



## TOWN OF DAVIE Town Council Meeting Meeting Minutes

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Wednesday, November 5, 2025, at 6:30 p.m.

### I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

### II. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Present at the meeting were Mayor Paul, Vice Mayor Hattan, and Councilmembers Whitman, and Starkey. Also in attendance were Town Administrator Lemack, Deputy Town Administrator Lewis, Development Administrator Henry, Town Attorney Weinthal, and Town Clerk Roig.

**Councilmember Starkey moved to excuse councilmember Luis from the meeting. Councilmember Whitman seconded the motion. In a voice vote, motion carried by a majority vote 4/0.**

Mayor Paul requested a moment of silence in recognition of several recent losses. She acknowledged the passing of former United States Vice President Dick Cheney; former Town of Davie Mayor and Broward County Commissioner Scott Cowan; the husband of Candace Ordway, a longtime Town employee; and Bill Spinosa, founder and first president of the Gay Men's Chorus of South Florida. Mayor Paul also extended condolences to all individuals who lost their lives because of Hurricane Melissa in the Caribbean.

### III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Paul explained that the first thirty minutes of the first Town Council meeting of each month were reserved for public comments. She stated that speakers would be permitted to speak on any topic not scheduled for a public hearing, that comments would be limited to three minutes per speaker and invited members of the public to approach the podium to address the Council.

Dr. Monica Dueñas stated that she was the new Executive Director and Principal of Atlantic Montessori Charter School, having assumed the position in January 2025. She explained that the school had operated in the Town of Davie for approximately ten years and was currently experiencing financial challenges due to prior administrative issues and declining enrollment. Dr. Dueñas requested information on any available Town programs or assistance that could help support the school's continued operation and service to the community.

Renee Herman expressed appreciation for the Town's continued support of the Harvest Drive, noting that the program had operated in Broward County for thirty-three (33) years. She explained that the initiative had grown significantly and now served thousands of families, including approximately 2,400 families during the month of November alone. Ms. Herman highlighted the program's generational impact, its partnerships with Broward County Schools, and its year-round efforts to address food insecurity and provide essential items to families. She emphasized the

importance of continued community and Town support to ensure that children and families do not go hungry.

#### IV. PRESENTATIONS

1. An overview of the November 8, 2025, Davie Centennial Celebration, Ariana Briceno, Public Relations Coordinator and Camryn Tippetts, Public Relations Assistant

Ariana Briceno provided an overview of the Town's upcoming Centennial Celebration, scheduled for November 8 at the Bergeron Rodeo Grounds. She noted the event would celebrate the Town's incorporation in 1925 and would be held from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. for Davie residents who preregistered. Ms. Briceno outlined the evening's schedule, which included performances, a centennial ceremony featuring a time capsule, live music, and a laser light show to conclude the event.

Camryn Tippetts discussed additional elements of the Town's Centennial Celebration, noting that residents age ninety (90) and older would be formally recognized, along with volunteers serving on the Town's boards and committees. She highlighted the planned live entertainment and thanked the event sponsors and participating organizations, including local businesses, community groups, and county partners, for their support. Ms. Tippetts expressed appreciation for the community's involvement and stated the Town looked forward to celebrating the milestone event on November 8.

#### V. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

**Councilmember Whitman moved to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Starkey seconded the motion. In a voice vote, motion carried by a majority vote 4/0.**

##### Minutes

1. March 11, 2025, Meeting Minutes (Vision and Goal Setting Session Workshop)
2. July 23, 2025, Meeting Minutes (CIP Workshop)
3. July 23, 2025, Meeting Minutes (Regular)
4. August 6, 2025, Meeting Minutes (Regular)
5. September 17, 2025, Meeting Minutes (Regular)

##### Resolutions

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6. **CPIPG MAJOR GRANT EXTENSION** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, RATIFYING AND APPROVING A COMMERCIAL PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM MAJOR GRANT EXTENSION FOR 4TH AVE LAND HOLDINGS LLC., FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW PARKING LOT LOCATED AT 6321 SW 39TH COURT, DAVIE, FLORIDA 33314; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

##### Housing and Community Affairs

7. **RESTRICTIVE COVENANT** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, APPROVING A DECLARATION OF RESTRICTIVE COVENANT FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNITS FOR THE REALIFE DAVIE PROJECT 2024 LLC (MAIN STREET COURT PROJECT); AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO

EXECUTE THE DECLARATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Police

8. **CONTRACT** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, APPROVING STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES, DIVISION OF STATE PURCHASING CONTRACT NO. 78111808-20-1, RENTAL VEHICLES, FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
9. **CONTRACT** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE CITY OF COOPER CITY CONTRACT #IFB2025-1 WITH THE BUTLER GROUP OF SOUTH FLORIDA, LLC D/B/A NEXTAFF; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Utilities

10. **PILOT PROGRAM LOAN APPLICATION** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE LOAN APPLICATION FOR FORGIVEABLE STATE REVOLVING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,400,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF OFF-SETTING EXPENDITURES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FACILITY TO OPERATE A PILOT PROGRAM FOR THE ADVANCED TREATMENT OF RECLAIMED WASTEWATER FOR POTABLE USE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**VI. DISCUSSION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

**VII. PUBLIC HEARING**

Ordinances - Second and Final Readings

11. **DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN AMENDMENT** - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN; OF THE TOWN'S RETIREMENT PLAN AND TRUST FOR THE MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, AMENDING ARTICLE 9, VESTING, TO ALLOW FOR REMOVAL OF EARLY RETIREMENT REFERENCES THAT ARE NOT APPLICABLE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **(Approved on first reading on October 15, 2025. Councilmember Whitman moved to approve the item. Councilmember Starkey seconded the motion. In a roll call vote: Vice Mayor Hattan - yes; Councilmember Whitman - yes; Mayor Paul - yes; Councilmember Luis - yes; and Councilmember Starkey - yes. Motion carried by a majority vote 5/0.)**

Town Attorney Allan Weinthal read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Paul opened the public hearing portion of the meeting.

As no one spoke, Mayor Paul closed the public hearing portion of the meeting.

**Councilmember Whitman moved to approve item #11 Defined Benefit Plan. Councilmember Starkey seconded the motion. In a roll call vote: Councilmember Whitman - yes; Councilmember Starkey - yes; Vice Mayor Hattan - yes; Mayor Paul - yes; and Councilmember Luis - absent. Motion**

carried by a majority vote 4/0.

12. **CODE AMENDMENT** - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 12, LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE: ARTICLE X, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, DIVISION 7, PUBLIC PARTICIPATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **(Approved on first reading on October 15, 2025. Councilmember Whitman moved to approve the item. Mayor Paul seconded the motion. In a roll call vote: Councilmember Starkey - yes; Vice Mayor Hattan - yes; Councilmember Whitman - yes; Mayor Paul - yes; and Councilmember Luis - yes. Motion carried by a majority vote 5/0.**

Town Attorney Allan Weinthal read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Paul opened the public hearing portion of the meeting.

As no one spoke, Mayor Paul closed the public hearing portion of the meeting.

**Councilmember Whitman moved to approve item #12 Code Amendment. Councilmember Starkey seconded the motion. In a roll call vote: Councilmember Whitman - yes; Mayor Paul - yes; Councilmember Starkey - yes; Councilmember Luis - absent; and Vice Mayor Hattan - yes. Motion carried by a majority vote 4/0.**

Ordinance - First Reading (Second and final reading to be held on November 19, 2025)

13. **CODE AMENDMENT** - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 12, LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE: ARTICLE XIII, SPECIAL PLANNING AREAS AND DISTRICTS, DIVISION 12, TRANSIT ORIENTED CORRIDOR; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Attorney Allan Weinthal read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Paul opened the public hearing portion of the meeting.

As no one spoke, Mayor Paul closed the public hearing portion of the meeting.

**Councilmember Whitman moved to approve item #13 Code Amendment. Councilmember Starkey seconded the motion. In a roll call vote: Councilmember Luis - absent; Councilmember Whitman - yes; Mayor Paul - yes; Councilmember Starkey - yes; and Vice Mayor Hattan - yes. Motion carried by a majority vote 4/0.**

Quasi- Judicial Public Hearing Items

Ordinance - Second and final reading

14. **REZONING** - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, APPROVING REZONING APPLICATION ZB24-156 OUR LADY OF VICTORY, CHANGING THE ZONING DESIGNATION OF CERTAIN LANDS WITHIN THE TOWN OF DAVIE FROM AGRICULTURE (AG) TO COMMUNITY FACILITIES (CF) DISTRICT; AMENDING THE TOWN ZONING MAP TO COMPLY THEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE **(ZB24-156 Our Lady of Victory - Between Frontage Road and Peaceful Ridge Road (SW**

121st Ave), approximately 2,000' south of SW 26th St, zoned AG) **(Approved on first reading on October 15, 2025. Councilmember Starkey moved to approve the item. Councilmember Starkey seconded the motion. In a roll call vote: Councilmember Whitman - yes; Councilmember Starkey - yes; Vice Mayor Hattan - yes; Mayor Paul - yes; and Councilmember Luis - yes. Motion carried by a majority vote 5/0.)**

Town Attorney Allan Weinthal read the ordinance by title.

Mayor Paul opened the public hearing portion of the meeting.

As no one spoke, Mayor Paul closed the public hearing portion of the meeting.

**Councilmember Starkey moved to approve item #14 Rezoning Application ZB24-156 Our Lady of Victory. Councilmember Whitman seconded the motion. In a roll call vote: Councilmember Luis - absent; Councilmember Starkey - yes; Mayor Paul - yes; Councilmember Whitman - yes; and Vice Mayor Hattan - yes. Motion carried by a majority vote 4/0.**

**STAFF IS REQUESTING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS TO BE TABLED TO THE JANUARY 21, 2026**

*Ordinances - First Readings (Second and final readings to be held on November 19, 2025)*

15. **CODE AMENDMENT** - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, DELETING CHAPTER 16, ARTICLE I, SECTION 7 TITLED "SMOKING AND VAPING PROHIBITED IN OUTDOOR AREAS IN TOWN PARKS;" PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **(Tabled from September 3, 2025)**

**Councilmember Starkey moved to table item #15 Code Amendment to January 21, 2026. Councilmember Whitman seconded the motion. In a roll call vote: Councilmember Starkey - yes; Vice Mayor Hattan - yes; Mayor Paul - yes; Councilmember Whitman - yes; and Councilmember Luis - absent. Motion carried by a majority vote 4/0.**

16. **CODE AMENDMENT** - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF DAVIE, FLORIDA, CREATING CHAPTER 29, ARTICLE I, SECTION 1 TITLED "DEFINITIONS," SECTION 2 TITLED "RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ALL TOWN PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES," SECTION 3 TITLED "SUNNY LAKES BIRD SANCTUARY," SECTION 4 TITLED "RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ALL TOWN EQUESTRIAN TRAILS," SECTION 5 TITLED "RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ALL TOWN RECREATION TRAILS," SECTION 6 TITLED "SMOKING," SECTION 7 TITLED "PENALTIES AND AUTHORITY," AND SECTION 8 TITLED "EXCEPTIONS;" PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **(Tabled from September 3, 2025)**

**Councilmember Whitman moved to table item #16 Code Amendment to January 21, 2026. Mayor Paul seconded the motion. In a roll call vote: Councilmember Starkey - yes; Councilmember Luis - absent; Mayor Paul - yes; Vice Mayor Hattan - yes; and Councilmember Whitman - yes. Motion carried by a majority vote 4/0.**

**VIII. REPORT ITEMS**

17. 2025 Harvest Drive Days (November 1-27, 2025)

18. National Nurse Practitioner Week (November 9-15, 2025)

- 19. Tribute to our Veterans (November 11, 2025)
- 20. Native American Heritage Month (November 2025)
- 21. Epilepsy Awareness Month (November 2025)
- 22. Lung Cancer Awareness Month (November 2025)

**IX. APPOINTMENTS**

- 23. Board and Committee Appointments

**Vice Mayor Hattan appointed Tom Gill to the Historic Preservation Board.**

**X. COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS**

**XI. OLD BUSINESS**

**XII. NEW BUSINESS**

- 24. Broward County Tax Collector Update, Allan Weinthal, Esq. Town Attorney

Allan Weinthal, Town Attorney, provided an overview of the collection of non-ad valorem assessments, including the fire, solid waste, and stormwater assessments. He explained that while ad valorem taxes were collected by statute without charge, state law allowed tax collectors to recover actual and administrative costs associated with non-ad valorem collections. Historically, Broward County did not charge municipalities for these services; however, with the creation of an independently elected Broward County Tax Collector following Amendment 10, the new Tax Collector will begin charging jurisdictions for non-ad valorem collection services.

Mr. Weinthal outlined the Town’s concerns, including the unanticipated fiscal impact on the adopted FY 2026 budget, the need to ensure charges reflect only actual costs, and the importance of a reconciliation process for any overpayments. He stated the estimated cost to the Town would be approximately \$350,000, or about 1% of collections, and noted a budget amendment would be required. Mr. Weinthal advised that an agreement must be executed by year-end to ensure continuity of tax collection and that the proposed agreement would be presented to the Town Council at the December 3, 2025 meeting.

**XIII. SCHEDULE OF NEXT MEETING**

Future Town Council Meetings
Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. Town Council Meeting
Wednesday, December 3, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. Town Council Meeting
<b>Meeting Cancelled</b> <del>Wednesday, December 17, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. Town Council Meeting</del>
Wednesday, January 7, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. Town Council Meeting

#### **XIV. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS**

##### **MAYOR PAUL**

**HURRICANE MELISSA** - Mayor Paul extended the Town's heartfelt condolences and solidarity to Jamaica and neighboring Caribbean communities impacted by Hurricane Melissa. She noted the widespread devastation, displacement of thousands of families, and shortages of food, water, medical supplies, and shelter. She encouraged those able to assist to donate through trusted organizations.

**VETERANS DAY** - Mayor Paul stated that the Town was looking forward to the Veterans Day event scheduled for November 11.

**PIONEER HALL OF FAME** - Mayor Paul announced that Shirley Prevatt had been nominated and would be inducted into the Pioneer Hall of Fame. She noted that Ms. Prevatt was the mother of Councilmember Michelle Whitman and stated that Town officials would be present to support her recognition.

**SOUTHEAST CIRCUIT RODEO** - Mayor Paul advised of the upcoming Southeast Circuit Rodeo and emphasized the need for patience regarding parking and traffic. She noted ongoing construction activity near the old Town Hall, and encouraged attendees to arrive early.

**FARM BUREAU** - Mayor Paul stated that she attended the Farm Bureau Annual Meeting and recognized the Dawes brothers, Davie-raised members of the 4-H program, for becoming the first Broward County 4-H participants to serve as officers at the state level. He stated that the brothers currently serve as President and Vice President of Florida State 4-H and praised their accomplishments. Mayor Paul also noted Broward County's continued recognition for Farm Bureau membership, explaining that it had the largest Farm Bureau membership of any county in Florida.

**GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN** - Mayor Paul asked Mr. Lemack whether the Town would consider helping individuals impacted by a potential government shutdown.

**NSU CENTENNIAL LETTER** - Mayor Paul stated that she received a letter from Dr. Moon at NSU on behalf of the trustees, faculty, staff, and students, congratulating the Town on its centennial celebration.

**Vulnerability Assessment** - Mayor Paul noted that two community meetings were scheduled for November 17 and 20, 2025, regarding the Town's vulnerability assessment. She explained that the meetings focused on property assessments related to flooding and long-term mitigation planning for 2040 and 2050.

##### **COUNCILMEMBER WHITMAN**

**SHRED-A-THON** - Councilmember Whitman stated that the Town would host a shred-a-thon and prescription drug drop-off on November 15, 2025, at Bamford Sports Complex from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

**VULNERABILITY ASSESSMENT** - Councilmember Whitman reminded residents of the vulnerability assessment meetings on November 17 and 20, 2025, as previously mentioned by Mayor Paul.

**BIRTHDAYS** - Councilmember Whitman wished all November babies a happy birthday.

### **COUNCILMEMBER STARKEY**

**Vulnerability Assessment** - Councilmember Starkey stated that the vulnerability assessment study was critical not only for the Town but for all cities in Broward County.

**Rodeo Event** - Councilmember Starkey noted that the Southeast Circuit Final Rodeo would be taking place and encouraged residents to attend.

**Town Signage and Beautification** - Councilmember Starkey reported visiting the Town to observe new "Welcome to Davie" signs and plantings, thanking Osdel Larrea and his team, for their work on the project.

**Harvest and Community Service Collections** - Councilmember Starkey highlighted the ongoing community collection efforts for Harvest Drive. She noted that collections were at multiple locations, including the Publix at Flamingo, police and fire stations, and Pine Island/Bamford.

**Broward Legislative Delegation** - Councilmember Starkey stated that she the Broward Legislative Delegation meeting at Broward Memorial Hospital, where bills affecting the community were discussed.

**Interlocal Agreement** - Councilmember Starkey thanked Town Attorney Allan Weinthal for his instrumental role in drafting the interlocal agreement for the collection initiative. She also commended staff for their ongoing work and contributions to the community.

**HOLIDAY** - Councilmember Starkey wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

### **VICE MAYOR HATTAN**

**EMS Recognition** - Vice Mayor Hattan thanked the town's EMS and Chief for their professionalism and responsiveness. She recounted observing EMS personnel assist an individual who had fallen and praised their care and efficiency.

**Town Signage and Beautification** - - Vice Mayor Hattan thanked Osdel Larrea and his team for providing a tour of the Town's new entrance signs and landscaping.

**Vulnerability Assessment** - Vice Mayor Hattan commented on the importance of the Town's long-term water planning and vulnerability assessment. She emphasized the need to be prepared for future conditions.

## **XV. TOWN ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS**

### **RICHARD J. LEMACK**

**Government Shutdown** - Mr. Lemack stated that the Town was providing support to furloughed federal employees, including flagging utility accounts to prevent disconnections and offering flexible payment arrangements. He also noted that residents could contact the Housing and Community Affairs Department or the Broward County Tax Collector's Office for additional financial or housing assistance.

## **XVI. TOWN ATTORNEY COMMENTS**

### **ALLAN WEINTHAL**

No comments

**XVII. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss and no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Approved on: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor/Councilmember

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Town Clerk