



City of
HAWTHORNE
Florida

MINUTES
COMMISSION MEETING
Tuesday, February 7, 2023
6:30 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER- Mayor Randall

1. Invocation- Commissioner Surrency
2. Pledge of Allegiance- Commissioner Howard

B. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved to approve the agenda.

Motion- Commissioner Howard Second- Commissioner Martin

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| Mayor Randall | Yes |
| Vice Mayor Bouie-Hutchinson | Yes- present via video |
| Commissioner Howard | Yes |
| Commissioner Martin | Yes |
| Commissioner Surrency | Yes |

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C. RECOGNITIONS & GUESTS

D. COMMITTEE REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

E. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mr. Wallace Russell- Would like the CRA to reimburse the Hawthorne Area Foundation for electrical updates on the light poles in downtown Hawthorne.

Ms. Sharron Surrency- HARC is the only food pantry opened 5 days per week and served over 4,200 households in 2022.

The City Commission thanked the volunteers for their service.

Mr. Cameron Burrus, Hawthorne Library- African American annual celebration Saturday, February 18 at 2PM. Countywide Teen Art Show TTBA.

F. ROUTINE ITEMS

1. Commission Meetings

A. City Commission Workshop- January 17, 2023

B. City Commission Meeting- January 17, 2023

Moved to approve the above minutes.

Motion- Vice Mayor Bouie-Hutchinson Second- Commissioner Howard

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| Mayor Randall | Yes |
| Vice Mayor Bouie-Hutchinson | Yes- present via video |
| Commissioner Howard | Yes |
| Commissioner Martin | Yes |
| Commissioner Surrency | Yes |

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2. Request for waiver of rental fees for Little Orange Creek Nature Park for HMHS Prom & 8th Grade Social

Moved to approve the fee waiver for the two events.

Motion- Commissioner Surrency Second-Commissioner Howard

City Attorney Hoehn read the resolution by title only.

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| Mayor Randall | Yes |
| Vice Mayor Bouie-Hutchinson | Yes- present via video |
| Commissioner Howard | Yes |
| Commissioner Martin | Yes |
| Commissioner Surrency | Yes |

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3. Request for fee reduction from SJRWMD

Moved to approve the request.

Motion- Vice Mayor Bouie-Hutchinson Second- Commissioner Howard

City Attorney Hoehn read the resolution by title only.

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| Mayor Randall | Yes |
| Vice Mayor Bouie-Hutchinson | Yes- present via video |
| Commissioner Howard | Yes |
| Commissioner Martin | Yes |
| Commissioner Surrency | Yes |

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4. Proposals for EPIC IT Solutions

Move to table.

Motion- Commissioner Howard Second- Commissioner Martin

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| Mayor Randall | Yes |
| Vice Mayor Bouie-Hutchinson | Yes- present via video |
| Commissioner Howard | Yes |
| Commissioner Martin | Yes |
| Commissioner Surrency | Yes |

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5. City Manager Process Next Steps

Moved to direct the City Attorney and Mayor to negotiate contract within the \$85K range and come back and negotiate more pay and time in the future.

Motion- Commissioner Surrency Second- Vice Mayor Bouie-Hutchinson

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| Mayor Randall | Yes |
| Vice Mayor Bouie-Hutchinson | Yes- present via video |
| Commissioner Howard | No |
| Commissioner Martin | Yes |
| Commissioner Surrency | Yes |

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Moved to direct the City Attorney and Mayor to negotiate contract within the \$85K range and come back and negotiate more pay and time in 6 months.

Motion- Vice Mayor Bouie-Hutchinson Second- Commissioner Martin

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| Mayor Randall | Yes |
| Vice Mayor Bouie-Hutchinson | Yes- present via video |
| Commissioner Howard | Yes |
| Commissioner Martin | Yes |
| Commissioner Surrency | Yes |

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G. PUBLIC HEARING

FIRST READING- None

SECOND READING- None

H. DISCUSSION ITEMS -None

I. CITIZEN COMMENTS- None

J. REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS/INFORMATION

1. Interim City Manager Martin- Gave updates on Mental Health Counseling coming to Hawthorne, Citywide spring cleanup, update on Art Walker funds, DOT meeting in Jacksonville, Kudos to city staff working on grant, FRDAP Grant update (HAP & LOCNP), staff maintenance schedule, City Hall closed February 20 for Presidents Day.

2. City Attorney Hoehn- No Report

3. City Clerk McGruder- Legislative Action Day is April 4, 2023 please let me know if plan to attend.

4. City Commissioners Report

Commissioner Martin- No report

Commissioner Surrency- No report

Commissioner Howard- No report

Vice Mayor Bouie-Hutchinson- No report

5. Mayor Randall Report- Farm Share on April 29 at Hawthorne Athletic Park.

Ms. Elaine Williams- speeding on Hawthorne Road at the crosswalk. Had to snatch a small child back because the car did not stop.

Lt. Hutchinson stated he would relay the message back to the department.

K. ADJOURN @ 8:13PM

These minutes are submitted for approval.

Lakesha H. McGruder, MMC
City Clerk

Jacquelyn Randall, Mayor