

MINUTES



CITY COMMISSION COVID-19 WORKSHOP Wednesday, August 19, 2020, 9:00 a.m.

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting came to order at 9:00 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Faith Lombardo called the roll. Present were Commissioner Julie Carson and Commissioner Paul Rolli. Also in attendance were City Manager Leigh Ann Henderson and City Attorney Kerry Ezrol.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - None.

COVID-19 UPDATE

City Manager Henderson provided an update on the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic in Wilton Manors, focusing on changes that have occurred since the previous workshop of August 5, 2020:

- No changes to County or State Emergency Orders or restrictions
- Total number of positive Broward County residents has increased by 8,212
- Total number of deaths in Broward County has increased by 260
- Number of cases in Wilton Manors has increased by 19 over the last two weeks

The City strives to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 within its workforce by maintaining policies that limit personal interaction and require daily health screenings, disinfection, and cleaning. Since March 2020, six employees from four Departments have tested positive. The City has made temporary adjustments to service hours and augmented its workforce through local employment entities in order to minimize the impact of quarantine or isolation on operations.

The Community Support Team, which consists primarily of Code Compliance Officers, works with businesses to enforce social distancing, face coverings, and appropriate signage and sanitation. The following issues have been addressed:

- On-site consumption after 10 p.m.
- Violation of mask order
- Two 24-hour closures for repeat violations
- \$1000 citation of vacation rental for repeat violation

- \$15,000 citation for hosting a party with more than 50 individuals

The City has designed a remote learning after-care program for working families in need of child care options during school days, as well as a limited elementary program in a supervised environment.

On August 25, 2020, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners is asked to provide direction to the County Administrator related to a funding proposal from its Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Task Force. The County Commission also plans to use CARES funding for eviction prevention, rental assistance, and small business assistance grants.

Commissioner Carson requested more information on the testing of City employees for COVID-19. Human Resources Director Dio Sanchez advised that 47 employees who physically work from City Hall have been tested based upon exhibition of symptoms or exposure to others. Employees in some Departments have experienced multiple exposures and have been tested multiple times.

Commissioner Carson also noted that a State Task Force may recommend permitting designated individuals to provide assistance to residents of nursing homes. City Manager Henderson replied that she would follow up on this issue.

Commissioner Carson asked for an update on reopening the City's dog park in Colohatchee Park. City Manager Henderson replied that it had been requested that any additional park openings will be presented to the City Commission for approval. This can be brought forward at the next scheduled Commission meeting on Tuesday, August 25, 2020. Commissioner Rolli requested that the presentation include an overview of the staffing necessary for the dog park to ensure appropriate social distancing.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 a.m.

These minutes were approved by the
City Commission on Tuesday, October 13th, 2020.



Faith Lombardo, City Clerk

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Date Signed