

City Commission Meeting After Action Report

Presented to the City Commission: November 5, 2025

SECTION I.

October 22, 2025 - Meeting

A. CITY COMMISSION

 Exterior Lighting Complaint – 2000 Block: Staff to verify exterior lighting compliance at the referenced property, addressing resident concerns about brightness and glare. Staff to inspect, document nighttime conditions, ensure adherence to City and County standards, and report findings with corrective actions to the City Commission. Assigned to Department of Sustainable Development.

Staff requested another review of the lighting study and approved permit, and a follow-up site visit is to be scheduled. Pending coordination.

2. Graffiti Removal – Northwest Section: Staff to coordinate a review and cleanup of graffiti in the northwest section. Code Compliance, Police, and Public Works shall verify locations, confirm ownership, ensure prompt removal, and provide a follow-up report to the City Commission. Assigned to Department of Sustainable Development.

Code staff has been assigned to inspect and monitor the area for graffiti. Should any be observed Code will coordinate with DPW accordingly. Staff has already reached out to residents concerning graffiti.

B. COMMISSIONER ADAMS

None

C. COMMISSIONER BUTLER

None

D. COMMISSIONER LIMA-TAUB

1. Condominium Credit Requirements – Equitable Housing Access: Staff to collaborate with the City Attorney to evaluate ordinance amendments addressing excessive condo credit score requirements impacting seniors. Coordinate with Realtor Associations and agencies to identify equitable housing solutions and present findings and recommendations to the City Commission. Assigned to Department of Sustainable Development.

Staff has begun the coordination effort with the City Attorney's office. Updates will be provided at a subsequent City Commission meeting.

E. VICE MAYOR LAZAROW

None

F. MAYOR COOPER

1. Property Tax Education and Public Awareness Initiative: Staff to launch a public education initiative on property tax and homestead exemptions, hosting forums beginning January 2026. Identify key dates, prepare educational materials, and coordinate communications to inform residents before the upcoming election. Assigned to the Finance and Budget Department.

Staff will be reviewing all available options to approach this initiative best and determine the most effective ways to engage and inform residents. The Finance and Budget department will begin preliminary planning for potential workshops or community discussions to address this topic and explore how best to coordinate educational materials and communications. Additional details and a proposed implementation plan will be outlined in the forthcoming After-Action Report, scheduled for completion by December 17th. This report will incorporate findings from the logistics assessment and an evaluation of available resources to guide effective next steps.

2. Aventura Flyover and Railroad Crossing Study – Support Letter: Staff to prepare a letter supporting Aventura's proposed flyover and railroad crossing study near County Line Road, contingent on evaluating relocation south into Miami-Dade County. The study must be externally funded, protecting Hallandale Beach neighborhoods from increased congestion and negative infrastructure impacts. Assigned to City Manager

The City Manager contacted Mr. Klopp, Community Development Director for the City of Aventura, to reaffirm Hallandale Beach's position regarding the proposed railroad crossing study. The City expressed support for eliminating the existing crossing at SW 11th Street and for the use of grant funds to finance the study. However, the City made clear that it does not support the addition of any new railroad crossings within the city limits of Hallandale Beach. Mr. Klopp was advised that any future crossings should be located south of the county line within Miami-Dade County. The City is currently awaiting a response and a revised letter of support from Aventura.

3. No Wake Zone Enforcement and Signage Implementation: Staff to implement enforcement of the new state statute authorizing fines for drivers creating wakes in flooded areas. Determine maximum fine amounts, confirm City revenue eligibility, install "No Wake Zone" signage citywide, and launch enforcement alongside a public education campaign. Assigned to Police.

The Police Department is reviewing Mayor Cooper's request regarding No Wake Zone Enforcement and Signage Implementation. In response to Section 8 of CS/CS/CS/SB 462 — Transportation, which created Section 316.88, Florida Statutes, effective July 1, 2025, the law states:

"A person may not operate a motor vehicle, vessel, or any other conveyance at a speed that creates an excessive wake on a flooded or inundated street or highway."

Information to Be Obtained

To complete the After-Action Report, the Department will gather:

 Guidance from the Florida Department of Transportation and Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles regarding enforcement standards for Section 316.88.

- Cost estimates and specifications for "No Wake Zone" signage compliant with state requirements.
- Input from Public Works to identify streets and intersections most vulnerable to flooding.
- Training requirements for officers to ensure consistent enforcement of the statute.
- Public awareness strategies to educate residents and visitors on the new law.

Implementation Plan

The Department's planned approach includes:

- 1. **Assessment & Mapping**: Identify and prioritize flood-prone locations for signage installation.
- 2. **Procurement & Installation:** Acquire and install compliant signage.
- 3. Enforcement: Update protocols to allow officers to issue citations for violations of Section 316.88.
- 4. **Training:** Provide officer training on the application of the statute.
- 5. **Public Education:** Launch an awareness campaign through City communication channels.

Next Steps

The After-Action Report will be finalized once guidance is obtained from state agencies and internal coordination with City stakeholders is complete. This will ensure that Hallandale Beach effectively implements Section 316.88 to protect residents, property, and infrastructure during flood conditions.

4. Hallandale High School Redefinition and Resolution of Support: Staff to collaborate with the City Attorney to draft a resolution supporting the Broward School Board's plan to realign Hallandale High under the Pompano magnet model. Affirm City support for equitable education, collaboration, and community engagement, and present the item at the December 2025 Commission meeting. Assigned to Department of Sustainable Development.

Staff has begun the coordination effort with the City Attorney's office. Updates will be provided at a subsequent City Commission meeting

A. MAYOR COOPER

1. Flashing Signs: Staff to evaluate a potential procurement opportunity regarding flashing traffic signs currently being advertised at a discounted rate of approximately \$12,000. Given the difficulty in sourcing these signs in the past, staff are directed to confirm availability, assess specifications, and determine whether the purchase aligns with the City's traffic safety and capital improvement needs. Assigned to Public Works Department.

Police have identified at least one location along A1A where speeding is an issue. They will review speeding data and reports to determine if there are additional locations where a flashing speed sign could be effective in calming traffic.

2. Federal Lobbying & Grants Strategy: Staff to evaluate the feasibility of supplementing the City's current federal lobbyist with a second firm dedicated primarily to grants identification, grant writing, and appropriations support. The review should: (1) compare scopes of work, deliverables, and costs (e.g., Keller Partners & Co. or similar grant-focused firms) against our existing representation. Assigned to City Manager's Office and Finance Department.

Staff has begun evaluating whether to supplement our current representation (Alcalde & Fay at the federal level and Ballard Partners at the state level) with a firm that provides dedicated grant writing support alongside grants identification and appropriations assistance. We have initiated outreach to Keller Partners & Co. (KPC) and are awaiting a confirmed meeting time to understand their grant-writing capabilities, deliverables, and how they would coordinate with our existing firms to avoid overlap. In parallel, we are surveying additional Florida-capable firms that provide combined state and federal advocacy with grant application support; no outreach has been initiated at this time. After the KPC meeting, staff will define our grant-writing/appropriations needs and the coordination plan with Alcalde & Fay and Ballard, then request scopes and pricing. Based on the services they offer, we will determine whether adding KPC is in the City's best interest; if the added services are likely to improve grant award outcomes, we will move forward per the City Manager's direction.

3. Stormwater Master Plan: Staff to initiate development of a preliminary, citywide Stormwater Master Plan that integrates the ongoing vulnerability assessment, existing and planned CIP projects, and updated rainfall/sea-level rise assumptions. Assigned to Public Works Department.

The city has an existing SWMP, that will be updated after the completion of the city's Vulnerability Assessment study for storm events and flooding, which identifies critical assets in the city and provides recommendation to reduce their exposure.

SECTION I. September 15, 2025 – Meeting (Pending)

A. COMMISSIONER LIMA-TAUB

1. Crosswalk and Pedestrian Safety – TISND: Staff to evaluate the feasibility of installing a crosswalk connecting Venetian East to Lesly Lane within the TISND area. This review should begin prior to the scheduled improvement phases to ensure timely consideration of pedestrian needs. Staff is directed to monitor the corridor, including the use of unmarked vehicles where appropriate, to assess pedestrian and vehicular safety conditions. Staff should also examine best practices from recent improvements, such as the crosswalk added on 14th Street (GISND), and identify additional measures to enhance safe pedestrian access into the City. Assigned Department of Public Works and Transportation and Mobility.

The original two traffic studies were conducted on January 13, 2020, and February 18, 2022, and were submitted to Broward County for consideration. The plans received final approval from the County on May 13, 2023; however, the request for a proposed crosswalk at Parkview Drive and Leslie Drive was denied. In its initial review, the County determined the intersection did not meet the required criteria for a crosswalk and failed to meet the necessary standards. On September 17, 2025, staff submitted a new request to the Broward County Traffic Engineering Division seeking approval for the installation of a pedestrian crosswalk on Parkview Boulevard at Leslie Drive.

A. COMMISSIONER LIMA-TAUB

 ADU Grants: Staff to research potential grant opportunities for Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) programs designed to support and assist Senior Citizens. Assigned to Finance.

Staff has begun researching funding sources to help residents build Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) under the new ordinance, sequencing this work alongside the completion of four August 31 grant submissions and the FY26 Grant Opportunity Matrix. ADUs will be incorporated into planning efforts and introduced as a project opportunity on September 29. Since Hallandale Beach is not an entitlement city, partnerships with Broward County or other agencies will be necessary to access federal funds. Potential funding pathways identified so far include CDBG and HOME allocations through Broward County, State Housing Initiatives Partnership (SHIP) funds, competitive federal and state programs administered by HUD, DOE, and EPA, as well as philanthropic partners such as AARP, Enterprise, the Knight Foundation, and the Miami Foundation. The next steps will focus on outreach to funding agencies and partners to assess feasibility and inform program design.

B. MAYOR COOPER

1. City Properties: Staff to research the City's transportation and parking needs, with specific attention to the potential use of eminent domain and the feasibility of purchasing properties to address these needs. Assigned to City Manager.

Staff are currently researching the item, and a response is expected to be presented at the November 19th, 2025, meeting.