

**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH  
PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MUNICIPAL COMPLEX COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
MONDAY, MAY 23, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** At this time we're going to call this meeting to order. Madam Clerk, roll call, please.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mayor Thomas Masters?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Present.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson KaShamba Miller-Anderson?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Present.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Tonya Davis Johnson?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Here.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Councilperson Dawn Pardo? Councilperson Terence Davis?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Here.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Deputy City Manager Danny Jones?

**DEPUTY CITY MANAGER JONES:** Here.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** City Clerk Claudene Anthony is present. Assistant City Attorney Lina Busby?

**ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY BUSBY:** Here.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Thank you. Next we're going to have Reverend Davis come to the mic and lead us in prayer. Let us all stand.

**REVEREND DAVIS:** Almighty God, the Creator of heaven and earth, we pray a blessing upon this city and our city council that it be the greatest city council that ever lived, that they hear the cry of the people and have compassion. Oh, God, please have mercy and forgive us for all the wrong things we have done to one another. Let us come together. Let us be the greatest city that ever lived on the top side of the earth. Father, we recognize You and we thank You for the victory that You gave us, and we thank God for all those who are assembled here for this special occasion. Oh, God, we bless in Jesus' name. We pray forever,

amen.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Let us all remain standing for the Pledge. The Pledge will be led by Councilperson Tonya Davis Johnson.

(Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance being led by Councilperson Davis Johnson).

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Next we will have Mayor Masters and the Honorable Judge Rodgers will be giving the Oath of Office for Miss Hubbard.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** You can clap for that moment. That's a great moment in this city.

## II. ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO COUNCILPERSON ELECT LYNNE L. HUBBARD, CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1

**MAYOR MASTERS:** It's indeed an honor to perform and to assist the Honorable Judge Rodgers in the swearing in and the inauguration of Lynne L. Hubbard. Lynne Hubbard has chosen for her swearing in a particular scripture. She's asked that that be read into the record. At this point I see Reverend right here so I'm going to get him real quickly. She's asked for the 27th number of Psalms.

**REVEREND:** The word of the Lord. "The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life. Of whom shall I be afraid? When the wicked and even my enemies and my foes come upon me to eat of my flesh, they stumble and fall. Though a host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear. Though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident. One thing have I desired of the Lord, that I will seek after, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life to bless the beauty of the Lord and inquire of His temple.

"For in the time of trouble, He shall hide me in his pavilions and in the secret of His tabernacle shall He hide me. He shall set me upon a rock. Now shall my head be lifted above mine enemies round about me, therefore, I will offer in His tabernacle sacrifices of joy. I will sing yea, I will sing praises unto the Lord. Hear, oh Lord, when I cry with my voice, have mercy also upon me and answer me.

"When thou sayest seek ye my face, my heart said unto thee, my face, Lord, will I seek. Hide not thy face far from me. Put not thy servant away in anger. Thou has been my help --" thank you, Lord -- "me not, neither forsake me, oh, God, of my salvation. When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up. Teach me thou way, oh, Lord. Lead me in the plain path because of mine enemies. Deliver me not over unto the will of mine enemies for the false witnesses are risen up against me and such as breath out of cruelty. I had fainted unless I had believed to see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living." Last verse: "Wait on the Lord. Be of good courage and He shall

strengthen thine heart. Wait, I say, on the Lord." The word of the Lord is blessed.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Thank you so much. As we get prepared for the administration of the oath, if anyone wants to make any comments after this during public, we have the pink public comment cards in the back so make sure you fill it out and just pass it to someone from the staff right here just below the podium. So it's not too late so if you want to speak, please grab a pink card in the back over there and submit it to the staff just right here below the -- to the table. Mayor Masters, you have the mic -- the floor.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you, Acting Chair. Just for the record, let me just state that Chair Pardo sent an e-mail stating that she would be out of town. This had been planned months ago. But wished she could be here for this occasion.

At this time, Judge Rodgers, you may come. This is a very dignified ceremony. Please keep your dignity and your poise. And I do want to get that on the record. I want to -- yeah, right there, Judge. I can believe that this scripture of Miss Hubbard's is very touching to her, and I look at that fifth verse which I know you are a witness to that, "For in the time of trouble, He shall hide me in his pavilion." Family members may gather around at this time.

**JUDGE RODGERS:** Mayor, you want to speak into the mic?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes. Family members may gather. The Chair would have me to ask if you would silence your phones now, please, unless the President of the United States is calling you. Well, actually, I guess we could stand this way. We're going to stand this way facing them instead of the podium. Here's the mic. (Unintelligible). Okay? Judge, you -- Miss Barry is here. Everyone is present and they're ready. Here you go, this way. Miss Hubbard. Reverend Davis --

**REVEREND DAVIS:** Yes.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- has been asked to hold the Bible for your most famous member now.

**REVEREND DAVIS:** All right.

**JUDGE RODGERS:** Ladies and gentlemen, this may appear to be a bit ostentatious, but I can tell you Mrs. Hubbard deserves every bit of it. She took -- she's took quite a whupping to get here.

**UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** Oh, yeah. Yeah.

**JUDGE RODGERS:** If you could see the scars and things that she's carried, you would say that she's entitled to whatever happens here.

**UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** That's right.

**JUDGE RODGERS:** Reverend Masters has indeed placed the Lord in His hallowed position by giving me only two or three lines to say. And then He takes over from there. And that's only fair because the Lord has been with them all the way. They couldn't have made it without Him. She was David given not even rocks to throw. They gave her some pebbles, told her, say, Throw these at him and do the best you can. And the poor young lady, you know, as I said, anything she wants to do -- if she wants to eat ice cream and bacon, I think she should have it.

**UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** All right. She deserve it.

**JUDGE RODGERS:** Raise your hand, Mrs. Hubbard, and swear after me. I -- mention your name. I -- your name --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** Lynne Hubbard.

**JUDGE RODGERS:** -- being a citizen of the State of Florida and of the United States of America --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** Being a citizen of the State of Florida and the United States of America --

**JUDGE RODGERS:** -- and being elected to represent City Council Riviera Beach District 1 in the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** And being elected to represent the City of Riviera Beach District 1 in the state of Riviera Beach, Florida.

**JUDGE RODGERS:** City.

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** In the City of Riviera Beach, in the State of Florida.

**JUDGE RODGERS:** As hard as you had to work to get here you can make it a state. And the recipient of public funds in this capacity --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** And the recipient of public funds in this capacity.

**JUDGE RODGERS:** -- do hereby solemnly swear --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** Do hereby solemnly swear --

**JUDGE RODGERS:** -- or affirm --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- or affirm --

**JUDGE RODGERS:** -- under oath --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- under oath. Reverend Masters, I'm thinking, takes over

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Stand right there. Repeat after me. That I will support the constitution --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** That I will support the Constitution --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- of the United States --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- of the United States --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- and of the State of Florida --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** And of the State of Florida.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And conform --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** And conform --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- to the statutes --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- to the statutes --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- and general laws --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- and general laws --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- of the State of Florida.

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- of the State of Florida.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And do all in my power --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** And do all in my power --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- to uphold --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- to uphold --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- support --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- support --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- and enforce --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- and enforce --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- and enforce --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** And enforce --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- the charter --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- the charter --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And ordinances --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- and ordinances --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- of the city --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- of the city --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- of Riviera Beach, Florida.

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- of Riviera Beach, Florida.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** And perform the duties --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** And perform the duties --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- for the office --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- for the office --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- City Council --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- City Council --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- District 1 --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- District 1 --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- upon which I am about --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- upon which I am about --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- to enter --

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- to enter --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** -- to the best of my ability.

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** -- to the best of my ability.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** So help me God.

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** So help me God.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON-ELECT HUBBARD:** Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Miss Hubbard, we want to present you the official legal binding certified, justified and sanctified Certificate of Election. I want to thank the City Clerk for her cooperation. I want to thank the Acting City Manager for making this happen, for his leadership, and of course I want to thank the City Council for after we did not meet the ordinance or the charter to call the meeting, the -- certify the election at the first regular meeting after the election, the Council stepped in and voted to call a special meeting for this purpose. Let us give our City Council a hand if you will. This Certificate of Election, I'll read it to you.

"I, Thomas A. Masters, Mayor for the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, do hereby declare that Lynne L. Hubbard was duly elected to the office of Councilperson District 1 of the City of Riviera Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, on May 17th, 2016, and said result was certified by the Canvassing Board on May 23rd, 2016, done this 23rd day of May." It is signed. Thank you. This certifies your election. You may now -- you may now take your seat. (Applause). We can do better than that. (Applause). We can do better than that. You may now take your seat. Miss Hubbard, as I come up, I will also give you your tools that you will use from time to time.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** At this time before we go to Special Comment, one last chance to accept any comment cards from the public that would like to speak at the microphone on behalf of this ceremony. Okay. The first commend card that we're going to receive is from Mr. Fane Lozman and then Dorothy Gay.

### III. SPECIAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

**FANE LOZMAN:** Fane Lozman. I still don't have an address. We can thank the city manager for that. By the way, we did some research why I don't have an address and there's nothing in Municode that says I can't have one. Two months after I purchased my property, the City instituted a special operating procedure just for me so that I would not get an address and that's pretty reprehensible and I forwarded that back up to the council.

Miss Hubbard, congratulations. I know it's been a long and tortuous road to get there but you did it. I'm proud of you. I think one of the takeaways from your election is that the voters in this community are not dumb. Your election to the council, I look at, is a referendum for change. When the story about the water scandal broke in between the regular election and the special runoff election, people looked for accountability. What was going on in your seat during that time was the gentleman in your seat who was aware of the damaged water pipes, but he did not get the information out to the public that that water was contaminated. And he should have, 'cause when you do the research on the water, there are elderly people and infants and disabled people with compromised immune

system who can be affected with high coliform bacteria levels. Normal people can't but those people in those medical conditions can.

I've done some research on the Internet relative to that. So they should have been informed, and when they were not, the voters are very shrewd. They're very perceptive. They said, "You know something? We need change and we need change now." And the change is happening right there in District 1. They also recognized change with Miss Davis Johnson and they put her in her seat.

So what is the takeaway from that? The takeaway is that we have a council that wants change. Miss Miller-Anderson was the change from a year earlier, that residents want change. They've entrusted you to see that that change happens. Part of that change is to have change in the city manager's office. That step has already been taken with the 30-day suspension. I think that's going to go a lot further in the coming month. But the point is we want change.

We want what is best for the community so we -- so the voters and the residents of this community have entrusted you to bring that change, to bring our city forward. We do not need any more embarrassing stories in the media, how we've had the biggest water scandal in a decade or how the OIG has had all these embarrassing reports about misspent money. We have entrusted you to bring this change. We look forward to working with you as a community and we wish you good luck. Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Next we have Miss Dorothy Gay and then Reverend Evans.

**DOROTHY GAY:** Good afternoon.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Good afternoon.

**DOROTHY GAY:** Dorothy Gay, 720 W. Sixth Street. It is indeed a pleasure to see finally a group of women who will be dedicated to seeing that the vicious cycle is broken. And the only way it can be broken is to have an avid concern for the citizens of Riviera Beach. I like -- I appreciate number one coming on board, Miss KaShamba Anderson. I appreciate her taking the steps forward. Also the next person, Miss Davis Johnson, I appreciate you being there. And most of all, who we went through the trenches, fighting over and over again, we're so elated that Miss Lynne Hubbard is sitting in that chair.

**UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** Amen.

**DOROTHY GAY:** Eventually with the combination of you three strong African-American women, we will see a change come.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Next we have Reverend Evans.



**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Thank you.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Mr. Chairman, while the Reverend Evans is coming, Miss Gay, don't forget, you've got two strong African-American men up here, too. Don't leave us out, now. We're together.

**REVEREND EVANS:** My name is Reverend A.C. Evans, 2520 Monica Drive, Riviera Beach. Let me just say to the city council, the mayor and special congratulation to the last two who came on board here with Sister Hubbard and Sister Davis, and we're trusting that we're going to move forward now in doing city business. It is so very important and remember one thing. The election is over. Amen.

Today is another day. Yesterday is a canceled check. You've already cashed it. You can't cash it anymore. Tomorrow is a promissory note. You may not live to collect that note. But today is all we have to deal with business and that is today. So we're trusting that this council is going to start from now, handling business as it should be.

And one main thing I want you to not forget -- not forget. Not forget the code liens on all of the properties in the City of Riviera Beach, and this should be part of your agenda as we go forward, to consider the persons who are having these liens. And someone has said the other week I was over here that we don't take people property. And we understand the City does not take property. But if you leave those liens on there anywhere from 100,000 to a million and that kind of thing, then nobody's going to be able to borrow any money because you've got to have free property for collateral to borrow money to fix them up. So if you take them off and give the citizens a chance to get their property fixed up and the City will be looking nice again, and you can help do that. God bless you. Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Next we have Mr. Mack Bernard. Mack Bernard and then Dr. Jean Enright.

**MACK BERNARD:** Council members.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** How you doing?

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Good evening.

**MACK BERNARD:** Congratulations, Commissioner -- it's Council Member -- Councilwoman Lynne Hubbard, I want to thank you for your hard work. I look forward to working with your mayor and all of your council members in the future because we know that your infrastructure needs that are important to the city and also to deal with your water issue in the county. So I look forward to working with everyone here, and I want to thank you for giving us the opportunity to actually be in the best city in Palm Beach County. Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Dr. Jean Enright.

**DR. ENRIGHT:** Jean Enright, Port of Palm Beach commissioner, and I've been a resident of the City of Riviera Beach for 29 years. I would like to thank this council and also congratulate Miss Hubbard on an outstanding race that you had to go through and you made it. And God be with you. And I look forward to working with you at the Port.

Lynne Hubbard, some of you don't know -- but Lynne Hubbard knows quite a bit about the Port of Palm Beach. She used to work for us years ago so I'm looking forward to working with you. And congratulations to all the council members, all the new city members. Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Tommy Walker.

**TOMMY WALKER:** Tommy Walker, 1582 W. Ninth Street. It's been a long hard battle. I am ecstatic. I got great hopes from this council. As much as we are going to hold you guys responsible, I want y'all to hold us responsible. You can't do everything by yourselves. Delegate. There are a lot of us now that want to do right, want to do good for the city. I'm just so happy that we got what we needed. The bridge across to the other side, let's join the east and the west side. I know they say we're not going to do it, but I know that we're -- the people that are sitting up there on this council right now, we're going to make that happen.

**UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** That's right.

**TOMMY WALKER:** Hold the residents accountable. The perspective of this city is not going to change unless our leadership change. You've gotta hold us accountable. Everybody in the city, they just gotta do their job. All the residents gotta do their job. I am going to work -- use me as you need to -- to make sure the perspective of this city changes.

I remember when I couldn't come across the bridge. I don't know if a lot of y'all sitting up there might not even -- back in the '60s. I've been here for 50 some years and I remember when I couldn't come across the bridge. We don't own anything but we control it. I want to make sure we control our own destiny. I've been from here around the world. I've stood on the beach of North Shore where the waves come down and the dirt tremble at your feet. I've been to the North Pole, but I've never seen anything as beautiful as that little stretch of beach that we own, that we have. Let's protect it. Let's protect the residents. Charge us to do the right thing as we're going to charge you to do the right thing. And let this be a new beginning --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Yes.

**TOMMY WALKER:** -- for everybody. Let's not use this podium to attack, ridicule. If you don't have anything good to say let's not say nothing at all. I'm charging every residents of this city to come in with a plan. If you need something, seek them. Seek me. We'll make it happen for you. But use this podium -- use this podium for good. May the Lord our God bless each and every one of you. Amen.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Thank you. And our last speaker will be Miss Cora Masters Barry.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Can you hand her the cordless mic, please? Point of privilege, that is my sister.

**CORA MASTERS BARRY:** Good evening.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Good evening.

**CORA MASTERS BARRY:** I'm glad to be here this evening. I want to start out by, of course, giving praise to the Lord God to get us here today. A word that keeps coming around in my mind is grateful. I'm just grateful. I've been coming to Riviera Beach since 1987 when my brother came here to pastor New Macedonia Baptist Church so I'm no stranger here. But here's the good news. I'm now a resident and I do own something over there on that beach. I own a condo. My address is 2800 N. Ocean Drive so I'm speaking as a resident today to say that I have been all over this country involved in so many different politics.

And I've always kept one foot here because of the support that I wanted to give my brother in the interest he had of the city. But at the same time I'm from Washington, D.C., the nation's capital, the capital of the world. That's where all the politics starts and where all the politics end. I've seen the best and the worst. But here in this city as a resident of -- of Singer Island, I've never seen so much division. I have been in rooms where people have spoken of nothing but their own personal interests as if these are two different cities.

I can't understand why we all can't be concerned about everything that goes on in this city. The water bills are important and the beach is important. The turtles are important and so are the liens. So when we go and put candidates up and vote for candidates, why don't we look at the most qualified person to do the job for the city? Not just a person who's going to be so limited in their focus and represent our parochial interests. But there's room for everybody. And when I look at these four new people and my brother -- fifth term mayor, give him a hand. That's unprecedented -- I see hope for the future. I see the body politic growing. I see maturity. I see professionalism. I see integrity. I see people who will stand for a cause and include everyone. I see the tent getting bigger, not

smaller. No one has anything to fear with this group of people other than if they are not right. Everybody I've spoken to on this dais is concerned about every mile of this city from beginning to end. So as Mr. -- was it Taylor just got through speaking?

**UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** Uh-huh. Walker.

**CORA MASTERS BARRY:** Walker? I agree with him that we should speak positive when we get to that podium, but I also think we should tell the truth. And if the truth is not good then you just have to tell the truth and shame the devil. And my truth today is let's stand up for everybody. And here's a message to anybody who thinks that the only way -- I'm sorry. One second. To represent this city is to represent parochial small interests. It's time for them to re-evaluate their criteria, and I'm going to ask them right now how did that work out for you? Congratulations.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Thank you. At this time we have finished special public comments. Now we're going to have remarks from the Mayor and the Council. Mayor Masters, we're going to start with you.

#### **COMMENTS AND REMARKS BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL**

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Thank you. I certainly want to thank God for this day and this day of victory and celebration. I see He also brought my chief of staff back from somewhere safely. She said, "I'm going to be there tonight."

But I want to thank my sister Cora Masters Barry. Cora Masters Barry is married to the former mayor of Washington, D.C. Cora Masters Barry engineered and directed Marion Barry's comeback from six months of prison which he probably never should have been in the first place, unjust sentence. But she was able to navigate his political comeback. He had won three or four elections as mayor. But after six months, my sister was able to direct and engineer his comeback with a landslide victory.

And when she heard that Lynne L. Hubbard -- I think that L must mean love. Lynne -- Loving Lynne Hubbard -- when she heard that Lynne was going to run, she made up her mind that she was going to come down here and give all that she could give and bring the Marion Barry machine to Riviera Beach. And when I looked at the numbers, Cora, you gave us guidance and direction every single day to Lynne and myself and you told us how to do it, what to do and we did it. When I look at the numbers and I saw them this morning, you did, with the help of others -- the family members, Laurie and others, the volunteers, you did for us and with us what you did in Washington.

Those of you who may not have access to the Internet, if you look at the numbers, you will see that that young lady sitting down there to my right won

every major precinct on the mainland by three to four times greater than her opponent. Now, let me break that down for you. She won Wells by three or four times more. Calloway's, the Tate, Bethune, Lindsey, and the list goes on and on. Three to four times more than her opponent. So we thank you and we thank others for making it happen. We are grateful.

I am indeed thankful to receive Lynne Hubbard back up here with us on this dais. I am the only one that's here that served with Lynne, Mr. Chairman, when she served on this board. She gave me much respect. You know, some people say I respect the office. Well, you can't hardly respect the office if you don't respect the person in the office. Doesn't make much sense to me. But she respected the office and respected me highly. But after you left, Miss Hubbard -- and I need to take my time, Mr. Chairman, because I need to say this -- after you left with previous councils -- and I'm going to be very colloquial -- I was treated like a dog. Mistreated, abused. They cut the microphone off on me.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** No.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** At the end they wouldn't give me two minutes when some of them spoke an hour on something that didn't even make sense. I'm not going to call his name but I'm going to say "he." When he got on this council, tried to cut my salary, led the fight to cut my promotion. Led the fight to cut my travel. Tried to take away my little appointments that I had. And then he finally started advocating to take away the right of the people to vote for a mayor.

How disdainful and disrespectful that is. I was so mistreated so badly. I'm happy to see you here. And not only was I mistreated, he also disrespected, in my opinion, KaShamba Miller-Anderson. You will bring love, respect, unity, professionalism and finally the Mayor will be respected. Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Next we'll have -- we'll go to Councilwoman Miller-Anderson.

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Well, thank you, Mayor, for always having my back. I appreciate that. Well, I just want to say congratulations to Miss Lynne Hubbard on your win. I know it was a very, very tough fight and for the last few weeks, you know, I think many of us were being attacked because of being out front and supporting you. But I can tell you it was worth it from my standpoint, and I'm very happy to see you here and I know that we will all be able to work together and do what's best for the residents of Riviera Beach. Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Next we have Miss Councilwoman Johnson.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Congratulations, Councilwoman-Elect, now Councilwoman Lynne Hubbard. It is certainly an honor and a pleasure to have you sitting here. We look forward to -- we look forward to working together to make sure that we -- say it with me, everybody -- follow the process. That's what I've been saying since I've sat here.

And so we're looking forward to just working together and moving the City forward, making sure that we provide leadership and set policy for the benefit of the residents of the City of Riviera Beach. We are -- it has been a long process for all of us. You experienced it differently because you were in the thick of it. We were just the residual. We just experienced it from a residual perspective. But having said that, it is now time to get to work. We all have a job to do. We all have charges to keep and a city to set policy for. So kudos to you. Best wishes to us all.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Councilwoman Lynne L. Hubbard. I must say -- one thing I can say about you, Miss Hubbard, is -- Councilwoman Hubbard, is you have the heart of a lion and you have the heart of this city. And when people ask that question between the candidates, that's the one thing I always stick on. Meeting you years ago, coming back to Riviera Beach back in 2005, I mean, just watching you being aggressive on the ground with Miss Emma Bates and others and just not always necessarily agreeing, but y'all focus was in the same direction. I want to congratulate you for standing fast and being strong even through the thick of time.

I mean, 'cause you could have given up but you stood strong. You stood positive. You could have got extremely negative but you stayed focused. I think you're possibly too tired to do anything else but it's good to see you smile. You know? And this city's smiling. And I want to encourage everybody who's out here tonight to continue to come back. Tell people that it's very important that we come back to these meetings because now that you've all asked for change, you're going to have to continue to support us as we continue to try to do the right thing on your behalf, because we serve and we work for you. You're the people.

Miss Lynne Hubbard represents that. We all love you for it. You're here. You got your three long ears, and you will always have my ear on this board. I will listen to what you have to say and we'd just ask you to continue working hard and being positive, Miss Hubbard. Congratulations.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Thank you. Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Now you have the floor. Take your time.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Yes. I do want to take my time. And I wanted to first just thank God for getting all of us through this. This was not just hard for

me alone. I know the pressure that it put on my family, my friends, my supporters. I know it was not [sic] hard for any of us, but I want to thank each and every one of you for hanging in there. I know you're tired and I know we all want to take a break of some sort.

I want to thank the ministers and the members of the community for standing with me. I want to thank my family. I want to thank my close friends. I do want to call the name of Reverend Davis from Hilltop and his church family and his personal family. I want to thank Judge Edward Rodgers personally. I want to thank the Mayor personally. And Miss Cora Barry, even though our sessions start at 6 -- between 6 and 6:30 every morning. So those of you who decide to hire her, your sessions will start early. And then at 5:30 you will be picked up personally to canvass.

**UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** Every day.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Every day. You will not be allowed to show up at the canvass site on your own. Okay. So there you go. But you know, my sister Laurie, she stood by me through thick and thin. My sister Elaine and Ronnie and their husbands and -- their husbands always get just -- they just come along for the ride. So they, you know -- and Mr. and Mrs. Garrett. I know Mr. Garrett is probably asking Miss Garrett, "What have you gotten me into?" Tim and Andrea Hanford [phonetic]. And I -- and you know, we have so many people.

And you know, this was long and this was a serious fight. And I just have to take my hat off to Attorney Andy DeGraffenreidt and Richard Ryles. So we gotta give them a hand. (Applause). And you know, I see so many of my friends that called me to say, "I'm just calling to check on you." That's Sybil Maynard Williams [phonetic]. "I'm just calling to check on you." You know, I don't know if they thought I was going to break down or what.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Or break up.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Or break up. You know? And it's -- I see so many people out there. Joe and KaShamba, they drug me from church to church to church. I'm the most spirit-filled candidate that you ever want to see. Joe is glad it's over so he can get back to his sports.

And you know, we had -- we just had all of the Davis children, the nephews, the grandchildren, and everybody that was putting out things, you know? It's so many of you. We had our own personal graphic artist, Phillip Robinson and Elmer Robinson and -- we had, you know, our printer Jim Rich. You know, we had people that took a personal interest. I didn't get a whole lot of endorsements but, you know, I'm just so grateful that SEIU saw it (unintelligible) to endorse me. I see Alex back there and, you know, Willis Williams, he would not -- he wouldn't let me quit for nothing. For nothing. I -- Willis say he was having entirely too

much fun. And too much fun. So he used to, "Come on, this is too much fun." I had a friend, Emma Bates, that's -- that she used to say, "Come on, Lynne. Just let's have a little fun with him." And you know -- and Willis picked up from there. He said, "This is fun." So I'd say, "Okay. Okay. This is fun." So, you know -- and --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** John Miller and Singer Island.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** -- so I -- I -- and John Miller. And --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** The Singer Island group.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** -- and the Singer Island group. I don't want to mispronounce your name but, you know -- and Guenther [phonetic]. You know, we do want to bridge the gap. And Guenther and John Miller had started that and we want -- you know, and we want to keep trying, and we want to work across the bridge. We want to enjoy the amenities of the bridge.

My cousin Lady Marge and Sherizma [phonetic] and Anita Lewis, they stepped in with -- we had a gap in our social media. They just snatched it right up and we didn't miss a beat. And my friend Miss Jackson who always encouraged me to take the high road and do the right thing. And you know, 'cause sometimes I wanted to take up some people's signs and throw them away, too, you know?

But --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** But the Lord wouldn't let you do it.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** -- but the Lord and my prayer warriors say, "Keep your hands off those people things. Those are not yours." So you know, I -- you know, I'm even proud of me for doing that, you know? I'm even proud of me. I deserve a clap for that. You know? You know, and I don't want to miss anybody names. And if I do, you know, don't charge it to my heart. Charge it to my head.

I had a new friend that came down from D.C. with Cora, Alonzo. I mean, anything that I ask him to do, he was just so cheerful and so ready to do it. And Miss Louise Dawkins. I mean, when I get to be her age, if I have a quarter of the energy to keep moving, I -- you know, then, you know, I have arrived and I have done my thing if I still have her energy. I see two of our oldest and dearest friends, my mother's classmate, Miss Amelia Bligh Pender James [phonetic] and Erica Pender sitting on the front row. And you know, it would be just so wonderful if my mother could have been here, but I know she wouldn't have had a better person in her stead to come out tonight and to stand up for me, her daughter.

And so there are -- you know, there have just been so -- without you all -- I see my brother Yuley [phonetic] standing back there. That's the one who doesn't live



in this city. And Larry over there who doesn't live in the city. And Laurie, who been signing people name down front. You know? So --

**UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER:** (Unintelligible). That's what they say.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** So those are the three culprits back there, you know? And, you know, my friend Steve White who keeps me spiritually grounded, healthy and sane and tells me all the time to do the right things. You know, and I made so many new friends on this journey. And so many people that were knocking on doors, canvassing, telling people how great I am and how, you know -- and I promise to do the best that I can for this city. And not to let any of the words that you said on my behalf fall to the ground and become ruined.

I hope for them to grow and to flourish because I believe that right now it is time for Riviera Beach not to be judged by great brand new buildings. Not to be judged by the levels of poverty or to be judged by the level of crime within our city, but for us to be judged by how we take care of our residents. The well-being of our community. How we look out for human beings. Those are the things that we should want to be known by. How we keep our community in a healthy and an aesthetically pleasing manner from the ocean all the way out to the Beeline Highway. We want everything to be aesthetically pleasing all over the City of Riviera Beach.

It's basically 12 square miles and we want to keep them all looking as nice and as pleasant as possible. I want to thank each and every one of you who raised funds for me because let me tell you it's not like talking. Yes. Money does not get votes but you surely can't get votes without money. So you know, I want to thank people who did that, who invested in me. You know, and sometimes those who wanted to invest in me didn't have money to invest, but what they did was they supported me just by, you know -- merely by praying for me. By saying something good to somebody about me. By correcting some of the rumors and the lies that were being told about me. For standing up for me --

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Shameful.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** -- when I wasn't in the room, because when I'm in the room I can stand up for myself. But a friend stands up for you when you're not in the room. And those are the kind of friends that I have. And those are the people that are my friend. Not the people that back up, move away because -- I know that I come with -- my brand of politics is rough. I'm for the people and by the people. I know, you know, that I'm gonna -- that's what I stand to fight for, for the citizens of Riviera Beach.

So when somebody, you know, don't feel comfortable, you know, riding with me, I don't feel no way about that. Because that's what I believe in and that's what I stand for. The resources of the City of Riviera Beach are to improve the quality of life for the residents of Riviera Beach first.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** That's right.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** I don't believe in anybody saying we're going to give 30 percent local participation. We may give you 30 percent outside of participation, but all of this is ours. So we're going to take the 70 percent. And we might give away 30 percent. But anything outside of that, we're going to start with us first. If we don't take care of ourselves first who's going to take care of us? And we've got to start, you know -- charity begins at home.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Home. That's right.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** So I want to thank you and if I -- if I didn't call your name it's not because I don't love you and I'm not grateful for what you did for me. I just know that it's time that I wrap this up and I want to thank you all.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** There you go. There you go.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** And I invite each and every one of you to come downstairs and enjoy the reception with us. Hang out and let me thank you individually for coming out tonight. It was a long, hard road but let me tell you, it was well worth it to see each and every one of you come out tonight. Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** That's what brothers and sisters do. They wrap things up.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Yes. I -- my brothers and sisters, they are in the back waving like, "Wrap it up. Let's go."

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** They're getting hungry, Miss Hubbard. Miss Hubbard, they're getting hungry. All right. Before we get started, we're going to go -- pass this over to the clerk as we get prepared for nominations.

#### **IV. NOMINATIONS FOR CITY COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON**

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Members of the board, the floor is now open for nominations for your city council chairperson to serve from 2016 to 2017.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** Madam Clerk?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Yes, ma'am?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS JOHNSON:** I would like to move that we table this and let me tell you why. In April 6th we determined that we would not select a Chair and Pro Tem until the full board was seated. And I would like for us to honor that. We don't have a full board seated and I think that that is a reasonable thing to do in light of the fact that that's what we declared on April 6th.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Is there a second? Motion --

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Second. Are you asking for a second to name a mayor or to what Tonya has stated?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** No, Councilperson Hubbard.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** She put a motion on the floor.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** She put a motion on the floor to table until there's a full council seated.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** But if she -- okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** That's present at the meeting.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Okay.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** There being no second that motion fails. The nomination -- the floor is now open for nominations for the city council chairperson.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** I move, Madam Clerk --

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Yes, ma'am.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** -- that we nominate Terence Davis for the Chair.

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Are there any other nominations? The floor is now closed. Councilperson Davis, you are now the chairperson for the City Council for the 2016-2017. You already have the gavel so you can open the floor for Chair Pro Tem.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** That sound good. But next we're going to -- right now we're going to take the nominations for Chair Pro Tem at this time.

## **V. NOMINATIONS FOR CITY COUNCIL CHAIR PRO TEM.**

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Any motions from the floor? Nominations?

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** I move that KaShamba Miller-Anderson be the Pro Tem for the city council.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Do we have a second?

**COUNCILPERSON MILLER-ANDERSON:** Second.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** We have a motion and a second.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** Who made the second?

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Yes. Councilwoman Miller-Anderson, she second that motion. Any more nominations? Madam Clerk?

**CITY CLERK ANTHONY:** Mr. Chair, we just closed the floor 'cause there are no other nominations.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** All right. Congratulations, Councilwoman Miller-Anderson. Before we get to adjourning the meeting, I'm going to allow the Mayor to say something briefly. I saw him waving his hand down there.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** I was actually waving my hand at Lynne to tell her she was bringing it on in. Did a good job. Give Lynne Hubbard another hand. She deserves that. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

As the Mayor of this city, I want to congratulate you as I've always done all co-chairs who have moved up to the chair. You have been in the position as co-chair for this time period over a few years and now you are the chair. And I welcome you to that position. I look forward to working hand in hand with you as long as you don't try to tell me what to do. But I have great respect for you. He always -- he's like my son up here in politics. He tells me what to do. If I don't do it he gets upset. But we have a good understanding.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Just not on TV, though.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** That we work together and I'm looking forward to working - I call KaShamba my daughter. Son, daughter. KaShamba Miller-Anderson as co-chair. Looking forward to the City continuedly [sic] to move forward and to make great progress. I am just the servant and I'm here to be the servant and be the voice of the people as much as I can, and I'm really looking forward to Councilwoman Lynne H. Hubbard and your platform. You have said some great things, and I'm looking forward to working with you to make those things happen like those liens and the warehouse, all that stuff you talked about, I've been talking about it so I'm ready. Let's do it again.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** All right.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Let the people speak. Last but not least I do want to recognize the presence all the way from Washington, D.C., again, one of the main representatives of the Office of the Congressman who represents this district, Congressman Alcee Hastings' legislative person is here and give him a hand. Congressman Hastings -- let the record show that Congressman Hastings fully supported and endorsed Lynne Hubbard and we're very grateful for that. I also want to recognize the presence of my sheriff, Alex Freeman. Give him a hand if you will. Last but not least my sister is in the wheelchair, I want you to know, because she just had a double knee replacement less than a week ago, I believe. A week ago.

**CORA MASTERS BARRY:** Two weeks.

**MAYOR MASTERS:** Two weeks ago. See, I've been on this time thing with Lynne. So please take it easy with her 'cause she doesn't need her knee bumped 'cause you might get a few choice words. So -- she ain't the preacher; I'm the preacher.

Mr. Chairman, just a point that I do want to announce on the record, I will be leaving in the month of July for a few days that week. I have been elected in Orlando on Saturday by the Democrat party to represent and I am pledged to support the next President of the United States Hillary Clinton, her supporters. Thank you.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** All right. Miss Hubbard -- Councilwoman Hubbard. I apologize.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** I would be remiss if I did not recognize my driver and my bodyguard Mr. Gene Horne.

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** All right. Anything else from any members of the board? One thing I would like to discuss and it would be on the very next agenda is the term of the Chair and the Chair Pro Tem for this coming year. This has been a very unique situation that drove this process to be so long. Usually the Chair is one year to the date. And we gotta discuss when would this term end between the Chair and the Chair Pro Tem. Does it end in March or does it end in April? What type of discussion we would like to have as a board.

And I'll wait till that time when we have a full board to have that particular discussion to put that on the agenda as an item of just discussion. And I'll wait till we have a full board to have that discussion. But you all will see that. Anyone else? Any comments?

## VI. ADJOURNMENT

**COUNCILPERSON DAVIS:** Meeting adjourned.

**COUNCILPERSON HUBBARD:** See y'all downstairs.

(CONCLUSION OF SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING)

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