the commission.

**Luisa Agathon from Neighbor Service Department** announced that the application for the Neighbor Leadership Academy is now ready. She passed out hard copies, which can also be downloaded from the city’s website or cflca.org. In addition, an online application can be completed via the city’s website. **All applications must be received by Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>.** CFLCA will have a review committee to recommend/select participants.

**Reports:**

- Nominating Committee: Doug Sterner, chair, announced the slate of candidates, as follows:
  - President-Ron Centemore
  - 1<sup>st</sup> VP-Steve Buckingham
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> VP-Betty Shelley
  - Corresponding Secy-Jackson Boren

- Recording Secy-Barbara Weinstein
- Treasurer-Brucie Cummings
- District 1-Rochelle Golub
- District 2-Colleen Lockwood
- District 3-Cathy Stubbs
- District 4-Bill James
- Chair of Committees-Lester Williams
- Marilyn Mammano updated on current Medical Marijuana ordinance development. CFLCA will create an ad hoc committee to keep us updated and involved.

**Announcements:**

- Ron Centemore announced that it's time for neighborhoods to renew their certification with the city as well as their membership with CFLCA. An email will be sent to all association Presidents.
- Neighborhood Support Night will be Wed., Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>. Hal says it will be bigger and better than ever.

**Adjournment** – meeting adjourned at 8:30pm

Respectfully submitted by Barbara Weinstein, Secretary