

# City of Delray Beach

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## Minutes - Draft

**Tuesday, August 15, 2023**

**3:00 PM**

**Workshop Meeting at 3:00 PM**

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## **City Commission**

*Mayor Shelly Petrolia*

*Vice Mayor Ryan Boylston*

*Deputy Vice Mayor Rob Long*

*Commissioner Adam Frankel*

*Commissioner Angela Burns*

Pursuant to Section 3.12 of the Charter of the City of Delray Beach the Mayor has instructed me to announce a Workshop Meeting of the City Commission to be held for the following purposes:

**WS.1. EDUCATION UPDATE**

**Sponsors:** City Manager Department

The August 15, 2023, Workshop Meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. The roll call was taken by Katerri, City Clerk, and the following were present:

**Present 5:** Mayor Shelly Petrolia, Deputy Vice Mayor Long, Commissioner Angela Burns, and Commissioner Adam Frankel. Vice Mayor Ryan Boylston arrived at 3:22 p.m.

Others present were:  
Terrence Moore, City Manager  
Lynn Gelin, City Attorney

Janai Bowens, Education and Workforce Development Coordinator, provided the Commission with the City Manager's ongoing collaborative plans to improve the City's Public School System. She discussed how the latest referendum budget allocations would affect the schools. She communicated the referendum-allocated budget included a \$6 million dollar increase for mental health services, school safety, and fine arts programs.

She stated that after engaging with District staff, she suggested receiving feedback from stakeholders regarding aligning Delray Beach's Education Comprehensive Plan to the School District of Palm Beach County's strategic plan for a more intensive relationship between both partners.

Mayor Petrolia approved for the City to contribute between \$10-20 thousand dollars to raise the grades/ proficiency in the public schools.

The Commission thanked Ms. Bowen for her comprehensive presentation.

**WS.2. NEIGHBORHOOD RESOURCE AND MULTICULTURAL CENTER**

**Sponsors:** Neighborhood & Community Services

Mr. Moore advised the Commission that this presentation was an educational opportunity for the Commission to learn what was available for a Neighborhood Resource and Multicultural Center.

Sam Walthour, Neighborhood and Community Services Director, and Ferline Mesidort, Administrator for Neighborhood Services, discussed

establishing a permanent Neighborhood Resource and Multicultural Center. Mr. Walthour stated a vacant room was currently available in the existing Neighborhood Resource Center, and an additional room was available part-time.

Mr. Walthour stated a Neighborhood Multicultural Center would be a good fit with the four agencies that occupy the building.

Each Commissioner provided feedback on the presentation and favored having the existing building's available space serve as the Neighborhood Resource Center, even temporarily.

The Commission Mr. Walthour for his presentation.

With no further business to discuss, Mayor Petrolia adjourned the Workshop Meeting at 3:29 p.m.