

City Commission Meeting After Action Report

Presented to the City Commission: September 29, 2025

SECTION I.

September 15, 2025 - Meeting

A. CITY COMMISSION
None

B. COMMISSIONER ADAMS
None

C. COMMISSIONER BUTLER

1. Micro Mobility – City Bike Program: Staff to develop a City-wide Bike Program, modeled after successful initiatives like the City of Aventura's B-Cycle Program, with consideration for private branding opportunities. Staff is further directed to engage with neighboring municipalities, including Sunny Isles Beach and Dania Beach, to explore potential regional partnerships aimed at expanding coverage to the eastern corridor of Broward County. Assigned to Transportation and Mobility.

Transportation and Mobility (TAM) staff are actively researching and evaluating the feasibility of implementing a potential bike-share program within the City. Attached is Progress Report #1 (Exhibit 1), which provides a summary of work completed during the initial phase (September 8–18, 2025). This phase concentrated on vendor engagement and a preliminary market assessment to evaluate demand, identify partnership opportunities, and establish the foundational considerations for introducing a bike-share system in the City.

D. COMMISSIONER LIMA-TAUB

1. Community Education – Broward Property Appraiser Resources: Staff to add a direct link to the Broward County Property Appraiser's September 15, 2025, City Commission meeting presentation on the City's official communication platforms to educate residents about available resources. The link should be prominently featured on the City's website and shared through social media to maximize community awareness and participation. Assigned to City Clerk.

The following links were posted on social media:

Broward County Property Appraiser's Presentation Video.

https://hallandalebeach.granicus.com/player/clip/1022

Home Page – Owner Alert Link.

https://web.bcpa.net/owneralert

2. 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. (Exhibit 2).

3. Electric Scooters – Park Use Restrictions: Staff to prepare and present an ordinance prohibiting the operation of electric scooters within City parks. The proposed legislation should include explicit enforcement provisions and public communication measures to ensure residents and visitors are aware of the restrictions, to enhance park safety, and preserve recreational spaces for pedestrians and families. Assigned to Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces.

Electric scooters are not allowed in City parks under Chapter 16 of the City Code of Ordinances. Scooters are included in the definition of vehicles in Section 16-1, which defines a vehicle as any wheeled conveyance for the transportation of persons or materials, whether powered or drawn by a motor, including automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, scooters, mini bikes, or recreational vehicles. Section 16-6 restricts vehicle operation to established roads, parking areas, or designated areas within parks. Section 16-11 provides that it is unlawful for any person to violate the provisions of this chapter or to disobey lawful orders from law enforcement or authorized park personnel, who also have the authority to eject violators from City parks. Finally, Section 16-12 states that anyone violating this chapter is subject to the penalties outlined in Section 1-8 of the Code.

E. VICE MAYOR LAZAROW

1. Motorcycles in Parks – Enforcement Action: Staff to implement targeted enforcement measures addressing the unlawful operation of motorcycles within City parks. This includes developing a proactive strategy, such as surveillance or temporary enforcement setups, to identify and deter violators, thereby ensuring the safety of park users and the preservation of recreational spaces. Assigned to Police.

As part of the Scavo Park Electric Bike Initiative, the Department implemented a series of coordinated actions that combined enforcement with community education. On Monday, September 15, 2025, and Tuesday, September 16, 2025, additional patrol units were assigned to Scavo Park to provide enhanced coverage. Officers actively monitored the area, addressed violations as they occurred, and directly engaged with riders to encourage compliance with applicable electric bike laws and park regulations.

In parallel with these enforcement efforts, the Department launched an educational outreach campaign to raise awareness and promote safe practices (Exhibit 3). An informational table was set up in the park where officers distributed flyers detailing electric bike laws, safety protocols, and park rules. To expand the reach of this initiative, the Department reinforced the messaging

through its social media platforms, ensuring that information was shared with the broader community.

Complementing the outreach efforts, officers distributed free helmets and safety gear to riders during the event. This initiative not only promoted responsible and safe riding but also highlighted the Department's commitment to proactive community safety and injury prevention.

The combined enforcement and educational strategies culminated in a successful community event at Scavo Park. Residents engaged positively with officers, received valuable safety information, and participated in the helmet distribution effort. The strong turnout underscored community interest in the issue and reinforced the Department's dual role as both an enforcer of laws and an educator promoting safe practices.

Overall, this integrated approach effectively addressed immediate safety concerns while fostering long-term awareness. Enhanced patrols ensured compliance, and the educational campaign, supported by printed materials, helmet distribution, and ongoing social media outreach, demonstrated the Department's dedication to public safety and meaningful community engagement.

F. MAYOR COOPER

1. Anchoring Limitations – State Statute and Regional Coordination: Staff to research the applicable State Statute governing counties that exceed the population threshold related to anchoring and mooring field regulations and prepare a resolution for Commission consideration. Additionally, staff are directed to review the policy framework utilized by the Miami Beach Council regarding anchoring limitation areas and incorporate best practices into the City's proposed resolution to ensure alignment with regional approaches and compliance with State law. Assigned to Department of Sustainable Development.

The City of Hallandale Beach has expressed interest in establishing a mooring field at Golden Isles Lake. While state preemptions have historically limited local authority to regulate vessel anchoring, HB 481 - the Anchoring Limitations Bill - now empowers cities and counties to regulate vessel anchoring within their jurisdictions through the establishment of an Anchoring Limitation Area (ALA). The City of Miami Beach played a role in advancing this legislation and has since enacted its own ordinance under the framework. HB 481 establishes several key provisions, including a 30-day cumulative anchoring limit in counties with populations over 1.5 million (Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, and Hillsborough), a 300-foot buffer around public mooring fields, and targeted exceptions for marine construction, maintenance, and mooring fields. ALAs may be created either through an interlocal agreement with Broward County or, under recent legislation (Chapter 2025-39), by municipal ordinance regulating vessel anchoring outside marked mooring fields without county involvement. After further review of the bill and discussions with both the team and the county, the City Attorney has advised that the City can proceed with instituting its own ordinance to limit anchoring in city waters, with the exception of the intercoastal, Additional considerations for either approach include permitting and signage requirements under Sections 327.40 and 327.41. Florida Statutes, involving coordination with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). The City Attorney will seek to bring the ordinance forward for City Commission consideration at First Reading on September 29, 2025, City Commission meeting, while DSD will simultaneously address the permitting process for signage and buoys, as well as the procedures necessary for implementation and enforcement. (GF #35-437)

2. South Beach Park – Dog Park Feasibility: Staff to evaluate the availability of space within South Beach Park for the establishment of a designated dog park. The review should include an assessment of potential locations, design considerations, community impact, and any regulatory or environmental constraints, with recommendations to be brought back for Commission discussion. Assigned to Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces.

Staff have researched the feasibility of adding a dog park at South Beach Park. According to the American Kennel Club, an ideal dog park should include at least one acre of land surrounded by a four- to six-foot chain-link fence, preferably with a double-gated entry to prevent escapes and allow wheelchair access. Other recommended features include cleaning supplies such as covered garbage cans, waste bags, and pooper scooper stations; shade and water for both dogs and owners, along with benches and tables; a safe, accessible location with adequate drainage and routinely mowed grassy areas; and, where possible, separate areas for small and large dogs. Additional considerations include signage specifying park hours and rules, as well as nearby parking. Staff reviewed open areas at South Beach Park and found that the only available space south of the playground is approximately 0.08 acres, which falls significantly short of AKC standards. The City currently maintains dog parks at Joseph Scavo Park and Golden Isles Park, both within one mile of South City Beach Park. Given the limited space at South Beach Park and the proximity of existing facilities, staff does not recommend adding a dog park at this location.

3. Sderot Way/SE 5th Street – January 2026: Staff to prepare for a street renaming initiative in coordination with the scheduled conference around January 2026. This includes coordinating with stakeholders and developing the ceremonial plans. Assigned to City Manager.

The event is to be coordinated in conjunction with the Israeli-American Council Summit, scheduled for January 15-17, 2026. Additional information will be provided as the dates approach.

4. Internship Program – Engineering: Staff to explore the development of an Engineering Internship Program designed to provide students with hands-on experience in municipal projects. The program should focus on engaging students in practical applications of engineering, fostering workforce development, and creating opportunities for mentorship and career pathways within the City. Staff to coordinate with local universities, colleges, and technical schools to identify potential student participants and establish program guidelines. Assigned to Human Resources.

Staff has researched the feasibility of implementing an Engineering Internship Program and, based on the findings detailed in the attached staff report, is recommending the implementation of the program to support workforce development and educational collaboration (Exhibit 4).

A. COMMISSIONER LIMA-TAUB

1. Condo Ordinance: Staff to revisit the Condo Ordinance and align the item with the new State Legislation. Assigned to Department of Sustainable Development.

The DSD Department is currently drafting a proposed ordinance that is tentatively scheduled for First Reading at the October 22, 2025, City Commission meeting.

Staff reviewed the city code and found it aligns with recent legislation, which largely mirrors Hallandale Beach's language. After discussing enforcement measures with Commissioner Lima-Taub, staff will continue to research ways to improve enforcement and boost condo association compliance.

Lobbyist Registration Fee: Staff to increase the Lobbyist registration fee to \$250. Bring back the item for adoption. Assigned to City Clerk.

The City Clerk conducted a comprehensive survey of lobbyist registration fees across municipalities in Broward, Miami-Dade, and Monroe counties to compile comparative data. The findings are scheduled for discussion and possible approval at the September 29, 2025, City Commission meeting. (GF#25-377).

3. Bus Stops: Staff to research the feasibility of adding additional bus stops along Parkview. Assigned to Transportation and Mobility.

Staff conducted a thorough review of the existing Cloud Bus stop locations, utilizing inspection photos as part of the evaluation process. A field inspection was carried out on August 20, 2025, specifically focused on Bus Route 2 (refer to the third attachment for details). In addition, a desktop review was completed to assess the distances between current bus stops and to identify a suitable location for a new stop. Once the Commissioner provides the location, staff will proceed to identify two additional bus stop locations, one northbound and one southbound, along Parkview Drive. Following this, staff will coordinate with Broward County to seek the necessary approvals for the installation of the proposed bus stops.

Staff reached out to the resident regarding the proposed bus stop location and are currently awaiting a response in order to proceed accordingly.

4. 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 October 22, 2025, meeting.