



**Town of Surfside
Regular Town Commission Meeting
MINUTES
April 18, 2023
7:00 PM**

Commission Chambers - 9293 Harding Avenue
Surfside, FL 33154

1. Opening

1A. Call to Order

Mayor Danzinger called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

1B. Roll Call of Members

Town Clerk McCready called the roll with the following members present:

Present: Mayor Shlomo Danzinger, Vice Mayor Jeff Rose, Commissioner Fred Landsman, Commissioner Marianne Meisheid and Commissioner Nelly Velasquez.

Also Present: Town Attorney Lillian Arango.

1C. Pledge of Allegiance

Chief Healy provided the pledge of allegiance.

1D. Mayor and Commission Remarks - Mayor Shlomo Danzinger

Mayor Danzinger recognized Commissioner Stern from the City of Aventura.

Mayor Danzinger reminded the Commission and the public of maintaining the decorum and the decorum statement.

Vice Mayor Rose thanked the public and spoke regarding there being a lot of first and second readings and would like to move the meetings from 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and having it for the next three to four months because the agendas will be very long.

Commissioner Landsman welcomed everyone and congratulated Hector Gomez for being selected as the Town Manager. He stated we have a packed agenda and would like to move quickly.

Commissioner Meisheid congratulated Hector Gomez on his new position as Town

Manager. She spoke regarding the Miami Dade County Condominium Association and the special assessments.

Commissioner Velasquez thanked everyone for being here and congratulated Hector Gomez as the new Town Manager and hopes all the projects they have will move forward and the Town continues to grow.

1E. Agenda and Order of Business Additions, deletions and linkages

Mayor Danzinger requested to move some items on the agenda and requested the below motions.

A motion was made by Commissioner Landsman to link item 1J (Undergrounding Powerlines Update), item 5D (HPF Associates, Inc. Contract Extension for Phase IIA for Undergrounding of Utilities) and item 9B (Undergrounding Utilities Project - Street Lighting Options), seconded Vice Mayor Rose. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to move item 4B1 (Pension Ordinance Addressing Housekeeping Items and Technical Corrections) before item 1J (Undergrounding Powerlines Update), seconded by Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to move item 5C (Purchase of Integrated Technology System for the Police Department using existing Contract between Central Square and City of Plantation) to be heard after 1J (Undergrounding Powerlines Update), seconded by Commissioner Meisheid. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

1F. Community Notes - Mayor Shlomo Danzinger

Mayor Danzinger congratulated Hector Gomez for being appointed as the new Town Manager. He spoke regarding the recent events that took place including the events being put together by the Tourist Board. He spoke regarding the Annual Pig Cook Off and the Town of Surfside Police Department and Town Clerk's Office for winning first place and they raised over \$10,000 for a cancer patient. He spoke regarding a Town employee that wanted to enjoy the beach chairs but felt that it was only for Town residents. He stated that all Town employees are family and can enjoy the same amenities as the residents. He spoke regarding a sanitation worker that was injured by a needle that was not properly disposed of and asked for the residents to dispose of those items properly. He spoke regarding the Town of Surfside Emergency Text Messaging system and encouraged everyone to sign up.

Chief Healy addressed some issues of having bicycles being stolen due to the owners not locking them up. He spoke regarding a partnering event with City of Miami Beach Police Department and they were able to identify the subject and he was arrested. He also spoke regarding pedestrian safety and the scooters all around Town. He also spoke regarding the Pig Cook Off and the great work the Town Clerk's Office did and the members of the police department that participated.

Mayor Danzinger stated that last month the Commission approved a proclamation

for Colorectal Cancer and they presented the proclamation to the City of Aventura Commissioner Stern.

1G. Presentation of the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Award (Verbal) - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

Town Manager Gomez introduced the item and the Town has received this award for the last two consecutive years.

1H. Municipal Clerks Week - Shlomo Danzinger, Mayor

For the commission approve the resolution as submitted recognizing the work of municipal clerks and the vital role they play in government.

Mayor Danzinger introduced the item and recognized Town Clerk Sandra McCreedy, Deputy Town Clerk Evelyn Herbello and Assistant to the Town Clerk Priscilla Krutules for their hard work and dedication. He read the proclamation into the record and presented it to the Town Clerk's Office.

[Municipal Clerk Week - April 2023.pdf](#)

[Municipal Clerk Week - Request - April 2023.pdf](#)

1I. Town Lobbyist Update - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

Johnathan Kilman, Town Lobbyist provided an update on the Town's appropriations. He also spoke regarding some legislation coming forward.

Mayor Danzinger spoke regarding the fees that can be charged and the city to be able to regulate the fees on short term rentals.

Mr. Kilman addressed the comments made and provided clarification.

Commissioner Velasquez asked if there was anything regarding the undergrounding and is there any funding out there for the undergrounding.

Mr. Kilman stated that many local governments have declined to participate, and they will continue to engage with FPL to see how they could help. He stated that the conversations will not end but they will be working with the utility companies.

Mayor Danzinger spoke regarding the alleyways and that is a bit of money that will alleviate the residents.

Mr. Kilman stated the process is not over yet and they will continue to work on that.

Further discussion took place among the Commission and Mr. Kilman regarding the appropriations the Town currently has and he will continue to work on them.

1J. Undergrounding Powerlines Update - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

This item was linked to item 5D (HPF Associates, Inc. Contract Extension for Phase IIA for Undergrounding of Utilities) and heard under item 5D (HPF Associates, Inc.

Contract Extension for Phase IIA for Undergrounding of Utilities).

2. Quasi-Judicial Hearings

3. Consent Agenda

All items on the consent agenda are considered routine or status reports by the Town Commission and will be approved by one motion. Any Commission member may request that an item be removed from the Consent Agenda and discussed separately. If the public wishes to speak on a matter on the consent agenda they must inform the Town Clerk prior to the start of the meeting by completing a speaker card. They will be recognized to speak prior to the approval of the consent agenda.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

The following individuals from the public spoke:

Eliana Salzhauer spoke against the gym equipment.

Gerardo Vildostegui spoke in favor of item 3H (Education and Sharing Day).

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

Vice Mayor Rose made a point of information and spoke against what Ms. Salzhauer stated about residents being white trailer trash.

Mayor Danzinger responded to the misinformation regarding the gym equipment and item 3H (Education and Sharing Day) recognizes the work of one person and education.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

3A. Town Commission Meeting Minutes - Town Clerk Sandra N. McCready

Approved on consent.

[March 14, 2023 Special Town Commission Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

[March 14, 2023 Regular Town Commission Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

[March 21, 2023 Town Commission Budget Vision Workshop Meeting.pdf](#)

[April 4, 2023 Special Town Commission Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

3B. Board and Committee Reports/Minutes

Approved on consent.

[2023-01-09 Tourist Board Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

[2023-01-18 Charter Review Board Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

[2023-01-23 Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

[2023-01-26 Planning and Zoning Board Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)
[2023-01-31 Joint Special Town Commission and Planning and Zoning Board Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)
[2023-02-06 Tourist Board Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)
[2023-02-08 Charter Review Board Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)
[2023-02-22 Charter Review Board Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)
[2023-02-23 Planning and Zoning Board Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)
[2023-03-08 Charter Review Board Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)
[2023-03-13 Tourist Board Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

3C. Arbor Day Proclamation/Resolution Approval - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

For the Town Commission to proclaim April 23, 2023, Arbor Day and to adopt the resolution.

Approved on consent.

[Proclamation Certificate Coins and Key to the Town Request Form 2023.doc](#)
[Resolution Arbor Day 2023.DOC](#)

3D. A Resolution of the Town Commission of the Town of Surfside, Florida, Approving a Fiscal Year 2023 Police Forfeiture Fund Expenditure for Police Gym Equipment - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

Town Administration recommends the Town Commission approve the use of Forfeiture Funds in the amount of \$36,283.95 for the purchase of new gym equipment.

Approved on consent.

[Resolution Approving Police Forfeiture Funds 2023.DOCX](#)

3E. Authorization to Purchase Through Piggyback from Alliance Matrix National Purchase Agreement Police Gym Equipment. - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

Town Administration recommends the Town Commission approve the use of Forfeiture Funds in the amount of \$36,283.95 for the purchase of new gym equipment through Alliance Matrix National Cooperate Purchasing Agreement contract provided in Exhibit A.

Approved on consent.

[Resolution Approving the Purchase of Fitness Equipment.DOCX](#)

[Exhibit A - Gym Equipment National Cooperative Purchasing Alliance Matrix Fitness Contract](#)

[Exhibit B - Gym Equipment Matrix Fitness Quote](#)

[Exhibit C - Gym Equipment Quote Rogue Fitness](#)

3F. Approving and Authorizing the Expenditure of \$59,657.00 to Convert the

Police Department Sallyport to a Town Employee Gym and Training Facility - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

Town Administration is seeking Authorization to expend a not to exceed the amount of \$59,657, toward the conversion of the current sallyport to an employee Gym and Training Center.

Approved on consent.

[Resolution Authorizing Expenditure of Funds for Gym Facility Project.DOCX](#)

3G. FY 2023 Budget Amendment Resolution No. 6 - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

Town Administration recommends approval of this resolution.

Approved on consent.

[Resolution Approving Budget Amend No. 6.DOCX](#)

[Attachment A - FY2023 Budget Amendment No. 6.pdf](#)

3H. Education and Sharing Day - Shlomo Danzinger, Mayor

For the commission to approve the resolution as submitted recognizing the importance of a moral and ethical education for our children.

Approved on consent.

[Education & Sharing Day - April 2023.pdf](#)

[Education & Sharing Day - Request - April 2023.pdf](#)

3I. Authorization to Approve the Purchase and Installation of Turtle Friendly Solar Bollards Along the Hardpack for Maintenance and Safety as Part of Phase II - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

Town Administration is seeking Town Commission approval to expend a total of \$ 285,626.00 with First Light Technologies, Inc. and install Phase II bollard lighting on the beach hardpack.

Approved on consent.

[Attachment A- Sole Source.pdf](#)

[Resolution Approving Solar Bollards Purchase for Phase 2.DOCX](#)

[Exhibit A - Phase II Quote - 200 PLB-AMB-BLS.pdf](#)

4. Ordinances

Second Reading

4A1. Accessory Structures in Waterfront Lots in the H30A Zoning District - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

As approved at the joint meeting of the Town Commission and the Planning and Zoning Board held on January 31st, 2023, Staff recommends amending the Zoning

Code to allow for limited accessory structures in the waterfront setback area in the H30A zoning district. The suggested limitations are:

- For H30A properties on Point Lake, an accessory structure may be constructed no closer than 10 feet from the sea wall and may include an enclosed building of up to 2% of the lot area within the setback set forth in Section 90-48.3.
- For H30A properties on any other water body, an accessory structure may be constructed no closer than 15 feet from the sea wall and may include an enclosed building of up to 200 square feet within the setback set forth in Section 90-48.3. Accessory buildings and structures shall be limited by this section and the allowable lot coverage.

This Ordinance also clarified that the two types of waterfront properties in the H30A Zoning district are properties on Point Lake and all others, including Biscayne Bay and Indian Creek.

Town Clerk McCready read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Town Manager Gomez introduced the item and Town Planner Frankel.

Commissioner Velasquez suggested to reduce this from 200 square feet to 100 square feet and does not understand why the room needs to be that large.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

The following individuals from the public spoke:

Eliana Salzhauer stated that setbacks are to be preserved and spoke against this item.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

Vice Mayor Rose stated that prior to them they had accessory structures.

A motion was made by Commissioner Landsman to approve the ordinance on second reading, seconded by Vice Mayor Rose. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Velasquez voting in opposition.

[Ordinance Amending 90-48.3 and 90-54.1 Accessory Structures Waterfront Lots H30A - Second Reading](#)

4A2. Zoning Code Correction: Definitions of "Setback" and "Yard" - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

As approved at the Joint Town Commission and Planning and Zoning Board meeting on January 31st, 2023, staff recommends that the definitions of "Setback" and "Yard" in Section 90-2 ("Definitions") be amended as set forth in the attached Ordinance for first reading to clarify and reflect that the terms are synonymous and equivalent terms for the purposes of the Zoning Code and interpretation.

Town Clerk McCready read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Town Manager Gomez introduced the item.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

There were no public speakers.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Landsman to approve the ordinance on second reading, seconded by Vice Mayor Rose. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

[Ordinance Amending 90-2 \(Definitions\) Setback and Yard - Second Reading](#)

4A3. Zoning Code Correction: Deletion of references to Gross Density and Gross Lot Area. - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

As discussed at the January 31st, 2023, Joint meeting of the Town Commission and the Planning and Zoning Board, staff recommends deleting the term "gross" from three locations in the Zoning Code. (See Attachment A) The Town Code no longer uses "Gross Acre" or "Gross Density" for density calculations and references to the term are confusing and misleading.

Town Clerk McCready read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Town Manager Gomez introduced the item.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

There were no public speakers.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Landsman to approve the ordinance on second reading, seconded by Commissioner Meischeid. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

[Ordinance Amending 90-2 \(Definitions\), 90-45.1 \(Aggregation of Lots\) and 90-86.2 \(Landscape Permit\) to Delete reference to Gross - Second Reading Attachment A - Gross Acre in the Zoning Code](#)

4A4. Obstruction of Public Right-Of-Way Prohibited - Lilian Arango, Town Attorney

Town Clerk McCready read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Town Manager Gomez introduced the item.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

The following individuals from the public spoke:
Eliana Salzhauer spoke against the ordinance.

Gerardo Vildostegui spoke against the ordinance.
Ben Jacobson spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

Commissioner Velasquez asked if this is Town wide and if someone parks their basketball court on the street would that be obstruction and would they have to move it.

Mayor Danzinger stated it is Town wide.

Commissioner Meischeid asked if the Town is protected through this ordinance.

Town Attorney Arango stated as drafted this ordinance is defensible and cannot state that someone will not sue. She explained the reason why this ordinance, as written is defensible. She stated that the key is the enforceability of this ordinance and needs to be done across the board.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to approve the ordinance on second reading, seconded by Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.
[Ordinance - Obstruction of Public Right-of-Way Prohibited - Second Reading](#)

4A5. Ordinance - Public Urination and Defecation Prohibited - Lilian Arango, Town Attorney

Town Clerk McCreedy read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

The following individuals from the public spoke:

Eliana Salzhauer thanked them for bringing this before them.

Victor May spoke on the item and if there are facilities for individuals to urinate.

Gerardo Vildostegui stated that he opposes it because he is anticruelty and believes it is inhumane.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to approve the ordinance on second reading, seconded by Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.
[Ordinance Public Urination and Defecation Prohibited - Second Reading](#)

First Reading

4B1. Pension Ordinance Addressing Housekeeping Items and Technical Corrections - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

It is requested that the Commission approve the proposed Pension Ordinance. The outside professionals employed by the Pension Board are available to answer any questions.

This item was moved to be heard before item 1J (Undergrounding Powerlines Update).

Town Manager Gomez introduced the item and stated that there are ambiguities that need to be addressed. He introduced Gary Golding, the Chair of the Pension Board, Adam Levinson, Pension Attorney and Shelly Jones, Actuary. He explained what the DROP program is and how it benefits the Town and the employees. He explained the ambiguity of the ordinance as it pertains to this DROP and there are several employees that are affected due to this ambiguity. He also addressed some other ambiguities that they uncovered.

Town Clerk McCreedy read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Mayor Danzinger stated that they need more data and requested it should be deferred.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

The following individual from the public spoke:

Jeff Zomper spoke regarding his concern the language change will result in cost change. He stated it would be prudent to go back and confirm that the only item that has a cost associated with it is the vested terminated employees.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

Shelly Jones, GRS Actuary spoke regarding the calculations and they do take into account salary increases.

Discussion took place among the Commission, Ms. Jones and Mr. Levinson regarding the actuary, what took place in 2020, the study that took place and what was analyzed. Mr. Levinson further explained the changes being requested and how the retirement and age appropriation would work.

Commissioner Velasquez asked if the person would stay till age 55 they wouldn't have to wait to 65 to collect. She stated she does not see the reason to take out the 65 marker if it is only affecting them if they want to leave before 55.

Mr. Levinson responded to Commissioner Velasquez and stated that it forces them to stay to 55. He stated this change gives the employee flexibility.

Mayor Danzinger stated that the documentation provided is not adequate and would like more information and asked how long it would take to receive additional financial information.

Ms. Jones stated that they are currently working on the 2022 actuarial calculations and can give them a more updated number once they are finished. She stated that the Pension Board has to approve it before updating it. The Board meets May 10th and they will request 60 days to be able to perform their study.

Mayor Danzinger would like this to come back in 90 days.

Vice Mayor Rose stated that he was at the January 2020 meeting and he spoke with former Mayor Dietch and he wanted clarification from him to see their mindset at that time. He sees this as a cleanup of the ambiguity and is fine moving forward with this as written and it should not be something to be debating.

Commissioner Velasquez stated that the employees made a commitment to stay until they are 55 and does not see a reason for lowering this because they have to wait an additional year.

Vice Mayor Rose stated that the way this item is written is to clear up the ambiguity and not to change it.

Mr. Levinson clarified to the Commission what they are trying to do here and provided some observations. He stated this is a technical correction ordinance.

After a lengthy discussion regarding the service time and retirement age among the Commission, Mr. Levinson and Ms. Jones the following motion was made.

Mayor Danzinger passed the gavel.

A motion was made by Mayor Danzinger to approve the item as written without the section of early retirement (page 4, lines 127 through 130) and defer the section (page 4, lines 127 through 130) for 90 days , seconded by Commissioner Velasquez. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote with Vice Mayor Rose voting in opposition.

Adam Levinson welcomed Town Manager Hector Gomez to the Pension Board. He stated that it should be stated exactly what section they are referring to which is page 4 lines 127 through 130. He spoke regarding the financial impact of that section. He stated that they could ask specific questions from the actuary. He continued explaining how the actuary work is done.

[Attachment A - Actuarial Study.pdf](#)
[Retirement Plan Ordinance.DOCX](#)

**4B2. Amendment of Election Qualifying Dates Due to the March 19, 2024
Presidential Preference Primary - Sandra N. McCready, MMC, Town Clerk**

Town Administration recommends approval of this ordinance to adhere to the State's and Miami-Dade County's 2024 Election Schedule.

Town Clerk McCready read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Town Manager Gomez introduced the item.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

The following individual from the public spoke:
Eliana Salzhauer spoke on the item.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to approve the ordinance on first reading, seconded by Commissioner Velasquez. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

[Attachment A - Miami-Dade County Ballot Issue Deadlines - 2024.pdf](#)

[Ordinance Amending Qualifying Dates.docx](#)

4B3. Zoning Code Correction - Roof Deck Stairway Height - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

Staff recommends that roof deck stair railings be permitted to extend above the maximum roof height for the zoning district as provided in Sec. 90-44. (See Attachment A) Specifically, Sec. 90-50.2 should be amended to allow roof deck stair railings in the H30A and H30B districts to extend above the roofline in accordance with the restrictions set out in Sec. 90-44.

Town Clerk McCready read the title of the ordinance into the record.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to approve the ordinance on first reading, seconded by Commissioner Landsman.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

The following individual from the public spoke:

George Kousoulas stated that this ordinance needs to go back for review because this ordinance only fixes one thing.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

Town Attorney Arango stated improvements to subsection 7, line 98-99, where it states all other rooftop elements related to rooftop functions must adhere to the height limitations of Section 90-44, except where the Florida Building Code requires a different requirement and shall not be limited to any percentage of the roof.

Town Manager Gomez stated the verbiage does address the comments and recommendations by the Town Commission.

Town Planner Frankel provided a summary of the item and provided explanation of the changes.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to extend the meeting for one hour at 11:06 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Town Attorney Arango explained that the changes will appear at the second reading of this ordinance.

Commissioner Landsman stated that this does not change what is allowed on a rooftop.

Town Planner Frankel stated correct.

The motion carried with a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Velasquez voting in opposition.

[Ordinance Amending Sec. 90-50.2 Roof Deck Provisions - First Reading](#)
[Roof_Stair_Stairs_Limitations in the Zoning Code](#)

4B4. Zoning Code Correction: Adjustment to Secondary Frontage Setbacks in H120 - Acting Town Manger Hector Gomez

Staff recommends that the Town Commission modify the applicability of secondary frontage setbacks.

Town Clerk McCready read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Town Manager Gomez introduced the item.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

The following individuals from the public spoke:

Eliana Salzhauer spoke against the item.

Gerardo Vildostegui spoke against the item.

Pablo Langesfeld asked if this ordinance is just for Champlain Towers South and if so why they are not helping to have the memorial.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

Commissioner Velasquez stated that she has not been able to have an opportunity to see the impact and would like to defer this item so she can do so.

Commissioner Meischeid agrees with the deferral. She stated she is uncomfortable with this item and believes it is a very specific ordinance for a specific property.

Town Attorney Arango stated she does not know which exact properties would benefit from this and possibly they should ask the Town Manager.

Town Manager Gomez addressed the comment made and 8777 Collins Avenue would fall under this ordinance.

Commissioner Meischeid asked if this would be a benefit to them.

Town Manager Gomez stated he cannot speak for the developer.

Town Attorney Arango clarified this is not a zoning change, this is not spot zoning and not made for a specific property.

Commissioner Landsman stated that this is one like others in the community that may be affected. He stated that Miami Beach owned a piece of property between them and Surfside and they made the decision in changing the street to an easement which affected the Town with the ability of using that street. He stated this may correct something that Miami Beach should not have done.

Vice Mayor Rose agrees with Commissioner Landsman that Miami Beach dictated what we should be able to do. He spoke regarding what streets it affects including Carlyle on the ocean and spoke regarding the other properties that it would affect, and it cleans up some of the zoning ambiguities. He is comfortable moving forward.

Mayor Danzinger stated this item came up with the zoning code review and this is an effort to clarify the ambiguity and would like to see what this is going to affect in Town in a comprehensive level.

Commissioner Landsman would prefer a deferral for staff to come back with more detail and information.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to approve the ordinance on first reading, seconded by Commissioner Landsman.

Commissioner Landsman withdrew his second.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to defer this item in order for staff to come back with more information, seconded by Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

[Ordinance Amending Sec. 90-48 - Secondary Frontage Setbacks in H120- First Reading](#)

[Attachment A: Modification of side and rear yard regulations](#)

4B5. Zoning Code Correction: Front Setback Standards - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

Staff recommends that Sec. 90-61(1) be amended to provide that "Not less than 50 percent of the front yard shall be landscaped". This occurs now due to the restriction in the same code section that no more than 50% of the front yard may be paved.

Town Clerk McCready read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Town Manager Gomez introduced the item.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

There were no public speakers.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

Mayor Danzinger asked Town Planner Frankel for clarification which she addressed.

Town Attorney Arango addressed the comments made by the Mayor regarding specificity of the type of landscape material.

Mayor Danzinger would like clarification of the landscape material when it comes back for second reading.

After a lengthy discussion by the Commission and staff, the following motion was

made.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to approve the ordinance on first reading and have the Town figure out how to incorporate items that compliment landscaping, seconded by Commissioner Landsman.

Vice Mayor Rose revised his motion to read as follows.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to approve the ordinance on first reading and to further define the 25%, seconded by Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Velasquez voting in opposition.

[Ordinance Amending Sec. 90-61 - Setback Paving Standards - First Reading Attachment A: Front Yard Restrictions](#)

4B6. Stormwater Management Regulatory Mechanism for Enforcement - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

The Town Attorney is drafting legal documentation. This is a place holder. To be updated later.

Town Clerk McCreedy read the title of the ordinance into the record.

Town Manager Gomez introduced the item.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

The following individuals from the public spoke:

Eliana Salzhauer supports the item.

Victor May spoke against the item.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Landsman to approve the ordinance on first reading, seconded by Commissioner Velasquez. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

[Ordinance Stormwater Compliance.DOCX](#)

5. Resolutions and Proclamations

If the public wishes to speak on any matters in this section of the agenda, they must inform the Town Clerk by completing a speaker card and they will be recognized to speak at the beginning of this section.

5A. Landscape Architectural Services for the Tennis Center Recreation Building Design Phase - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

Town Administration is seeking Town Commission Approval to expend and not to exceed amount of \$48,555.00 for the Corradino Group professional services to provide Landscape architectural services for the Tennis Center Recreation Building

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to extend the meeting for 30 minutes at 12:05 a.m., seconded by Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Town Clerk McCready read the title of the resolution into the record.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

There were no public speakers.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

Town Manager Gomez introduced the item.

Discussion took place among the Commission and Town Manager regarding the item.

Town Manager Gomez responded to their comments.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to approve the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Velasquez voting in opposition.

A motion was made by Commissioner Velasquez to adjourn the meeting. The motion died for lack of a second.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to extend the meeting for 30 minutes at 12:30 a.m., seconded by Mayor Danzinger. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Velasquez voting in opposition.

[Resolution Approving Project Agreement w Corradino for Tennis Center Landscape Architecture](#)

[Exhibit A - Project Agreement - Corradino Group Landscape Architecture Tennis Recreation Center.DOCX](#)

[Exhibit 1 to Project Agreement - "Corradino Group Proposal Dated March 30 2023"](#)

5B. Construction Phase Design and Architectural Services 96th Street Park -
Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

Town Administration is requesting approval from Town Commission to expend in the amount of \$136,820 for the Design/Architectural Services during the construction phase of the 96th St Park.

Town Clerk McCready read the title of the resolution into the record.

Town Manager Gomez introduced the item.

A motion was made by Commissioner Velasquez for purposes of discussion, seconded by Commissioner Meischeid.

Commissioner Velasquez spoke regarding the item and stated that they have not brought proof of what is being done and it should be looked at in detail. She stated that she wants proof of what is being done.

Vice Mayor Rose spoke regarding the item and the meeting that took place in the past regarding this project and this contractor.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

There were no public speakers.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

Commissioner Landsman stated if this is true that the original work that was delivered is different from what is being presented, it is not correct and now they are being asked to pay more money.

Town Manager Gomez addressed the comments made.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to approve the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Meisheid. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Velasquez voting in opposition. Commissioner Velasquez immediately changed her vote to yes after roll call. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

[Attachment A - Savino Miller Design Studio Proposal Dated March 13 2023](#)

[Resolution Approving Additional Services Construction Phase Savino Miller for 96th Street.DOCX](#)

5C. Purchase of Integrated Technology System for the Police Department using existing Contract between Central Square and City of Plantation.

- Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

Town staff is seeking Town Commission approval to authorize a piggyback contract with Central Square for Integrated Technology System for the Police Department. and authorize a not to exceed expenditure of \$231,273.05 for integrated technology systems.

This item was heard before item 1J (Undergrounding Powerlines Update).

Town Clerk McCready read the title of the resolution into the record.

Mayor Danzinger explained that this was heard before and it is here before them again because the staff was able to save over \$250,000.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

There were no public speakers.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to approve the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

[Attachment A - Software License & Service Agreement - Central Square Technologies](#)

[Attachment B - Subscription Service License & Use Agreement - Central Square Technologies](#)

[Attachment C - Community Data Platform Membership Program Agreement.docx](#)

[Attachment D - Plantation PD Subscription vs. Surfside PD Hybrid3.13.pdf](#)

[Reso Approving Purchase of CAD System for Police and Electronic Citation and Vehicle Printers.DOCX](#)

[Exhibit A - Surfside Hybrid Quote.pdf](#)

[Exhibit B - Piggyback Agreement - Central Square - CAD System Purchase.DOCX](#)

[Exhibit C - Surfside PD FL - LexisNexis E Citation Quote_2 yr Mar 2023.pdf](#)

[Exhibit D - CDW Printer Quote](#)

5D. HPF Associates, Inc. Contract Extension for Phase IIA for Undergrounding of Utilities - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

HPF Associates, Inc. is seeking the Town Commission approve Phase IIA professional services contract amendment and a not to exceed total of \$174,0115.00 towards the continued coordination of the design phase of the Utilities Undergrounding Project.

This item was linked with item 1J (Undergrounding Powerlines Update).

Town Clerk McCreedy read the title of the resolution into the record.

Town Manager Gomez introduced the item and Mr. Paul Abbott who is the consultant working on the project.

Mr. Abbott provided a presentation of the item.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

The following individuals from the public spoke:

Victor May

Gerardo Vildostegui

George Kousoulas

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

The Commission asked Mr. Abbott questions regarding the light structures, if they are hardwired or LED powered, the lighting levels as well as the location of the lights.

Mr. Abbott addressed the comments made by the Commission.

Town Manager Gomez addressed the concerns of the Commission that includes the

increase in cost for additional fixtures.

Commissioner Velasquez likes fixture numbers 1 and 2

Commissioner Landsman likes fixture numbers 3 and 1

Mayor Danzinger likes fixture numbers 3 and 1

Vice Mayor Rose likes fixture numbers 3 and 6.

Commissioner Meisheid does not like any of the designs.

Mr. Abbott suggested having two design fixtures and they may not be wired but you can see the design and in the proper scale.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to move forward with light fixture number 3, seconded by Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Meisheid voting in opposition.

Town Manager Gomez introduced the extension of the contract for HPF Associates.

Discussion took place among the Commission and Mr. Abbott regarding the scope of service on the contract, the monthly report and the cost of the project.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to approve the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Velasquez. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

[Resolution Approving Second Amendment to HPF Associates PSA.DOCX](#)

[Second Amendment to HPF Associates PSA.DOCX](#)

[Exhibit A to the Second Amendment.pdf](#)

6. Good and Welfare (Set for approximately 8:15 p.m.)

Public comments for subjects or items not on the agenda.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

The following individuals from the public spoke:

Victor May requested to only give the Town Manager a contract for 6 months until the next election. He spoke regarding the park being under construction.

Martin Langesfeld spoke regarding needing a memorial on 88th Street and the developers should know that the land comes at the cost of 98 lives.

Eliana Salzhauer spoke regarding the commission being in a hurry to do projects but not in a hurry as to why the building collapsed and then finding out what happened. She spoke regarding residents to be entitled to speak the full 3 minutes.

Adam Dash spoke regarding the tot lot and the security cameras that are pointing straight into these windows and does not want the camera pointing into his house. He spoke regarding being a victim of multiple crimes and the police have identified the criminals.

Gerardo Vildostegui spoke regarding June and Gay Pride Month and raised two requests

to raise the flag and how it will be done. He stated that this was ordinary things that happened in the past.

Ben Jacobson congratulated Hector Gomez as being appointed as the new Town Manager and you can see the difference between the old administration and what he has been doing. He has made sure the Town is moving forward and things are getting done.

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

Mayor Danzinger responded to Victor May and the 6 month contract for the Town Manager and the Town Manager should not be tied to their election. The account he stated was in red is not all the accounts and it was only the water account and that has been addressed. He addressed the comment made by Mr. Lagesfeld and they cannot get on the property and Mr. Gomez asked and they have not allowed it. It is currently a construction site and unsafe. He stated the investigation is still moving forward and as they ultimately discussed, Mr. Kilsheimer is involved, and they depend on NIST. He has asked NIST to come down and they continue to pursue that. He discussed the process of the Town Manager hiring and everything that was in the public was in the public and addressed the misinformation from Ms. Salzhauer. He addressed Mr. Dash's concern and he looked at it and the camera is not facing his home and he addressed the investigation and stated that the police department is still investigating. He addressed the comments made by Mr. Vildostegui as it pertains to the gay pride. He stated that the priority is the CTS memorial.

Vice Mayor Rose responded to Victor May and a lot of people that have spoken against it are now enjoying the beach chairs. He addressed Mr. Lagesfeld and it is private property now. He addressed Mr. Lagesfeld's comments regarding the investigation and they will move forward once they get the funding from the State. He addressed Ms. Salzhauer's comments made and they are staying focused on getting things done. He addressed Mr. Dash and he looked at it and the camera is not facing his home. He stated that he is comfortable with the pride flag and the Town Manager is looking into it. He stated that what this commission did was they had a debate about it and not like the other commission which just told the Town Manager what to do.

Commissioner Landsman stated that they are confident they will have an event commemorating the honoring of lives lost. He asked for the Town Manager to raise the pride flag in June. He addressed the misinformation of Ms. Salzhauer.

The rest of the commission addressed the comments made by the public speakers.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to take a 5 minute recess at 8:55 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Meischeid. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

The meeting reconvened at 9:13 p.m, with all the members of the commission present.

Commissioner Velasquez apologized to Mayor Danzinger, Vice Mayor Rose and Commissioner Meisheid because she misunderstood what was said and it was the pride flag and not pride month.

7. Town Manager and Town Attorney Reports

7A. Town Manager's Report - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

Town Manager Gomez provided his Town Manager's Report.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to approve the Town Manager's Report, seconded by Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

[2023-04 April Town Manager's Report.pdf](#)

7B. Town Attorney's Report - Lilian Arango, Town Attorney

Town Attorney Arango provided his Town Attorney's Report and update on all litigation matters.

A motion was made by Commissioner Landsman to approve the Town Attorney's Report, seconded by Commissioner Meisheid. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

[Town Attorney Report.DOCX](#)

8. Unfinished Business and New Business

9. Mayor, Commission and Staff Communications

9A. Miami-Dade County League of Cities Director and Alternate Director Designation - Sandra N. McCreedy, MMC, Town Clerk

For the Town Commission to appoint a Director and an alternate Director to the Miami Dade County League of Cities Board.

Town Manager Gomez introduced the item.

Mayor Danzinger stated that he has been the designee and would like to designate himself again which allows him to continue attending the meetings.

A motion was made by Commissioner Meisheid to appoint Mayor Danzinger as the designee, seconded by Vice Mayor Rose. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Landsman to appoint Vice Mayor Rose as the alternate designee, seconded by Commissioner Meisheid. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

[Attachment "A" - Miami Dade League of Cities email.pdf](#)

9B. Undergrounding Utilities Project - Street Lighting Options - Hector Gomez, Acting Town Manager

For the Town Commission to discuss and select one of six street lighting options presented for incorporation into the utilities undergrounding project.

This item was linked to item 1J (Undergrounding Powerlines Update) and heard under item 5D (HPF Associates, Inc. Contract Extension for Phase IIA for Undergrounding of Utilities).

[Attachment "A" - Street Light Options.pdf](#)

9C. Special Meeting Request to Address Recent Adoption of SB102 and HB627 - Shlomo Danzinger, Mayor

For the commission to approve a special meeting to analyze and address potential impacts from the recently enacted Senate Bill 102 and House Bill 627, which may impact Surfside's height and density restrictions in specific zones under certain circumstances. These bills may have a significant impact on the character of our community and could overburden public infrastructure and roads.

Mayor Danzinger introduced the item and spoke regarding having a special meeting to discuss these two bills.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to schedule a special meeting to discuss SB102 and HB627, seconded Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Danzinger opened the floor to public comments.

The following individuals from the public spoke:

George Kousoulas and spoke regarding item 9D (H120 Zoning Restaurants in Condos).

Eliana Salzhauer spoke against item 9D (H120 Zoning Restaurants in Condos).

Mayor Danzinger closed the floor to public comments.

Mayor Danzinger spoke regarding what can and cannot be done with this bill.

Vice Mayor Rose asked Town Attorney Arango what time frame she would need to be able to get the information on these bills to be able to schedule the special meeting.

Town Attorney Arango stated she would need about 2 weeks.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to extend the meeting 10 minutes at 1:03 a.m. (April 19, 2023), seconded by Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

9D. H120 Zoning Restaurants in Condos - Jeff Rose, Vice Mayor

For the Town Commission to adopt new language not requiring hotel use to be affiliated with a restaurant in the H120 zoning district.

Vice Mayor Rose introduced the item. He stated that he wants the zoning to stay the same and have the Town Attorney look into how this could be allowed as a conditional use with restrictions and go before the Planning and Zoning Board and Town Commission.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose for the Town Attorney to come back with language adding not requiring the hotel use, seconded by Commissioner Meischeid.

Commissioner Landsman asked if anyone would want this in their building, but a new building could be a good conditional use for the new building and nice feature for future developments.

Mayor Danzinger thanked Vice Mayor Rose for bringing this forward and has seen the residents enjoying the hotels.

The motion carried with a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Velasquez voting in opposition.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Rose to start the upcoming meetings at 6:00 p.m. subject to the Town Attorney checking if the Charter gives that flexibility, seconded by Commissioner Landsman. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss before the Commission, a motion was made by Commissioner Landsman to adjourn the meeting at 1:11 a.m. (April 19, 2023), seconded by Vice Mayor Rose. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Accepted this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Shlomo Danzinger, Mayor

Attest:

Sandra N. McCready, MPA, MMC
Town Clerk