



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE CITY COMMISSION HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2020, AT 6:00 PM AT THE CITY OF KISSIMMEE, CIVIC CENTER 201 E. DAKIN AVENUE, KISSIMMEE, FL 34741**

**1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL:** Commissioner Olga Gonzalez (Present), Commissioner Felix Ortiz (Present), Commissioner Angela Eady (Present), Commissioner Jim Fisher (Present), Mayor Jose Alvarez (Present)

**Staff Present:** City Manager Mike Steigerwald, City Attorney Olga Sanchez de Fuentes, Deputy City Manager Desiree Matthews, Assistant City Manager Austin Blake, City Clerk Linda Hansell

Mayor Alvarez called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. MOMENT OF SILENCE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

After a Moment of Silence, Commissioner Fisher led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. PROCLAMATIONS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

**3.A ACCEPTANCE OF THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 ELECTION RETURNS FOR COMMISSION SEAT # 1 AND SEAT # 3, AND MAYOR-COMMISSIONER SEAT # 5**

Request Commission acceptance and approval of the November 3, 2020 City of Kissimmee Run-off Election Returns for Commission Seat # 1, Seat # 3, and Mayor-Commissioner Seat # 5.

Commissioner Jim Fisher made a motion to accept the Official Results of the November 3, 2020 Run-Off Election. Commissioner Angela Eady seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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|-----------------------|-----|
| Commissioner Gonzalez | AYE |
| Commissioner Ortiz    | AYE |
| Commissioner Eady     | AYE |
| Commissioner Fisher   | AYE |
| Mayor Alvarez         | AYE |

Motion carried 5 - 0.

### **3.B SWEARING IN CEREMONY FOR CITY COMMISSION SEAT # 1, SEAT # 3, AND MAYOR-COMMISSIONER SEAT # 5**

Commissioner-Elect Olga Lucia Castano, Seat # 1; Commissioner-Elect Carlos Alvarez III, Seat # 3; and Mayor-Commissioner Elect Olga Gonzalez, Seat # 5 will be sworn in following the acceptance of the Election Results certified by the Osceola County Canvassing Board on November 6, 2020 (Unofficial Results) and November 16, 2020 (Official Results).

The Honorable Judge Donald A. Myers, Jr. administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Olga Lucia Castano (Seat # 1) and Mayor-Commissioner Olga Gonzalez (Seat # 5) (Exhibit "A").

The Honorable Judge Christine E. Arendas administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Carlos Alvarez, III (Seat # 3) (Exhibit "B").

### **3.C RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING COMMISSIONERS - MAYOR JOSE ALVAREZ AND COMMISSIONER ANGELA EADY**

Request the City Commission recognize outgoing Mayor-Commissioner Jose Alvarez and Commissioner Angela Eady for their years of service to the City Commission and our citizens.

City Manager Steigerwald and Mayor Gonzalez recognized the outgoing Commissioner Angela Eady and retiring Mayor Jose Alvarez. Commissioner Eady was presented with her official photo and a plaque. Mayor Alvarez received his official portrait, an Eagle statute for his eight (8) years of service, and a plaque with a golden gavel.

Commissioner Eady thanked Mayor Gonzalez and the rest of the Commission for their service and wished them continued unified success for the City of Kissimmee.

Mayor Alvarez thanked the Commission for their service together and encouraged continued comradery in accomplishing the goals of the City.

City Manager Steigerwald stated a representative for Congressman Darren Soto requested to make a presentation to Mayor Alvarez, but they have not arrived at this time.

At the conclusion of the presentations, Mayor Gonzalez recessed the Commission for fifteen (15) minutes for a reception to welcome the newly sworn in Commission.

The Commission Meeting Recessed at 6:24 p.m.

Mayor Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 6:43 p.m.

Mayor Gonzalez requested a Roll Call to reconvene the Meeting.

**Members Present:** Mayor Olga Gonzalez, Commissioners Olga Castano, Commissioner Felix Ortiz, Commissioner Carlos Alvarez, Commissioner Jim Fisher

### **3.D CITY COMMISSION SELECTION OF VICE MAYOR AND MAYOR PRO TEM**

Request Commission to select a Vice Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem for the next two years.

Commissioner Alvarez made a motion to select Commissioner Ortiz as Vice-Mayor. Commissioner Castano seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

|                      |     |
|----------------------|-----|
| Commissioner Castano | AYE |
| Commissioner Ortiz   | AYE |
| Commissioner Alvarez | AYE |
| Commissioner Fisher  | AYE |
| Mayor Gonzalez       | AYE |

Motion carried 5 – 0

Commissioner Ortiz moved to select Commissioner Fisher as Mayor Pro Tem. Commissioner Castano seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

|                      |     |
|----------------------|-----|
| Commissioner Ortiz   | AYE |
| Commissioner Alvarez | AYE |
| Commissioner Fisher  | AYE |
| Commissioner Castano | AYE |
| Mayor Gonzalez       | AYE |

Motion carried 5 - 0.

#### **4. PUBLIC HEARINGS - FIRST AND SECOND READINGS**

None.

#### **5. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

##### **5.A PUBLIC HEARING - ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE CITY'S FY 2019-2020 OPERATING BUDGET**

Approval to adopt a resolution amending the City's operating budget for fiscal year 2019-2020.

Amy Ady, Finance Director, via CMT requested the Commission approve a resolution to amend the City Budget 2019-2020

Mayor Gonzalez announced the Public Hearing with no response from the audience.

Commissioner Jim Fisher moved to adopt Resolution # 24-2020 (Exhibit "C "). City Commissioner Felix Ortiz seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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|----------------------|-----|
| Commissioner Alvarez | AYE |
| Commissioner Fisher  | AYE |
| Commissioner Castano | AYE |
| Commissioner Ortiz   | AYE |
| Mayor Gonzalez       | AYE |

Motion carried 5 – 0

#### **6. HEAR AUDIENCE**

Sheyla A. Asencios, District Director for Congressman Darren Soto, made a presentation reading the biography that was entered into the Congressional Record in honor of Mayor Jose Alvarez for his years of service to the citizens (Exhibit "D"). Mayor Alvarez was presented with a certificate of the Congressional Record.

#### **7. CONSENT AGENDA**

**THE CONSENT AGENDA IS A TECHNIQUE DESIGNED TO EXPEDITE HANDLING OF ROUTINE MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS OF THE CITY COMMISSION. THE CITY COMMISSION IN ONE MOTION MAY ADOPT THE ENTIRE AGENDA. THE MOTION FOR**

**ADOPTION IS NON-DEBATABLE AND MUST RECEIVE UNANIMOUS APPROVAL. BY REQUEST OF ANY INDIVIDUAL MEMBER, ANY ITEM MAY BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND PLACED UPON THE REGULAR AGENDA FOR DEBATE.**

Commissioner Jim Fisher moved to approve the Consent Agenda in its entirety. City Commissioner Felix Ortiz seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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|----------------------|-----|
| Commissioner Fisher  | AYE |
| Commissioner Castano | AYE |
| Commissioner Ortiz   | AYE |
| Commissioner Alvarez | AYE |
| Mayor Gonzalez       | AYE |

Motion carried 5 - 0.

#### **7.A COMMISSION MINUTES APPROVAL**

Request Commission approval of the October 20, 2020 and November 3, 2020 Commission meeting minutes.

#### **7.B ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS**

Approval of the acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2020 Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant from the United States Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs.

#### **7.C PURCHASE OF FIREFIGHTING TURN OUT GEAR**

Approval to purchase 30 sets of structural firefighting coats and pants from Bennett Fire Products.

#### **7.D DISCLAIMER OF INTEREST AND RELEASE FOR PACK AND SHIP, INC. REGARDING WEST OAK STREET PROJECT**

Approval of the Disclaimer of Interest and Release for Pack and Ship, Inc.

#### **7.E PURCHASE OF RADIO EQUIPMENT**

Approval to purchase 15 new radios, a multi-unit charger and a VHF base station from Motorola, Inc. using the State of Florida NASPO Contract #4319000-18-NASPO-ACS-1.

#### **7.F PURCHASE NEW OFFICE CUBICLE SYSTEMS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Authorization to purchase new cubicle systems for multiple offices within the Police Department from Interior Contract Services for \$108,568.79.

#### **7.G DISPOSAL OF CITY ASSETS**

Approval to dispose of the asset items detailed in the attached report.

#### **7.H RATIFICATION OF EXECUTIVE ORDERS 2020-34 AND 2020-35**

City Commission ratification of Executive Order 2020-34 issued November 2, 2020 and Executive Order 2020-35 issued November 9, 2020 for the extension of the Local Declaration of Emergency to November 15, 2020.

#### **7.I AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT 2020-2021 VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (VOCA) GRANT FUNDING**

Acceptance of the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) 2020-21 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Grant from the State of Florida, Office of the Attorney General, Bureau of Advocacy and Grants Management, in the amount of \$28,490.25 with a required local match of \$9,496.75 for a total award of \$37,987 and to provide for additional match monies as needed.

#### **7.J CLUBHOUSE AT WATERFORD, PHASE 2 - FINAL PLAT (DRC#20-00065)**

City Commission approval of the final plat known as Clubhouse at Waterford, Phase 2.

#### **7.K ADVERTISING FUNDING FROM EXPERIENCE KISSIMMEE**

Approval to accept advertising funding in the amount of \$15,000 from Experience Kissimmee for Kissimmee Gateway Airport.

#### **7.L INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THE FUNDING OF PUBLIC AWARENESS AND OUTREACH FOR OSCEOLA READS, A COUNTY-WIDE LITERACY INITIATIVE**

Approval of a five (5) year Interlocal Agreement in the amount of \$48,960 to continue the funding of public awareness and outreach for Osceola Reads, a County-wide literacy initiative.

#### **7.M OUTREACH CHURCH OF JESUS - FINAL PLAT (DRC#20-00085)**

City Commission approval of the final plat known as Outreach Church of Jesus.

**7.N LOCALLY FUNDED AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE CITY OF KISSIMMEE FOR THE MAST ARM SIGNAL UPGRADE AT THE INTERSECTION OF HOAGLAND BOULEVARD AND US 192**

Approval of a Locally Funded Agreement with Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for the mast arm signal upgrade at the intersection of Hoagland Boulevard and US 192.

**7.O WOODSIDE DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS DESIGN SERVICES AGREEMENT**

Approval of Supplemental Agreement Number 3 for scope of services and fees for additional professional design consultant services with RS&H, Inc. for the Woodside Drainage Improvement project in the amount of \$129,888.28.

**7.Q RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE A PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION GRANT AGREEMENT FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF AIRPORT SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS**

Adoption of resolution for a Public Transportation Grant Agreement (PTGA) from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for the construction of Airport security enhancements (FDOT FM NO. 438442-2-94-01) in the amount of \$337,024.

Resolution # 25-2020 (Exhibit "E ").

**7.R ACCEPTANCE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION GRANT FOR SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS AT KISSIMMEE GATEWAY AIRPORT**

Approval to accept a Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) grant to enhance Airport security.

**7.P 2021 RESCUE UNIT REPLACEMENT AND RE-CHASSIS**

Approval to purchase a Freightliner M2 106 Chassis through Excellence, Inc. for the re-chassis and refurbishment of FD117 (Rescue 112).

**8. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**8.A ANNUAL ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

Commission appointment to fill a vacancy on the Board of Adjustments.

Commission acknowledged there was still time to appoint someone from the last extension requested. No one to appoint at this time.

## **9. HEAR CITY OFFICIALS**

### **9.A CITY MANAGER**

#### CITY MANAGER STEIGERWALD

City Manager Steigerwald reminded the Commission of the Thanksgiving Meal Giveaway with Sedanos that is being held Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. This event is being held as a drive through and the Commission is welcome to participate.

City Manager Steigerwald informed the Commission the COVID Relief Funds application portal that will be reopened on November 30, 2020. Citizens may apply for rental assistance, mortgage assistance, and first and last month's security deposit assistance.

City Manager Steigerwald welcomed Commissioner Castano, Commissioner Alvarez, and Mayor Gonzalez.

### **9.B CITY ATTORNEY**

#### CITY ATTORNEY SANCHEZ DE FUENTES

City Attorney Sanchez de Fuentes welcomed the new Commission and stated she looks forward to working with everyone.

### **9.C CITY COMMISSION**

#### COMMISSIONER OLGA CASTANO

Commissioner Castano thanked everyone for attending tonight.

#### COMMISSIONER FELIX ORTIZ

Commissioner Ortiz congratulated the entire Commission and requested to address three (3) items that are his main priorities for the City.

The first priority is for hard working families to have the resources needed to remain successful.

Funding for homelessness is critical to make an impact. He would like to implement a OneStop Emergency center, requiring assistance for the Salvation Army and Career Source. Requesting that himself, the City Manager and staff all meet to come up with a final plan to present to the Captain of the Salvation Army. Then report back to the Commission.

Commissioner Ortiz made a motion to allocate \$1 million from General Fund Non-Emergency Reserve for the current FY2021 adopted budget and further commit to allocate \$1 million every year for the next five (5) years from the Annual City Budget for the Salvation Army Kissimmee Office to allow for the funds to be used as needed to accomplish the goals expressed today.

Commissioner Alvarez seconded the motion.

Mayor Gonzalez would like staff to further investigate the process with the Salvation Army.

City Manager Steigerwald stated he could investigate the process and discuss with staff and the Finance Director to see if the contingency fund would be the appropriate place to allocate the money from or if there was other funding that would better leverage our local dollars.

Commissioner Castano and Commissioner Alvarez commented they are on board with looking further into a plan to move the City to the next level.

Commissioner Fisher reminded the Commission of their fiduciary responsibility to spend funds appropriately. The Reserve Fund has been created over many years to help assure that the City does not have to raise taxes to keep the City afloat during hard times. He would have preferred this discussion in a workshop and he is not in favor of moving forward.

Commissioner Ortiz made a motion to amend the motion on the floor to allow the City Manager to come back to the Commission with proposed alternate funding sources for the potential program. Commissioner Alvarez seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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|----------------------|-----|
| Commissioner Castano | AYE |
| Commissioner Ortiz   | AYE |
| Commissioner Alvarez | AYE |
| Commissioner Fisher  | NAY |
| Mayor Gonzalez       | AYE |

Motion carried 4 – 1.

Commissioner Ortiz made a motion to approve the amended motion. Commissioner Alvarez seconded the motion.

Upon roll call, the vote was as follows:

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|----------------------|-----|
| Commissioner Ortiz   | AYE |
| Commissioner Alvarez | AYE |
| Commissioner Fisher  | AYE |
| Commissioner Castano | AYE |
| Mayor Gonzalez       | AYE |

Motion carried 5 - 0.

Commissioner Ortiz referenced the importance of small businesses in the community and expressed his opinion that there has been a lack of assistance for them during the pandemic.

Commissioner Ortiz made a motion to allocate \$300,000 of the \$1 million CRA Reserves to be designated for small business grants in the B1 District and have the funding managed by Kissimmee Main Street.

City Manager Steigerwald clarified for the new Commissioners that we had a comprehensive program approximately five (5) years ago with grants for small business assistance that was overseen by the CRA Board. That program was dissolved but we have been looking at ways to resurrect the program. CRA funds must be used for improvements to private property. City Manager Steigerwald advised the Commission can give staff direction to come back with further program information.

City Attorney Sanchez de Fuentes stated the Commission cannot make a motion when they are not seated as the CRA Board.

Commissioner Fisher clarified with the City Attorney whether the record should reflect the motion died for a lack of second and City Attorney Sanchez de Fuentes confirmed it should.

COMMISSIONER CARLOS ALVAREZ

Commissioner Alvarez thanked those who collectively supported him, and he is ready to do what is best for the community and City.

COMMISSIONER JIM FISHER

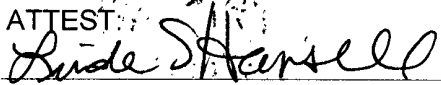
Commissioner Fisher congratulated the new Commissioners and Mayor.

MAYOR OLGA GONZALEZ

Mayor Gonzalez thanked all her supporters and expressed gratitude for being elected Mayor.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Mayor Gonzalez adjourned the meeting at 7:18 PM.

  
ATTEST:  
  
CITY CLERK

  
MAYOR/COMMISSIONER

Exhibit "A"  
Oath of Office for Commissioners Seat # 1 and Mayor Seat # 5  
By Judge Donald A. Myers, Jr.  
Item 3.B.



# CITY OF KISSIMMEE

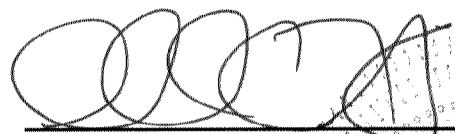
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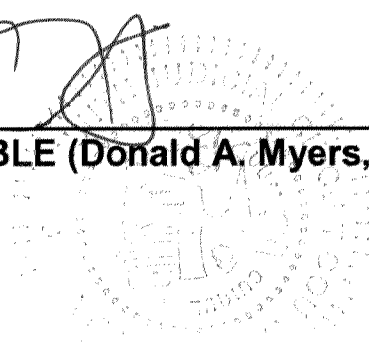
## OATH OF OFFICE

I, Olga Gonzalez, a citizen of the State of Florida and of the United States of America, and being employed by or an officer of the City of Kissimmee and a recipient of public funds as such employee or officer, do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will support, protect and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and the State of Florida against all enemies, domestic or foreign, and that I will bear true faith, loyalty and allegiance to the same; and I am entitled to hold office under the Constitution; and I will faithfully perform all the duties of the Office of City Commissioner of the City of Kissimmee, on which I am about to enter. So help me God.

  
OLGA GONZALEZ

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME THIS 17TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2020.

  
THE HONORABLE (Donald A. Myers, Jr.)





# CITY OF KISSIMMEE

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## OATH OF OFFICE

I, Olga Lucia Castano, a citizen of the State of Florida and of the United States of America, and being employed by or an officer of the City of Kissimmee and a recipient of public funds as such employee or officer, do hereby solemnly swear or affirm that I will support, protect and defend the Constitution and Government of the United States and the State of Florida against all enemies, domestic or foreign, and that I will bear true faith, loyalty and allegiance to the same; and I am entitled to hold office under the Constitution; and I will faithfully perform all the duties of the Office of City Commissioner of the City of Kissimmee, on which I am about to enter. So help me God.

  
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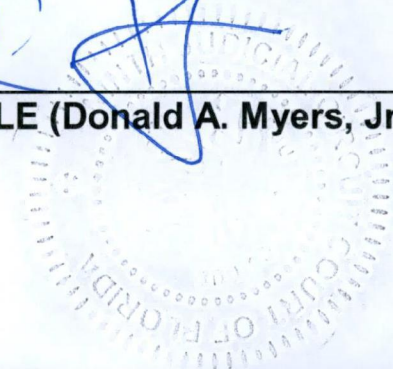
  
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THE HONORABLE (Donald A. Myers, Jr.)

Exhibit "B"  
Oath of Office for Commissioner Seat # 3  
By Judge Christine E. Arendas  
Item 3.B.



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THE HONORABLE (Christine E. Arendas)

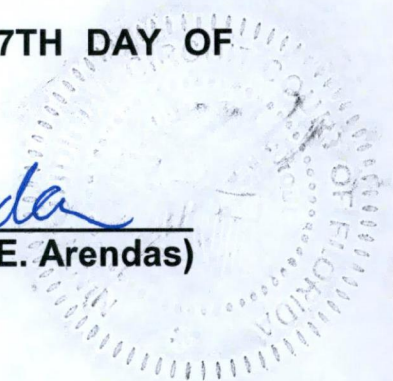


Exhibit "C"  
Resolution # 24-2020  
Adoption of Resolution to Amend the City's FY 2019-2020 Operating Budget  
Item 5.A.

Exhibit "D"  
Congressional Record Certificate in Honor of Mayor Jose Alvarez  
Item # 6  
Hear the Audience



# Congressional Record

PROCEEDINGS AND DEBATES OF THE 116<sup>th</sup> CONGRESS, FIRST SESSION

## House of Representatives

HONORING MAYOR JOSE ALVAREZ AS A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CENTRAL FLORIDA

HON. DARREN SOTO  
OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Friday, November 13, 2020

Mayor Jose Alvarez was born in Havana, Cuba and came to the United States in 1971 as a child. He grew up and attended public school in Miami-Dade, started a family and began a career with the Florida Department of Transportation. In 1997 he and his wife Darlene made the decision to move their family to Kissimmee. Married now for more than 32 years, they have five beautiful daughters and five grandchildren.

Mayor Alvarez is a Licensed Real Estate Broker and small business owner. Throughout his 20 years as a Realtor® he has had the privilege of serving his industry and community by taking part in numerous home ownership and business growth initiatives. Among numerous appointments to industry committees and boards, he's served on the Florida Association of Realtors® Board of Directors, the Mid-Florida Regional MLS Board of Directors, and in 2009 he was elected to serve as President of the Osceola County Association of Realtors®.

Over the years Mayor Alvarez has served numerous causes, boards, and committees throughout Osceola County. An experienced leader, advisor, and representative of both industry and cause, he is frequently called upon when leadership, integrity, credibility, and deal-making skills are vital for the success of an endeavor. Now in his second term as an elected member of the Kissimmee City Commission and the First Hispanic Mayor to be elected in the City of Kissimmee, Mayor Alvarez continues to play important roles on a range of topics. Mayor Alvarez' true passion is the people he represents.

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HON. DARREN SOTO  
MEMBER OF CONGRESS

the Linebaugh family and Jim's many loved ones. This American hero will not be forgotten, and I will continue to honor his remarkable legacy in Adams County and America.

**HONORING MIKE BARBOUR OF THE  
VETERANS FOR FOREIGN WARS  
AND THE AMERICAN LEGION  
POST 43 UPON HIS RETIREMENT**

**HON. BILL FOSTER**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 30, 2020*

Mr. FOSTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Mike Barbour, who is retiring from his position as the Service Officer for Veterans for Foreign Wars and the American Legion Post 43. With a long and illustrious career serving our country in Vietnam and advocating for veterans in Naperville and Aurora, Mike has distinguished himself as a valuable and dedicated member of the community.

Mike served with the U.S. Army Special Forces in Vietnam. Since 1994, he has devoted his time to educating veterans and their families about benefits and health care they can receive from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). As an honorary board member for Naperville Responds for Veterans, Mike has served as an important resource for veterans by helping to share their stories to the younger generation.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring Mike Barbour's exemplary service to the veterans of Naperville and Aurora and congratulating him on a prominent career.

**CONGRATULATING BRIAN MIXON**

**HON. EARL L. "BUDDY" CARTER**

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 30, 2020*

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Brian Mixon on his retirement after 4 years of active duty and 32 years of civilian service with the Department of the Army.

Brian served honorably as an air traffic and airspace officer, and was recognized for his work when he was awarded the Air Traffic Control Manager of the Year award by the Air Traffic Control Association in 2019. This national award is formally known as the General E.R. Quesada Memorial Award, and it's a medallion award presented to an individual for outstanding achievement and contribution during the previous year as an Air Traffic Control Manager.

This is not the first time Brian has been recognized for his exceptional work. He also earned two other national awards, among many others.

Hunter Army Airfield in Georgia's First Congressional District is one of the premier power projection platforms in the Army, which is utilized to deploy thousands of soldiers and essential equipment. Brian's contributions have been essential to the readiness capabilities of the units that utilize Hunter Army Airfield. I can't thank him enough for his many years of steadfast dedication to serving our great na-

tion, and I wish Brian the best as he begins his retirement.

**HONORING MAYOR JOSE ALVAREZ  
AS A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN  
CENTRAL FLORIDA**

**HON. DARREN SOTO**

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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**HONORING EARLINE P. MALLETT  
MELCHOR**

**HON. BENNIE G. THOMPSON**

OF MISSISSIPPI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 30, 2020*

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Earline Mallett Melchor.

Earline P. Mallett Melchor was born October 1, 1930, to the late Percy Polk and Frenchie Foreman Polk in Drew, Mississippi. She was the oldest of six siblings, of which she is the only one living. She has lived in Quitman County since December 15, 1945. She attended grade school at Marks Industrial High

School, before the name was changed to West Side and Quitman County. She graduated on May 25, 1950. After graduation Earline immediately started working with Mrs. Ultimo Taylor on Riverview Plantation known as Self Farm. On December 4, 1950, she enrolled in Coahoma Junior College to get an Educator License. She then went to Rust College, Mississippi Valley State, and later attended Jackson State in Jackson, Mississippi, where she earned a B.S. degree. In 1963, she completed a master's degree in Special Education. She taught at West Side School for 26 years. Mrs. Melchor devoted herself completely to the Quitman County education system. She retired on June 4, 1994, with 43 years and 5 months of service. She enjoyed all the years worked in the Quitman County School System, with her students being her favorite part of the job.

She is a member of the Shady Grove M.B. Church, where Rev. Larry Smith is the pastor. She has been a member since 1946, and held many positions in the church. Despite having a heart attack, she remained a faithful member. Mrs. Melchor is grateful to The Lord for blessing her, and she is thankful to relatives, church members, friends, her Pastor and Wife and all who have supported her. She enjoys sewing, traveling, and helping others.

Mrs. Melchor served as a Board Member of the Quitman County Development Organization, Counselor for the Gala Committee, Former Fire Fighter for the town of Falcon, and member of the MAE. She also served as a poll worker for many years and Election Commissioner for the town of Falcon. In addition, she is also a longtime member of the NAACP. She is also a farmer and landowner, having brought lunch for her students before the free lunch program was implemented.

The mother's one son, Gene W. Mallet. She also raised her sister's son, the late Steven L. Polk. She has many grandchildren and nieces and nephews. In Mrs. Melchor's words, "I give God all the Glory."

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Earline P. Melchor for her dedication to serving her community and this great state.

**IN RECOGNITION OF THE 125TH AN-  
NIVERSARY OF EMMANUEL LU-  
THERAN CHURCH**

**HON. DEBBIE DINGELL**

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, October 30, 2020*

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the 125th anniversary of Emmanuel Lutheran Church and the 75th anniversary of her parish school, Emmanuel Lutheran School. These significant milestones are worthy of celebration.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church was founded in Dearborn, Michigan in 1895 with Christian Thiel, Gottfried Hebestreit, and Louis Rechlin Sr. acting as the first trustees and Johann Lange, Wilhelm Ziegler, and Fredrich Sylvester servings as elders. A year later, Henry Behrens became the church's first pastor, and the church celebrated the opening of its newly erected sanctuary at Military and Morley Avenues. In its early years, the church quickly grew. In 1900, the congregation became a

Exhibit "E"

Resolution # 25-2020

Adoption of Resolution for Public Transportation Grant Agreement with Florida Department of Transportation for Construction of Airport Security Enhancements in the amount of \$337,024  
Item 7.Q.

## OFFICIAL RESULTS

## CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS

STATE OF FLORIDA

## City of Kissimmee, Osceola County

We, the undersigned, County Judge Stefania Jancewicz, Canvassing Board Member Donna Hart, and Canvassing Board Member Chuck Dunnick, constituting the Board of County Canvassers in and for said County, do hereby certify that we met on the 13 day of November 2020, and proceeded publicly to canvass the votes given for the several offices, persons herein specified at the **Municipal Run-Off Election for the City of Kissimmee held on the 3rd day of November 2020**. We do hereby certify from the returns on file in the office of the Supervisor of Elections as follows.

**FOR CITY COMMISSIONER, SEAT # 1** the whole number of votes cast was 24,925 of which number.

Olga Lucia Castano  
Noel Ortiz

Received 12,856 votes  
Received 12,069 votes

**FOR CITY COMMISSIONER, SEAT # 3** the whole number of votes cast was 24,747 of which number.

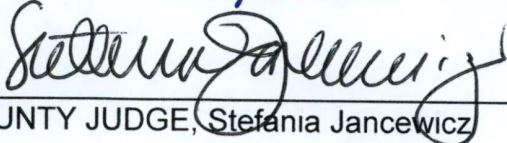
Reginald Hardee  
Carlos Alvarez III

Received 11,702 votes  
Received 13,045 votes

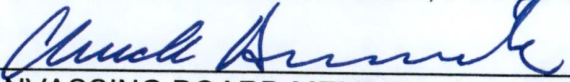
**FOR MAYOR-CITY COMMISSIONER, SEAT # 5** the whole number of votes cast was 25,118 of which number.

Olga Gonzalez  
Angela Eady

Received 14,110 votes  
Received 11,008 votes

  
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COUNTY JUDGE, Stefania Jancewicz

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CANVASSING BOARD MEMBER, Donna Hart

  
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CANVASSING BOARD MEMBER, Chuck Dunnick

Total ballots cast in the City of Kissimmee were 25,118 for 60.5 percent.