



# LauderBriefs

## 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](http://fortlauderdale.gov/citycommissionmeetings).*

*In case you missed them, the following are highlights from the Fort Lauderdale City Commission meetings on Tuesday May 19, 2026. The video is available at [youtube.com/cityoffortlauderdale](https://youtube.com/cityoffortlauderdale), and the vote summary will be available later this week at [fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar](http://fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar).*

### **CITY COMMISSION COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD**

#### **CRA Board Approves Funding for Central City Capital Improvement Master Plan**

The CRA Board approved up to \$200,000 for the development of a Capital Improvement Master Plan for the Central City CRA area. The plan will help identify and prioritize future infrastructure and neighborhood improvements throughout the area while creating a phased framework for future investment and redevelopment projects. The planning effort includes public workshops and community engagement with neighborhood associations, residents and business stakeholders to help guide the process. For more details, visit [ftlcity.info/4dFVYrx](http://ftlcity.info/4dFVYrx).

### **CITY COMMISSION CONFERENCE MEETING**

#### **Commission Receives Audit of Procurement P-Card Program**

The Commission received a performance audit of the City's Procurement P-Card Program conducted by the City Auditor's Office. The audit identified repeat finding related to internal controls of Attractive items, administrative, recordkeeping and supervisory approvals. Also, there were prohibited and questionable purchases within the P-card program.

The report included recommendations to strengthen compliance monitoring and improve inventory tracking and transaction review procedures to help reduce risk and improve accountability in the City's purchasing process. City staff also stated that corrective actions and additional staff training are already underway to improve the program. For more details, visit [ftlcity.info/3Rytmcc](http://ftlcity.info/3Rytmcc).

#### **Commission Receives Follow-Up Presentation on Broward Solid Waste Authority Master Plan**

The Commission received a follow-up presentation from City staff regarding the Broward Solid Waste Authority (SWA) Master Plan and Facilities Amendment. Staff provided additional information following the May 5, 2026 presentation from the SWA Governing Board and discussed how the proposed regional system could affect Fort Lauderdale's future waste disposal and recycling operations. The presentation also reviewed estimated costs to the City, future program requirements and the timeline for participating municipalities to approve the Facilities Amendment before the August 2026 deadline. The discussion is intended to help the

Commission evaluate whether the City should continue participating in the regional solid waste system. The item will return for an update at the July 2, 2026 Commission Meeting. For more details, visit [ftlcity.info/4tQGUgO](https://ftlcity.info/4tQGUgO).

### **Commission Receives Parks Bond Program Prioritization Plan Update**

The Commission received an update on the Parks Bond Program and the proposed prioritization plan for remaining park improvement projects citywide. The plan outlines a proposed schedule and prioritization approach for future park projects while helping guide long term investment in parks and recreational facilities across the city. The presentation included updates on completed and grant-funded projects, anticipated construction timelines and the proposed project sequencing approach. Project prioritization is based on factors such as funding availability, construction readiness and community priorities. Staff will continue providing monthly updates and are expected to return with additional updates in spring 2027. For more details, visit [ftlcity.info/4nllgJ0](https://ftlcity.info/4nllgJ0).

## **CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING**

### **Commission Accepts FDOT Grant for Galt Mile Street Safety Improvements Project**

The Commission approved a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a \$500,000 grant from the Florida Department of Transportation for the construction phase of the Galt Mile Street Safety Improvements Project. The project is intended to improve safety and pedestrian access along Galt Ocean Drive while upgrading aging infrastructure that has been in place for decades. Planned improvements include roadway resurfacing, sidewalk widening, raised crosswalks, lighting upgrades, landscaping, bike lane markings, and other streetscape enhancements. The project area extends along Galt Ocean Drive between East Oakland Park Boulevard and Flamingo Avenue. For more details, visit [ftlcity.info/4dFWBBp](https://ftlcity.info/4dFWBBp).

### **Commission Approves Sebastian and Seville Seawall Replacement Project**

The Commission approved an agreement with YC Group, LLC for the Sebastian and Seville Seawall Replacement Project in the amount of \$1,696,276.03. The existing seawalls along the Intracoastal Waterway were determined to be structurally deficient due to deterioration and infrastructure failures identified through inspections. The project will replace approximately 110 linear feet of seawall and includes drainage improvements intended to help reduce flooding impacts and improve stormwater flow in the area. The new seawall will also be constructed at a higher elevation to help address sea level rise and tidal impacts. For more details, visit [ftlcity.info/43oOPH6](https://ftlcity.info/43oOPH6).

### **Commission Approves Increase for Annual Sewer Repairs and Replacement Projects**

The Commission approved an increase in contract cost capacity for the City's annual sewer repairs and replacement agreements with Southern Underground Industries, Inc. and David Mancini & Sons, Inc. The additional funding will allow the City to continue addressing water and sewer infrastructure needs through planned and emergency repair and rehabilitation projects throughout Fort Lauderdale. Since the agreements were originally approved in 2024, the City has completed 40 water and sewer projects. The increased capacity will support an additional

23 planned and emergency projects focused on maintaining and improving the City's wastewater collection and water distribution systems. For more details, visit [ftlcity.info/4dBW0jY](http://ftlcity.info/4dBW0jY).

### **Commission Receives Update on Sidewalk Master Plan**

The Commission received an update on the City's Sidewalk Master Plan, which identifies missing sidewalk gaps and creates a long-term roadmap for future sidewalk construction throughout Fort Lauderdale. The plan was developed using community feedback gathered through surveys and neighborhood outreach efforts to help improve pedestrian safety, walkability and sidewalk access throughout the city. The presentation also outlined recommended first phase neighborhoods to be advanced into neighborhood outreach, feasibility, design and construction of the sidewalks based on available funding. For more details, visit [ftlcity.info/3PtGn6o](http://ftlcity.info/3PtGn6o).

### **Commission Approves Rezoning and Site Plan for Mixed Use Development on East Las Olas Boulevard**

The Commission approved, on first reading, a rezoning and site plan application with associated parking reduction for a proposed five story mixed-use development located at 221 SE 12 Avenue along the Himmarshee Canal and East Las Olas Boulevard. The project includes approximately 20,337 square feet of retail space and 11,816 square feet of office space. The approval also includes waterway use with yard reduction, commercial flex allocation and improvements intended to enhance the pedestrian experience along the project boundary. The item will return for second reading following additional input from the City Attorney's Office on proposed conditions. For more details, visit [ftlcity.info/4nDu5Fb](http://ftlcity.info/4nDu5Fb).

### **Commission Approves First Reading of Proposed Charter Amendments for 2026 Ballot**

The Commission approved on first reading a series of ordinances that would amend the City Charter, the governing document that outlines how the City operates and conducts elections, among other things. If passed on second reading, the proposed amendments would appear on the November 2026 ballot for voter consideration, and include updates related to candidate qualifications, the procedure for submission of candidate documentation, City Commission special meeting notice requirements, Civil Service Board procedures, and limits on the use and disposition of City-owned land. For more details, visit [ftlcity.info/4tSwyNn](http://ftlcity.info/4tSwyNn) and [ftlcity.info/498NOXd](http://ftlcity.info/498NOXd).

### **Commission Approves Proposed Charter Amendments Related to Police Chief and Fire Chief Positions**

The Commission approved on first reading ordinances that, if passed on second reading, would place proposed Charter amendments on the November 2026 ballot related to the positions of Police Chief and Fire Chief. If approved by voters, both positions would become Charter positions that report directly to the City Commission rather than to the City Manager. For more details, visit [ftlcity.info/4uYQPlh](http://ftlcity.info/4uYQPlh) and [ftlcity.info/4eTkRIM](http://ftlcity.info/4eTkRIM).

For more information on the May 19, 2026, Commission meetings, visit [fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar](https://fortlauderdale.legistar.com/calendar).

**Upcoming City Commission Meetings**

The next regularly scheduled City Commission meetings will occur on Tuesday, June 2, 2026. 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.