

FORT LAUDERDALE CITY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 15, 2011

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COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING**11:38 A.M.****MARCH 15, 2011**

Present: Mayor John P. "Jack" Seiler arrived momentarily.
Vice Mayor Romney Rogers
Commissioner Bruce G. Roberts
Commissioner Charlotte Rodstrom.
Commissioner Bobby B. DuBose

Absent: City Auditor John Herbst

Also Present: Acting City Manager Allyson C. Love
City Attorney Harry A. Stewart
City Clerk Jonda K. Joseph
Sergeant At Arms None

Vice Mayor Rogers acknowledged former honorees for their service to the City. He recognized members of the Centennial Celebration Committee, Citizen Recognition Award Committee, and other officials in the audience. He provided a brief history of the citizen recognition program.

2011 Exemplary Former City Employee – Ed Udvardy

Vice Mayor Rogers outlined the history of this award and explained the selection procedure.

On behalf of the Commission, Commissioner Roberts recognized Ed Udvardy as the 2011 Exemplary Former City Employee. He read the associated resolution outlining Mr. Udvardy's background and accomplishments, and his contributions to the City.

Mr. Udvardy thanked the Commission and the Citizen Recognition Award Committee. He accepted this award in recognition of the City employees who consistently provide dedicated service. He chronicled his work history at the City, and recognized the individuals who afforded him career opportunities. He thanked his family and friends for their attendance. He recognized and expressed gratitude to all of his former colleagues at the City. He congratulated all of the award recipients.

2011 Honored Founder – George Burrows, Sr.

Vice Mayor Rogers outlined the history of this award and explained the selection procedure.

On behalf of the Commission, Commissioner DuBose recognized George Burrows, Sr. as the 2011 Honored Founder. He read the associated resolution outlining Mr. Burrows' background and accomplishments, and his contributions to the City.

Mr. Burrows expressed gratitude to the Citizen Recognition Award Committee, the City's residents, the Commission, and his family and friends. He remarked that the City has changed over time and it is now being greatly improved.

2011 Citizen of the Year – Lisa Scott-Founds

Mayor Seiler outlined the history of this award and explained the selection procedure.

On behalf of the Commission, Vice Mayor Rogers recognized Lisa Scott-Founds as the 2011 Citizen of the Year. He read the associated resolution outlining Ms. Scott-Founds' background and accomplishments, as well as contributions to the City.

Ms. Scott-Founds thanked the Commission, the Citizen Recognition Award Committee, and her family and friends. She pointed out that she is a Fort Lauderdale native. She mentioned the City's St. Patrick's Day Parade and Winterfest event, and chronicled some of her experiences growing up in the City. She emphasized her passion for giving back to the community through her involvement with local organizations.

2011 Distinguished Citizen Award – Elizabeth "BJ" Buntrock

Mayor Seiler outlined the history of this award and explained the selection procedure.

On behalf of the Commission, Commissioner Rodstrom recognized Elizabeth "BJ" Buntrock as the 2011 Distinguished Citizen Award recipient. She read the associated resolution outlining Ms. Buntrock's background and accomplishments, as well as contributions to the City.

Ms. Buntrock thanked the Commission and the Citizen Recognition Award Committee.

Mayor Seiler pointed out that the City's greatness can be contributed to individuals who consistently give back to the community like those recognized today. He mentioned that the contributions of, both, citizens and employees were acknowledged. He noted that collaboration between the public and private sector is a feature of great cities. He thanked the honorees for their service and dedication to the City.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m. to take photos of the honorees and to view the Distinguished Citizen Plaque unveiling in the courtyard.

John P. "Jack" Seiler
Mayor

ATTEST:

Jonda K. Joseph
City Clerk