

Jorge Arce President



Council Members
Richard Block
Debra Conover
Gabriel Fernandez
Elizabeth Taylor-Martinez

# Special Meeting Minutes December 15, 2022 4:30 p.m.

### 1. Call to Order

Council President Arce called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

#### 2. Invocation

Council Member Taylor-Martinez led the invocation.

## 3. Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Taylor-Martinez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 4. Roll Call

Mayor Deno IV, Council President Arce, Council Member Block, Council Member Fernandez, Council Member Taylor-Martinez were in attendance.

# 5. Meeting Notices

- Any person who decides to appeal any decision of the Village Council with respect
  to any matter considered at this meeting will need a record of the proceedings and,
  for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings
  is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal
  is to be based.
- Pursuant to the provisions of the **Americans with Disabilities Act**, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this proceeding is asked to advise the Village at least 2 days before the proceeding by contacting the Village Clerk's office at **305-871-6104**.

## 6. Citizens Comments

7. Discussion regarding the Interlocal Agreement with Miami-Dade County. Mayor Deno stated to the Council that the Village finally received the Interlocal Agreement from Miami-Dade County for the Allocation of \$200,000 for the Baseball Park Improvements project. Mayor Deno mentioned Miami-Dade County suggested to hold off on the agreement for when the fiscal year of 2022-2023 starts, when the Village plans on starting the project. Mayor Deno stated that on February 5, 2023 there will be a check presentation with Commissioner J.C. Bermudez and Commissioner Kevin Cabrera. Mayor Deno stated that come February 6, 2023, the baseball field will be shut down to begin this project.

# 8. Resolution

(a) A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS (THE VILLAGE) AND MIAMIDADE COUNTY FOR BASEBALL PARK IMPROVEMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO TAKE ALL STEPS NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion to approve Resolution No. 8(a) made by Council Member Block was seconded by Council Member Fernandez. The motion passed 4-0.

## 9. Good & Welfare

Mayor Deno stated that a new resident within the Village wants to turn the house he purchased into group home or assisted living facility and will apply for a variance soon as the Village has an Ordinance that states that no day cares, assisted living facilities, or similar businesses can operate within Virginia Gardens. Council Member Taylor-Martinez asked for prayers for Melanie Martinez and also for Esther Block, Council Member Block's spouse. Mayor Deno mentioned that Santa Under the Stars is still on for tomorrow, December 16, 2022. Mayor Deno mentioned that Village of Virginia Gardens donated \$2,000 for the Miami Springs Historical Society.

# 10. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Council Member Taylor-Martinez was seconded by Council Member Fernandez. The motion passed 4-0. Council President Arce adjourned the meeting at 4:46 p.m.