


COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Dan Gelber and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Rafael A. Paz, City Attorney 

DATE: May 17, 2023

SUBJECT: CLOSED ATTORNEY-CLIENT SESSION RE: *CONGREGATION 3401 PRAIRIE BAIS YESHAYA D'KERESTIR, INC. AND RABBI ARIE WOHL v. CITY OF MIAMI BEACH*, CASE NO. 22-CV-21213-CMA and *CONGREGATION 3401 PRAIRIE BAIS YESHAYA D'KERESTIR, INC. v. CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, ET AL.*, CASE NO. 22-16099 CA 25.

Pursuant to §286.011, Florida Statutes, I, as the City Attorney, hereby advise the Mayor and City Commission that I desire advice concerning the following pending litigation matters:

CONGREGATION 3401 PRAIRIE BAIS YESHAYA D'KERESTIR, INC. AND RABBI ARIE WOHL v. CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, CASE NO. 22-CV-21213-CMA, UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA,

AND

CONGREGATION 3401 PRAIRIE BAIS YESHAYA D'KERESTIR, INC. v. CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, ET AL., CASE NO. 22-16099 CA 25, CIRCUIT COURT OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Therefore, a private closed Attorney-Client Session of approximately one hour in duration will be held during the lunch recess of the City Commission meeting on May 17, 2023. A quorum of the City Commission will meet in person at the City Manager's Large Conference Room, 1700 Convention Center Drive, Fourth Floor, Miami Beach, Florida 33139, City Hall, to discuss settlement negotiations and/or strategy related to litigation expenditures with regard to the above-referenced litigation matter.

The following individuals will be in attendance: Mayor Dan Gelber, Vice-Mayor Ricky Arriola, Members of the City Commission: Laura Dominguez, Alex Fernandez, Kristen Rosen Gonzalez, Steven Meiner, and David Richardson; City Manager Alina T. Hudak; City Attorney Rafael A. Paz; Chief Deputy City Attorney Robert Rosenwald; Deputy City Attorney Nicholas Kallergis; First Assistant City Attorney Henry Hunnefeld; and Senior Assistant City Attorney Freddi Mack.

A certified court reporter will be present to record the time of commencement of the meeting, the time of termination of the meeting, all discussions and proceedings, the persons present, and the names of all persons speaking. The transcript shall be a public record at the conclusion of the litigation.

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