



# CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS CITY COUNCIL MEETING AFTER ACTION SUMMARY

**Meeting Date: February 25, 2009**  
1515 NW 167<sup>th</sup> St., Bldg. 5, Suite 200  
Miami Gardens, Florida 33169  
**Next Regular Meeting Date: March 11, 2009**  
Phone: (305) 622-8000 Fax: (305) 622-8001  
Website: [www.miamigardens-fl.gov](http://www.miamigardens-fl.gov)  
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Shirley Gibson  
Vice Mayor Barbara Watson  
Councilman Aaron Campbell Jr.  
Councilman André Williams  
Councilman Melvin L. Bratton  
Councilwoman Sharon Pritchett  
Councilman Oliver G. Gilbert III  
City Manager Danny O. Crew  
City Attorney Sonja K. Dickens, Esq.  
City Clerk Ronetta Taylor, MMC

**City of Miami Gardens Ordinance No. 2007-09-115 requires all lobbyists before engaging in any lobbying activities to register with the City Clerk and pay an annual fee of \$250.00. This applies to all persons who are retained (whether paid or not) to represent a business entity or organization to influence “City” action. “City” action is broadly described to include the ranking and selection of professional consultants, and virtually all-legislative, quasi-judicial and administrative action. All not-for-profit organizations, local chamber and merchant groups, homeowner associations, or trade associations and unions must also register however an annual fee is not required.**

## **(A) CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

The City Council for the City of Miami Gardens, Florida, met in regular session on Wednesday, February 25, 2009, beginning at 7:25 p.m., in the City Council Chambers, 1515 NW 167<sup>th</sup> Street, Bldg. 5, Suite 200, Miami Gardens, Florida.

The following members of the City Council were present: Vice Mayor Barbara Watson and Council members Aaron Campbell Jr., Melvin L. Bratton, Andre Williams, Councilwoman Sharon Pritchett and Councilman Oliver G. Gilbert III. Mayor Shirley Gibson was out of town attending a Mayor’s meeting with President Obama.

Motion offered by Councilman Gilbert, seconded by Councilman Bratton to excuse Mayor Gibson’s absence.

**(B) INVOCATION** - Delivered by Dr. Lester Brown

**(C) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Recited in unison

**(D) APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

D-1) Special City Council Minutes – February 11, 2009  
Motion to approve passed and carried by a 6-0 voice vote.

D-2) Regular City Council Minutes – February 11, 2009  
Motion to approve passed and carried by a 6-0 voice vote.

**(E) ORDER OF BUSINESS** (Items to be pulled from Consent Agenda at this time)

The official agenda was amended to add as Item F-2, Legislative Update with Yolanda Cash Jackson.

The following item was added to the official agenda as Item H-2) “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY’S SIGN CODE AS ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2008-04-140; PROVIDING FOR A DEFINITION AND REGULATIONS FOR NONCOMMERCIAL COPY; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)

The following items were added to the official agenda as Items J-17 and J-18, respectively.

“A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE CITY OF MIAMI AND THE WORLD WILDLIFE FUND’S EARTH HOUR INITIATIVE ON MARCH 28, 2009, FROM 8:30 PM TO 9:30 PM; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN OLIVER G. GILBERT III)”

“A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD’S 2009 STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.(SPONSORED BY MAYOR SHIRLEY GIBSON)”

Councilman Bratton added the Miss Miami Gardens Scholarship Pageant Winners as F-3.

Motion offered by Councilwoman Pritchett, seconded by Councilman Gilbert to pull Items J-1; J-2; and J-3 from the Consent Agenda. The motions passed and carried by a 6-0 voice vote.

Attorney Dickens informed the Council of her Firm’s representation of Craven Thomson

and Associates, which is listed on the Consent Agenda as Item J-11.

Motion offered by Councilman Gilbert, seconded by Councilwoman Pritchett to authorize a waiver of Conflict of Interest for the City Attorney. This motion was approved by a 6-0 voice vote.

Motion offered by Councilwoman Pritchett, seconded by Councilman Gilbert to approve the official agenda with the necessary additions/deletions/additions. This motion passed and carried by a 6-0 voice vote.

**(F) SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS (5 minutes each)**

- F-1) January 2009 Budget Status Report
- F-2) Legislative Update – Yolanda Cash Johnson
- F-3) 2009 Miss Miami Gardens

**(G) PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**(H) ORDINANCE(S) FOR FIRST READING**

**H-1) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY'S PURCHASING ORDINANCE TO ADD SECTION 24 TO REGULATE THE AWARD OF DESIGN-BUILD CONTRACTS; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

*Action: Motion to approve on first reading passed and carried by 6-0 vote.*

**H-2) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY'S SIGN CODE AS ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE NO. 2008-04-140; PROVIDING FOR A DEFINITION AND REGULATIONS FOR NONCOMMERCIAL COPY; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY)**

*Action: Motion to approve on first reading passed and carried by 6-0 vote.*

**(I) ORDINANCE(S) FOR SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

None

**(J) CONSENT AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-37-982**

- J-4) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A NON-EXCLUSIVE CONTINUING CONTRACT WITH URS CORPORATION SOUTHERN FOR LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, CIVIL, ENVIRONMENTAL, STRUCTURAL, ELECTRICAL, MECHANICAL AND TRAFFIC ENGINEERING AND PLANNING AND SURVEYING SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-38-983**

- J-5) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A NON-EXCLUSIVE CONTINUING CONTRACT WITH BASULTO & ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERING SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-39-984**

- J-6) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A NON-EXCLUSIVE CONTINUING CONTRACT WITH CORZO CASTELLA CARBALLO THOMPSON SALMAN, P.A. (C3TS) FOR PLANNING SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-40-985**

- J-7) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A NON-EXCLUSIVE CONTINUING CONTRACT WITH CALVIN, GIORDANO & ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR PLANNING SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-41-986**

- J-8) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A NON-EXCLUSIVE CONTINUING CONTRACT WITH CHEN & ASSOCIATES CIVIL & ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERS FOR CIVIL, ENVIRONMENTAL AND TRAFFIC ENGINEERING SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-42-987**

- J-9) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A NON-EXCLUSIVE CONTINUING CONTRACT WITH THE CORRADINO GROUP, INC., FOR TRAFFIC ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-43-988**

- J-10) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A NON-EXCLUSIVE CONTINUING CONTRACT WITH CPZ ARCHITECTS, INC., FOR LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT, ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERING SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-44-989**

- J-11) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A NON-EXCLUSIVE CONTINUING CONTRACT WITH CRAVEN THOMPSON & ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT, CIVIL, ENVIRONMENTAL AND STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-45-990**

- J-12) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A NON-**

**EXCLUSIVE CONTINUING CONTRACT WITH GLATTING JACKSON, FOR LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-46-991**

- J-13) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A NON-EXCLUSIVE CONTINUING CONTRACT WITH KIMLEY-HORN & ASSOCIATES, INC., FOR LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT, CIVIL, ENVIRONMENTAL, STRUCTURAL, TRAFFIC ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-47-992**

- J-14) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO AMEND THE AWARD TO BLISS PRODUCTS AND SERVICES, INC. FOR A TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED FORTY-TWO THOUSAND SEVENTY-TWO DOLLARS AND 43/100 (\$242,072.43) FOR THE PURCHASE OF PLAYGROUND, FITNESS EQUIPMENT AND SURFACING AT THE BRENTWOOD POOL; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-48-993**

- J-15) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE ANY AND ALL STEPS NECESSARY TO PRODUCE AND IMPLEMENT THE CITY'S FOURTH ANNUAL YOUTH INVITATIONAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT COMMENCING APRIL 2009; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-49-994**

- J-16) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST, RESPECTIVELY, AN AGREEMENT WITH HORIZON BEHAVIORAL SERVICES, LLC, TO PROVIDE AN EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO CITY EMPLOYEES AND THEIR**

DEPENDENTS, IN SUBSTANTIAL FORM AS THAT AGREEMENT ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-50-995**

- J-17) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE CITY OF MIAMI AND THE WORLD WILDLIFE FUND'S EARTH HOUR INITIATIVE ON MARCH 28, 2009, FROM 8:30 PM TO 9:30 PM; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY COUNCILMAN OLIVER G. GILBERT III)

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-51-996**

- J-18) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD'S 2009 STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY MAYOR SHIRLEY GIBSON)

*Action: Motion to approve the consent agenda passed and carried by a 6-0 voice vote.*

**(K) RESOLUTION(S)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-52-997**

- J-1) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF MIRAMAR FOR THE RECEIPT OF A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF FOUR HUNDRED FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$405,112.00); AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL ATTENDANT DOCUMENTS NECESSARY IN ORDER TO RECEIVE THE GRANT; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)

*Action: Motion to approve passed and carried by a 6-0 voice vote.*

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-53-998**

- J-2) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO NACS-VEHICLES FOR THE PURCHASE OF A MOBILE COMMAND VEHICLE BY UTILIZING THAT CERTAIN U.S. GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION CONTRACT NO. GS-30F-0002S; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

*Action: Motion to approve passed and carried by a 6-0 voice vote.*

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-54-999**

- J-3) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE SALE OF THE “HUD DOLLAR HOUSE” TO FUND THE “POWER UP MIAMI GARDENS” PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

*Action: Motion to approve passed and carried by a 6-0 voice vote.*

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-55-1000**

- K-1) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, URGING THE MEMBERS OF THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO SUPPORT CERTAIN ISSUES DURING THE 2009 LEGISLATIVE SESSION; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

*Action: Motion to approve passed and carried by a 6-0 voice vote.*

**(L) RESOLUTION(S)/PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2009-56-1001**

- L-1) A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE AND ATTEST, RESPECTIVELY, THAT CERTAIN SUB-RECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING SERVICES, INC., FOR THE PROVISION OF SERVICES RELATING TO FORECLOSURE PREVENTION ASSISTANCE, A COPY OF WHICH IS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT A; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (SPONSORED BY THE CITY MANAGER)**

*Action: Motion to approve passed and carried by a 6-0 voice vote.*

**(M) REPORTS OF CITY MANAGER/CITY ATTORNEY/CITY CLERK**  
M-1) City Manager's Monthly Report

**(N) REPORTS OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS**  
Motion to excuse to absence of Vice Mayor Watson from the March 4<sup>th</sup> Zoning Meeting passed and carried by a 6-0 voice vote.

**(O) WRITTEN REQUESTS, PETITIONS & OTHER WRITTEN**

**(P) COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

**(Q) ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before this Body and upon a motion being duly made by Councilman Bratton, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990, ALL PERSONS WHO ARE DISABLED AND WHO NEED SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING BECAUSE OF THAT DISABILITY SHOULD CONTACT RONETTA TAYLOR, MMC, CITY CLERK (305) 622-8000 EXT./ 2228, NO LATER THAN 48 HOURS PRIOR TO SUCH PROCEEDINGS. TDD NUMBER 1-800-955-8771.

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ANYONE WISHING TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT SUCH MEETING OR HEARING WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS AND, FOR SUCH PURPOSE, MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED.