

CITY COMMISSION CONFERENCE MEETING AGENDA
July 20, 2004– 1:30 p.m.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

SECTION I

City v. Coolidge-South Markets Equities, L. P.

(I-A)

Discussion of proposed settlement of City of Fort Lauderdale v. Coolidge South Markets Equities, L.P.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1014 from City Attorney

Budget Message – Fiscal Year 2004/2005

(I-B)

Discussion of the Acting City Manager's proposed operating budget for Fiscal Year 2004-2005.

**Proposed Convention Center Shuttle Service
Interlocal Agreement with Broward County**

(I-C)

Discussion of issues concerning the proposed Interlocal Agreement with Broward County to transfer \$2,475,073 in Federal Transit Agency funds to the City for the operation of a shuttle service to connect the Broward General Medical Center, Broward County Convention Center and the beach hotels along the SE 17 Street – State Road A-1-A corridor.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-851 from Acting City Manager

Board of Directors and Community Transportation Plan Reorganization

(I-D)

Report on proposed reorganization of the Board of Directors and Community Transportation Plan.

Appearance: Michael Madfis, First Vice Chair,
Transportation Management Association Executive Board

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1088 from Acting City Manager

Constitutional Amendment, Homestead Exemption

(I-E)

Request for Commission direction concerning statewide initiative to increase the Homestead Exemption from \$25,000 to \$50,000.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1035 from Acting City Manager

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Funding for Storm Drainage Improvements (I-F)
NE 33 Avenue Neighborhood Improvement Special Assessment Project 10247

Discussion concerning funding for storm drainage improvements for NE 33 Avenue Neighborhood Improvement Special Assessment Project 10247 estimated at \$4,197,688.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-974 from Acting City Manager

Use of Fire Station 8 on West Las Olas Boulevard for a Museum (I-G)

Presentation by the Fort Lauderdale Fire Fighters Benevolent Association, Inc. of their proposal to lease and use Fire Station 8 on West Las Olas Boulevard as a museum.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-750 from Acting City Manager

Single Audit Fiscal Year ended September 30, 2003 (I-H)

Presentation of Fiscal Year 2003 single audit of grant funds and findings from the City's independent auditor, Ernst & Young.

Appearance: Cynthia Borders-Byrd, Ernst & Young

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1032 from Acting City Manager

Citrus Canker Eradication Program – Stipulation for Settlement (I-I)

Discussion of proposed Stipulation for Settlement of litigation costs and joint motion for order dismissing with prejudice all claims of injunction plaintiffs relating to the Citrus Canker eradication Program.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1034 from City Attorney

Alternatives to the Fire Rescue Facilities Bond (I-J)

Discussion of alternatives to the General Obligation Bond financing for the first phase of the Fire-Rescue improvements.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1037 from Acting City Manager

Affordable - Below Market Rate Housing Requirements (I-K)

Discussion of issues associated with preparation of affordable – below market rate housing requirements.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1059 from Acting City Manager

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Commercial Tour Boat Use at Las Olas Marina

(I-L)

Marine Advisory Board recommendation to allow passenger loading and off-loading of tour boats at the Las Olas Municipal Marina, necessitating revisions to the Unified Land Development Regulations and application to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for an amendment to the Submerged Land Lease and a construction permit to allow structural modifications and additions to the marina.

Appearance: Barry Flanigan, Chairman, Marine Advisory Board

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-647 from Acting City Manager

“After the Fact” Dock Waivers

(I-M)

Marine Advisory Board recommendation to modify current policy requiring Board review of “after the fact” waiver of limitations on dock and piling construction permits.

Appearance: Barry Flanigan, Chairman, Marine Advisory Board

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1044 from Acting City Manager

Clear Channel Billboards

(I-N)

Discussion of proposal by Clear Channel to remove and replace certain billboards.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1099 from Acting City Manager

**Fire Assessment Fees
Non-Profit and Tax Exempt Properties**

(I-O)

Discussion concerning development of procedures to remove the exemption of fire fees for non-profit and tax exempt properties, and request for direction.

Appearance: Governmental Services Group
Nabors, Giblin & Nickerson, P.A.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1092 from Acting City Manager

Regulation of Taxicabs

(I-P)

Discussion on the City’s regulation of taxicabs.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1033 from City Attorney

EXECUTIVE CLOSED DOOR SESSION
(4:30 P.M. OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS POSSIBLE)

The City Commission shall meet privately, pursuant to Florida Statute 768.28(15), regarding evaluation of claim filed with the City's Risk Management Program involving the following case:

1. Broward Trust for Historic Preservation v. City of Fort Lauderdale and TRG&S Las Olas Beach Club, Ltd.

CONFERENCE REPORTS

SECTION II

The following items are primarily status reports and, where appropriate, include a proposed course of action that will be pursued, unless the City Commission desires additional information or otherwise directs.

June 2004 Monthly Financial Report

(II-A)

Presentation of the Monthly Financial Report outlining the financial activity in June, 2004.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1045 from Acting City Manager

Assessment of Special Event Promoters for lost City Parking Revenues

(II-B)

Report and recommendation to implement an assessment of special event promoters for lost City parking revenues.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1050 from Acting City Manager

Web Based Supplier and Contractor Performance Benchmarking Services

(II-C)

Report regarding use of Achilles, Ltd. and National Institute of Governmental Purchasing, Inc.'s web based supplier and contractor performance benchmarking services.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-833 from Acting City Manager

Code Enforcement Lien Foreclosure Process

(II-D)

Report concerning review of code enforcement lien foreclosure process.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1012 from City Attorney

Community Development Block Grant Expenditure Report

(II-E)

Update on the rate Community Development Block Grant funds are being expended to meet HUD timeliness regulations.

Exhibit: Memo No. 04-1086 from Acting City Manager

ADVISORY BOARDS

SECTION III

Minutes of the following meetings were
circulated for the period ending July 15, 2004

(III-A)

1. Budget Advisory Board – 4/15/04
2. Community Appearance Board – 5/12/04
3. Community Services Board – 6/14/04
4. Education Advisory Board – 5/20/04
5. Board of Trustees of the General Employees' Retirement System – 5/14/04
6. Historic Preservation Board – 5/3/04
7. Insurance Advisory Board – 5/20/04, 6/17/04
8. Northwest-Progresso-Flagler Heights Redevelopment Advisory Board – 7/6/04

Advisory Board and Committee Vacancies

(III-B)

It is recommended that the following Advisory Board and/or Committee vacancies be filled:

- Aviation Advisory Board – three*
- Budget Advisory Board – one*
- Community Appearance Board – two*
- Community Services Board – four*
- Economic Development Advisory Board – one*
- Education Advisory Board – one*
- Historic Preservation Board – one*
- Insurance Advisory Board - two*
- Nuisance Abatement Advisory Board – one*
- Unsafe Structures and Housing Appeals Board – one*
- Utility Advisory Committee – one*

CITY COMMISSION REPORTS

SECTION IV

The Mayor and City Commissioners may bring up items of interest or concern.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS

SECTION V

The Acting City Manager may bring up items of interest or concern.