



**CFLCA February 2022 General Meeting
Tuesday, February 8, 2022
Meeting Start: 6:30pm**

Minutes

Welcome and Call to Order

Roll Call: Colleen Lockwood, Marilyn Mammano, Dennis Ulmer, Mary Peloquin, Cathy Stubbs, Melinda Bowker, Luis Castillo, Jim Concannon, Abby Laughlin, Michael Albetta, Frankie Lane, Barbara Magill

General Membership Updates

Introduction of Guests:

Mayor Dean Trantalis - The New River crossing is a controversial subject. The project concept is to create a second river crossing to enable 30 to 40 commuter trains to pass daily. Freight trains would remain on existing tracks. FDOT wants to build a bridge that will pass through Ft. Laud. Bridge cost vs tunnel cost and the impact on our communities is the issue. This is about being a 21st century city using new technology to solve transportation issues. We need to work together with our partners and show a single voice. Let's think about what's right for us. A resolution from the Council supporting the tunnel option would signal a unified City position to the County and FDOT. After the Mayor's speech, Michael motioned to vote on a Council position to support the tunnel option. After some comments and debate, a motion made by Mary to table the original motion and delay a vote in support of the tunnel was seconded by Dennis and passed by vote of the attending meeting members.

o **Dr. JJ Rajter** – Covid Updates - He feels confident that most states will lift mask mandates. We may be seeing the tail end of the pandemic, but should continue to observe current protocols. Mask mandates will be revisited in the next few weeks.

o **Davicka Adams** - Adams Consulting Group/AECOM – New Police Building will be 3 stories and about 185,710 sq. ft. with a bridge connection, a community center, breakout space, tributes to fallen officers, etc. The building was planned symbolically to create an open lobby between community and police. Estimated completion date of Aug. 2024. Any questions can be found at newflpdhq@fortlauderdale.gov or contact Mr. Tim Blair at FDOT.

o **Cindy Bolger** – Fraternal Order of Police - Currently was out of town and will reschedule at a later date.

Council Business

o Special Election to be held by Zoom Poll* - Motion was made by Dennis to close nominations and seconded by Luis. Dennis then motioned to unanimously accept the nominees (Mary Peloquin as President, replacing Colleen Lockwood and Christina Currie as 1st Vice President (replacing Mary Peloquin). The motion was seconded by Marilyn. Colleen will take Marilyn Mammano's position as immediate past president.

o **Annual Audit Committee Appointments** - Dennis made a motion to accept the audit committee of Marilyn and Jim, which was 2nd by Barbara. James Labrie from Poinsettia Heights will be joining the committee.

o **Marilyn Mammano** - New Legislative Committee (The Watchdogs) - It was recommended that the Council re-establish the legislative committee. Christina made a motion to form a legislative committee and was seconded by Jim. Marilyn will lead the committee which duties include keeping the membership informed of governmental issues with the city, state, and federal level.

o **Neighborhood Support Night – February 10, 2022** Michael Albetta will lead this event and Luis will Co-chair. Please contact us if you are interested in taking part.

o **St. Patrick's Day Parade – March 12, 2022** Michael Albetta will lead this event. We will March in this parade. Please contact us if you are interested in taking part.

o **Sistrunk Parade and Festival – February 26, 2022** Mary Peloquin will lead this event. We will have a table at this event. Please contact us if you are interested in taking part.

o **CFLCA Zoom Account**- New account will replace current personal account at an annual fee of \$149. Please note new registration link.

o **CFLCA Membership Form Online** – This will make payments and membership applications/renewals easier.

o **Treasurer's Report –\$14457.57 in the bank**- Memberships are renewed every March

Review and Acceptance of Minutes CFLCA January 11, 2022 General Meeting
motion to adjourn made by Luis and second by Melinda

Adjourn 8:47 pm

UPCOMING MEETINGS

-Next Board Meeting is 2/28/2022

-Next General Meeting is 3/8/2022

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

Purpose: Focus on the issues relating to the preservation of the present and future welfare of the City of Fort Lauderdale and its neighborhoods and citizens, be proactive and reactive to those issues, communicate any recommendations to the proper officials, strive to improve communication and create a stronger partnership between City government and neighborhoods.

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