

**MINUTES OF MEETING
MERRICK SQUARE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

The Board of Supervisors of the Merrick Square Community Development District held a Regular Meeting on April 15, 2025 at 2:30 p.m., at the offices of D.R. Horton, 6123 Lyons Road, Coconut Creek, Florida 33073.

Present:

Rebecca Cortes
Darlene dePaula
Maria Bolivar

Chair
Vice Chair
Assistant Secretary

Also present:

Kristen Thomas
Ginger Wald
Debbie Leonard

District Manager
District Counsel
Supervisor-Elect/DR Horton

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS

Call to Order/Roll Call

Ms. Thomas called the meeting to order at 2:32 p.m.

Supervisors dePaula, Bolivar, Cortes and Supervisor-Elect Debbie Leonard were present.
One seat was vacant.

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Comments

No members of the public spoke.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS

Administration of Oath of Office to Supervisor Debbie Leonard [Seat 3] (the following to be provided under separate cover)

Ms. Thomas, a Notary of the State of Florida and duly authorized, administered the Oath of Office to Debbie Leonard. Ms. Leonard is familiar with the following:

- A. Required Ethics Training and Disclosure Filing
 - Sample Form 1 2023/Instructions
- B. Membership, Obligations and Responsibilities
- C. Guide to Sunshine Amendment and Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees
- D. Form 8B: Memorandum of Voting Conflict for County, Municipal and other Local Publics Officers

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Consider Appointment to Fill Unexpired Term of Seat 1; Term Expires November 2026

- Administration of Oath of Office to Newly Appointed Supervisor

This item was deferred.

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Consideration of Resolution 2025-05, Electing and Removing Officers of the District and Providing for an Effective Date

Ms. Thomas presented Resolution 2025-05.

Ms. Cortes nominated the following:

Rebecca Cortes	Chair
Darlene dePaula	Vice Chair
Maria Bolivar	Assistant Secretary
Debbie Leonard	Assistant Secretary

No other nominations were made.

The following prior appointments by the Board remain unaffected by this Resolution:

Craig Wrathell	Secretary
Daniel Rom	Assistant Secretary
Kristen Thomas	Assistant Secretary
Craig Wrathell	Treasurer
Jeff Pinder	Assistant Treasurer

On MOTION by Ms. Bolivar and seconded by Ms. Leonard, with all in favor, Resolution 2025-05, Electing, as nominated, and Removing Officers of the District and Providing for an Effective Date, was adopted.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Consideration of Resolution 2025-06, Approving a Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and Setting a Public Hearing Thereon Pursuant to Florida Law; Addressing Transmittal, Posting and Publication Requirements; Addressing Severability; and Providing for an Effective Date

Ms. Thomas presented Resolution 2025-06. She reviewed the proposed Fiscal Year 2026 budget, highlighting increases, decreases and adjustments, compared to the Fiscal Year 2025 budget, and explained the reasons for any changes.

Changes will be made to various proposed Fiscal Year 2026 budget line items in both the “Professional & administrative” and the “Field Operations” line items.

On MOTION by Ms. Leonard and seconded by Mr. Reynolds, with all in favor, Resolution 2025-06, Approving a Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2025/2026, as amended, and Setting a Public Hearing Thereon Pursuant to Florida Law for September 15, 2025 at 2:30 p.m., at the office of D.R. Horton, 6123 Lyons Road, Coconut Creek, Florida 33073; Addressing Transmittal, Posting and Publication Requirements; Addressing Severability; and Providing for an Effective Date, was adopted.

SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Consideration of Resolution 2025-07, Designating Dates, Times and Locations for Regular Meetings of the Board of Supervisors of the District for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and Providing for an Effective Date

Ms. Thomas presented Resolution 2025-07.

On MOTION by Ms. Cortes and seconded by Ms. Leonard, with all in favor, Resolution 2025-07, Designating Dates, Times and Locations for Regular Meetings of the Board of Supervisors of the District for Fiscal Year 2025/2026 and Providing for an Effective Date, was adopted.

EIGHTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Consideration of Resolution 2025-08, Approving the Florida Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement; Providing for Severability; and Providing for an Effective Date

Ms. Thomas presented Resolution 2025-08. She discussed the benefits of the Agreement and noted that the CDD would more likely be the recipient of aid from other governmental entities than a provider of aid. This Agreement was previously approved and is being presented due to some updates to the Agreement.

On MOTION by Ms. Leonard and seconded by Ms. Cortes, with all in favor, Resolution 2025-08, Approving the Florida Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement; Providing for Severability; and Providing for an Effective Date, was adopted.

NINTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Acceptance of Unaudited Financial Statements as of February 28, 2025

On MOTION by Ms. Cortes and seconded by Ms. Leonard, with all in favor, the Unaudited Financial Statements as of February 28, 2025, were accepted.

TENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes

- A. February 18, 2025 Landowners' Meeting**
- B. February 18, 2025 Regular Meeting**

On MOTION by Ms. Cortes and seconded by Ms. dePaula, with all in favor, the February 18, 2025 Landowners' Meeting Minutes and the February 18, 2025 Regular Meeting Minutes, as presented, were approved.

ELEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Staff Reports

- A. District Counsel: Billing, Cochran, Lyles, Mauro & Ramsey, P.A
- B. District Engineer: Alvarez Engineers, Inc.

There were no District Counsel or District Engineer reports.

- C. District Manager: Wrathell, Hunt and Associates, LLC

- NEXT MEETING DATE: May 20, 2025 at 2:30 AM
 - QUORUM CHECK

The next meeting will be on May 20 2025, unless canceled.

TWELFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Board Members' Comments/Requests

There were no Board Members' comments or requests.

THIRTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Public Comments

No members of the public spoke.

FOURTEENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

Adjournment

On MOTION by Ms. Leonard and seconded by Ms. Cortes, with all in favor, the meeting adjourned at 2:53 p.m.

[SIGNATURES APPEAR ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE]



Secretary/Assistant Secretary



Chair/Vice Chair