



Town of Cutler Bay

Town Hall
10720 Caribbean Blvd
Cutler Bay, FL 33189

Meeting Minutes

Town Council

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Peggy R. Bell

Vice Mayor Ernest N. Sochin

Council Member Mary Ann L. Mixon

Council Member Sue Ellen Loyzelle

Council Member Roger Coriat

CHARTER OFFICIALS

Town Attorney Mitchell Bierman

Town Attorney Chad Friedman

Town Manager Rafael G. Casals

Interim Town Clerk Jacqueline N. Wilson

Thursday, September 10, 2015

7:00 PM

Council Chambers

First Budget Hearing

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, MOMENT OF SILENCE & INVOCATION

Mayor Bell called the meeting to order at 7:04PM. Interim Town Clerk Jacqueline Wilson called the roll. Mayor Bell led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Bell led a Moment of Silence in honor and remembrance of September 11, 2001.

Present: 4 - Mayor Peggy Bell, Vice Mayor Ernest Sochin, Council Member Sue Ellen Loyzelle and Council Member Roger Coriat

Absent: 1 - Council Member Mary Ann Mixon

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Bell opened Public Comments and there were none.

3. RESOLUTIONS

- A.** A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2015 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2016 PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 200.065 (TRIM BILL); PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Interim Town Clerk Jacqueline Wilson read the title of the Resolution. Pursuant to State law, Finance Director Robert Daddario read the TRIM statement into the record: The proposed millage rate of the Town of Cutler Bay for FY 2015-16 of 2.5348 mils per \$1,000 of assessed property value within the Town of Cutler Bay is 16.01% greater than the roll-back rate of 2.1849 mils per \$1,000 of assessed property value. Ad valorem taxes are being increased primarily as a result of expenditures for increased costs of contracted police services, as well as to provide for various improvements to park and public facilities. Town Manager Rafael Casals provided a brief overview and timeline of the budget process.

A motion was made by Council Member Loyzelle, seconded by Vice Mayor Sochin, that this Resolution be adopted. Mayor Bell opened the public hearing. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Bell closed the public hearing. At the request of Council Member Coriat, Town Attorney Chad Friedman clarified the purpose of the First and Second Budget Hearings. At 7:25PM the motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Mayor Peggy Bell, Vice Mayor Ernest Sochin, Council Member Sue Ellen Loyzelle and Council Member Roger Coriat

Absent: 1 - Council Member Mary Ann Mixon

- B.** A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE OPERATING AND CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2015 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2016 PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 200.065 (TRIM BILL); AND AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO MAKE EXPENDITURES CONSISTENT THEREWITH AND AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO MAKE CERTAIN BUDGET AMENDMENTS WITHIN A DEPARTMENT PROVIDED THAT THE TOTAL OF THE APPROPRIATIONS IS NOT CHANGED; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Interim Town Clerk Jacqueline Wilson read the title of the Resolution. Mayor Bell opened the public hearing. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Bell closed the public hearing. A motion was made by Vice Mayor Sochin, seconded by Council Member Coriat, that this Resolution be adopted. At the request of Town Attorney Chad Friedman, Finance Director Robert Daddario confirmed the total proposed budget figure for all funds combined at \$52,018,174.00 for the record. Town Manager Rafael Casals announced the Second Budget Hearing on September 24, 2015. At the request of Vice Mayor Sochin, Town Manager Rafael Casals confirmed for the record that funds may be reallocated as needed without altering the total budget figure. Council Member Loyzelle announced the September 30, 2015 Town Council Workshop and requested a discussion be added to the agenda to discuss policy development for committee funding. Mayor Bell acknowledged the September 30, 2015 Town Council Workshop agenda as lengthy, but opted to coordinate with Town Manager Rafael Casals to accommodate her request, time-permitting. Mayor Bell reopened the public hearing. There being no one wishing to speak, Mayor Bell closed the public hearing. At 7:38PM the motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Mayor Peggy Bell, Vice Mayor Ernest Sochin, Council Member Sue Ellen Loyzelle and Council Member Roger Coriat

Absent: 1 - Council Member Mary Ann Mixon

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Bell opened Public Comments and there were none.

5. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Loyzelle reiterated for the record that budget deliberation occurred during the First Budget Workshop on July 22, 2015 and the Second Budget Workshop on August 19, 2015 to clarify the reason for limited discussion during this First Budget Hearing.

Vice Mayor Sochin reported on the soccer tournament turnout at Lakes By the Bay Park over the weekend.

Council Member Loyzelle announced the upcoming Ethics Day event on October 22, 2015.

Mayor Bell reported on attendance at the September 9, 2015 School Board Meeting and announced the Coca Cola Grant Event on September 12, 2015.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

7. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Sochin to adjourn. The motion received a second from Council Member Coriat. The meeting adjourned at 7:47PM.

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