

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, HELD IN THE CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 100 NORTH U.S. #1, FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, AT 9 A.M. ON MONDAY, APRIL 13, 2026.

1. **Call to Order**

Mayor Hudson called the April 13, 2026, Day Meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Roll Call**

Present: Commissioner Michael Broderick; Commissioner Chris Dzadovsky;
Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr.; Mayor Linda Hudson

Absent: Commissioner Arnold Gaines

Staff Present: City Manager Richard Chess
City Attorney Sara Hedges
City Clerk Linda Cox

Motion was made by Commissioner Chris Dzadovsky, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to excuse Commissioner Gaines

AYE: Commissioner Chris Dzadovsky, Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., Mayor
Linda Hudson

Passed

Commissioner Michael Broderick arrived at 9:01 A.M.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

A. Approval of the minutes from the March 9, 2026, Day Meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Chris Dzadovsky to approve the minutes for the March 09, 2026, Day Meeting.

AYE: Commissioner Chris Dzadovsky, Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., Mayor
Linda Hudson

Passed

5. **Proclamations**

A. Sexual Assault Awareness Month, The Inner Truth Project

B. Mental Health Awareness Month, Roundtable of St. Lucie County Inc

C. Retirement of Officer Guy Montgomery, Fort Pierce Police Department

6. **Additions or deletions to agenda and approval of the agenda.**

Motion was made by Commissioner Michael Broderick, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve the agenda.

AYE: Commissioner Michael Broderick, Commissioner Chris Dzadovsky,
Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

7. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Any person who wishes to comment on any subject may be heard at this time. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes or less, as directed by the Mayor, as this section of the Agenda is limited to thirty minutes. The City Commission will not be able to take any official actions under Comments from the Public. Speakers will address the Mayor, Commissioners, and the Public with respect. Inappropriate language will not be tolerated.

Chris Gardner
Kris Einstein
Gus Gutierrez
Jamerick Monroe

8. Miscellaneous Reports and Presentations

A. Parking Committee Recommendations

Parking Committee Chairperson, Ryan Collins, presented the recommendations of the Parking Committee along with Community Response Director, Shaun Coss. Commissioner Broderick commented on the multiple parking studies done in the downtown area and expressed disinterest in getting any more studies done. The Commission discussed securing costs for a parking garage at the JC Penny parking lot and that they would like to get plans ready to put the bid out for the garage. They also discussed the option of the new garage being a pay to park to help offset the costs of the garage. Mr. Coss mentioned working with City Manager Chess on staffing for the parking enforcement and management. It is being discussed for the upcoming fiscal year's budget to have two additional parking enforcement positions.

B. Infill Lien Reduction Program Update

Mr. Coss presented the Infill Lien Reduction Program update. The Commission discussed that this program can be routed through Tyler when it is ready. They also discussed spreading liens. They would like this program to be initiated through a resolution that way if any changes need to be made it can be easily updated and they want all the departments to be involved in the creation of the resolution. They stated they would like the dilapidated structures to be cleaned up, and they want to keep the city clean.

C. Recommendation from the Parks Advisory Committee to Initiate a Call for Submissions for the Pioneer Park Plaque Program

Parks Advisory Board member, Mary Ann Durkin, and Special Projects Coordinator for the Public Works Department, Marsha Commond, discussed the recommendation to initiate a call for submissions for the Pioneer Park Plaque Program. Ms. Commond mentioned the revisions to the guidelines for the program being what the Commission asked to be updated previously to specifically stated no living submissions. They discussed the costs of the plaques which would be approximately \$2,500 each and the option of installing a couple each year rather than all of them at once. If they did a couple every year it could be a special event of unveiling and a celebration of the specific pioneers. They asked if there are any grants the committee could investigate because of the historic nature of these plaques. Ms. Cox, City Clerk, reminded Ms. Commond that the changes to the program guidelines required formal approval by the Commission through a Resolution.

D. Recommendation from the Parks Advisory Committee to Initiate a Call for Submissions for the Renaming of Coach Fenn Park.

Ms. Durkin presented the recommendation from the Parks Advisory Committee to Initiate a Call for Submissions to rename Coach Fenn Park. The Commissioners all agreed that they are not in favor of this as he was a County and City Commissioner as well as a great leader within the City.

9. **Consent Agenda**

10. **City Commission - Resolutions**

- A. Resolution 26-R27 appointing members to the Board of Examiners of Contractors.

City Clerk, Linda Cox introduced the Resolution, read by title only, into the record.

RESOLUTION 26-R27

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, CERTIFYING THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF CONTRACTORS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Broderick appointed Noah Johnson, Commissioner Dzadoovsky appointed Brandon Nobile, Commissioner Johnson appointed Ryan Collins, and Mayor Hudson appointed Don Bergman. Commissioner Gaines will appoint a member at a later date.

Motion was made by Commissioner Chris Dzadoovsky, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve Resolution 26-R27.

AYE: Commissioner Michael Broderick, Commissioner Chris Dzadoovsky,
Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

- B. Resolution 26-R28 appointing a member to the Civil Service Appeals Board.

City Clerk, Linda Cox introduced the Resolution, read by title only, into the record.

RESOLUTION 26-R28

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, CERTIFYING THE APPOINTMENT OR REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE CIVIL SERVICE APPEALS BOARD; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

This resolution appointed Rashard Alston to the Civil Service Appeals Board.

Motion was made by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Michael Broderick to approve Resolution 26-R28.

AYE: Commissioner Michael Broderick, Commissioner Chris Dzadoovsky,
Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

- C. Resolution 26-R30 approving a Grant Agreement with FDOT 456810-1 for 13th Street Reconstruction from Georgia Avenue to Orange Avenue in the City of Fort Pierce to receive up to \$500,000 in grant funds.

City Clerk, Linda Cox introduced the Resolution, read by title only, into the record.

RESOLUTION 26-R30

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR FORT PIERCE SOUTH 13TH STREET RECONSTRUCTION PHASE 2 (SPECIFIC APPROPRIATION 1871A) OF

THE GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACT (GAA) FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO SOUTH 13TH STREET FROM GEORGIA AVENUE TO ORANGE AVENUE; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, CITY CLERK, AND CITY ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT ON THE PART OF THE CITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

City Engineer, Mark Zrallack, discussed the resolution. He mentioned it is for safety improvements along the 13th Street corridor. The Commission asked if the City could contact St. Lucie County as well as the School Board to assist with the funds for this restoration project as it is along the bus routes for the schools in the area.

Motion was made by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Chris Dzadovsky to approve Resolution 26-R30.

AYE: Commissioner Michael Broderick, Commissioner Chris Dzadovsky,
Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

11. **New Business - City Commission Discussion Items**

12. **City Commission Boards and Committees Updates**

Commissioner Johnson mentioned he does not have any updates, the Fire Board is meeting this week, and the Port Advisory board will be meeting soon. Commissioner Dzadovsky mentioned he attended an extensive meeting of the Regional Planning Council where they discussed many topics. A few being keeping solid wastes out of the rivers, protecting coral reefs to include the Oculina Reef off the St. Lucie County shoreline, as well as a few senate bills; those being 1434, 840, and 927. He asked about the City's lease list being presented to the Commission as well as the Assistant City Attorney position. Mr. Chess mentioned the lease list is still being composed and reviewed. Ms. Hedges mentioned the assistant City Attorney position is still posted and they have an interview later next week. Mayor Hudson mentioned the Treasure Coast Regional League of Cities will be meeting next week and they have a luncheon coming up in May to which all the Commissioners are invited. It will be held at the old St. Lucie Village School, and they will be presenting two scholarships to IRSC students who are in Public Administration jobs. Commissioner Broderick mentioned the Sunrise Theater Advisory Board is asking what the status is of the contract with VenuWorks. The contract is finalized but they are discussing the timeline of the starting date.

13. **Adjournment**

Immediately following adjournment, please move toward the doors and exit the chambers. This allows for the safe and courteous exit of all persons, and those on the dais. Conversations after the meeting should be held outside of chambers, in the foyer or elsewhere, but not in the commission chambers where lights will be out as soon as the chambers are empty.

Mayor Hudson adjourned the meeting at 11:32 A.M.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR COMMISSIONER