

**MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
PARKS, RECREATION AND BEACHES ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
FIRE STATION # 2
528 NW 2ND STREET
WEDNESDAY, January 28, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.**

Cumulative Attendance

Board Members	Attendance	Present	Absent
Vanessa Apotheker	P	3	0
Ruchel Coetzee	P	3	0
Idan Eckstein	P	1	2
Sean Fee	P	2	1
Colette Keno	P	1	2
Don Mizell	A	1	2
Nazir Lavji (arrived at 6:14 p.m.)	P	2	0
Marta Reczko, Vice-Chair	P	3	0
Solomon Schoonover (arrived at 6:05pm)	P	3	0
Anna Vratsinas	P	2	1
Patricia Zeiler	P	3	0
Joy Oglesby, Chair	P	3	0
Janet Moreira	P	2	1

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As of this date, there are 13 appointed members to the Board, which means 8 would constitute a quorum. A quorum was present.

Staff

Quentin Pough, *Assistant City Manager*
 Carl Williams, *Director, Parks and Recreation*
 Collette Satchell, *Director of Capital Projects*
 Amy Jean-Baptiste, *Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation*
 Leona Osamor- *Grants and Special Projects Administrator*
 Carolyn Bean, *Assistant to Director of Parks and Recreation*
 Naheel Baker, *Senior Management Analyst*
 Brittany Henry, *Senior Administrative Assistant*

Others

Nicole Day, Recording Secretary, Prototype-Inc.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Oglesby led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the December 3, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Marta Reczko and seconded by Patricia Zeiler, to approve December 3, 2025, meeting minutes with corrections. In a voice vote, the motion passed 9-0.

1. An Introduction to the Capital Projects (Quentin Pough Assistant City Manager)

Quentin Pough, Assistant City Manager, introduced himself and shared information regarding his previous employment background. He stated that he is looking forward to serving in his role and will return at a future meeting to provide a presentation on the Parks Bond projects. Collette Satchell, Director of Capital Projects, also introduced herself and provided information on her prior employment experience, expressing that she is looking forward to working with the Board.

2. Outdoor Permit Presentation (Brittany Henry, Carolyn Bean, and Naheel Baker)

Carl Williams, Director of Parks and Recreation, shared information regarding the City's high-impact events and efforts to provide a centralized calendar of City events. A presentation was given on the dashboards, including discussion of current challenges and the intake process. Mr. Williams explained how the public can access the site, how the impact dashboards function, how permits can be accessed, and how the Explorer tool is used. Information was also provided regarding system integration, including the color-coding scheme within the program, and a detailed explanation was given on how the system identifies activities occurring in specific areas. Examples were shown demonstrating how the filters operate.

Board members asked questions throughout the presentation, and the presenters provided responses. It was noted that informational flyers are available online for those who wish to review them. Mr. Williams provided additional clarification to address Board questions, and further discussion took place regarding the program and the possibility of future modifications.

3. Department Update (Amy Jean Baptiste)

Amy Jean-Baptiste, Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation, provided a department update presentation highlighting several upcoming events and projects. She discussed the Jazz Brunch, Noon Tunes, the Remembering Our Roots event, Neighbor Support Night, Kijiji Moja at Lincoln Park, and the Sistrunk Parade and

Festival. Updates were also provided on improvements at Joseph C. Carter Park. Holiday Park was discussed in detail, including its overall transformation, the addition of a parking garage, and the recent approval of Phase II. She also noted that a new mural will be featured at the Holiday Park Activity Center. AOTA Fest was discussed, and an exhibit was presented. Additionally, fireworks and drone show options were reviewed, with the Commission deciding to move forward with a combination of fireworks and drones.

Board members shared “Bravos” recognizing positive efforts and activities taking place throughout the City.

4. New Business (Joy Oglesby)

Chair Oglesby opened the discussion for New Business. Vice- Chair Reczko inquired about the status of the tennis center, and Mr. Williams provided a detailed response. Board Member Lavji asked about the status of the shade structure at Las Olas, and Ms. Williams stated that the project is expected to be completed within approximately three weeks.

5. Adjournment (Joy Oglesby)

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 P.M.

[Minutes prepared by JBurnham, Prototype-Inc.]