

MINUTES

VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING  
KEY BISCAWAYNE, FLORIDA

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2008

COUNCIL CHAMBER  
560 CRANDON BOULEVARD

1. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:** The meeting was called to order by the Mayor at 7:00 p.m. Present were Councilmembers Michael W. Davey, Enrique Garcia, Steve Liedman, Thomas Thornton, Vice Mayor Jorge E. Mendia and Mayor Robert L. Vernon. Councilmember Patricia Weinman was absent. Also present were Village Manager Genaro "Chip" Iglesias, Village Clerk Conchita H. Alvarez and Village Attorney Stephen J. Helfman.
2. **INVOCATION:** Reverend David Moran, Key Biscayne Presbyterian Church, gave an invocation.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mr. Eduardo Sanchez led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:** Mr. Evan M. Skornick, Interim Director South Florida Water Management District, Miami-Dade Regional Service Center addressed the Council and the public regarding the residential water-use restrictions.
5. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** The following resident addressed the Council: Eduardo Sanchez, 260 Cypress Drive.

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6. **AGENDA:** Councilmember Garcia requested the addition of a discussion on the whitefly infestation of ficus trees within the Village as Item 10A3; Councilmember Liedman requested the addition of a discussion regarding the recent Charter amendment requiring approval by vote of electors for amendments to Land Development Regulations as Item 10A4 and the Manager requested the addition of a report on the estimated fiscal impact of the Property Tax Reform as Item 10D1. There was no objection to the agenda changes.

7. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Councilmember Garcia made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2008 Zoning Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Davey and approved by a 6-0 voice vote. The vote was as follows: Councilmembers Davey, Garcia, Liedman, Thornton, Vice Mayor Mendia and Mayor Vernon voting Yes.

8. **ORDINANCES:** The Clerk read the following ordinance on first reading, by title:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAIYNE FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 2 "ADMINISTRATION", ARTICLE IV "FINANCE", DIVISION 2 "PURCHASING", CREATING SECTION 2-90 "EMERGENCY PURCHASES" TO PROVIDE FOR EMERGENCY PURCHASING AUTHORITY AND PROCEDURES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Councilmember Liedman made a motion to adopt the ordinance on first reading. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Davey.

The Mayor opened the public hearing. There were no speakers present. The Mayor closed the public hearing.

The Manager and the Attorney addressed the Council regarding this ordinance.

The ordinance was adopted on first reading by a 6-0 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Councilmembers Davey, Garcia, Liedman, Thornton, Vice Mayor Mendia and Mayor Vernon voting Yes.

The Clerk announced the second reading of the ordinance on February 26, 2008.

The Clerk read the following ordinance on second reading, by title:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAIYNE, FLORIDA, CONCERNING REVISION OF THE DATE OF VILLAGE MAYORAL PRIMARY ELECTIONS AND REVISION OF THE QUALIFYING PERIODS FOR MAYORAL CANDIDATES AND FOR COUNCIL CANDIDATES COMMENCING WITH THE 2008 ELECTION CYCLE;**

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**REVISING 2008 MAYORAL PRIMARY ELECTION DATE FROM OCTOBER 7, 2008 TO AUGUST 26, 2008, SO AS TO COINCIDE WITH THE COUNTYWIDE STATE PRIMARY ELECTION; REVISING DATE OF SUBSEQUENT MAYORAL PRIMARY ELECTIONS TO COINCIDE WITH THE STATE PRIMARY ELECTION; CREATING VILLAGE CODE SECTION 2-104 "MAYORAL PRIMARY ELECTION DATE REVISED", AND AMENDING VILLAGE CODE SECTION 2-101 "QUALIFYING PERIOD" TO REVISE THE QUALIFYING PERIODS FOR MAYORAL CANDIDATES AND FOR COUNCIL CANDIDATES AS A RESULT OF THE REVISED MAYORAL PRIMARY ELECTION DATE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Councilmember Garcia made a motion to adopt the ordinance on second reading. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Liedman.

The Clerk requested to continue this item to the March 4, 2008 Council Meeting.

Vice Mayor Mendia made a motion to continue the public hearing to the March 4, 2008 Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Thornton and approved by a 6-0 voice vote. The vote was as follows: Councilmembers Davey, Garcia, Liedman, Thornton, Vice Mayor Mendia and Mayor Vernon voting Yes.

9. **RESOLUTIONS:** The Clerk read the following resolution by title:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAYNE, FLORIDA, APPROVING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF KEY BISCAYNE AND CURRIE SOWARDS AGUILA ARCHITECTS, CONCERNING COMMUNITY CENTER PHASE II PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Councilmember Garcia made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Thornton.

Angel Martin, 151 Crandon Boulevard addressed the Council.

Paul Abbott with Skyline Management and the Manager addressed the Council regarding this project.

The resolution was approved by a 6-0 voice vote. The vote was as follows: Councilmembers Davey, Garcia, Liedman, Thornton, Vice Mayor Mendia and Mayor Vernon voting Yes.

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10. **REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:** The following items were discussed:

Mayor and Councilmembers. Councilmember Garcia requested an update on the red traffic signal cameras.

The Manager addressed the Council reporting that two proposals were received and a presentation will be made by Traffipax and ATS on Friday, February 15, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.

Councilmember Garcia also requested an update on the replacement of street signs. The Manager addressed the Council regarding this project.

Councilmember Garcia addressed the Council and the public regarding the infestation of ficus trees by the whitefly pest, informing the Council and the public that three free workshops will be held in Miami-Dade County to inform homeowners about the pest, urging the public to attend.

Councilmember Liedman addressed the Council regarding the recent Charter amendment requiring approval by vote of electors for amendments to Land Development Regulations. There was extensive discussion from Council regarding this Charter amendment.

The Attorney also addressed the Council regarding this issue. It was the consensus of Council to include this item for discussion on the March 4, 2008 Council Agenda.

Village Attorney. The Attorney did not submit a report.

Village Clerk. The Office of the Mayor issued the following proclamation during the month of February: Shake-A-Leg Miami.

Village Manager. The Manager and Finance Director Randy White addressed the Council regarding the estimated fiscal impact of the recently approved Property Tax Reform.

11. **OTHER BUSINESS/GENERAL DISCUSSION:** There was no further business discussed.

12. **SCHEDULE OF FUTURE MEETINGS/EVENTS:** A schedule of future meetings and events was presented to the Council.

13. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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*Respectfully submitted:*

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*Conchita H. Alvarez, CMC  
Village Clerk*

*Approved this 26th day of February, 2008:*

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*Robert L. Vernon  
Mayor*

***IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT A MEETING OR HEARING, THAT PERSON 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.***