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SUMMARY MINUTES

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

September 10, 2013

A regular meeting of the North Miami City Council was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, September 10, 2013, beginning at 7:21 p.m.

(Phonetic spelling of each speaker's name may be used throughout the minutes unless correct spelling is known.)

Note: The actual agenda and all backup materials for each City Council meeting can be found on the website at: www.northmiamifl.gov

Flag salute led by Vanessa Frederick, PAL

Inspirational Message

- Rabbi Jory Lang, Temple Beth Moshe

ROLL CALL

Vice Mayor Steril	Here
Councilman Galvin	Here
Mayor Tondreau	Here
Councilman Bien-Aime	Here
Councilwoman Keys	Here

Additions, Deletions or Withdrawals

Recognition in honor of *National Hispanic Heritage Month,* moved to the next Council meeting

SPECIAL PRESENTATION(s)

- Recognition in honor of *National Hispanic Heritage Month*

Moved to the next Council meeting.

♦ Recognition in honor of *"Sign-up for your Library Card Month"*

Mayor Tondreau recognized Lucia Gonzalez, Library Manager; presenting Recognition in honor of *"Sign-up for your Library Card Month"*. Ms. Gonzalez gave a brief report to Council.

CITY EVENTS – ANNOUNCEMENT

Pam Solomon, Public Information Manager, announced upcoming events for the City of North Miami. Ms. Solomon advised all city events can be found on the website at: www.northmiamifl.gov/celebrate

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

Mayor Tondreau recognized Dr. Lumane Pluviose-Claude, Deputy City Manager; giving a brief report to Council on the city's preparedness regarding the upcoming hurricane season.

CITY PROJECTS UPDATE

Stephen E. Johnson, City Manager, gave a brief update on current city projects:

- Cagni Park, N field project, Miami-Dade School Board is completing the gymnasium with final inspections. Joint use will commence on October 1st. Upcoming events will be scheduled at that time.

CITIZENS' FORUM

A variety of residents spoke on issues of interest.

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilwoman Steril requested discussion on Tab B.

Vice Mayor Galvin requested to remove Tab C, from the Consent Agenda and add the item to the regular Agenda for discussion and stand alone vote.

TAB A - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

– Regular Council Meeting – August 27, 2013

TAB B – PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, ALLOWING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO EXCEED THE MAXIMUM RESIDENTIAL ROOFING PROGRAM AWARD AMOUNT PER ELIGIBLE HOUSEHOLD UNDER THE CURRENT CITY OF NORTH MIAMI PROGRESS 2013 RESIDENTIAL ROOFING PROGRAM GUIDELINES FROM EIGHTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS ($18,000.00) TO TWENTY-THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS ($23,300.00) FOR EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES IN ORDER TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FOR ONE (1) SINGLE FAMILY ROOFING PROJECT WITH ISSUES THAT IMPACT SAFETY AND QUALITY OF LIFE; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL, CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Councilwoman Steril requested discussion on Tab B. Mr. Johnson gave a brief report to Council. Council discussion.

TAB C – PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF FEES, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV, CHAPTER 13 OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI CODE OF ORDINANCES, ENTITLED "DANGEROUS INTERSECTION SAFETY", ALSO KNOWN AS THE "RED LIGHT CAMERA ORDINANCE" AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 316.0083, FLORIDA STATUTES (2013); PROVIDING FOR REPEAL, CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Vice Mayor Galvin requested to remove Tab C, from the Consent Agenda and add the item to the regular Agenda for discussion and stand alone vote.

Vice Mayor Galvin moved to approve the Consent Agenda, Tab A and Tab B, minus Tab C, seconded by Councilwoman Steril; passed unanimously, by roll call vote.

TAB C – PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE PROPOSED SCHEDULE OF FEES, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV, CHAPTER 13 OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI CODE OF ORDINANCES, ENTITLED "DANGEROUS INTERSECTION SAFETY", ALSO KNOWN AS THE "RED LIGHT CAMERA ORDINANCE" AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 316.0083, FLORIDA

STATUTES (2013); PROVIDING FOR REPEAL, CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Michael Etienne, Esquire, City Clerk read the Resolution title for the record. Council discussion. Mr. Johnson gave a brief report to Council. Marc Elias, Jr., Chief of Police, gave a brief report to Council. Councilwoman Keys moved to approve the Resolution, seconded by Councilwoman Steril; passed 3-2, by roll call vote. Vice Mayor Galvin and Councilman Bien-Aime denied.

RESOLUTIONS

TAB D – PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, ALLOWING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO EXCEED THE MAXIMUM AWARD AMOUNT PER ELIGIBLE PROPERTY UNDER THE NW 7TH AVENUE COMMERCIAL FAÇADE PROGRAM GUIDELINES FROM EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($80,000.00) TO ONE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS ($140,000.00) IN ORDER TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE FOR ONE (1) COMMERCIAL FAÇADE REHABILITATION PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES

Mr. Etienne read the Resolution title for the record.

Council discussion regarding the Mayor requesting, "Anyone who wishes to record a no".

Councilwoman Steril moved to approve the Resolution, seconded by Vice Mayor Galvin; for discussion. Mr. Johnson advised the property manager is present. Joe Alvarez, Property Manager, gave a brief report to Council. Mr. Johnson gave a brief report to Council. The owner also present. Council discussion. Council voted; passed unanimously, by roll call vote.

TAB E - PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER FOR A SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICS (SWAT) VAN TO BE PLACED IN SERVICE BY THE NORTH MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED EIGHT THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY DOLLARS ($108,780.00) FROM THE FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING FUNDS ACCOUNT, TO PIGGYBACK A COMPETITIVE BID AWARD BY THE

SHERIFFS' OFFICES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA COOPERATIVE BID FOR PURSUIT, ADMINISTRATIVE, UTILITY VEHICLES, TRUCKS AND VANS - BID NUMBER 12-20-905; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES

Mr. Etienne read the Resolution title for the record. Vice Mayor Galvin moved to approve the Resolution, seconded by Councilman Bien-Aime; for discussion. No public discussion. Mr. Johnson gave a brief report to Council. Council voted, passed unanimously, by roll call vote.

TAB F - PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PURCHASE ORDER BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI AND 2ND CHANCE HOLDINGS, INC., D/B/A BUDGET CAR RENTAL, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA GOVERNMENTAL PURCHASING COOPERATIVE GROUP - RFP NUMBER 13-C-103, TO PROVIDE THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH UNDERCOVER VEHICLE RENTAL SERVICES, IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS ($105,000.00) PER YEAR; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES

Mr. Etienne read the Resolution title for the record. No public discussion. Vice Mayor Galvin moved to approve the Resolution, seconded by Councilwoman Keys; for discussion. Mr. Johnson gave a brief report to Council. Council discussion. Council voted, passed unanimously, by roll call vote.

TAB G - PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, URGING THE CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS DELEGATION AND THE 113TH CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO ENACT COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION REFORM; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES

Mr. Etienne read the Resolution title for the record. Vice Mayor Galvin moved to approve the Resolution, seconded by Mayor Tondreau; for discussion. No public discussion. Council discussion. Council voted, passed unanimously, by roll call vote.

REQUESTS – PETITIONS – COMMUNICATIONS

TAB H - DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL TO DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER TO CONDUCT FURTHER INQUIRY ON THE 150-ACRE PRESERVE OWNED BY THE STATE OF FLORIDA LOCATED IN THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI

Mr. Etienne read the title for the record. No public discussion. Mayor Tondreau moved to approve the request to direct the city manager to conduct further inquiry on the 150-acre preserve owned by the State of Florida located in the City of North Miami, seconded by Councilwoman Steril; for discussion. Council discussion. Council voted; passed unanimously, by roll call vote.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Various items of interest presented by Council.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

Mr. Etienne reported on:

- Public records requests regarding contracts
- Business tax receipts in conjunction with certificate of occupancy
- North Miami Police Department at the fitness center

TAB I - APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS BOARD, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES OF THE CITY *(ITEM DEFERRED FROM AUGUST 27, 2013, COUNCIL MEETING)*

Mr. Etienne reported on appointments/re-appointments for Council:

Mayor Tondreau:

Board of Adjustment
Mary Irvin

Community Relations Board
Marcia Missik

Health Facilities Authority
Marcia Missik

Planning Commission
Judor Charles

Senior Citizens' Advisory Board
Daniel B. Calixte

University Relations Board
Douglas Hindmarsh

Youth Opportunity Board
Garry Akistide

Mayor Tondreau moved to accept the appointments, seconded by Vice Mayor Galvin; passed unanimously.

Councilwoman Keys:

Health Facilities Authority
Dr. James B. Tracton

Mayor Tondreau moved to accept the re-appointment, seconded by Vice Mayor Galvin; passed unanimously.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

(NONE)

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Johnson advised Council to ask any questions regarding the upcoming proposed budget before the scheduled budget hearing.

Council discussion regarding outstanding water customer accounts. Mr. Johnson reported the new system included a tracking system for outstanding accounts.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

City Of North Miami

Preliminary 1st Budget Hearing

September 11th, 2013
6:00 P.M.

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VERBATIM MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING
1st BUDGET HEARING

SEPTEMBER 11, 2013

The first budget hearing of the North Miami City Council was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, September 11, 2013, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

(Phonetic spelling of each speaker's name may be used throughout the minutes unless correct spelling is known.)

1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Mayor Tondreau: ...Budget year, this September 11 at 5:59 P.M.

Councilwoman Steril: Is it 6 o'clock?

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE / INVOCATION

Mayor Tondreau: Let us stand for the Pledge of Allegiance please and invocation.

Ms. Brazil: Good evening everyone. I am Amanda Brazil from Alonzo and Traci Morning Senior High and it is my pleasure to be here with you all today. Please raise your right hand over your heart as we recite the Pledge of Allegiance together. Thank you.

Mayor Tondreau: Thank you Madame. Remaining standing please for the invocation.

INVOCATION

Unidentified Male Voice: Let us pray. Father we thank you for giving us the opportunity to be here tonight of the context of our First Budget Hearing. In your word Lord you emphasized the importance of being good stewards of what little or big we may be entrusted with. So tonight more than reckless rationalizing or fruitless quarreling, we pray that our decisions would be marked by pure motives and selfless championing. I pray Lord that wherever they may be a lack of clarity you may shed your light. Wherever there may be conflict, you may give us a spirit of resolution that will bring all of us together to make the right decisions for the greater good and just cause of our great City of North Miami. Bless everyone here present tonight, we pray in Jesus Christ name, Amen.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Tondreau: Mr. Clerk, roll call please.

ROLL CALL	Councilwoman Steril	Here
	Vice-Mayor Galvin	Here
	Mayor Tondreau	Here
	Councilman Bien-Aime	Here
	Councilwoman Keys	Here

Mr. Etienne: Mayor, we have a quorum.

Mayor Tondreau: Thank you Mr. Clerk. We do have a quorum. Mr. Manager, is there any additions, deletions on the agenda?

Mr. Johnson: No Mayor.

Mayor Tondreau: Thank you. Mr. Clerk?

Mr. Etienne: Yes Mayor.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

TAB A

Mayor Tondreau: This is our millage resolution. Would you please read Tab A in the agenda.

Mr. Etienne: For the record Mayor, I would have to read in its entirety.

Mayor Tondreau: You must.

Mr. Etienne: (reads resolution by title only)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATE OF 8.1000 MILLS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 – 2014; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES

Mayor Etienne: Whereas, the City of North Miami (CITY) as considered, an operating budget for Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014 in accordance with provisions of Section

200.065 Florida Statutes and whereas, the millage rate necessary to fund the City's operating budget for Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014 is 8.1000 mils which is 3.52% more than the roll back rate of 7.8149 mils. And whereas, in accordance with Section 200.065 (5a) Florida Statutes 2012 an amended from time to time, a majority vote of the Mayor and City Council is required to adopt a rate of up to 8.9847 mils. And whereas, the Mayor and City Council find that the adoption of the proposed tentative millage rate for Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014 is in the best interest of the City. Now therefore be it duly resolved by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida as follows. Section 1, adoption of tentative millage rate. The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida hereby adopt 8.1000 mils as the tentative millage rate on assessed property value necessary to fund the City's Fiscal Year 2013 – 2014 operating budget. Section 2, effective date; this resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption. Passed and adopted by a blank vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami this blank day of blank 2013.

Mayor Tondreau: Thank you. Mr. City Manager, your presentation please.

Mr. Johnson: Good evening Mayor and Council, Staff, residents. First of all let me say that the development of the proposed budget for 2013 and 2014 has been challenging in spite of the cost saving measures instituted during the last three years. As you all know as the economy continues a slowly recovery, this City still faces ethic and challenges that threaten a sustained recovery. So Staff with that under way, the Staff is under taking this year's budget with optimism and recognition of the new economic realities of our time. And as a result this evening, I will have our Budget Manager, Mr. Arthur Sorey come forward and present the Fiscal Year 2014 Proposed Budget at this First Budget Hearing, Mr. Sorey.

Mr. Sorey: Thank you very much. I'll be discussing your 2014 Budget in brief. This evening we'll discuss the proposed millage rate, general fund revenues, general fund expenditures, enterprise funds, capital projects and the total proposed budget. And at the end we'll do a brief recap. Proposed millage rate; in the current year FY 2012 – 2013, we used an adopted millage rate of 8.1 mills. We are proposing for this budget to keep the same 8.10 mils, which we will see a revenue of ad valorem taxes of $16,044,275. Of that $760,000 will go towards the CRA and $15.2 million dollars will be for the City. I must say that this is a 3.52% increase over the roll back rate which is the rate we get from the County. Using the roll back rate we received 2% decrease in these funds or $722,000 decrease. General Fund revenue; our total revenue budget for the General Fund for FY 14 is $58.3 million dollars. And this current slide is broken down. Taxes make up 39% or $22 million dollars. We have non-revenues at 30% or $17 million dollars. Inter-governmental revenues at $6 million dollars, miscellaneous at 2.7. Fines and forfeits at 3.3, licenses and permits at 1.9, charges for services at 3.8. I'll now go into details on each of the categories. First for taxes, we have ad valorem taxes $14.5 million dollars. Next we have general sales and use tax, our local option gas tax, which is

$727,000. Franchise fees, FPL, City Gas, People's Gas, Waste Collection and bus benches $3 million dollars. Utility Service Taxes, which is FPL, Natural Gas, fuel and oil, $2.7 million. Then we have communication service tax, which is telecommunications, video, direct home satellite and related services of $1.6 million. Total taxes for the City $22.5 million dollars. Next we have licenses and permits; occupational licenses $392,000. We have our building permits at $1.2 million. Other licenses and fees is Media Net, that's our bill board revenues that we receive total at $1.9 million dollars. Next we have our inter-governmental revenues, which are our grants. For Federal grants this year we have $62,000, state grants $24,000; that's the Library State Aide grant. State shared revenues, which is the ½ cent sales tax, is $3.6 million. And also in the States revenue share which is $1.8 million with a total of $6 million dollars. We have grants for local units. This year we have identified a $5,000.00 grant and shared revenue from local units in the amount of $70,000. That's occupational licenses from Dade County and occupational licenses for Dade contractors. Next we have our charges for services. First category in charges for services; this is our zoning compliance review fees, passport applications, hardest hit, minimum housing review fees; all in a total amount of $410,000. Then we have public safety. These are burglar alarm fees, Sans Souci guard gate reimbursement and miscellaneous Police revenue $393,000. Physical environment, this is where our Sanitation fees have been moved to the General Fund in the amount of $2.5 million dollars. And it's also lot clearing fees in the amount of $30,000. Then we have cultural recreation and then we have our swimming revenues, summer camp revenues, facility rentals, tennis revenues and stadium rental that totals of $437,000; charges for services totaling $3.8 million dollars. Fines and forfeits; judgments and fines, this is our (inaudible) amnesty program. We're anticipating $872,000 in revenues. We have Library fines, violations of local ordinances; these are Code Enforcement fines and we're anticipating $30,000 this year. Other fines and forfeits $2.4 million dollars. All fines and forfeits total $3.3 million dollars. We have our miscellaneous revenues, interest and earnings are money in the bank we collect interest on. We have our rental royalties; these are the units at Biscayne Landing the Oaks. We bring in $240,000. We bring in another $319,000 from ISPA and then we have $100,000 for the bifurcated land lease. Contributions and donations is money received for the third party maintenance agreement at Biscayne Landing and you have other miscellaneous revenues in the amount of $248,000. All miscellaneous revenues total $2.7 million. Next we have our non-revenues, inter fund transfers; this is our CRA true up. That's going to be $465,000 this year. We have the enterprise fund contribution in the amount of $5.3 million dollars. And non-operating sources, this is where your Biscayne Landing money is. Again in summary, the total General Fund revenue budget is $58.3 million dollars. Now we'll discuss the expenditures. And it's always important to remember revenues do equal expenditures. So our expenditure budget for the General Fund will be $58.3 million dollars as well. Of that personnel services make up 55% or $31 million dollars. It's important to realize inside personnel services are the Police salaries which total $17.7 million dollars. We have operating cost, which is the pens, pencils, lights and everything else that goes into running the City and that's $11 million,

$11.6 million. We have internal services and that's everybody's contribution to the worker's comp and Fleet Department. And we do have some capital outlay there which is mostly the Police Building Fund. And then we have just the reserves and others, and that's where the Biscayne Landing money is. The next slide gives a breakdown by departments and department total budget and percent change. A couple of the large percent changes; in Building Department there's a 58% change. That's just because now with our contracted out Building Services, we have expenditures now located within the Budget. So that shows the change there, it's a $700,000 difference in the Building Department's Budget. 597 is listed but the major change was the $700,000 that we did add. City Attorney is down; City Clerk is down because we don't have an election this year. So we don't have the election expense in. City Manager is lower. Code Compliance is lower by $100,000. This past year we bought a Code Enforcement trailer in the amount of $100,000 so that's why their budget is down by $100,000 or 11%. Community Planning and Development, this is where the roofing program is, the single family home roofing program in the amount of $1 million dollars. So that program will not be in their budget next year. We have the Library. The Library is given $1 million dollars by the Council to follow up on their 40-year recertification and to do some other improvements. That was again budgeted last year. That will not show up in their budget this year that's why they're down 53%. Non-departmental is down lower and it's just because we spent some of the money out of Biscayne Landing. That's why the amount is lower. Parks and Recreation down by $953,000; this also is the money from the Bayshore Park Progress 2013 projects. So $450,000 was budgeted for Bayshore Park and a couple of other projects were budgeted in Parks and Recreation. That's why they're down by $953,000. Police Department down 7% or $1.7 million. We budgeted a million dollars for vehicles last year in the Police Department part of the project progress 2013 projects as well. Public Works down by $1.6 million, again more money was budgeted in Public Works for the renovation of City Hall building in the amount of $600,000 and a couple of other projects. All in total, General Funds down by $9 million dollars. Our General Fund Budget is again expenditure $58.3 million dollars. The next slide is the General Fund Expenditure Summary. Basically it's the same thing. It just breaks down the ton of services, the personnel costs of each department and the operating expenses of each department. And again all total $58.3 million dollars. Then you have your General Fund Budget history. FY 12 amended budget was $44.6 million. FY 13 a huge jump to $67.8 million. That's because we had Biscayne Landing money. We got the $17 million dollar check, it did come in. In FY 14 we'll go down accordingly because we spent some of the Biscayne Landing money and we're not expecting any other large revenues to come in at this time. Now we'll go into the Water and Sewer. We'll go into our Enterprise Funds right now. Water and Sewer is going to be $44.2 million dollars; that's the budget for this year. Of the $44.2 million dollars, $22.3 is operating expenditures. We do have capital expenditures in the amount of $3.6 million dollars. I will go over the capital expenditures a little later. We have a (inaudible) replacement in the amount of $4 million dollars. This is just the money that they will use to repair things as they go down. This is the first year since we put the rate study in that we have had renewal and

replacement money. So it will be several repairs made in our system in infrastructure. We have a rate stabilization account. As we continue to buy money from Dade...buy water from Miami Dade County, sometimes the rates do go up during the year that are not budgeted for. Now we have a rate stabilization fund so if it does come up, we don't have to make drastic cuts in the utility department to cover those expenses. By our water rate study, we're required to keep $2.9 million dollar fund balance. And that's where we should be for this year we're in now. We have our compensated absences budgeted, operating reserves in the amount of $1.2 and the capital reserves, that's your CRF money. This wasn't set to the side because it was supposed to be used for the Water Plant only. So that's why the money is not comingled with the other capital expenditure money. The CRF money is still there in the amount of $7.9 million dollars. And the $20 million dollars in operating expenses are $3.2 million dollars is Staff and costs. Next we have Stormwater $3.18 million. Operating expenditure is $2.5 million dollars. Operating reserve in the amount of $436,000. And basically the operating reserve it'll be used to do more (inaudible) and drainage improvements throughout the City. It's budgeted because the actual area is not identified yet but it will be used. And then again by now we have to budget for our compensated absences. Personnel services for this is only $650,000 or 25%. FY 14 Capital Projects; and it's important to note that the column in the middle is the funding sources. We have building improvements which is the Police building, $78,000. City Hall Wi-Fi is to continue Wi-Fi throughout City Hall in the amount of $10,000. There are computer switches $18,000. Motorcycle replacements...our motorcycles in the Police Department are very old and we've been putting it off for about six years. So we've put in the budget to replace them this year in the amount of $159,000. We have replacement computers $49,000. Downtown revitalization in the amount of $300,000, that is coming out of our Transportation Department...our Transportation Fund, I'm sorry. We have sidewalk installation and repairs in the amount of $100,000. We have drainage improvements which is coming out of Stormwater $50,000; stormwater basins $450,000. We have lift station rehab, sanitary sewer rehab in the amount of $300,000. And upgrading the lime softening plant, that's your Water Plant; $8.3 million dollars. Water line replacement $300,000 and other various capital projects in the Water and Sewer Department in the amount of $2.4 million. Also we're going to buy trash pumps, $37,000. We're going to replace the Vacon truck. We're going to buy a new Vacon truck and replace the engine in another Vacon that we do have. And those are going to total $445,000. Water and Sewer will replace I believe it's two vehicles in the amount of $68,000 and then we'll replace the camera for the Water and Sewer Department for $5,500. The total Proposed Budget for FY 13 – 14, $139,034,275. General Fund is making up 42% of that at $58,000. Water and Sewer at $45.2 million. All other funds which includes landfill closure, Law Enforcement Trust Fund, JAG and other small amounts in the amount of $21 million. We have our internal services which are Risk and Fleet Management $6.1 million. You have housing rehab budgeted at $2 million dollars. Transportation $2.7, the CRA...this is the TIF money that we give the CRA, $294,000. Again the total General Fund budget for FY 14 $139,034,275. How does that compare to the last few years. FY 12 we were at $151,000,000. FY 13

$157,000,000, FY 14 we're at $139 million. As a recap, the total proposed millage rate is the same as last year or 3.52 more than the roll back rate of 7.8 mils. This millage rate will generate net revenue of $5.2 million to the General Fund of 3% more than the current year. General Funds budget $58.3 million dollars, a 14% decrease compared to the FY 13 amended budget of $67 million. As outlined in our water rate study, there will be a 7% (inaudible) rate increase to Water and Sewer. Stormwater will be increased by the CPI or consumer price index in an adjusted amount of 2.9%. Furloughs are still in effective, six for the year which equates to 2.5% salary reduction and Staff will continue to contribute $10.00 per month towards their health insurance. A total savings of $495,435 to the General Fund. Finally the total combined budget is $139, a 21% decrease compared to last year. In closing, going forward there is a distinct possibility that (inaudible) of General Fund revenue may continue to increase, which is supportive of a loyal community, diligent employees and the ongoing guidance of our City Council, we are confident we will continue to overcome the challenges and stay on the course of progress. Thank you.

Mr. Johnson: Mayor and Council, based upon our presentation on this particular tab, we request that Mayor and Council accept Staff's recommendation of adopting the resolution to having the tentative millage rate of 8.1 mils.

Mayor Tondreau: Thank you Mr. Manager. First of all let me congratulate you. I recognize the hard work you and the Budget Manager and all the Staff who have labored so hard to present this Budget that will address the major needs in our City. I'm comfortable with most of the items funded in this Budget. However, there are areas of concern. To the majority of our residents that are not addressed and are unfunded I believe. I'd like first to proceed with Public Hearings. If anybody in the audience would like to speak before I go ahead because I'd like to see more. Myself, I see more social service, capital improvement. I mean the big "C". We need to see this City moving. We need to see this City coming into life. We have downtown that's 6 o'clock, 7 o'clock there's nothing going on. We have nothing in this City that we can invite people to come and see and share with us. So therefore I would like to see a vibrant City. We're talking about our students, about senior citizens, about education for the children. So many things in a City that we can put into place to make it work, to make it look like a City that put residents first. That I have not seen enough in this budget and I would like to address them with you afterwards if it's okay.

Councilwoman Steril: Madam Mayor may I open public hearing. But I'm just giving a suggestion. I don't know. Do we want to do the millage rate first before we start on the second item, which is the actual budget? Or how do you want to proceed?

Mayor Tondreau: We need to open public hearings on…

Councilman Bien-Aime: On the millage rate. We need to vote on the millage rate first and then the budget.

Mayor Tondreau: Yes, that's why I didn't give him a list of what I would like. I just give him a big idea of what I want. I didn't go into any details.

Councilwoman Steril: If the City Attorney or…

Mayor Tondreau: Madam Attorney.

Councilwoman Steril: I would suggest that since we're on the first item and the first item is actually the millage rate and not the actual budget. I would suggest that…I'm willing to make a motion to adopt the 8.1, the millage rate. And if we want to discuss and then past the millage rate and then go to the second item, which is the actual budget. So I will…is that so?

Ms. Monestime: I would just like for us to have public hearing on the millage rate first before you move it.

Mayor Tondreau: That's what I said. Public hearing is now open on the millage rate.

Ms. Monestime: Simply millage rate.

Mayor Tondreau: First item on the agenda. Public hearing is now closed. Do I hear a motion to adopt?

Councilwoman Steril: I make a motion to adopt the current millage rate.

Councilman Bien-Aime: I'll question.

Mayor Tondreau: Now we may go proceed to discussion.

Councilwoman Keys: I would second that for discussion.

Mayor Tondreau: Mr. Bien-Aime you had (inaudible)?

Councilman Bien-Aime: Questions, right?

Mayor Tondreau: Go ahead.

Councilman Bien-Aime: It's open for questions. Last year it was at 8.11?

Mr. Johnson: Yes, 8.1.

Councilman Bien-Aime: And this year?

Mr. Johnson: We're recommending…

Councilman Bien-Aime: To be 1.1?

Mr. Johnson: 8.1.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Why?

Mr. Johnson: The 8.1% is the same millage rate that we had last year. Property taxes did increase by 1%. We're not…Staff is not proposing to increase the millage rate in order to balance the budget. We're just simply requesting to keep the millage rate the same although it will reflect a 1%...it would reflect an increase but it's not…it's due to the property values and not to Staff's recommendation of increasing the millage rate.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Our property value went up right?

Mr. Johnson: By 1%, the City as a whole.

Councilwoman Steril: Is it everywhere?

Councilman Bien-Aime: The City, it went up by 1%.

Mr. Johnson: Correct.

Councilman Bien-Aime: That mean if you all not going to increase our taxes, the millage rate should be 7.8%, right?

Mr. Johnson: That would be the roll back rate.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Yeah 7.8.

Mr. Johnson: Correct.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Budget Manager, you consider that as an increase of our taxes right?

Mr. Sorey: Yes sir.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Why do we need to increase taxes in order to balance our budget?

Mr. Johnson: When we looked at our expenditures and our projected revenues, what Staff did was we looked at the millage rate as it is. And what was presented by the property appraiser and we balance our budget based upon that revenue. So when we look at all of the City's expenditures as they are, we needed that millage rate to balance.

Councilman Bien-Aime: If I understand Budget Manager, we are increasing our taxes in order to balance our budget.

Mr. Sorey: Technically, yes sir.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Technically yes. I thought we were going to increase our taxes in order to do capital improvements like the Mayor said. And there is a few things I think either me or the constituents would like to see in the budget. One is lower our taxes and increase our revenues, capital improvement and balance our budget without using our reserves. That's mean in order to balance our budget, we need to increase tax. Are we using some of the reserve money in order to balance our budget also?

Mr. Johnson: We are using none of the money that the Mayor and Council has put into reserve. We're not using those funds. The fundings that we have from Biscayne Landing that was previously allocated. We are using those funds, a portion of those funds to balance this budget.

Councilman Bien-Aime: From that Biscayne Landing money…

Mr. Johnson: That's correct.

Councilman Bien-Aime: You know it's an advance, right? Are we using the five year advance to balance our budget?

Mr. Johnson: No.

Councilman Bien-Aime: The full five years?

Mr. Johnson: No.

Councilman Bien-Aime: We are using just one year of that?

Mr. Johnson: We are not even…

Mr. Sorey: Of the advance money that we have from Biscayne Landing $3 million dollars still are recognized in our budget because it's advanced money. So there's still another $3 million dollars that's out there for two more years out because it's going to be five years. So $3 million dollars is not even recognized in our budget for the advance money. We're not using none of the advance money.

Councilman Bien-Aime: You're telling me one, we need to increase our budget, right? We need to increase our taxes in order to balance our budget. Without the increase in our taxes, how much money we're talking about?

Mr. Johnson: $772,000.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Between um…

Mayor Tondreau: Excuse me. You mean if you want to use the roll back, we will be short of $772,000?

Mr. Johnson: That's correct.

Councilman Bien-Aime: It's just in order to balance our budget we need to increase taxes on the people. That's another way of saying it, right?

Mayor Tondreau: Is it us increasing taxes on the people or is it the County due to property values have been up?

Councilman Bien-Aime: No it's us. Since it went up…

Mr. Johnson: We are not increasing the millage rate. The tax increase is due to the fact that the property values…

Councilman Bien-Aime: Tax increase, we understand that. It's just a way of saying it. Budget Manager, are we increasing tax?

Mr. Johnson: Yes there will be a tax…

Councilman Bien-Aime: In order to balance our budget, not to do capital improvement.

Mr. Johnson: The capital improvement would be at the desire of the dais. We've already showed you a capital overlay of expenditures. If you want to increase that, then we will look at the budget that we are presenting in the budget book and we can find funding for that. Two things, if you use the roll back rate, that's a $772,000 loss out

of this budget that we have to cut. If you want...on top of that cut if you want to find more capital improvement then we have to reallocate and make additional cuts for that out of this budget.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Between salary and benefits, how much that represent in the budget?

Mr. Johnson: Fifty-five percent of our General Revenue is for Personnel costs.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Personnel costs?

Mr. Johnson: Correct.

Councilman Bien-Aime: That means if we don't...we have a choice. Either raising taxes on the people or reduce our personnel expenses by $700,000.

Mr. Johnson: We can reduce expenses for the General Revenue total.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Yeah including personnel.

Mr. Johnson: Yes.

Councilman Bien-Aime: I see personnel represent 55%.

Mr. Johnson: And I can make a motion in order to balance our budget to find that $700,000 somewhere else instead of raising our millage rate.

Councilwoman Steril: May I interject?

Councilman Bien-Aime: I'm not finished.

Councilwoman Steril: I know but you're just saying something and you're going to make a motion. May I say something before, if I have a second. From what I understand the Councilman...the concern is, is not increasing tax. But what I'm not hearing that you guys saying is that, even though if we cut Staff and find $700,000 and whatever the amount will be, that will not and I know another concern. Is capital improvement...that will giving you capital improvement but that will balance your budget. So the $780,000 is not an increase to our budget, it's just not there right now. So two things that we can do and are we not suggesting that to not only to find almost a million dollars not to keep the same tax. But we're going to probably have to find another two or three million dollars to find capital improvement. And you cannot...I

mean in my right mind, in order to find that much money you probably have to cut a good amount of people all at once.

Councilman Bien-Aime: No Vice-Mayor Steril, we need to take our responsibilities. We're increasing tax in order to balance our budget. If I'm not willing to do that on the residents, we have to cut something. And from what the City Manager told me, we need that $700,000 for expenses not to the capital improvement. I'm not...we are not there yet. He said $700,000 right?

Mr. Johnson: If you go to the roll back, we would have to reduce our budget...

Councilman Bien-Aime: Without increasing.

Mr. Johnson: Yes.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Because since property value went up...

Mr. Johnson: Yes.

Councilman Bien-Aime: ...it's keeping it 8.1 is increasing taxes.

Mr. Johnson: That's correct.

Councilman Bien-Aime: And I don't think...me personally, I'm not in favor of raising taxes. And I will go with the roll back and find that $700,000 from the 55% on the budget that we have to use to pay for salaries and benefits. That's where I'm going to go. I'm not willing to vote for it to increase taxes.

Mayor Tondreau: Okay, anyone else wishes to speak on this matter before we call...

Councilwoman Keys: I would just say, right now if we go with the 8.1 millage, we can always come back in two weeks, if we can't find the money. If we can find the money we can lower it. If we can't find the money, we can not raise it. So by keeping it, the millage where it is now, we're not raising the millage. We're not set in stone but we can never come back. So if we leave it at 8.1 today, then if we can find the extra $700,000 at that point in two weeks we can go ahead and lower it back to the roll back rate. So you don't ever...I've been coming to these budget...I haven't been sitting on the Council but I've attended the budget meetings for at least 10 years. And usually it's precedent that we usually keep the millage rate and then we can readjust it on the second meeting. Because if we don't do that and we lower it now, we're stuck in two weeks if we can't find the money.

Councilman Bien-Aime: That's when you're willing to raise tax on the people.

Councilwoman Keys: I'm willing to keep the millage rate right now.

Councilman Bien-Aime: You're not keeping it, you're raising it. It was 8.1 since our property value went up by 1%...

Councilwoman Keys: I'm saying but we can lower and take the lower rate in two weeks. I'm not really willing to lower our City services that much. People's property taxes have gone up, maybe we can get a list. A lot of the properties, a lot of the homes, property values have gone down. But the property values have gone down, then if keeping the millage rate some people's taxes would actually go down. I have seen a lot of properties in North Miami that have gone down.

Councilman Bien-Aime: I understand that but me personally, I don't mind raising...

Councilwoman Keys: Did you property values go up?

Councilman Bien-Aime: ...the millage rate at 8.1 if we're going to invest that money on capital improvement in order to raise property value in the west side.

Mayor Tondreau: Let me ask a question. Mr. Bien-Aime, let me ask the City Manager a question. With the millage rate for 8.1, what does it represent to the residents in term of tax? How much of increase does it represent to our citizens, our taxpayers or our residents homeowners?

Mr. Johnson: That's a two sided question. One is, since the property value went up 1%. If we were to just round the numbers off. If it the average house is $100,00 then they're 8% on that 100,000. But because the property value went up 1% now you're paying 8% on maybe like 100,000...help me Mr. Paul...$100,100 because your property value went up. It went up 1%. So 1% of $100,000 is $100.00. So now you're going to pay an additional $8.00.

Councilman Bien-Aime: I understand that. We need money for capital improvement because you need to understand one thing. Property value went down on the west side right and went up on the east side. When you put everything today we have 1% increase right? What do we need to do as a responsible person is to do capital improvement in the west side? Next year when you're about to present the budget now we're talking about increasing our property value throughout the City. I don't mind raising taxes but me personally, I'm not going to vote to raise tax to balance a budget.

Because in the budget we have 55% of our budget is for salaries and benefits. If it's for capital improvement, yes I'm going to vote for it. But if it's not for capital improvement in order to increase the value of the property on the west side, I'm not going to vote for it.

Mr. Johnson: Through the Mayor, Councilman if I'm understanding you correctly. What I would recommend is that if you want to look at the difference between the roll back rate and the millage rate which is $772,000. I recommend that you leave the millage rate at 8.1% and the difference that $772,000… Councilman Bien-Aime:

Councilman Bien-Aime: You promise me you're going to find me…

Mr. Johnson: No what I'm recommending…

Councilman Bien-Aime: That $700,000 somewhere else for capital improvement.

Mr. Johnson: If that's what the dais desire is, then I would use that $772,000 cut in another area in this budget and…

Councilman Bien-Aime: For capital improvement.

Mr. Johnson: And use that 772 for capital improvement.

Councilman Bien-Aime: I don't mind. But I want to make sure. I don't mind voting to raise taxes if we're going to do capital improvement. Where are we going to find that money?

Mr. Johnson: If it's the desire of the dais. If you adopt the millage rate of 8.1 and then I will make that suggested recommendation to you. That way when we get into Tab B, if you want to direct me to use…find $772,000 for capital improvements. Then I can do that.

Councilman Bien-Aime: In that budget, do we have money for capital improvements?

Mr. Johnson: We have…if you're looking for…yes we do. We show the capital improvement.

Councilman Bien-Aime: How much?

Mr. Johnson: I think it's $13 million. But if you're looking for items like sidewalks…

Councilman Bien-Aime: You just said $13 million.

Councilwoman Steril: Yeah but that's not sidewalks and…

Mr. Johnson: But if you're looking for sidewalks and…

Councilman Bien-Aime: About capital improvement. I'm not just asking only about sidewalks.

Mr. Johnson: Capital improvement was $13 million.

Councilwoman Steril: Okay, here's how…

Councilman Bien-Aime: Including the…I'm not finished.

Councilwoman Steril: No I….

Councilman Bien-Aime: I have the floor.

Councilman Galvin: Not the gavel, just for the record. Wait, here it comes.

Councilwoman Steril: You love the gavel.

Councilman Bien-Aime: I'm not done.

Councilwoman Steril: Yeah I know you're not done but I was just going to ask him can I have a copy…can I just ask that?

Councilman Bien-Aime: Oh, ok.

Councilwoman Steril: Is that okay?

Councilman Bien-Aime: Okay. How much money do we have for capital improvement in the budget without reserve?

Mr. Johnson: $13,177,000.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Without reserve, without grants?

Mr. Sorey: That's part of the transportation, water and sewer everything. If we're talking about…

Councilman Bien-Aime: An Enterprise Fund.

Mr. Sorey: Yes. That's Enterprise Funds and transportation funds, Stormwater and Water and Sewer.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Okay that's why you're telling me including the Enterprise Funds.

Mr. Sorey: That's where the majority of the money is coming from.

Councilman Bien-Aime: That mean the $700,000 we're talking about is not going to come from the Enterprise Fund and the General Fund.

Mr. Johnson: It will come from the General Fund.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Okay.

Mayor Tondreau: Anyone else wishing to speak on this? And we're trying to…not to engage a debate right here because everybody have had a chance to speak with the Budget Manager and the City Manager on this budget. Vice-Mayor Galvin, do you have any comments or any remarks?

Vice-Mayor Galvin: Thank you Madame Mayor. I want to echo and agree with Councilman Bien-Aime. If there's a way to increase the number of actual brick and mortar products we do as opposed to spend the money on it's on. You guys can wave that sign at me all you want. But you guys have control of the volume. It's on. It's here. I'm projecting. I'd rather spend brick and mortar projects than spend on salary. I would…if two weeks from now the money can't be found, I want to roll back to the 7.8 as well. Basically I'm right on the same wave link as Councilman Bien-Aime tonight.

Mayor Tondreau: Very good. Can I hear a motion to approve?

Mr. Etienne: Mayor, we have a motion and a second. It was motioned by Councilwoman Steril and it was seconded by you Mayor. Roll call City Manager…Clerk.

ROLL CALL

ROLL CALL	Councilwoman Keys	Yes
	Councilwoman Steril	Yes
	Councilman Bien-Aime	Yes
	Mayor Tondreau	Yes
	Vice-Mayor Galvin	Yes.

Mr. Etienne: Item was passed 5 – 0. Its 7…I'm sorry 6:50 P.M

TAB B

Mayor Tondreau: Mister…yeah Mr. Clerk, would you please read Tab B.

Mr. Etienne: (reads ordinance by title only)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, ADOPTING AND APPROVING THE BUDGET OF THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING OCTOBER 1, 2013 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2014; AUTHORIZING THE AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION FOR THE OPERATION OF THE CITY FOR THE 2013-2014 FISCAL YEAR; AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS ESTABLISHED BY THE BUDGET; AUTHORIZING A "RETURN OF INVESTMENT" TRANSFER FROM THE WATER & SEWER UTILITY FUND TO THE GENERAL FUND; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT BUDGET AMENDMENTS (REVENUE AND/OR EXPENDITURE) TO APPROPRIATE OR UNAPPROPRIATE FUNDS AS REQUIRED DURING THE FISCAL YEAR, AND TO AMEND THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR BUDGET TO FACILITATE THE YEAR-END CLOSING PROCESS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL, SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Etienne: Whereas, the budget of the City of North Miami, Florida (CITY) for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014 (attached hereto as "Exhibit 1") was considered at public hearings held on September 11, 2013, and September 25, 2013, as required by Chapter 200, Florida Statutes; and whereas, the Mayor and City Council wish to approve and adopt the Budget of the City for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2013, and ending September 30, 2014, and to authorize that this amount be raised by taxation for the operation of the City for the 2013 – 2014 Fiscal Year. Now, therefore, be it ordained by the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida that Section 1, Budget Approved and Adopted. The Budget of the City of North Miami for the 2013 – 2014 Fiscal Year, (attached hereto as 'Exhibit 1"), is hereby approved and adopted. Section 2, Implement Budget Amendments. The City Manager of the City of North Miami is hereby, authorized to implement Budget amendments (revenue and/or expenditure) by resolution, to appropriate or un-appropriate funds as required during the fiscal year, and to amend the prior fiscal year budget, by resolution, to facilitate the year-end closing process. Section 3, Expenditure of Funds Appropriated in the Authorized Budget. Funds appropriated to the various departments

in the Budget may be expended by the directors of each department by and with the approval of the City Manager in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter and applicable Ordinances. Expenditures of funds (including, but not limited to enterprise funds, internal service funds and expendable trust funds) under circumstances which additional revenues are generated by user fees or charges to offset the cost of supplying a service to the residents or other City departments, shall not be limited by estimated appropriations, but rather by actual revenue, and to that extent, the actual revenue received shall be deemed to be appropriated. Section 4, Return on Investment of Water and Sewer Fund Assets. The Budget includes a transfer from the Water and Sewer Operation and Maintenance Fund to the General Fund representing the return on investment that taxpayers would receive if the utility were sold. The transfer for the 2013 – 2014 Fiscal Year is calculated at 5.0% of Fixed Assets as of September 30, 2012. This transfer may be made annually but will not exceed 7.5% of the utility's net Fixed Assets. Section 5, Checks. All checks on City bank accounts shall be signed by any member of the City Council and the Finance Director. Section 6, Amount of Taxes. The approximate amount of $16,888,711.00 shall be the amount of gross taxes to be raised by the operating ad valorem tax levy authorized by Resolution of the City Council. Section 7, Authority of Manager. The City Manager is authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all documents and instruments and to do and cause to be done any and all acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out the transactions contemplated by this Ordinance. Section 8, Repeal. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict or inconsistent are repealed. Section 9, Severability. If any word, clause, phrase, sentence, paragraph, or Section of this Ordinance is held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration of invalidity shall not affect any other word, clause, phrase, sentence, paragraph or Section of this Ordinance. Section 10, Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage on second reading. Passed and adopted by a blank vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami on first reading. This blank day of blank, 2013; passed and adopted by a blank vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami on second reading this blank day of blank, 2013.

Mayor Tondreau: Public hearing is now open. Public hearing is now closed. Do I hear a motion?

Councilwoman Steril: I make a motion to the 2014 Budget.

Mayor Tondreau: Any second?

Councilwoman Steril: You can second for discussion if you like.

Mr. Etienne: I'm sorry was that a second Councilman?

Councilwoman Keys: Shouldn't we discuss it first?

Mayor Tondreau: That's what we said.

Councilwoman Keys: Okay.

Mayor Tondreau: Who goes first into it because it seems I know everybody has a little thing to say. As the Mayor I should have been the first one to go but its okay. I'll give you the way.

Councilwoman Steril: No I didn't ask.

Mayor Tondreau: I know. You're looking at me like are you going to let me speak or not.

Councilwoman Steril: No, no. Listen I'm drinking my coffee tonight.

Mayor Tondreau: Councilwoman Keys.

Councilwoman Keys: Go ahead. You always go last. No I'm saying Madam Mayor, she always go last. Very interested in what you have to say.

Councilman Bien-Aime: We have to (inaudible) for the people.

Mayor Tondreau: It's okay with me. Mr. Bien-Aime go ahead. No public hearing is closed. We opened it and we closed it. There was no one standing who wanted to speak. Public hearing is closed. We opened it and then we closed it. You have anything to say Mr. Bien-Aime? No comments? Councilwoman Steril?

Councilwoman Steril: (Inaudible).

Mayor Tondreau: Vice-Mayor Galvin, any comments?

Vice-Mayor Galvin: Sure thank you Madam Mayor. I'm going to not do what I used to do in the old day where I used to go page by page and go after people's staplers. But I'm going to go after a few pages. And in general sense, I'm right on the same wave length with Councilman Bien-Aime that we need to find $700,000 to bring things down to not have to raise the millage rate. I see several memberships and professional organizations. I see several travel funds from different departments to go to different locations. I understand after 14 years up here if there's something that is necessary under law that a department keep to keep their status; we need to keep those in the Budget. But if there are any extra travel, any extra memberships, any extra magazine subscriptions, anything that's not necessary from department to department, that we look at those first to trim those back. To take those out because...those to me were always some of the fluff things that we could get rid of. On page 65 I see business cards. One at

$34.00 each; page 65. $34.00 of business cards, one at $34 each. That's a really darn expensive business card. I'm guessing there's probably more to this story. Can you tell us more about why and it's not the only department. What is this CP&D? Yeah CP&D, it's not the only department where I see the $34.00 business card.

Mr. Johnson: Yes through the Mayor, Councilman when it says one card, it's not one card. It's one order at $34.00.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: Okay. In the future an order…I mean I don't know how many business cards that is. Maybe we need to make it a little bit more detailed just so that it's…some of this stuff is a little light on the detail.

Mr. Johnson: Yes.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: Page 70, again under CP&D. It's funny I have to pull this so very far away now. Contractual assistance to administrate program $40,000. Is that a sub contract, if so to administrate what program? The hardest hit program I guess.

Mr. Johnson: Yes.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: Is that…I mean do we have to have somebody who sub contracts just to do that? I mean that's $40,000 is a lot of money.

Mr. Johnson: Through the Mayor, Councilman that's a grant and it's allocated so that salary is based upon what the grant and what the program allows.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: So that money is not…that $40,000 is not coming out of our taxpayer's money directly; it's coming from a grant?

Mr. Johnson: That's correct.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: All right. Again, that would be great to see that level of detail there because it's just lumped in. I didn't know that was a grant.

Mr. Johnson: Correct. And in the future what we will say in these, is that it's coming from General Revenue but grant reimbursed.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: In the presentation that Mr. Sorey made earlier, some of the slides that were up here on the TV were not in what we got in an email like a week ago. Or if so, I couldn't find them. One of the Fiscal Year 14 capital improvement projects you mentioned was a Water and Sewer camera for $5,500, what's that?

Mr. Sorey: That's the TV truck. It has a camera that goes inside the water and sewer lines. That's the TV truck that has the camera that goes in.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: So that's like the little snake that goes down in the ground to find where…okay.

Mr. Sorey: Yes sir to locate breaks and everything in the lines.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: Okay. I also noted that you only had budgeted $100,000 for sidewalks. Councilman Bien-Aime just two weeks ago set aside $1.5 million for some sidewalk. Where is that if this only calls for $100,000? Where is his $1.5?

Mr. Johnson: That is located in non-departmental. We have not moved it out yet. But it's in non-departmental….

Vice-Mayor Galvin: So you're not forgetting about him?

Mr. Johnson: We're not forgetting about that. That was through your resolution but it was previously located in non-department. So as we move forward, we would be moving it out.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: Coming to the Parks Budget. We received $5 million thanks to Councilman Jean Monestime. We received $5 million from the County for…

Councilman Bien-Aime: Five point five.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: A splash park or something like that. $5.4 million?

Mayor Tondreau: Five point five.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: Five point five. Is that spoken to here in the Budget? I was trying to find it earlier and I didn't find it specifically there. I hate for the County to take back it's money cause it's already been sitting there for us for years. Do we know where that $5.5 million is for the splash park or whatever at Rucks?

Mr. Johnson: Yes.

Mr. Sorey: Yes Councilman. The $5.5 was budgeted FY12-13 Budget. At the next hearing there will be motion to reappropriated projects that weren't fully spent. So it will be moved over at that time into this 13-14 Budget.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: And we're confident the County's not getting ready to take that back cause it's been like four or five years?

Mr. Johnson: On that particular project I did speak with in fact Russell Benford, our prior City Manager who did contact me. So we went under way. The issue is and the County is aware, we did meet with the County to let them know what the hold up was. They're aware of it but it's environmental. We are ready to go but the Environmental Agencies keep changing the parameters. So we've met with them and we've kept the County up to date to know that we are actively moving forward to complete this project.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: Again in Parks, well this is sort of the Councilwoman's district but the person making the request is from my district. Also I think it was just this last year we set aside money for a jogging trail, an exercise fitness trail. We thought about putting it in North Bayshore Park and then maybe it was going to go in the Enchanted Forest, maybe it was going to go in Keystone. Even though the location could never be solidified, I pretty specifically remember there being funds set aside for a fitness trail. You know where you run from one station to the next and do pull ups and then you run and do sit ups. I know there's a specific name for it. But I also don't see that in here. Do we know anything about…

Mr. Sorey: That was…I believe it was the Vita Trail. I'll have to check with the Parks Department to see. I don't think it was completed. I don't recall it being completed. I will look into it to make sure and I'll add that to my notes. For the next meeting I'll give you an update on that. If it hasn't been completed, we will reincorporate the money to make sure it's done.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: All right. Thank you. And I think my last question for tonight, our Water and Sewer Fund according to the slide we saw earlier was $44.2 million. Is that $44.2 solely from the collection of utility bills?

Mr. Sorey: Yes sir. It's solely from the collection of utility bills. But aside from that there is the $7.9 million dollars that was from the CIF also that's in there. But that is the sole collection of utility bills. Not utility bills, water and sewer bills cause that would be revenue fund, the sanitation which is also on the utility bill.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: Here's why I'm hoping you can clarify an issue that's bothered me for six to nine months at least. We were…up until just recently we were at least six months negligent in billing people for their utilities. Was the revenue that we missed in the Water and Sewer Fund?

Mr. Sorey: Yes.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: Okay. If I'm going to guesstimate backwards, if it's $44.2 million this year it was probably about $40 million last year. Am I accurate?

Mr. Sorey: Yes.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: And if we missed half of that, that means we were lacking $20 million in income to the Water and Sewer Fund while people's bills weren't coming in.

Mr. Johnson: I'm going to ask our Finance Director who can give better explanation as to how we were able to sustain ourselves without collecting those funds.

Mr. Paul: Good evening Council. The way the revenue are recognized is on an (inaudible) basis. Which means that as soon as we do the bills it is reflected into our general ledger on our books as to revenue we expect to collect and the receivable is there set up. However in term of the cash and the collection, so since we (inaudible), we were able to use money that was in the account which recreated due from one fund to another fund. So which means (inaudible) money that we spent for the operation until the actual cash was collected.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: You're going to have to make it more layman's term for me. And I'm sorry. I apologize but I'll make this as quick as I possibly can. When people pay their utility bills, does that money go into the Water and Sewer Fund?

Mr. Paul: Yes.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: All right. If last year our Water and Sewer Fund was about $40 million dollars Budgeted and we missed six months of payments up into now. That means we were about $20 million dollars short…

Mr. Paul: In the collection of cash.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: In the collection. During this last year if we were $20 million short, how did you make ends meet? Because as I also saw in another…lot of Water and Sewer expenditures for Staff, machines etcetera, etcetera. The money was always going out.

Mr. Paul: The money wasn't going out. But remember, when we use an equity pro cash, it does not separate from the fund…the cash from the fund. It's just a book maintaining these two different funds to see how much the equity pro cash owe each fund. So therefore as we were expending, we were expending some of the Biscayne Landing money that came in but that will be replaced when the cash was collected from the Water and Sewer Fund.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: So at a couple of points we used some Biscayne Landing money to cover and then Biscayne Landing money came in from them…

Mr. Paul: We used the cash to recreate due to the reason…it's like central bank. The equity pro cash is at a central bank. Lending money to the different Bank of America and then we have books that says you owe me and I owe you. So that's the budding process that we…

Councilman Bien-Aime: Just a quick question. The Water and Sewer that went to the Enterprise Funds but we (inaudible) the General Fund.

Mr. Paul: The City has one main equity account. So it's simply that it operate like the Federal Reserve, that lend money from the different banks and we have I.O.U.'s.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: You mentioned something like that to me recently and I just wasn't clear. I always wondered for the last six months how we were making ends meet. Now at least I know that we were using some Biscayne Landing revenue to…

Mr. Paul: Any revenue that was sitting in the account.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: As people are now paying their bills, we're paying back the Biscayne Landing money. And it's able to go to the projects that we had decided that we wanted. Okay, got it now. Thank you Madam Mayor. I used to go on for hours.

Councilwoman Keys: Now you have me.

Mayor Tondreau: Councilwoman Keys. See the good thing about it is that we were able to sit down on several occasions with the Budget Manager and the City Manager to ask all the questions that we had about the Budget. Especially me, I'm sorry for keeping your time for so many hours and days. But I needed to understand everything cause I'm not a budget guru like most of you are. You have to take me…hold my hands and walk me through it as he was answering my questions. Therefore I was able you know to draft my own little notes, what I needed, what I would like to see happen in the City. And as I said from the beginning, me being a Mayor here, I would love to see things changed in the City for the positive. I would like to see more citizen's involvement in this City. I would love to see our elderly being involved in the City's life. I would like to see that City moving. So when we come or when we announce an activity, they know it is activities for the residents and this is what they're getting after paying all the taxes and the things that they're having done. I would like to see more community services at MoCA. MoCA Plaza is underused. On the weekend there's

absolutely nothing going on and I know that once a month there's a jazz festival going. It's like three weeks later and we have to wait on things. I'd like to see more and more. If we can...I added $67,000 for community events; that's MoCA. If it's going to not cause any problems for the Budget not to be balanced, this is the things that I would like to see you do. I would like to see you building this City. I would like to see sidewalks. I would like to see trees. I would like to see Downtown North Miami. I would like to see night life in the City. After 7 P.M. when everybody goes home, I would like to see life continues in our City. Of course, we have education. We know that we have a tutoring program for our youth. We have also adult education program that we would like to see move on. We have also scholarship for adults that is in the Budget for $50,000. I would like to give more adults more opportunity to go to school. And to raise that Budget from $50,000 to $100,000 and I'm not done.

Mr. Johnson: We're taking notes Mayor.

Mayor Tondreau: Thank you.

Mr. Johnson: So we have...you would like to see more programming in MoCA $67,000. You're basing that off of...

Mayor Tondreau: For events at MoCA Plaza.

Mr. Johnson: So that would be two a month. And then where we had adult education $50,000. You would like for that to be increased to...

Mayor Tondreau: $100,000.

Mr. Johnson: An additional $50,000?

Mayor Tondreau: And then we can reallocated $26,000 from PAL. And I'm directed you City Manager to find other funding source for the remaining $30,000 that need to be found.

Mr. Johnson: So in the Budget we had PAL $70,000. And you're indicating to reallocate how much from that to...

Mayor Tondreau: $20,000.

Mr. Johnson: So we would find an addition $30,000. Reallocating one and we're finding an additional 30.

Mayor Tondreau: You know because the more educated adult that we have...adult with a profession, the better a family will be. The more the income will be increased. So therefore I would like to see that happen. I would like to see also...

Mr. Johnson: If I may Mayor before you move on. In that...if you're referring to what was in the Budget book that was for the adult education program and North Miami Senior. So we will be increasing that to $100,000.

Mayor Tondreau: From 50 to $100,000. And we do have a television which is 77. And anybody who walks in my office see that each time I'm in this building I'm focused on this TV channel. I don't know if it's for a lack of funds, what's going on. We're seeing power point on the television channel. I would like for us to have a T.V. channel. I mean something that it is creative. Something that you know when you tune in, you know you get all the information that you want; not on power point only. Not on power point at all. Make it live you know when you come to the City, this is where you can dine. If you want alcohol...and we have so many vendors in this City. So many businesses where people...you can give them an idea of where to dine, where to sleep, where to eat. The channel has to be useful to the citizens. I would like to see on that channel programs on how to save water, how to recycle, what does recycle mean to the environment. I would like to see whatever we're building in this City to be a forecast on our channel. North Miami is being rebuilt and this is what we're doing. This is why we're doing it. This is what's going on in District 1 and District 2 and District 3 and 4 and this is how long it's going to take. And this is how much it's costing the City to do it. Make it something that it's a reference. Instead of having the residents instead of calling us for every little dot and comma, they will have the answers there. And if from there they don't understand it, they can always call us that's why we're there for. But I would like this channel to be very informative, very educational, whatever we're doing. If we're doing like the Heritage Hispanic Month, we had the 911 observance, we have to put it there. Heritage Hispanic Month, each day that we go into the celebration it has to be televised. We'd like to have a live thing and would like for us to...that ticket camera that we have there, from (inaudible). When the laws are different in South Florida than Arizona, we'd like to see something update. We'd like to see goodness. So please, I would like for you to...I would like to invest...I'm willing to invest $75,000 on our Channel in order for us to have it live $75,000. If you guys want to put more, this is what I believe we can...we have the universities, the students to work on those programs as well that will help us meet our Budget.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Madam Mayor.

Mayor Tondreau: I'm not done.

Councilman Bien-Aime: No I was talking about that TV thing. Go ahead, keep talking.

Mayor Tondreau: You just asked to add $70,000…

Mayor Tondreau: $75,000.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Seventy-five to do what?

Mr. Johnson: This is to enhance Channel 77. So basically Mayor what we would do is, be as conservative as possible to use other resources to reduce the cost. But what you're indicating is, you're allocating $75,000 for those enhancements. But I and Staff will…

Mayor Tondreau: It doesn't mean we're going to have to use the entire $75,000 if you can find other resources like FIU, Barry University and so on.

Vice-Mayor Galvin: She's right on the money.

Councilman Bien-Aime: The T.V. channel is under which department I.T.?

Vice-Mayor Galvin: I.T.

Mr. Johnson: Yes.

Councilman Bien-Aime: What is the Budget?

Mr. Sorey: $1.5 million dollars sir.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Which department?

Mr. Sorey: I.T.

Councilman Bien-Aime: I don't see it.

Mr. Sorey: Page 105, I'm sorry sir; page 105. The very first page of I.T. Budget is page 101. The television and T.V. administration is page 111.

Councilman Bien-Aime: How much money do we spend for the T.V. only?

Mayor Tondreau: We don't.

Mr. Johnson: There's an agreement that we have with Comcast. But the production comes from the I.T. Department. So what the Mayor is asking is that we add $75,000. So we may have to use outside sources to help film, to help produce. There's a production that we don't do in-house because it's just an I.T. Department. So we will use

other outside resources to help us do the production. But if those out...if there is a cost, we will try to alleviate the cost. But if there is a cost, we will use $75,000. And I think where you're going at Councilman Bien-Aime, is you want to look at the I.T. Budget and you want to say, where can we reduce it.

Councilman Bien-Aime: We're spending $1.5 for the I.T. Department. And I think as a City Manager you should check the Budget and see exactly what are they doing. And if we need to allocate more money or if we need to do some adjustment in that Department and find some money in order to purchase equipment and to upgrade that 77. I don't have any problem with the Mayor's suggestions. But at the same time as a City Manager I think you should look at it and see exactly, are we spending the money the right way $1.5 on I.T. only.

Mr. Johnson: I will say that the list that you all are giving us now, we know that we have to find approximately so far from what you're asking 700...almost 800...

Councilman Bien-Aime: No I haven't asked yet.

Mr. Johnson: I know. I said so far. We haven't heard from you. So far I know 800. So far there are other items that the Mayor mentioned. So basically what I will do is look at this Budget, not to change the numbers but I will go back through this entire book. And by next week I will be coming back with adjustments to accommodate what you're presenting here tonight. For instance, you asked for $700...

Councilman Bien-Aime: I haven't asked yet.

Mr. Johnson: In your opening...

Mayor Tondreau: He only had a question on one of the items that I have spoken about. It's not his turn yet. I will let him know when to speak. Of course you have...

Mr. Johnson: We have your list so far.

Mayor Tondreau: You have my list. Let's continue. One of the things that are dear to me is the senior citizens. And I have mentioned during my campaign, the senior citizens, most of the time, their only activities is either to go to the doctor or to go to church. And we don't have enough programs for them. It's like they have served us all their lives. And all of a sudden they have to be dismissed or put aside. I need to be...I think we...I believe that we need to be proactive in working with our seniors in giving them the...you know what they deserve. You know put activities for them. I don't know. One of the things I love to see, wonderful senior citizens with their nails

done, you know their hair done. Things that you know...and take them to the Seaquarium. Some of them have worked two jobs during their entire life. Either they're retired or they're too old to continue to work. And they have (inaudible) to live their lives. And I think it's our duty as government to ensure that there are enough programs for them in order for them to participate. Of course you know I am big on capital improvement projects in the City.

Mr. Johnson: Did you...are you allocating...you made mention of the senior citizens, but are you allocating a number?

Mayor Tondreau: Fifty.

Mr. Johnson: Oh $50,000, okay. So under community initiatives we will.

Mayor Tondreau: Very good but remember I do have also my work initiative. I believe everybody knows it. We have one million steps walk that we're starting on October 19. And I would like some money to set aside. This is to ensure that people with high blood pressure, diabetic, obese; they can participate in that health initiative that we're taking in the City. And I want to make sure that we have enough money set aside for it. We...our goal is one million dollars. We already have sponsors for that initiative. But once again, I want to make sure that all the residents of the City have an opportunity to participate in this walk, walkercise. That walk with Mayor Initiative that we're doing. And it will be done in several districts. We start with Cagni, we go to the stadium, we go to Claude Pepper Park in order to include...it's an inclusive thing. We're going to need money to be set aside also for the bus so that people don't say they live on the Westside, they didn't have a ride to get to Cagni Park or to the stadium. So we need money set aside to ensure this is a success and that our residents stay healthy.

Mr. Johnson: For that program what are you suggesting that we allocate for that?

Mayor Tondreau: $10,000.

Mr. Johnson: Okay.

Mayor Tondreau: It's not a huge...it's not a project that requires a lot of money. But we just want to ensure that it's successful and that we reach out to every single resident of the City who wants to participate. And we keep it until we reach our goal five million steps.

Mr. Johnson: So this will be ten million for...

Mayor Tondreau: One million steps, I'm sorry. Five million my goodness.

Mr. Johnson: So this $10,000 will be for the promotion, for the advertisement, any cost associated with that?

Mayor Tondreau: Right.

Mr. Johnson: It would be under that $10,000, okay.

Mayor Tondreau: And I think we will be walking not only for this project, we're going to be walking for breast cancer month. We're going to be...and you know my gardens. I want to make sure that every victim of breast cancer who have died, who are citizens of this City we build a garden in their memorial. Because this is unfair because of insurance for people to die of breast cancer or for any men per say to die of prostate cancer nowadays.

Councilwoman Keys: What about Alzheimer's? Can we throw in Alzheimer's in there?

Mayor Tondreau: No because we're getting there. We don't want to throw it cause we might forget. No but on a serious note, I would love to see the City healthy and the more awareness we're bringing as a government body to this City, the better it is. We're going to have our citizens for a long time. We're going to have healthy citizens. And I really want to focus after capital improvement project on health.

Mr. Johnson: Okay. Are you suggesting or recommending any particular amount on capital improvements in addition to the 700 or just?

Mayor Tondreau: As many hundreds of thousands that you can get, that you find to revive this City. First a vibrant downtown and second we need...I mean the entire City. I disagree for one part of the City to look good and the other part not to look good. This is our City. And I don't care whether you live on the Eastside or the Westside. When they talk about this City they talk also about you. There's no reason for anybody to say...to claim their City is better than the City. It's also about us. The same when someone does something stupid here, it's our government. Whether it's me, Councilman Bien-Aime or Vice-Mayor, it's all of us. It's our City. So it is our responsibility to ensure that we're moving forward. That we have a City that people can come to and that for all of us to be proud of. Okay, who else? Mister...Madam Keys.

Councilwoman Keys: Thank you. I have a few items, several. Something came up back in February and that was when the rate structure kicked in and several of the residents, approximately 500 of them, received a water bill. They realized they are paying $500, $600, $700 a quarter just to have...just to water their lawn. Some of them are paying $300 just to have the meters. We talked about it and I was told we could not

do anything in February because we had already budgeted that income. I've asked...I don't see any...I don't have an answer that we have really changed our Budget to do something to make it fair for the people of the second irrigation meters. I had asked when you asked for Budget items; some money set aside to redo a study to see what it would take to make this fair. I have proposed either eliminating or greatly reducing the base fee on the second water meter. It doesn't cost us double to have that second meter. We're just making money on these people. The other item is the residents who have second meters and they do this for a purpose. They were told many years ago that by doing this, this would create less of an impact on our sewer fee and they were encouraged to do this. Now they are paying more than double for the water. The residents have a tiered water fee, which is good for conservation. If you use it, you pay for it. But if you have an irrigation meter, you are paying more than double for the first 1,000 gallons up to the 20,000. I think to be equal they should also have the same tiered fee as everybody else on the water. And I would like this addressed and I would like the Budget to take into consideration, we may have a little bit of reduced revenue if we are more fair to the people with the irrigation meter. Because it's very important. There's a lot of people I'm speaking on behalf of; two homeowners associations on this. On page 167 we do have a lot of extra money. We added an extra $200,000 but I see this...some of these items are dear to our Mayor. I will not to strike anything that is important to her. As far as adult education, I would like to make sure that we have a need for the $50,000. Are we using the $50,000 now? I believe that was set aside for strictly residents for their tuition. So you have to be using it and would be only for residents of North Miami? If there's a need for more residents, then I'm not opposed to it. Streaming, let's talk about the Channel 77 T.V. I believe it's in the Budget, I'm not sure. But our meetings are available online after a few days. There are an awful lot of people in this City who do not get Channel 77. I know several people. Some people can't afford cable T.V. Now that we have digital, you have a box you get free T.V. So there's a lot of people that are not paying for cable T.V. Number two, there are some many options. People have DIRECTV, Dish T.V., Uverse is coming to our neighborhoods and really push Uverse. So we're going to spend a lot of money on Channel 77 but are we really get a big bang for our buck because there are just so many people that don't get it. Also you have property owners, you have business that you step 10 feet out of our City and you don't get Channel 77. So people who come to the City to work, to play, our employees they don't get Channel 77 either.

Mayor Tondreau: They need to move to the City. These are one of the things we're going to require.

Councilwoman Keys: I don't think your business owners and property owners, you want to encourage business, you want them to see what's going on, you want everyone else...you want to bring people to North Miami with all these restaurants and activities. It's only the people in North Miami that are going to be able to see this cause the outside people aren't going to be to watch 77.

Mayor Tondreau: Do you know how many restaurants in this City are unknown by the residents? Do you know all of them?

Councilwoman Keys: You know a lot of them. But I'm not saying that I'm not in favor of 77. Is there anyway maybe Ricardo can tell us, is there a way we can get 77 also streamed or broadcast over the internet additionally? Is there a way that we can do something with 77 so you can get it on the internet?

Mayor Tondreau: Yes we can, sure.

Councilwoman Keys: Okay like you can do that with (inaudible). That would be great. Then you would get a bang for your buck. You would spend your money on 77 and the world could see it. And people in Russia, say gee North Miami looks great. What's wrong with Russia? I mean anywhere. I'm sorry. I have relatives there. Anyway, so that's my thought. I'm looking forward to streaming so everybody who does not have Channel 77 will be able to watch every single one of our meetings. Anything that is televised in this City Hall, people will be able to see in their homes. And I think that's really important. People cannot get out. If you look in this audience tonight, I'm sure there's people interested but they just can't leave their families, they can't get out, they really don't feel like coming to City Hall to see what's going on. So I'm very excited about the streaming. I would love I.T. to figure out how we could stream our Channel 77. Books, I spoke to Staff and I'm not going over everything cause I also spent many hours with Staff on this Budget. But I did ask and for several years our Library does not have any Budget. If you look on our line item, there's absolutely no money for books. I understand there's a little fund maybe there's $20,000 somewhere. But the City of North Miami spends $90,000 on their books. This is books, references and now there's a new service, which is wonderful. I just learned form our Library. If you have a Library card...I don't know who. If you knew that you can actually get E-books. You can borrow a book on your Kindle or E-reader. But that's not free. We have to purchase those books from the Dade County Library before the citizens and card holders can borrow them. So right now we have no Budget for books. And I think that's a shame. And I know so many people that don't go to the Library or don't use the Library anymore because the books are all outdated. There are no new books in this Library. So I think it's a shame that we don't have a line item for books. I think that's a service that our people need. One of my little items that I was trying to get for people and it's not just in my district but where it's needed; were little doggie bags. There's people walking...we want to keep our City clean and healthy. And there are certain areas like in Sans Souci Boulevard. You've got high rises, you've got hundreds of people living there and they all have dogs. And they all walk their dogs. And they don't clean up. And I know even in my neighborhood people walk up and down 135th Street, you got all these high rises. I don't know if they have bags there but I think some dog bags might encourage people to clean up after their dogs. I'll also state that I know the residents over on the Eastside of North Bayshore Park, we allocated $450,000 for the improvement of

that park and that I believe we're not going to spend that money. We're going to be trying to get a grant for it. But it would be nice to get the exercise equipment in there and fix up that park. I know we were going to put in Country Bill's line item of $250,000 so that's not in our Budget. So we had $83,000 allocated for landscaping. That's going up to $250,000. Seniors, I'm very in favor of seniors. I'm totally with Mayor. In addition to having events though, our funding has really dried up on the Federal and local level...State level. And in addition to making sure that seniors have something to do, I really want to make sure that our seniors are cared for. I want to make sure there are caregivers and we can afford to check in on our seniors, making sure they get out of bed. Making sure they haven't falling down or lying there, which did happen to a senior that I have recently become acquainted to. We've lost funding on hot meals. I want to make sure our seniors throughout the City are eating. It's nice if they can go to the park. But I want to make sure they have hot meals. I know our Senior Citizens Foundation have had to give up many hot meals, had to give up certain days that they're not getting meals. They're going to frozen meals and if you see some of these seniors living alone, being in wheelchairs, it's really had to heat up. Just taking a meal out of a freezer and heating it in a microwave is really hard when you're in a wheelchair. So yes, I want to keep our seniors taking care of. As far as capital improvements, I would make some recommendation. We just allocated a million for roofs in our City. We just allocated a million for N.W.7th Avenue. We just allocated a million and a half for sidewalks and streetscape. I'm hoping that is going to go throughout the City and not one district. I'm a little upset that you want all improvements going to the Westside.

Mayor Tondreau: Me?

Councilwoman Keys: Not you Mayor. Councilman Bien-Aime.

Councilman Bien-Aime: I did not say that.

Councilwoman Keys: You did. You said you wanted improvements. You wanted to fix up the...

Councilwoman Steril: Can we just address the...

Councilman Bien-Aime: That's passed.

Councilwoman Keys: But I'm talking about you said something tonight. But the whole City needs repairs. I'm totally into repairs and infrastructure. But I want to make sure the entire City gets taken care of. There are blighted properties throughout. The central district is totally neglected. Even on the Eastside there are neglected properties. I would make one recommendation. We were getting ready last night to spend $650,000 on a building, a little building with six parking spaces for an incubator for the CRA. Every time I want money, the CRA doesn't have money. There is

$650,000 that if we don't buy an incubator, all that money can go into the CRA district, which is the central and the west. That money can go to eliminate blight. I know I spoke to our attorney and we still have a CRA Budget, which is why I really want to know what's going on, where the money is, who much we've had cause I hear we don't have money. I know that money can used to help people fix up their homes. I know that money can be used not for new...not to repair sidewalks but for new sidewalks. We spent two million dollars for improvements to Councilwoman Steril's district in the past few years for her swales. So there's a lot of money for improvements. That $700,000 we're looking for improvements, I think you can find in the CRA. And I think it will be so much better spreading that money around the City to improve than to buy one building. So just keep that in the back of your mind when that item comes back up. And that's pretty much it. I do have one question for Mr. Sorey cause I forgot to ask you on this. Everybody seem to have gotten a red card in the mail about their Water and Sewer rates going up.

Mr. Sorey: Yes.

Councilwoman Keys: And it said that they were going up effective October 13th. We're really wondering, when did the Water and Sewer really go? We had a new rate structure. When did that actually get implemented? And I mean it's so confusing cause everybody got a card. You Water and Sewer is going up. So a lot of people have asked and I haven't been able to explain. And I think this might be the time to discuss what that card means and when the rates really started going up. I thought they were implemented back in October.

Councilman Bien-Aime: I think since we are talking about the Budget maybe you can put that item in the next agenda where we can address that and talk about that contract when we're about to renew our Water and Sewer with the County. And if it was a requirement based on (inaudible). I think it would be better to put that on the next agenda instead of discussing it today on the Budget.

Councilwoman Keys: We can do that but I'm wondering, did our Sewer...did our Water and Sewer...it went up when the rate study was implemented, wasn't it?

Mr. Johnson: Through the Mayor, Councilwoman Keys. I would have to agree that it would require some extensive discussion. I would recommend that either we can meet with you or to give you that explanation. Because there was an item that was implemented and passed by the prior administration.

Councilwoman Keys: But to take effect in 2012 and now its saying it's taken effect on October '13.

Mr. Johnson: It's an annual...

Councilmen Bien-Aime: For the next five years.

Mr. Johnson: But I would...if we could have the discussion with you...

Councilwoman Keys: Okay, I'm happen to defer it but it's something I needed to bring up because all of a sudden people's Water and Sewer are being raised and it's something else to take into consideration. Thank you.

Mayor Tondreau: I understand that Mr. Clerk you do have any questions to answer or comments. Because you...I have an appointment at 8 o'clock and you do have to go.

Mr. Etienne: That's correct Mayor. Regarding my Budget, I've discussed my Budget with most of the Councilmembers and of course the City Manager. Anyone have any questions, I'll be here to answer them before I departed to the event. Just to give you a brief summary, so far this Fiscal Year our department has brought in roughly $536,000. Our Budget 2012 was about $491,000. This year it's relatively the same $487,000. We made a...so it's about 10, $15,000 lower. Just to put things in perspective, we're not requesting any increases. And in our department we had a full time position that was vacant because Andrea wanted to go work in MoCA. We had two part timers, three full timers now. We're not going to Budget the full time position, we just brought in an additional part time. So we're playing our part in sacrificing to make sure that we can help balance this Budget. In addition to that, just to kind of put things in perspective, my department's service estimated roughly about $32,000, $34,000 individuals over the past two years. So if anyone have any questions regarding my portion of the Budget I would answer them for you before I take off. If there's any objection, anything...

Councilman Bien-Aime: I have a question about 318.

Mr. Etienne: Okay, let me go to my book. Shoot away Councilman.

Councilman Bien-Aime: You're going to spend $40,000 in what?

Mr. Etienne: When I came onboard the $40,000 initially was exclusively spent on public notices, resolutions, ordinances and agendas and the money went entirely to The Herald. What we did, we...now we have what the...well what the law requires is that we publish our particular public notices in papers and general circulations, cheaper paper of general circulation in which individuals read is Daily Business Review. And we're able to take the $40,000 and utilize the Daily Business Review, radio programs including Haitian Radio, Hispanic Radio, Caribbean, English radio and radios that

African Americans primarily listen to, like the Bishop Curry show. So we have...and then we also send out public notices to every North Miami resident at the beginning of the Fiscal Year explaining to them all of our Council meetings. So what we're able to do...the Budget was like this. I never requested an increase. It was always like this. We were just able to kind of spread it around and that's why fortunately a lot more people are aware of what is going on in the City of North Miami regarding our public notices, of the Council meetings, resolution etcetera.

Councilman Bien-Aime: About the advertisement and the $40,000 is including...

Mr. Etienne: Yeah it includes all of that.

Councilman Bien-Aime: I would have to ask the question. Including purchasing...how do you call that, the Business News for bids?

Mr. Etienne: Yes it includes everything. So we have to spread to try to include everything and we try to make it work.

Councilman Bien-Aime: But right now I don't think we do advertisements for bids or our RFPs. Only on Business news...

Mr. Etienne: Yes that its (inaudible – simultaneous discussion).

Mr. Johnson: That's correct Councilman Bien-Aime.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Is it legal to do so on the radio or TV or ads?

Mr. Johnson: If funding permit, we could...we use one resource but there's no law that states that you can use only one resource. You can use multiple resources if the Budget allows for it.

Councilman Bien-Aime: What I will suggest is...and if we can allow Mr. City Clerk...and I will make a motion to give him an addition of $20,000 in order for us to advertise or bid our RFPs on the radio and newspapers also because nobody knows about it.

Mr. Johnson: So in terms of...

Councilman Bien-Aime: Instead of 40 make it 60 but Purchasing.

Mr. Johnson: Sure. What we're doing is, we're taking a list of that request and we will total that number up and I'll give you a report on that. So you're recommending that we add an additional $20,000 to line 318. Okay, we have it.

Councilwoman Keys: Can I ask a question?

Councilman Bien-Aime: In order for Purchasing to be able to advertise...

Mr. Johnson: To advertise in other resources, correct.

Mr. Etienne: Councilwoman Keys.

Councilwoman Keys: Yes. I would just like to know who in the audience reads or has a subscription for the Daily Business Review? Does anybody out there have a subscription to the Daily Business Review? Does anybody in this room other than our attorney and our City have a subscription? I do not want to get into an argument. But you're talking about people not knowing what's going on. If we're going to increase that, I think we need to publish in a paper that some...that the people read. Nobody reads the Daily Business Review. I happen to have subscribed about three years ago only to get the notices from the City. Nobody reads it, attorneys get it. As an attorney for 33 years practicing, I personally never subscribed to the Daily Business Review because it's very expensive. And our citizens, we're doing notices about variances in our neighborhood, things that are...items that are going on in you neighborhood, zoning changes. They are putting roofs on. They're changing...they're putting a church next door; nobody knows what's going on. And I really think it's a disservice to our citizens. And if we're going to be adding and I think putting it on the Haitian radio and getting the news out to the citizens is fine. Putting people used to enjoy reading the Sunday paper to see what the agenda is. Now they have to go to a computer. Anybody who doesn't have a computer, no longer gets the agenda. But I really would like a little more notice to our citizens.

Mr. Etienne: Which paper are you advocating for? Well we had this discussion yesterday. Apparently Councilwoman...

Councilwoman Keys: And I know it's more expensive.

Mr. Etienne: You want...she wants me to do more advertising on The Herald. She's advocating for The Herald. I'm sorry Councilman. The problem is...we're paying roughly three, $4,000 a month to advertise with The Miami Herald. It's extremely expensive. The Daily Business Review, the same type of advertisement...

Councilwoman Keys: Nobody reads it.

Mr. Etienne: We're paying about...by law we are allowed to advertise there. It's a paper of general circulation. This is the difference. $200 a month with the Daily Business Review...

Councilwoman Keys: We're doing the bare minimum...

Mr. Etienne: ...compared to $4,000 a month with The Miami Herald. It's not cost effective and the word is getting out.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Mr. City Clerk.

Mr. Etienne: Yes mister...Councilmember.

Councilman Bien-Aime: We are discussing the Budget and we understand that. What you want to do?

Councilwoman Keys: And I'm not saying...

Councilman Bien-Aime: I think we are spending $3,600 a year for...

Councilwoman Keys: I'm not saying (inaudible- simultaneous discussion). I mean people who are doing business, if they want it bad and they want to see what's going on, that's doesn't need to go in the Neighbors. But I think the Board of Adjustment, I think the Planning meetings, resolutions that are important to the people, when we're getting to annex a piece of property and it's outside the district. I think people have the right to see it. And the people that were annexing their property, people were affecting their lives...we're doing the bare minimum. We're publishing in the Daily Business Review and we are complying with the life but we are not serving our citizens.

Mayor Tondreau: What other good ideas do you have? We are not discussing newspapers right now. We're discussing funds and what would you like to see done.

Councilwoman Keys: I don't have a break down. I've asked for a break down. I think that the Board of Adjustment and the zoning have their own Budgets for announcements and hopefully they are adequate. They only have to advertise really six times a year cause it's every other month. The zoning agenda and the Board of Adjustment agenda.

Mayor Tondreau: Thank you. Mr. Clerk you need to continue with your (inaudible) or you're done.

Mr. Etienne: I'm going to have no objection with Councilman Bien-Aime's amendment. But I think the more we can get the word out the better. And again let me remind Councilwoman Keys, I'm a (inaudible) office, I'm an elected Constitutional Office. So if the Budget is budgeted here, you cannot independently tell me which paper we can use. (Inaudible – simultaneous discussion).

Councilwoman Keys: We don't have a line item of the $40,000 and I believe the Manager has the right to direct a break down if he wants of what the $40,000 is. Then I can say what…you're saying you want another $20,000.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Yes.

Councilwoman Keys: We've got a $40,000 number and we have a Clerk who says, I don't have to tell you what's in that $40,000.

Mr. Etienne: That's not correct. Everyone has public…you are a citizen. You're an attorney. You know every individual has every right to put in a public notice request and can see exactly what advertisements.

Councilwoman Keys: Why can't it just be out in the Budget like every other department, every other person…

Mr. Etienne: We're sorry Carol. My department cannot afford your precious Miami Herald. And I'm sorry we can't afford that.

Councilwoman Keys: My choice is Miami Times…

Vice-Mayor Galvin: Show the Miami Herald some love, what's going on?

Mayor Tondreau: Yeah show the Miami Herald some love.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Michael, Mr. City Clerk, you are talking about the $3,600 putting aside a year for Daily Business News. You said it's a legal matter.

Mr. Etienne: No, no it varies. But what we're paying…well it's a paper of general circulation. Meaning we can lawfully use that paper to put out our public notices. Miami Dade County uses it, City of Miami uses it, City of Aventura uses it.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Or we can decide not to use it, City Attorney.

Ms. Monestime: You can use any newspaper. That's a paper of general circulation. So you just have to pick one that's in general circulation.

Councilwoman Keys: It doesn't matter if the people don't read it, okay.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Now your Budget is for legal advertisement and it's going to be 60.

Mr. Etienne: Thank you very much.

Mayor Tondreau: Councilwoman Steril, do you have any? No, okay. We did have a motion? Can we move on? We did have a motion on this? Jacqie, can you please come for the roll call?

Mr. Johnson: Mayor and Council, what we have is a number. So what Staff will be doing, we will be going back into this Budget. We will be making the adjustments have you indicated here tonight. So there's two things so that you can understand when you're passing the motion. We had set the millage rate at 8.1 but you have nearly about over a million dollars' worth of adjustments that you're asking us to make.

Councilman Bien-Aime: In this Budget.

Mr. Johnson: In this Budget.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Not increasing it.

Mr. Johnson: I'm sorry sir.

Councilman Bien-Aime: Not increase the Budget.

Mr. Johnson: No. The adjustments that you're asking me to do is based upon the millage rate of 8.1. You're asking me to take this same Budget and to rearrange approximately a million dollars of other projects. So I will be doing that. And when we come back in the next Budget I will have made these recommended changes in the Budget.

Mayor Tondreau: But that's what we're expecting to see in the next Budget Hearing; all the recommendations that were made tonight. For them to reflect in the next presentation that you folks are going to be doing. Do we have a motion to approve Tab B?

Vice-Mayor Galvin: Wasn't it already made?

Mayor Tondreau: Madam Clerk, please roll call.

ROLL CALL	Mayor Tondreau	Yes
	Councilman Bien-Aime	Yes
	Councilwoman Keys	Yes
	Councilwoman Steril	No
	Vice-Mayor Galvin	Yes

Ms. Vieira: Ordinance passes. Our time is 7:59.

5. *ADJOURNMENT*

Mayor Tondreau: Do I have a motion to adjourn this meeting?

Councilwoman Steril: Move to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor Tondreau: Who second?

Vice-Mayor Galvin: Second.

Mayor Tondreau: Everybody in favor. AYE. Let's go. Good night everyone. See you next week.