



**Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Associations
October 13, 2020 General Meeting
Meeting Start: 6:30 pm**

MINUTES

Welcome and Call to Order 631PM, Roll Call – Lockwood, Mammano, Bowker, Peloquin, Castillo, Concannon, Dennis Ulmer, Albetta, Stubbs, Stubbs, Currie. Association role call in chat for quorum. 25 per Mary Peloquin

General Membership Reminders: [Census 2020](#) Deadline Extended to 10/31/2020 (likely sooner per Supreme Court emergency order issued today)

Introduction of Guests:

- **General Update: Steven Glassman, Vice Mayor & D2 Commissioner- Q's from Mary addressed 1st:**
 - **Vote NO on county amendment #2-** power/land grab denial of local control.
 - **MPO/ILA-** 6-7 months relationship & then cut short per county issue of conflict w/ surtax. Partnership ended and \$ for ILA out and then add that back into budget to staff TAM. Acknowledge that was a controversy & that Glassman objected, risk of conflict & loss of staff. Karen Warfel POC & hiring to work with her & have reps for each of the 4 districts.
 - **Leaf Blowers-** lots of feedback not just noise its about storm drains/waterway issues created by not picking up clippings. Discussion that has just begun and expect all of the Commission is getting q's also.
 - **Tree Ordinance-** still following up on this feels should have it.
 - Update: King Tides Note Dates, Bayshore Dr. Force Main 4500 feet, 1 Stop Shop agree to accept proposal not more than a mere proposal & 60 timeline and any other proposals has that window to present to Commission @ that time → into Sunshine. 1016 Waverly Rd. in Sailboat purchase approved most archeological significant site around agreed to contract at last commission meeting \$2.5 million. The 1st time this came to commission pushed back to make sure residents knew the passive requirements of site. Staff is applying for historic designation and national register of historic places right now. Walk-on item RE: state consent order and resolution adopted amending consent order w FDEP for in-kind penalty to go into environment. Virtual meeting 10/20 and Gov. Order expires end of this month.
 - Directing Q's to Glassman that were for Lagerbloom
 - Art Show- county approved just like Boat Show/Air Show, distancing/masks/spacing all in plan;
 - Water Treatment Plan Replacement Schedule yet? Some proposals but glitches in some of them so none have been accepted yet. Priority Item.
 - For Commission will phone in be allowed- hope so will double check.



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- Vacation Rentals- defer to LaMarca
- Interim FLPD Hire update- q's being drawn up and interview
- **Racial Equity: Chris Lagerbloom, City Manager**
 - **County racial equity and social justice work**
 - Broward county manager and city manager association formed working group and Chris chairs in making recs for making changes in Broward.
 - Position statement published nationally and continuing work to make actionable steps which can be taken by city/county to have constant dialogues and training for all top/bottom.
 - Looking for others to model and add to annual training requirement.
 - Shared BCCMA racial equity action plan
 - Law enforcement – policy/procedure to hire best guardian
 - Roles of citizen review- various models, state statute hurdle
 - Educated workforce- continuous training proc. Justice, implicit bias, etc.
 - Bill Hawthorn- Diversity strategies to do leadership training across city for dept. heads
 - Policies- equity and inclusion and roll out to larger segment of community
 - **Gov. Desantis proposed combating violence, disorder, and looting and law enforcement protection act-** Committee and City haven't discussed yet. Will have the discussion don't typically take positions on this type of legislation but can if policymakers want to.
 - **NPF-** 6mo assessment of FLPD contract signed yesterday "management analysis"
 - **Recruitment-** 80+ applied, looking @ top and plan to narrow down this week, narrowed down to 26 so far.
 - **FDEP consent order** is 100% finalized as of 10/12/20
 - **Five Ash reconstruction-** 2023 aligned to talk about put \$ in bank in 3 smaller or what desire is. P3 could happen along the way you never know. Keeping multiple options open modeling to FY 2025 for completion.
 - **Flu vaccine mandate for 1st responders-** fire union pushback on requiring the taking of medications. Have offered FLFR to be providers of vaccine.
- **Health-related COVID Update: Dr. JJ Rajter, Critical Care Medicine & Pulmonologist**
 - Admissions /death #'s remaining low, # cases in USA going up again and need to be mindful of other places where they are seeing numbers rise,
 - Test q's- not FDA approved they were released as emergency measures so less stringent
 - Molecular PCR- 170 types of these tests false positives are rare but 2-37% rates for false negatives, Antigen- only 2 of these and the false negative is up to 50%, Antibody Tests Serology 37 of these false negatives up to 30%



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due to timing in 6 mo to year even if knew had then could come back negative

- **Pooled testing** 16 people tests combined into 1 if negative all good but if positive test all individual works well when low #'s of disease
- **Home testing-** saliva or nasal and all emergency issues, concern of storage, preservation, collection and then rates are bad lack of quality control w/ specimen.
- **Recommend- deep nasal swab test by an experienced professional**
- **Voting safety-** horrible idea to say mask not required, poll worker protection/DOH education,
- **Flu Vaccine mandate for 1st responders-** does not know how mandate works but advocate for flu shots for all
- **What do I do if it test positive/** see a healthcare provider for reg
- **Article he has told us about is published:**
[https://journal.chestnet.org/article/S0012-3692\(20\)34898-4/fulltext](https://journal.chestnet.org/article/S0012-3692(20)34898-4/fulltext)
- **Schools:** <http://www.sun-sentinel.com/coronavirus/fl-ne-broward-schools-positive-covid-cases-20201012-x4jylztmzjb6flnzmidaafcsy-story.html>
- **Monica Elliott, President Broward League of Women Voters**
 - Non partisan does not endorse candidate/party
 - 2016 USA 92million did not vote and were eligible. Broward 2016 presidential 332900 registered and did not vote
 - 6 amendments. 4 citizen initiatives and 2 by legislature
 - Amendment 1 citizenship req to vote in FL elections
 - Every changed to only. Pro is clarification remove possibility of undocumented which is rare con is unnecessary
 - Amendment 2 raise min wage from \$8.56/hour (under 18k annually fulltime) to \$10/hour 9/30/21 and then \$1 per hour until \$15/hour in 2026
 - Pro allow min. wage workers to afford basic hh necessity/child care/health
 - Con cost to business/consumers
 - Amendment 3 citizens initiative all registered voters to vote in primaries regardless of political party affiliation establishes top-2 open primary system for state offices (only for primary elections for state leg., gov, cabinet) beginning 2024 **the** 2 highest vote getters and could mean 2 of same party, not specified if candidate party would be on the ballot
 - Pro could raise voter participation
 - Con detrimental to political system there are better ways than the top 2 to make the process more equitable and could suppress black rep. in legislature.
 - Amendment 4 voter approval of constitutional amendments



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- Would require all be approved in 2 elections
 - Pro reduce nuisance /friv. Amendments
 - Con is that it makes it very difficult propose/pass/costs for citizen, and delay enacting,
 - Amendment 5 homestead taxes- extend save our homes from 2 to 3 years
 - Pro more time to buy a new home
 - Con could lose local govt \$
 - Amendment 6 veterans tax discount- already there but this would transfer benefit to surviving spouse
 - Pro correct oversight
 - Con could negatively affect local govt. tax revenue
 - www.lwvbroward.org and then go to “understand the amendments on your ballot”
 - League opposes 5 and 6 due to long held belief that tax initiatives should not be in the constitution.
 - **Vote by mail ballot** drop off available now 24/7 at govt. building and other in Lauderhill @ voting equip. center otherwise you can drop off at any early voting site beginning 10/19 there will be a special site for them you do not need to stand in line. Can still request until 5pm on 10/24. Can track VBM ballot at broward soe check/update etc. VBM is being counted now and then Early voting is done. NOT reported until after 7pm on 11/3
 - **Intimidation and Steps to Prevent** - LEO can't be at polls unless a traffic type matter due to intimidation that implies. ELECTION PROTECTION HOTLINE 1 866 OUR VOTE
 - **How often are 24/7** emptied and are they monitored? Empty daily, camera monitoring, so far no issues. For early election the drop boxes are inside the building as of now not a car drop off.
 - 2 Secure 24/7 drop boxes at both office locations (rear entrance of Lauderhill Mall Voting Equipment Center as well as the Brickell Avenue entrance to the SOE office at 115 S. Andrews Avenue, Fort Lauderdale) available through November 3rd at 7:00PM.
Very good summary here as Monica indicated:
<https://www.browardsoe.org/Portals/Broward/Documents/2020Elections/Voter-Information-2020-Brochure-English1.pdf>
 - www.lwvbroward.org and www.Vote411.Org
 - Words from Michael Albetta thanking on behalf of CFLCA
- **Chip LaMarca-** Legislative Updates
 - Vacation rentals- Personal property rights/expectation on neighbors agrees this is a local issue reference to home rule
 - \$50 million recurring for beaches statewide



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- Briefly touches on working on FDEP order w/ City & State and pleased \$ going back into City.

Treasurer's Report [HERE](#)

Review and Acceptance of Prior Meeting Minutes – [Sept. 8, 2020 General Meeting](#) Luis move to approve second from Jim no opposition passes

[Member Highlights](#) Neighborhood “Elevator Speech” Round Robin- going forward can do this 1st shared the link in chat for where to sign up invited all associations to volunteer

- 60 second elevator speech about neighborhood
 - Mary Peloquin, Coral Ridge Civic Association- boundary, 2500+ residences, 58 avg. age, 2 sewer breaks this year, parks/schools, www.coralridgeassociation.org
 - Cathy Stubbs, D3 Rep, Melrose Manor HOA, “Central hub” quiet, parks/playgrounds, mostly SFH and some mid rises
 - Luis Castillo, S. Mid. River Civ. Assoc, boundaries, 9500 residents, most SFH, border WM, needs more Parks!
 - Marilyn Mammano, Harbordale Civic Association, along 17 street, multiuse, Harbordale elementary, boat access/parks, port/convention, traffic is big issue
 - Jim Concannon, Sunrise Intercoastal HOA- birch park and this neighborhood was a donation from birch which was then sold to developer 186 SFH, low crime and family friendly
 - Michael Albetta, Lake Ridge Civic Assoc.- variety of cuisine, 3k + residents, very proud of tree canopy have planted over 500 trees

Adjourn 815PM

SUBMITTED BY CHRISTINA M. CURRIE- CFLCA RECORDING SECRETARY.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Next Board Meeting is 10/26/2020

Next General Meeting is 11/10/2020

*Indicates voting/potential voting item if quorum requirements are met.