



**JOINT WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
VILLAGE HALL - COUNCIL CHAMBERS
226 CYPRESS LANE,
VILLAGE OF PALM SPRINGS, FLORIDA
MARCH 13, 2025 AT 5:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Smith called the Joint Workshop Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Bev Smith, Vice Mayor Patti Waller, Mayor Pro Tem Kim Schmitz, Council Member Gary Ready, Council Member Joni Brinkman, Chairman Johnnie Tieche, Mr. Ralph Lashells, Mr. Ralph Wiles, Mrs. Fabiana DesRosiers, and Mr. Peter Braun

Absent: Ms. Brenda Browning, Mrs. Kim Gehrman, Mr. Richard Hughes, Ms. Marta Padron

Also Present: Village Manager Michael Bornstein, Village Attorney Christy Goddeau, Village Clerk Kimberly M. Wynn, Assistant Village Manager Kim Glas-Castro, Police Chief Tom Ceccarelli, as Sergeant-In-Arms, Planning, Zoning, and Building Director Iramis Cabrera, Utilities Director Jimmie Johnson, Public Works Director Felipe Lofaso, and Assistant Public Works Director Timothy Crespo,

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. **Workforce Housing - Presentation and Discussion Representatives:** The Housing Leadership Council of Palm Beach County will discuss the current levels of housing affordability, and the strategies needed to obtain and maintain affordable housing for today's workforce.

Staff: Kimberly Wynn, Village Clerk

SUMMARY: Representatives from the Housing Leadership Council of Palm Beach County—Ms. Suzanne Cabrera (President/CEO), Mr. Skip Miller (Vice Chair), and Christina Romelus (Implementation Director for the Housing for All Plan) — will discuss the current levels of housing affordability and the strategies needed to obtain and maintain affordable housing for today's workforce.

Representatives from Palm Beach County discussed the current housing economy. There was spoke about the plan, vison and implementation of housing programs around the County. The implementation to expedite.

Mayor Smith offered the public and Council an opportunity to discuss further. Council member Ready asked about the availability of affordable housing and workforce housing. The staff explained to Council Member Ready the difference between the two types of housing. There was further discussion about the definition of “house poor”.

Council Member Ready also inquired about the expense of demucking in the Belle Glade and Pahokee area.

The Assistant Village Manager, Mrs. Glas-Castro advised the Boards that we do not have workforce housing in the Village.

At this point, Ms. Romeleus offered her appreciation to the Board for allowing her to present information about affordable housing.

Fiscal Impact: There is no fiscal impact to the Village.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

VILLAGE MANAGER

None

COMMENTS VILLAGE

None

COUNCIL COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

The undersigned is the Village Clerk of Palm Springs, Florida, and the information provided herein is the Minutes of the Joint Workshop Meeting held on **March 13, 2025.**

Kimberly M. Wynn

Village Clerk