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Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

1:00 PM

Special Meeting At 1:00PM

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City Commission

Mayor Thomas F. Carney, Jr.

Vice Mayor Rob Long

Deputy Vice Mayor Angela Burns

Commissioner Tom Markert

Commissioner Juli Casale

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

The October 29, 2025 Special Meeting was called to order at X:XX p.m.
Alexis Givings, City Clerk, called the roll, and the following were present:

Terrence Moore, City Manager
Lynn Gelin, City Attorney
Alexis Givings, City Clerk

Present: 5 - Commissioner Tom Markert, Mayor Thomas F. Carney Jr., Deputy Vice Mayor
Angela Burns, Commissioner Juli Casale, and Vice-Mayor Rob Long

SP.1. RECOGNITION OF STUDENT VISITORS FROM DELRAY BEACH'S
SISTER CITY OF MIYAZU, JAPAN AS PART OF THE ONGOING
EXCHANGE OF CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING AND FRIENDSHIP
BETWEEN THE TWO CITIES.

Sponsors: City Manager Department

Attachments: [Agenda Cover Report](#)

Mayor Carney began the Special Meeting by expressing his honor in speaking on behalf of the City. He recognized the Sister Cities program of Delray Beach, which was established in 1999 when the City of Delray Beach sent its first group of high school students to Miyazu, Japan, to serve as student ambassadors between the two cities. Over the decades, the organization has upheld a noble mission of promoting friendship and understanding between the citizens of Delray Beach and our partner cities around the world. The educational exchange program continues to strengthen the diplomatic and cultural ties that benefit both the City of Delray Beach and our partner communities.

This student ambassador program aims to enrich the community through meaningful cultural exchanges for the youth of Delray Beach. Mayor Carney expressed his heartfelt appreciation to the board members, volunteers, students, and community partners of Sister Cities of Delray Beach for their dedication to furthering the goal of friendship, especially the students who have traveled from Miyazu. The Commission and audience applauded.

An employee and translator from the City of Miyazu read a letter from the Mayor of Miyazu, thanking the Commission and the City of Delray Beach host families for their warmth, and the opportunity to learn about each other's customs.

Mayor Carney read the recognition letter between the two cities into the record. Each student ambassador stood up as Mayor Carney called their names and thanked them. He presented them with a plaque and took a photograph with everyone.

The students were presented gifts from the City and the Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA).

SP.2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Carney opened the floor to anyone who wished to speak.

Seeing no one present, Mayor Carney closed public comment.

Mayor Carney thanked everyone for attending and expressed his hope that this cultural exchange would continue for many years to come.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Carney adjourned the meeting at 1:28 p.m.

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