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Minutes - Draft

Tuesday, April 29, 2025

3:45 PM

Special Meeting at 3:45 PM

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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

The April 29, 2025, Special Meeting was called to order at 3:45 p.m. City Clerk, Alexis Givings, called the role, and the following were present:

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

Others present were:

Terence Moore - City Manager Lynn Gelin - City Attorney Alexis Givings - City Clerk

Mayor Carney announced that he had called this meeting because a City employee had filed a whistleblower complaint against another City employee. He stated that he was seeking a consensus from the Commission to allow the City Attorney to work with external counsel to investigate the matter and to take any necessary corrective actions.

Vice Mayor Long announced that he would abstain from voting on this matter in accordance with Florida Statute 286.012 to avoid any appearance of a conflict.

Vice Mayor Long left the dais.

Commissioner Casale suggested the individual involved be allowed to receive paid leave until the findings of the investigation were clear, as was typically done in instances of this nature.

A motion was made by Deputy Vice Mayor Burns, seconded by Commissioner Markert, to authorize an investigation into the allegations into the complaint received earlier that day and direct the City Attorney and outside counsel to negotiate terms and conditions of an agreement. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Deputy Vice Mayor Burns, Commissioner Markert, Commissioner Casale, and Mayor Carney

all were in favor

After the vote, Vice Mayor Long returned to the dais.

Ms. Gelin announced that this matter is confidential. She instructed

everyone not to share any information with anyone from the press, as well as with staff, friends, or colleagues, to prevent any adverse reactions or retaliation. She also noted that public records related to this matter will be considered confidential and exempt from disclosure.

Commissioner Casale noted that information had already been leaked on this matter.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Carney adjourned the meeting at 3:53 p.m.

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