

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 5:05P.M. ON MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hudson called this meeting to order at 5:05pm.

2. OPENING PRAYER - Rev. Kenneth Mills - Save Our Children, Inc.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. ROLL CALL

Present: Commissioner Michael Broderick; Commissioner Chris Dzadoovsky; Commissioner Arnold Gaines; Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr.; Mayor Linda Hudson

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

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Approval of minutes from the March 16, 2026 Regular Meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Michael Broderick to approve the minutes from the March 16, 2026 regular meeting.

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

Passed

- B. Approval of minutes from the March 19, 2026 Special Meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Michael Broderick to approve the minutes from the March 19, 2026 special meeting.

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

Passed

6. PROCLAMATIONS

- A. Fort Pierce Police Department, National Crime Victims' Rights Week

7. LETTERS TO COMMISSION

- A. Email recognition from Tim Makarius, Trademark Retail Construction LLC of Building Department's Permit Specialist Tioka Santiago for her professionalism and promptness or his construction project.
- B. Email recognition from Walter Wilkinson, for the City Marina staff for their actions and professionalism.
- C. Email recognition from resident Linda Nunn, for Jamison Conley of Public Works on his professionalism.

8. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Arnold Gaines to approve the agenda as set.

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

Passed

9. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS NOT REQUIRING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Any person who wishes to comment on an agenda item which is not under Public Hearings on the Agenda may be heard at this time and must sign up to speak in advance. 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.

Charles Wilson
Robert Barfield

10. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

A. Update on Crabby's Lease

Shyanne Harnage, Community and Economic Development Director, informed the Commission that the City has reached out to the current tenants and their legal counsel regarding the possibility of assigning the lease agreement to a third-party assignee. The tenant's legal counsel responded with a letter with their intention of assigning the lease agreement with a 90-day timeframe with a deadline of July 5, 2026. City Attorney Sara Hedges clarified that the individuals or companies interested in being assigned the lease should contact the current tenant directly; the tenant will then present the assignment of the lease to the Commission for approval.

11. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of expenditure for the City's annual Egnyte, Inc. subscription services for enterprise file sharing and secure document management services in an amount not to exceed \$93,464.40.
- B. Approval of the updated revision of the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) for the Everbridge System, implemented locally as "ALERT St. Lucie"
- C. Approval of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) Award in the amount of \$38,824.50; funds to be used to purchase new conducted energy weapons (CEW) and signal devices.
- D. Approval of expenditure for Flock OS Elite package renewal year 2 of 5 of Flock Group Inc in the amount not to exceed \$354,100.
- E. Approval of the settlement of the City's opioid litigation against six (6) Remnant Defendants and authorization for the Mayor to execute the Six (6) Remnant Defendants' Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form ("Combined Participation Form").
- F. Approval of Award for RFP 26-021 Strategic Planning Consulting Services to Berry, Dunn McNeil & Parker, LLC, as highest ranked respondent and authorize staff to enter into contract negotiations for final approval by City Commission.

- G. Authorize the Mayor to execute the 2025–2026 Grant Award and Allocation Letters accepting entitlement funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development under the Community Development Block Grant program in the amount of \$574,680.00.
- H. Approval for City Manager Richard D. Chess to attend the Florida City and County Management Association 2026 Annual Conference in Orlando, FL, from May 26th to May 30th, 2026, at an estimated cost of \$1,975.00.
- I. Approval for City Manager Richard D. Chess to attend the Florida Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials 2026 Annual Conference in Tampa, FL from April 15th to April 17th, 2026 at an estimated cost of \$1,104.68.
- J. Approval for Commissioner Gaines to attend the 2026 Florida Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials Annual Conference in Tampa, Florida from April 15 to April 17, 2026 at a cost of \$965.77.
- K. Approval for Commissioner Johnson to attend the 2026 Florida Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials Annual Conference in Tampa, Florida from April 15 to April 17, 2026 at a cost of \$965.77.
- L. Approval of contract with VB Landscaping LLC. DBA Partnership Landscaping, Fort Lauderdale, FL for Landscaping Maintenance of Medians, Bid No. 2025-039, for a period of two years with a one-year renewal option in the amount of \$86,400.00 per year.
- M. Approve the Second Amendment to the Safe Streets for All (SS4A) Grant Agreement with the US DOT/Federal Highway Administration (693JJ32340234) to officially close the project.
- N. Approval of Award of Banking Service RFP 2026-018 to ITHINK Financial Credit Union for three years with the option to renew for two additional one-year periods by mutual agreement of both parties.

Mayor Linda Hudson requested to pull item 11N of the Consent Agenda.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve items 11A-11M of the Consent Agenda.

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

As per item 11N, Mayor Hudson wished to discuss the terms that led to the RFP vote between iThink Financial Credit Union and SeaCoast Bank with the reward recommendation to iThink Financial Credit Union. Karen Logue, Chief Accountant, was available to answer questions from the Commission. Ms. Logue shared that in 2024, Governor Ron DeSantis moved to allow Credit Unions to become public depositories. Commissioner Curtis Johnson Jr. requested clarification of the trigger for the RFP for Banking Services; Ms. Logue provided that the City's current banking service contract was expiring. Commissioner Arnold Gaines questioned if iThink Financial Credit Union's main branch was local and how many branches are in Fort Pierce. Ms. Logue provided that iThink Financial Credit Union's main branch is not local to Fort Pierce, but they have multiple branches within the City-limit jurisdiction. Commissioner Chris Dzadoovsky stated he was made aware of a clerical error on an application for the RFP and questioned what steps have been put in place to rectify the error. City Manager Richard Chess clarified the clerical error was not one of Staff; the applicant did not provide Staff with their updated business information. City Attorney Sara Hedges provided that the applicant had the opportunity to file a bid protest if they were aggrieved with the bidding process. However, no protest was filed.

Motion was made by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., to approve item 11N of the Consent Agenda. With no second, the motion died.

Motion was made by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Chris Dzadoovsky to approve item 11N of the Consent Agenda.

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

NAY: Commissioner Arnold Gaines, Mayor Linda Hudson

Passed

12. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Quasi-Judicial Hearings follow a strict set of rules and procedures which can be found on the City's website using this link: <https://www.cityoffortpierce.com/DocumentCenter/View/6740/Quasi-Judicial-Procedures>. All Quasi-Judicial decisions by the City Commission must be based on competency substantial evidence. Competent substantial evidence is evidence which will establish a substantial basis from which the fact at issue can reasonably be inferred. It includes fact or opinion evidence offered by an expert on a matter that requires specialized knowledge and that is relevant to the issues to be decided. It is evidence a reasonable mind could accept as having probative weight and adequate to support a legal conclusion. Hypothetical, speculative, fear or emotion based generalized statements that do not address the relevant issues and that cannot be reasonably said to support the action advocated, are not competent substantial evidence.

- A. (Continued to July 20, 2026) Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 26-005 - Review and approval of a Voluntary Annexation by owner, Tony Acerra, to extend the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include one (1) parcel containing 0.19 acres, generally located at or near 2528 South Ocean Drive. The proposed City Future Land Use is Low Density Residential (RL) and the proposed Zoning is Single Family Low Density Zone (R-1). Parcel ID: 2413-501-0154-000-6. SECOND READING.

City Clerk Linda Cox made the Commission aware of the applicant's request for a continuance.

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

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, TO INCLUDE ONE (1) PARCEL CONTAINING 0.19 ACRES, GENERALLY LOCATED AT OR NEAR 2528 S OCEAN DRIVE, AND SHOWN ON EXHIBIT A; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER TO ASSESS SAID PROPERTY AND PLACE IT ON THE CITY TAX ROLLS AS OF JANUARY 1, 2026; DIRECTING THE ST. LUCIE COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR TO COLLECT TAXES ON THE HEREIN DESCRIBED PROPERTY; ESTABLISHING THE LAND USE DESIGNATION OF LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (RL); ESTABLISHING THE ZONING DESIGNATION OF SINGLEFAMILY LOW DENSITY ZONE (R-1); DIRECTING FILING OF THE ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER OF ST. LUCIE COUNTY; DIRECTING REVISION OF THE CHARTER BOUNDARY ARTICLE TO BE FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND SUBMITTED TO THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC AND DEMOGRAPHIC RESEARCH; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Chris Dzadoovsky provided the Commission with summations of information regarding the proposed annexation properties. Commissioner Dzadoovsky shared numerous federal, state, and environmental regulations regarding the properties and expressed the possible risks the City and the applicant may face in the result of annexation. Tony Acerra, applicant, informed the Commission he would like to continue Ordinances 26-005, 26-006, 26-007 for the proposed annexation to July 20, 2026 to allow him and the owners time to review the provided information with their legal counsel.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve the continuation of Ordinance 26-005 to July 20, 2026.

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

Passed

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve the continuation of Ordinances 26-006, 26-007, and 26-008 to July 20, 2026.

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

Passed

- B. (Continued to July 20, 2026) Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 26-006 - Review and approval of a Voluntary Annexation by owner, John Alberti, represented by Tony Acerra, to extend the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include one (1) parcel containing 0.19 acres, generally located at or near 2528 South Ocean Drive. The proposed City Future Land Use is Low Density Residential (RL) and the proposed Zoning is Single-Family Low Density Zone (R-1). Parcel ID: 2413-501-0155-000-3. SECOND READING.
- C. (Continued to July 20, 2026) Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 26-007 - Review and approval of a Voluntary Annexation by owners, Michael Fowler and Sean Murray, represented by Tony Acerra, to extend the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include one (1) parcel containing 1.42 acres, generally located at or near 2528 South Ocean Drive. The proposed City Future Land Use is General Commercial (GC) and the proposed Zoning is General Commercial Zone (C-3). Parcel ID: 2413-501-0102-000-07. SECOND READING.
- D. (Continued to July 20, 2026) Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 26-008 - Review and approval of a Voluntary Annexation by owner, Tony Acerra, to extend the territorial limits of the City of Fort Pierce, Florida, to include one (1) parcel containing 0.21 acres, generally located at or near 2528 South Ocean Drive. The proposed City Future Land Use is Low Density Residential (RL) and the proposed Zoning is Single Family Low Density Zone (R-1). SECOND READING.
- E. Legislative Hearing - Ordinance 26-009 - Final Budget Amendment of the FY 2024-25 General Fund Budget. SECOND READING

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

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2024-25 BUDGET OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA BY INSERTING THEREIN A SCHEDULE ATTACHED HERETO AND DESIGNATED AS THE 2024-25 FINAL BUDGET AMENDMENT; THE SAID SCHEDULE PROVIDES FOR THE INCREASES AND/OR DECREASES IN REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS IN THE GENERAL FUND; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Hudson opened the Public Hearing. Seeing no one, she closed the Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Commissioner Michael Broderick, seconded by Commissioner Arnold Gaines to approve Ordinance 26-009.

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

Passed

13. CITY COMMISSION

- A. Resolution 26-R22 accepting the FPUA Final Budget Amendment

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA; APPROVING THE FINAL BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR THE FORT PIERCE UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Javier Cisneros, FPUA Director, and Michele Harris, FPUA CFO, gave a brief presentation for Resolution 26-R22 and Resolution 26-R23 covering ongoing projects and future community engagement events by FPUA. Commissioner Arnold Gaines requested that FPUA notifies businesses prior to streets closing for FPUA projects to limit the impact on businesses near the work-site. Mayor Linda Hudson commended FPUA for the safety measures they have in place for their contractors and employees. Ms. Harris reviewed the differences in the actual revenue and the estimated budget of FPUA for the 2025 Fiscal Year. Commissioner Michael Broderick commented on the State's legislation discussion regarding changes to City utility contributions. Mr. Cisneros stated that customers outside of City limits face a required surcharge of 25% and those within City limits have a surtax of 10% for utilities. Mr. Cisneros shared that the bill has not been passed yet. However, if passed, the utility contributions will have to be redistributed.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve Resolution 26-R22.

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

- B. Resolution 26-R23 Accepting the FPUA Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for FY2025 and annual distribution

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA; ACCEPTING THE FORT PIERCE UTILITIES AUTHORITY'S FY2025 ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Michael Broderick to approve Resolution 26-R23.

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

- C. Resolution 26-R24 appointing two at-large members to the Historic Preservation Board.

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

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

City Clerk Linda Cox distributed the ballots and clarified that the ballot is a point system, so the order of the votes reflect the weight of the points.

Commissioner Michael Broderick voted for Charlie Hayek and Suzanne Boardman.
Mayor Linda Hudson voted for Charlie Hayek and Suzanne Boardman.
Commissioner Curtis Johnson Jr. voted for Shatell Hypolite and Charlie Hayek.
Commissioner Arnold Gaines voted for Shatell Hypolite and Charlie Hayek.
Commissioner Chris Dzadosvky voted for Douglas Knoll and Suzanne Boardman.

Suzanne Boardman received three points, six for Charlie Hayek, four for Shatell Hypolite, and two for Douglass Knoll resulting in the two Historic Preservation Board members as Charlie Hayek and Shatell Hypolite.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve the appointment of Charlie Hayek and Shatell Hypolite as members of the Historic Preservation Board.

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

- D. Resolution 26-R25 appointing members to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC).

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

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, CERTIFYING THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Linda Hudson asked Commissioner Arnold Gaines if St. Lucie County has an Affordable Housing Advisory Committee; Commissioner Gaines confirmed the County has their own Affordable Housing Advisory Committee and requested if the City's Committee can be combined with the County's. Mayor Hudson suggested the discussion be added to a future City Commission meeting.

City Clerk Linda Cox passed out two ballots: for the specific categories and for the at-large positions. Commissioner Gaines questioned whether he needs to recuse his vote since he sits on the Board; City Attorney Sara Hedges provided that he can still participate in the vote.

For the first ballot regarding the specific categories the votes were as follows:
Commissioner Arnold Gaines voted for KeAndrea Davis and Jennifer Picardi.
Commissioner Curtis Johnson Jr. voted for KeAndrea Davis and Jennifer Picardi.
Commissioner Michael Broderick voted for KeAndrea Davis and Jennifer Picardi.
Mayor Linda Hudson voted for KeAndrea Davis and Jennifer Picardi.
Commissioner Chris Dzadoovsky voted for Candace Revels and Wesley Sands

For the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee in the specific categories, KeAndrea Davis and Jennifer Picardi will be reappointed.

For the second ballot regarding the at-large positions the votes were as follows:
Commissioner Arnold Gaines voted for Shontay Smith and Aundrea Hair.
Commissioner Chris Dzadoovsky voted for Shontay Smith and Candace Revels.
Commissioner Curtis Johnson Jr. voted for Wesley Sands and Leslie Olson.
Mayor Linda Hudson voted for Aundrea Hair and Leslie Olson.
Commissioner Michael Broderick voted for Leslie Olson and Aundrea Hair.

The votes resulted in a tie between Aundrea Hair, Leslie Olson, and Shontay Smith so the Commission did a second vote between the three tied candidates.

Commissioner Chris Dzadoovsky voted for Leslie Olson and Shontay Smith.
Commissioner Arnold Gaines voted for Shontay Smith and Aundrea Hair.
Commissioner Michael Broderick voted for Leslie Olson and Aundrea Hair.
Commissioner Curtis Johnson Jr. voted for Aundrea Hair and Leslie Olson.
Mayor Linda Hudson voted for Aundrea Hair and Leslie Olson.

For the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee at-large members, Aundrea Hair and Leslie Olson will be reappointed.

Motion was made by Commissioner Chris Dzadoovsky, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve Resolution 26-R25 re-appointing KeAndrea Davis, Jennifer Picardi, Aundrea Hair, and Leslie Olson to the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC).

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

- E. Resolution 26-R26 appointing members to the Sunrise Theater Advisory Board as Commissioner Gaines and Mayor Hudson's appointees.

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

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

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Michael Broderick to approve Resolution 26-R26 appointing Melanie George and Deborah Thompson as members of the Sunrise Theater Advisory Board as Commissioner Gaines and Mayor Hudson's appointees.

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

14. 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.

Charles Wilson
Matt Samuel
Kris Einstein

15. COMMENTS FROM THE CITY MANAGER

City Manager Richard Chess had no updates. Mr. Chess provided clarification that neither the new bank's nor the old bank's information, for the RFP discussed in item 11N, was provided in the database by the applicant.

- A. PO Report

16. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMISSION

Commissioner Arnold Gaines and Commissioner Chris Dzadoovsky had no comments. Commissioner Curtis Johnson Jr. was glad the community had a safe Easter Weekend. Commissioner Johnson provided his condolences for Coral Springs' City Commissioner and Vice Mayor Nancy Metayer Bowen and asked for a moment of silence at the end of the meeting. Commissioner Michael Broderick commented on the Hutchinson Island Committee's prior request to separate from the City of Fort Pierce and shared that the Commission should review the requirements for secession in preparation for any further discussion. Commissioner Dzadoovsky provided that those seeking secession should refer to the State legislation. Mayor Linda Hudson asked City Manager Richard Chess

for clarification of when the new purchasing RFP procedures will be brought to the Commission; Mr. Chess shared it should be ready by the April 13th City Commission Day meeting. Mayor Hudson asked Mr. Chess to have the auditors scheduled for an upcoming City Commission meeting to present the amended budget report. Mayor Hudson shared that the Commission needs to set procedures to ensure they are following the Strategic Plan closely in the future.

17. 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 this meeting at 7:21pm.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR COMMISSIONER