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Updates from City Commission Meetings

The City of Fort Lauderdale hosts City Commission meetings in person at various temporary locations. If any person wishes to address the City Commission, the person shall sign up using the City Clerk's iPad. The public can listen to and view City Commission meetings on [FLTV](#), [YouTube](#), Comcast Channel 78, and AT&T U-verse Channel 99. To learn more about City Commission meetings, visit fortlauderdale.gov/citycommissionmeetings.

In case you missed them, the following are highlights from the Fort Lauderdale City Commission meetings on Tuesday, November 4, 2025. The video is available at youtube.com/cityoffortlauderdale, and the vote summary will be available later this week at fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar.

CITY COMMISSION CONFERENCE MEETING

Commission Receives Update on Prospect Lake Clean Water Center

The City Commission received an update on the Prospect Lake Clean Water Center, the new water treatment facility that will replace the aging Fiveash Water Treatment Plant. The \$485 million project, funded through a partnership between the City and Prospect Lake Water, L.P., will produce up to 50 million gallons of drinking water per day using advanced nanofiltration and ion exchange technology. Construction began in September 2023 and is expected to be completed by September 2026, followed by a 30-year operation and maintenance period. The update included progress on construction, injection wells, facility commissioning, and pilot testing for PFAS treatment. For more details, visit ftlcity.info/47HQjhu.

Commission Receives Update on Police Headquarters Construction

The City Commission received an update on the construction progress of the new Fort Lauderdale Police Department Headquarters. The facility is approximately 90 percent complete, with major systems such as mechanical, electrical, and security nearly finished. A peer review by Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc. identified structural deflection issues earlier in the project, which have since been corrected. The final phase of testing by an independent engineering firm is underway to confirm all load requirements are met. Pending successful results, the project is expected to receive a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy in winter 2025, with move-in anticipated in spring 2026 and full completion by summer 2026. For more details, visit ftlcity.info/3LLtIJU.

Commission Reviews Updated Plans for International Swimming Hall of Fame Project

The City Commission received an update on the International Swimming Hall of Fame (ISHOF) redevelopment, a public-private partnership with Hall of Fame Partners, LLC, to reconstruct and modernize the East and West Buildings at the Fort Lauderdale Aquatic Center site. As proposed, the revised project now includes the addition of an aquarium and an elevated promenade, increasing total project costs from \$190 million to \$218.8 million. The updated plan proposes

raising the City's maximum annual lease payment from \$11 million to \$13.6 million, offset by increased revenue projections and a higher preferred return for the City. PFM Financial Advisors presented a report outlining the revised financial analysis, which incorporates new lease agreements and letters of intent from commercial tenants and sponsors. In addition, various revenue scenarios were presented. The Commission will revisit the discussion at a future City Commission Conference meeting. Any changes required in the Comprehensive Agreement with HOFP will be presented for approval at a future City Commission meeting. For more details, visit ftlcity.info/47AYnR7.

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD MEETING

CRA Board Advances The Alridge and The Laramore Affordable Housing Project

The CRA Board approved new agreements to move forward with The Alridge and The Laramore mixed-use development at 1204 Sistrunk Boulevard and 1620 NW 6th Court. The project will bring two five-story buildings with 72 affordable apartments and 4,400 square feet of commercial space for small business use. The updated plan shifts to a 99-year ground lease to help the project qualify for affordable housing tax incentives and ensures all units remain affordable for at least 30 years. The development supports the CRA's goals of expanding housing options, creating business opportunities, and revitalizing the Northwest-Progresso-Flagler Heights community. For more details, visit ftlcity.info/4qHbgBW.

CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

Commission Authorizes Grant for Police Marine Patrol Equipment

The City Commission approved the execution of a \$48,846 grant from the Florida Inland Navigation District's Waterways Assistance Program to help fund new outboard motors for a Fort Lauderdale Police Department marine patrol vessel. The total project cost is \$97,692, with the City providing a 50 percent cash match. The new motors will replace aging equipment, improving the department's ability to patrol waterways and respond to marine-related incidents. For more details, visit ftlcity.info/47tp37O.

Commission Accepts State Funding for Violence Interruption Project

The City Commission accepted \$650,000 in state funding to launch the Fort Lauderdale Violence Interruption Project, a new initiative focused on reducing violent crime through data-driven prevention and intervention strategies. The program will use the funding to acquire technology, software, and outreach tools, and to develop a Group Violence Intervention strategy aimed at curbing gun violence and improving community safety. The project will run through September 2026 and supports the City's broader public safety goals. For more details, visit ftlcity.info/3XelGvg.

Commission Approves Amendment for Las Olas Marina Seawall Repairs

The City Commission approved a First Amendment to the Seawall Development Agreement with Las Olas SMI OpCo, LLC to complete additional work needed at the Las Olas Marina site. The amendment increases the City's contribution by \$980,868 to cover structural repairs discovered during construction, including replacement of the crane pad. Construction efforts

will resume now that the Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show has ended, with completion expected in early 2026. For more details, visit ftlcity.info/3XaLY1t.

Commission Approves Grant Agreement with The Stranahan House

The City Commission approved a Fiscal Year 2026 Not-for-Profit Grant Participation Agreement with The Stranahan House, Inc., in the amount of \$563,000 to support construction of the new Welcome Center and educational programming. The Welcome Center, which broke ground in September 2025, will expand the museum's capacity, provide a visitor ticketing and gift shop area, and enhance guest services. The agreement also funds programs that offer free museum admission for residents on Wednesdays, complimentary field trips for local schools, and discounted gift shop purchases for residents. For more details, visit ftlcity.info/47ple3l.

Commission Approves Contract for Riverland Road Traffic Calming Improvements

The City Commission approved an agreement with Sagaris Corp. for \$1.22 million to construct traffic calming improvements along Riverland Road between State Road 7 and Davie Boulevard. The project will include raised intersections, raised crosswalks, new pavement markings, sidewalk and drainage adjustments, and other safety enhancements at eight locations. These upgrades are designed to slow vehicle speeds, improve pedestrian crossings, and create a safer, more comfortable corridor for drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians. Construction is expected to begin in 2026. For more details, visit ftlcity.info/47KTyEZ.

Commission Approves Funding for Sistrunk Apartments Affordable Housing Project

The City Commission approved \$750,000 in additional funding for the Sistrunk Apartments project, a new affordable housing development featuring two five-story buildings with 72 apartments and 4,400 square feet of commercial space along Sistrunk Boulevard. The funding includes \$400,000 from the State Housing Initiatives Partnership program and \$350,000 from the City's Affordable Housing Trust Fund to help close a financing gap caused by rising construction costs and lower tax credit values. All units will remain affordable for 30 years for households earning up to 60 percent of the area median income. For more details, visit ftlcity.info/4oZeMpl.

Information

For more information on the November 4, 2025, Commission meetings, visit fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar.

Upcoming City Commission Meetings

The next regularly scheduled City Commission meetings will occur on Tuesday, November 18, 2025. These meetings will be held at the Broward Center for the Performing Arts in the Mary N. Porter Riverview Ballroom, 201 SW 5th Avenue, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312.