

March 15, 2017 City Commission Meeting
After Action Report

City Commission:

Plastic bag and Styrofoam: Staff to research City of Coral Gables ban on plastic bags and Styrofoam along with possibility to be implemented by the City. Staff to bring forth a co-sponsored (Commissioner Lazarow and Mayor Cooper) agenda item on the plastic bag ban for Commission consideration. **Assigned to City Attorney**

City Attorney will provide a memorandum for City Commission consideration.

Code Violation (Swale): Staff to meet with property owners on NE 5th Street and 3rd Avenue regarding code violation for parking on swale due to inadequate parking.

- Development Services to provide Code violation file.

Assigned to City Manager, Development Services and Public Works Directors.

The code case files (7 properties cited) will be available during the meeting. The file, or copies thereof, can be supplied to city officials or staff for review as requested. Provided below is a sample picture and the section of code which require the property owners to address the non-compliance.

Paraphrased Section 32-452(f): "In order to comply with the requirement that all property with existing development on the effective date of this division comply with the full requirements of this division within the established deadline, a property owner shall be required to construct, operate and maintain sufficient parking spaces, loading areas and other facilities in compliance with the standards of this division. When in the opinion of the city engineer, there is sufficient swale area to accommodate on-street parking in the public right-of-way, the parking required for residentially zoned properties may be provided in the right-of-way and considered in compliance with this section. The city engineer shall check and approve a plan showing such improvement so as to provide

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proper drainage and design.”
322 NE 6 St.



Royal Palm Mobil Park: Staff to meet with tenants from the Royal Palm Mobile Park to assist with landlord tenant relations. **Assigned to City Manager, Human Services Director and Police Chief.**

Based on the notice, the landlord routinely increases lot rental fees due to the City of Hallandale Beach “significantly” raising its water and sewer fees. Notably, the City fee increases have been unfounded. Staff conducted a site visit at the Park and reached out to residents interested in moving forward with an attorney.

There are approximately 110 units, primarily serving residents ages 55 and older; some of the tenants have been on the premises for decades, others were very recent and unaware of the lot rent increase issue. A number of tenants are reported to be undocumented immigrants and wish to remain anonymous.

Staff is working to get the individual residents affected connected with Coast to Coast Legal Aid of Broward through the Senior Law Project. The Project provides legal advice and representation to Broward County residents who are 60 years of age or older. While there are no specific financial eligibility requirements, the Project targets its services to those with the greatest economic and social need. Katianna Mazard, Esquire, Staff Attorney with the Senior Law Project confirms the Agency is working with tenants from the Mobile Home Park; however, she is unable to provide any specifics due to attorney-client confidentiality.

- Public Works to provide report on Sanitation charges in the area.

On February 21, 2017, Ms. Andrea Romero requested via email to the Sanitation Division to increase service from twice a week to three times a week. Staff went into the Munis system and reviewed the account history and it showed there were no prior level of changes at 700 South Federal Highway on the (3) four-yard dumpsters that are on site. Sanitation Division collection days are three times a week on Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday.

Obama Care:

- Staff to lobby against the demise of Obama Care. **Assigned to City Manager.**
- Staff to look into potential partnership with Memorial to come into the Community (Health Intervention with Target Services Program. **Assigned to Human Services.**

The City of Hallandale Beach currently partners with Memorial Healthcare System to offer the Health Intervention with Targeted Services (HITS) Program at the Austin Hepburn Center. The Program is designed to connect uninsured residents with healthcare. The HITS program targets low income neighborhoods and locations are chosen based on the highest concentrations of uninsured/underinsured residents within zip codes that have received services at Memorial.

The program has 3 major goals:

- 1) Improve the health status of the community by linking the uninsured and underinsured to a “medical home”.
- 2) Maximize the use of community, state and federal resources.
- 3) Reduce uncompensated care costs, preventable hospital admissions and avoidable emergency room visits.

Residents are linked with Memorial’s outreach worker, Juliet Clayton for enrollment into primary and preventive care programs, e.g., home visitation, health screening, health education, nurse triage services, etc.

- Staff to provide a report to the US. Conference of Mayors on the impact of the demise of Obama Care on the Hallandale Beach community. **Assigned to City Manager and Human Service Director.**

Staff drafted a White Paper regarding the provision of health services and access to health insurance in Hallandale Beach. Using Census Tract Data, the City was able to determine a high need for health services amongst the uninsured and underinsured in specific quadrants.

This was important and useful information, as the City identifies a number of different formula and competitive grants, whether CDBG, Older American Act, Social Services Block Grants, public/private foundation grants that might serve as possible sources of funding, particularly toward the “health desert,” the City is attempting to address.

Commissioner Sanders:

Health Desert: Staff to submit a federal appropriation funding request to Representative Debbie Wasserman Schultz for the Medical Center. **Assigned to City Manager and Human Services Director**

Staff, through Mayor Cooper, submitted a federal appropriation funding request to Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz with carbon copies Senators Marco Rubio, Gary Farmer, Jr., Bill Nelson, Joe Negron, Speaker Richard Corcoran, Representatives Shevrin D. Jones and Joseph Geller seeking to have adequate overall funding for Department of Health and Human Services programs with the FY 2018 Appropriations bills, to allow for adequate formula dollars and competitive grant program dollars to be available, that the City could apply for or compete for to assist in removing “health deserts” throughout the Nation.

Commissioner Taub:

Employee Appreciation Program: Staff to bring forth an agenda item on the Employee Appreciation Program.

- Vice Mayor London indicated Gulfstream would like to assist with this program.

Assigned to Interim Human Resources Director.

This item will be discussed at the April 19, 2017 meeting, agenda Item 17-165 "Resolution of Employee of the Quarter Recognition Program"

Vice Mayor London:

Overflowing dumpster: Staff to look into overflowing dumpster near NE 16th Avenue. (behind Lorraine Cleaners) **Assigned to Public Works and Development Services Director.**

This abandoned dumpster was removed by the Public Works Department on 3/17/17.

Franchise fees: Staff to negotiate franchise fees of recommended vendor to match 2nd place bidder. **Assigned to City Manager, Police Chief and Procurement Director.**

Staff has negotiated the franchise fee as directed, is finalizing the contract for the Citywide towing franchise.

Compressed Natural Gas: Staff to look into alternative delivery methods of Compressed Natural Gas to DPW. Staff to contact Dr. Robert Selz, as he may have information on this alternative method. **Assigned to Procurement Director.**

Staff has contacted various people and corporations to try to obtain information about the research requested. As soon as the information is provided an update with the found information will be provided.

Snipe signs: Staff to look into technologically innovative ways to discourage unlawful snipe signs posted on public fixtures. **Assigned to Innovation Technology Director.**

Staff developed a video on reporting snipe signs via MyHB app. to view video, click this link : <http://bit.ly/2o0Ekny>. The video was posted via Facebook, Twitter and HBTv and included the video in #keepHBclean campaign.

Mayor Cooper:

Hyde Park: In response to the letter on the closing of Hyde, staff to request information from Hyde on how many Hallandale Beach residents will be affected by the closing. **Assigned to Procurement Director.**

Staff contacted SBE, operator of Hyde Beach Kitchen and Cocktails, to obtain the information requested. SBE replied, stating that 89 employees will be effected, not the 101 shown on the letter to the Mayor. Of the 89 employees, only 12 have an address in Hallandale Beach. Staff requested the contact information for these 12 individuals, however, SBE was not responsive. The positions held are seen below:

**Dishwasher
Food Server
Bartender
Food Server
Cook Pastry
Host Person
Barback
Food Server
Bus Person
Bartender
Cook Line
Host Person**

Pay Signs: Staff to look into placing additional pay signs for parking meters as recommended by Chris Walton of Broward Transit. **Assigned to Parks and Recreation and Public Works Directors.**

Staff will be installing six additional "Pay Signs" in the South Beach parking lot.

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CDBG Program: Staff to bring forth an agenda item in support of CDBG Program. **Assigned to City Clerk.**

Staff to bring an Item for Commission consideration during the May 3, 2017 City Commission Meeting.