



# Town of Cutler Bay

Town Hall  
10720 Caribbean Blvd  
Cutler Bay, FL 33189

## Meeting Minutes Town Council Workshop

### *MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS*

*Mayor Tim Meerbott*

*Vice Mayor Sue Ellen Loyzelle*

*Council Member Robert "BJ" Duncan*

*Council Member Michael P. Callahan*

*Council Member Roger Coriat*

### *CHARTER OFFICIALS*

*Town Attorney Mitchell Bierman*

*Town Attorney Chad Friedman*

*Town Manager Rafael G. Casals, ICMA-CM, CFM*

*Town Clerk Debra E. Eastman, MMC*

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Wednesday, February 26, 2020

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

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

Mayor Tim Meerbott called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### A. · Discussion Possible Acquisition of Property Located at SW 184 ST and Old Cutler Road (Folio: 36-6003-001-0013)

Town Manager Ralph Casals introduced visitors in the audience from Florida International University. Mr. Casals explained that he, with Town Attorney Chad Friedman, has been working with land owners. Town Attorney Friedman further explained the process. He is currently preparing a Letter of Intent to present to the Town Council at a future meeting and that the structure is not yet set. It appears that the Letter of Intent will include an initial deposit to be made by the Town with the remainder of the proceeds to come from a possible General Obligation Bond. The deposit money could be reimbursed by the General Obligation Bond. If the bond were not to be passed by the voters, the Town would continue with the purchase and perhaps seek other financing options.

### B. · Fund Balance Replenishment Plan 2020-2023

Town Manager Ralph Casals introduced the Town Financial Advisor Lourdes Abadin who provided information and a PowerPoint on the current fund balance and discussed various scenarios for the future depending upon future financial decisions adopted by the Town Council.

- C.** · Discussion Regarding General Obligation Bond Election Dates  
August 18, 2020 State Primary Election  
November 3, 2020 General Election  
Mail-In Ballot

Debra Eastman Town Clerk provided information regarding contracting with Miami-Dade County Elections for a Special Election for a General Obligation Bond and the various options and deadlines available to the Town Council. The Town Council discussed the options with a "discussed" preference toward putting a question on the August 18, 2020 State Primary Election. Town Attorney Chad Friedman introduced the idea that the down payment made by the Town on the building swap is eligible for reimbursement from a GOB, should it be adopted by the voters, and that there is a time constraint for Council adoption of the option for reimbursement. It was agreed to hold a Special Call Town Council meeting for that item. The Town Clerk will calendar the Special Call meeting. There was a brief discussion of strategy moving forward and proposed park and buildings size.

## **2. TOWN COUNCIL QUESTIONS/ COMMENTS/ DISCUSSION**

## **3. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.