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CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

City Commission Chambers

May 26, 2026

7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Veronica Edwards Phillips called the May 26, 2026 City Commission Meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Veronica Edwards Phillips
Vice Mayor Sharon Thomas
Commissioner Tycie Causwell
Commissioner Easton Harrison
Commissioner Karlene Maxwell-Williams

ALSO PRESENT

Acting City Manager Venice Howard
City Attorney Sidney Calloway
Deputy City Clerk Pav Benasrie-Watson
City Staff

3. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation was provided by Reverend Dr. Ezra L. Tillman, First Baptist Church Piney Grove.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

A. PRESENTATION - MAYOR SAMUEL S. BROWN SCHOLARSHIP FUND AWARDS (SPONSORED BY MAYOR EDWARDS PHILLIPS)

Mayor Edwards Phillips presented the 2026 Samuel S. Brown scholarships to the following recipients: Jashari DaCosta, Ajani Henry, Amaya Henry, Madison Quara, Mya Spence and Dillion Young.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

A. MAY 5, 2026 SPECIAL CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

B. MAY 11, 2026 CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP MINUTES

C. MAY 12, 2026 CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Causwell made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 5, 2026 Special City Commission Meeting, May 11, 2026 City Commission Workshop and May 12, 2026 City Commission Meeting

Mayor Edwards Phillips requested a roll call:

FOR: Mayor Edwards Phillips, Vice Mayor Thomas, Commissioner Causwell, Commissioner Harrison, Commissioner Maxwell-Williams

Motion passed: 5-0

6. PETITIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Broward County Commissioner Hazelle Rogers spoke of June being Caribbean Heritage Month and stated that Captain Barrington Irving will be visiting Park Lakes Elementary on June 2, 2026. She also reminded everyone to register to vote.

7. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

8. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

9. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS ON CONSENT AGENDA

A. RESOLUTION 2026-052 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM (RTP) THROUGH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (FDEP) FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO CYPRESS PRESERVE PARK

This is a resolution authorizing the submission of a grant application to the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) through the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for improvements to the Cypress Preserve Park Walkway Trail Improvements.

B. RESOLUTION 2026-053 SUPPORTING THE HELPER ACT OF 2025, HOUSE RESOLUTION 2094 AND SENATE BILL 978 WHICH ESTABLISHES A HOME LOAN PROGRAM TO MAKE HOME OWNERSHIP MORE AFFORDABLE TO FIRST RESPONDERS AND TEACHERS (SPONSORED BY MAYOR EDWARDS PHILLIPS)

This is a resolution supporting House Resolution 2094 and Senate Bill 978 (Helper) Act which establishes a Home Loan Program to make home ownership more affordable for first responders and teachers.

C. RESOLUTION 2026-054 AWARDED A CONTRACT TO MTI CONSTRUCTION GROUP FOR THE SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX RENOVATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED AND FORTY FOUR THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY FOUR DOLLARS AND EIGHTY FOUR CENTS (\$544,374.84)

This is a resolution awarding a contract to MTI Construction Group in an amount not to exceed \$544,374.84 for ITB 26-6210-32B, Swimming Pool Complex Renovation.

D. RESOLUTION 2026-055 AWARDED A CONTRACT TO KHAN BUILDERS, INC. FOR THE RESTROOM RENOVATION PROJECT (VINCENT TORRES PARK) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FIFTY EIGHT THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED AND FORTY EIGHT DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$58,248.00)

This is a resolution awarding a contract to Khan Builders, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$58,248.00 for ITB 26-6210-30B, Restroom Renovation Project (Vincent Torres Park).

E. RESOLUTION 2026-056 AWARDED A CONTRACT TO KHAN BUILDERS, INC. FOR THE RESTROOM RENOVATION PROJECT (CYPRESS PRESERVE PARK) IN AN AMOUNT NOT

TO EXCEED SIXTY TWO THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED AND TEN DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$62,110.00)

This is a resolution awarding a contract to Khan Builders Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$62,110.00 for ITB 26-6210-30B, Restroom Renovation Project (Cypress Preserve Park).

- F.** RESOLUTION 2026-057 AWARDING A CONTRACT TO KHAN BUILDERS, INC. FOR THE RESTROOM RENOVATION PROJECT (OTIS GRAY PARK) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$120,220.00)

This is a resolution awarding a contract to Khan Builders Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$120,220.00 for ITB 26-6210-29B, Restroom Renovation Project (Otis Gray Park).

- G.** RESOLUTION 2026-058 AWARDING A CONTRACT TO KHAN BUILDERS, INC. FOR THE RESTROOM RENOVATION PROJECT (NORTHGATE PARK) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SIXTY THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED AND THIRTY DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$60,530.00)

This is a resolution awarding a contract to Khan Builders, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$60,530 for ITB 26-6210-28B, Restroom Renovation Project (Northgate Park).

- H.** RESOLUTION 2026-059 REGARDING A COOPERATIVE CONTRACT AWARD WITH WATERFIELD FLORIDA STAFFING LLC. D/B/A STAFFING CONNECTIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH AN APPROVED CONTRACT AWARDED BY THE CITY OF PLANTATION FOR SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD SERVICES

This is a resolution regarding a cooperative contract award with Waterfield Florida Staffing, LLC. d/b/a/ Staffing Connections, in accordance with approved contract awarded by the City of Plantation for School Crossing Guard Services.

- I.** RESOLUTION 2026-060 APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH CULINARY AFFAIRS, INC. TO PROVIDE NUTRITIOUS BREAKFAST AND LUNCH FOR THE 2026 SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM AT WILLIE WEBB SR. PARK FUNDED THROUGH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$29,000.00)

This is a resolution approving an agreement with Culinary Affairs, Inc. to provide nutritious breakfast and lunch for the 2026 Summer for an amount not to exceed \$29,000.00.

City Attorney Calloway read Resolutions 2026-052, 2026-053, 2026-054, 2026-055, 2026-056, 2026-57, 2026-058, 2026-059 and 2026-060 by title:

9.A.) RESOLUTION 2026-052

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF LAUDERDALE LAKES, FLORIDA; AUTHORIZING THE ACTING CITY MANAGER OR DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM (RTP) THROUGH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CITY'S CYPRESS PRESERVE PARK; A COPY OF WHICH IS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(9.B.) RESOLUTION 2026-053

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF LAUDERDALE LAKES, FLORIDA; SUPPORTING THE HOMES FOR EVERY LOCAL PROTECTOR, EDUCATOR, AND RESPONDER (HELPER) ACT OF 2025, H.R. 2094 AND S. 978; FURTHER URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ENACT THE LEGISLATION; COPIES OF H.R. 2094 AND S. 978 ARE ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A; COPIES OF WHICH ARE AVAILABLE FOR

INSPECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(9.C.) RESOLUTION 2026-054

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF LAUDERDALE LAKES, FLORIDA; AWARDED ITB NO. 26-6210-32B, SWIMMING POOL COMPLEX RENOVATION, TO MTI CONSTRUCTION GROUP LLC, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FIVE HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND 84/100 (\$544,374.84); AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST, RESPECTIVELY, THE CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES AND MTI CONSTRUCTION GROUP LLC; A DRAFT COPY OF THE AGREEMENT IS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A; A COPY OF WHICH IS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(9.D.) RESOLUTION 2026-055

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF LAUDERDALE LAKES, FLORIDA; AWARDED ITB NO. 26-6210-31B, RESTROOM RENOVATION PROJECT (VINCENT TORRES PARK), TO KHAN BUILDERS, INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FIFTY-EIGHT THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FORTY-EIGHT DOLLARS AND NO/100 (\$58,248.00); AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST, RESPECTIVELY, THE CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES AND KHAN BUILDERS, INC.; A DRAFT COPY OF THE AGREEMENT IS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A; A COPY OF WHICH IS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(9.E.) RESOLUTION 2026-056

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF LAUDERDALE LAKES, FLORIDA; AWARDED ITB NO. 26-6210-30B, RESTROOM RENOVATION PROJECT (CYPRESS PRESERVE PARK), TO KHAN BUILDERS, INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SIXTY-TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS AND NO/100 (\$62,110.00); AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST, RESPECTIVELY, THE CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES AND KHAN BUILDERS, INC; A DRAFT COPY OF THE AGREEMENT IS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A; A COPY OF WHICH IS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(9.F.) RESOLUTION 2026-057

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF LAUDERDALE LAKES, FLORIDA; AWARDED ITB NO. 26-6210-29B, RESTROOM RENOVATION PROJECT (OTIS GRAY PARK), TO KHAN BUILDERS, INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY DOLLARS AND NO/100 (\$120,220.00); AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST, RESPECTIVELY, THE CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES AND KHAN BUILDERS, INC; A DRAFT COPY OF THE AGREEMENT IS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A; A COPY OF WHICH IS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(9.G.) RESOLUTION 2026-058

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF LAUDERDALE LAKES, FLORIDA; AWARDING ITB NO. 26-6210-28B, RESTROOM RENOVATION PROJECT (NORTHGATE PARK), TO KHAN BUILDERS, INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED SIXTY THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED AND THIRTY DOLLARS AND NO/100 (\$60,530.00); AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST, RESPECTIVELY, THE CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES AND KHAN BUILDERS, INC; A DRAFT COPY OF THE AGREEMENT IS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A; A COPY OF WHICH IS AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(9.H.) RESOLUTION 2026-059

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF LAUDERDALE LAKES, FLORIDA; IN ACCORDANCE WITH SEC. 82-358(f) OF THE LAUDERDALE LAKES PROCUREMENT CODE, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING PURCHASE OF SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD BETWEEN AUGUST 1, 2026 AND SEPTEMBER 19, 2027, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY-THREE DOLLARS AND SEVENTY CENTS (\$329,783.70, UNDER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF CONTRACT AWARDED BY THE CITY OF PLANTATION TO WATERFIELD FLORIDA STAFFING, LLC D/B/A STAFFING CONNECTIONS, PURSUANT TO AGREEMENT NO. 038-23; A COPY OF THE CITY OF PLANTATION AGREEMENT IS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A; A COPY OF THE CITY'S PURCHASE ORDER IS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT B; COPIES OF WHICH MAY BE INSPECTED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(9.I.) RESOLUTION 2026-060

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF LAUDERDALE LAKES, FLORIDA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 82-358(b) OF THE LAUDERDALE LAKES PROCUREMENT CODE, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST, RESPECTIVELY, THE SOLE OR SINGLE SOURCE CONTRACT AWARDED TO CULINARY AFFAIRS BY DOMINICK, INC. ("VENDOR") IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY-NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$29,000.00), PROVIDING FOR NUTRITIOUS BREAKFAST AND LUNCH ITEMS TO CHILDREN FOR THE 2026 SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM AT WILLIE WEBB SR. PARK, SUCH PROGRAM BEING FUNDED THROUGH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES, SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM; A COPY OF THE DRAFT AGREEMENT IS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A; A COPY OF THE WRITTEN DETERMINATION BY THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND THE EXECUTED REQUEST AND JUSTIFICATION FOR THE SOLE OR SINGLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT ARE ATTACHED HERETO AS COMPOSITE EXHIBIT B; COPIES OF WHICH MAY BE INSPECTED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Causwell made a motion to approve Resolutions 2026-052, 2026-053, 2026-054, 2026-055, 2026-056, 2026-57, 2026-058, 2026-059 and 2026-060.

FOR: Mayor Edwards Phillips, Vice Mayor Thomas, Commissioner Causwell, Commissioner Harrison, Commissioner Maxwell-Williams

Motion passed: 5-0

10. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS ON REGULAR AGENDA

A. RESOLUTION 2026-061 RATIFYING THE FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF MARCH 31, 2026

This is a resolution ratifying the the Year to Date Financial Report for the City of Lauderdale Lakes as of March 31, 2026.

City Attorney Calloway read Resolution 2026-061 by title:

RESOLUTION 2026-061

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF LAUDERDALE LAKES, FLORIDA, RATIFYING THE FINANCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT'S FILING OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY REPORTS FOR THE MONTHS OF MARCH (PERIOD 6) OF FISCAL YEAR 2026, AS PREPARED FOR THE PURPOSE OF FULFILLING THE REQUIREMENTS OF SEC.82-327 OF THE CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES CODE OF ORDINANCES, COPIES OF SUCH FINANCIAL REPORTS ARE ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A; A COPY OF WHICH CAN BE INSPECTED IN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE DEPUTY CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Vice Mayor Thomas made a motion to move Resolution 2026-061 to the floor for discussion.

FOR: Mayor Edwards Phillips, Vice Mayor Thomas, Commissioner Causwell, Commissioner Harrison, Commissioner Maxwell-Williams

Motion passed: 5-0

Vice Mayor Thomas made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-061.

FOR: Mayor Edwards Phillips, Vice Mayor Thomas, Commissioner Causwell, Commissioner Harrison, Commissioner Maxwell-Williams

Motion passed: 5-0

11. CORRESPONDENCE

12. REPORT OF THE MAYOR

Mayor Edwards Phillips thanked everyone for attending and watching the meeting. She spoke of the Moments with the Mayor event on Thursday, May 28th and the Mayor's Paint and Glow event on May 29th. She also congratulated the 2026 Mayor Samuel Brown scholarship recipients

13. REPORT OF THE VICE MAYOR

Vice Mayor Thomas congratulated the 2026 Mayor Samuel Brown scholarship recipients and spoke of the food giveaway that took place on May 22nd in collaboration with Commissioner Causwell. She spoke of Memorial Day and to continue to honor and remember the men and women who lost their lives in service to the country.

14. REMARKS OF THE COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Causwell reminded everyone to remain hydrated in the hot weather and thanked everyone for their assistance at the May 22nd food giveaway. She spoke about getting prepared for hurricane season and congratulated the 2026 Mayor Samuel Brown scholarship recipients

Commissioner Harrison thanked everyone for attending and watching the meeting. He recognized the Muslim holiday of Eid Al Adha taking place on May 27th and reminded everyone to register to vote.

Commissioner Maxwell-Williams spoke of her disappointment regarding the use of a facility for the free citizenship drive. She spoke about showing up for immigrant families who need access and resources and stated she is asking the City Commission to do what is fair, reasonable and right.

15. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

Acting City Manager Howard spoke of the upcoming events and provided a status on the various projects and programs taking place in the City.

16. REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney Calloway spoke of the legislation that recently passed that will impact the city.

17. ADJOURNMENT

Being that there was no other business to come before the City Commission, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

VERONICA EDWARDS PHILLIPS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

VENICE HOWARD, MMC, CITY CLERK