

SPECIAL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

City Commission Meeting Room

April 17, 2007 • 11:30 a.m.



Fort Lauderdale City Commission

JIM NAUGLE

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CITY CLERK

HARRY A. STEWART
CITY ATTORNEY

**CITY COMMISSION SPECIAL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
April 17, 2007 – 11:30 A.M.**

ROLL CALL

WELCOME – MAYOR JIM NAUGLE

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATION OF CITIZEN RECOGNITION AWARDS

2007 CITIZEN OF THE YEAR – Frank Herhold (R-01)

Recommend: Introduce resolution.
Exhibit: Commission Agenda Report 07-091.

2007 HONORED FOUNDER – Thomas E. Wells and the late Preston “Dick” A. Wells, Jr. (R-02)

Recommend: Introduce resolution.
Exhibit: Commission Agenda Report 07-091.

2007 EXEMPLARY FORMER CITY EMPLOYEE – Cecelia Ward, AICP (R-03)

Recommend: Introduce resolution.
Exhibit: Commission Agenda Report 07-091.

2007 DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN – Robert A. Dressler (R-04)

Recommend: Introduce resolution.
Exhibit: Commission Agenda Report 07-091.

UNVEILING OF DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN PLAQUE IN CITY HALL COURTYARD

Photo Opportunities and Luncheon

Citizens Board of Recognition

***The Honorable Robert O. Cox
The Honorable Robert A. Dressler
E. Clay Shaw, Jr. (Former Congressman)
E. Birch Willey, Chair
Eugenia Duncan Ellis***

RESOLUTION NO. 07-60

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, SELECTING AND HONORING FRANK HERHOLD AS CITIZEN OF THE YEAR FOR 2007.

WHEREAS, Frank Herhold arrived in the City of Fort Lauderdale in 1990, and since then, has dedicated his professional career and personal life to advocating for the growth of the City's largest industry, the marine industry, and its role in promoting the area's reputation as the "Yachting Capital of the World"; and

WHEREAS, Frank Herhold has been recognized for his focus on environmentally responsible boating through programs such as the "Our Waterways, Our Future" public awareness campaign and the annual "Waterway Cleanup," South Florida's largest environmental event, which recently completed its 30th year with more than 3,000 participants and 50 tons of trash collected; and

WHEREAS, improving the protection and environmental stewardship of Florida's endangered manatee in our area has been of particular interest to Frank Herhold through public awareness, law enforcement and avoidance technology initiatives; and

WHEREAS, Frank Herhold had the foresight to see the future needs for marine industry infrastructure and has been an advocate for preservation of Fort Lauderdale's "Working Waterfront", expanding and updating of the City's marinas and boatyards and waterway dredging to protect and maintain our reputation as the "Venice of America"; and

WHEREAS, as part of his vision for the future of the area's \$10.8 billion marine industry, Frank Herhold has promoted Fort Lauderdale as a destination for megayachts and today, more than 1,400 megayachts visit the area annually, with 1,300 spending time in area boatyards; and

WHEREAS, Frank Herhold has remained committed throughout his career to the encouragement of future boaters by supporting educational programs such as the Boater 101 program, the Plywood Regatta youth boat building contest, and support of our Marine Magnet Schools; and

WHEREAS, the Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show represents the City's greatest economic impact from any single event and attracts visitors and trade missions to Fort Lauderdale from all over the globe and as Executive Director of the 800-member Marine Industries Association of South Florida, the owner of the Boat Show, Frank Herhold's efforts and vision on behalf of the show contribute to the show's continual growth and economic benefit for a wide spectrum of our community; and

WHEREAS, a tireless advocate for Fort Lauderdale's marine industry and family recreational boating, Frank Herhold has significantly contributed to the City's economic prosperity and boating lifestyle for present and future citizens of the City of Fort Lauderdale;

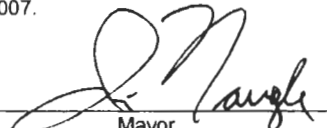
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

Section 1. That Frank Herhold is hereby selected and honored as Citizen of the Year of the City of Fort Lauderdale for 2007 in recognition of his many accomplishments and valuable contributions to the City of Fort Lauderdale and that the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale hereby publicly recognizes and acknowledges these achievements and contributions and does hereby express its heartfelt appreciation to Frank Herhold.

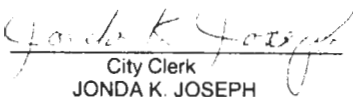
Section 2. That a plaque honoring Frank Herhold as Citizen of the Year of the City of Fort Lauderdale for 2007 shall be presented to him.

Section 3. That a parchment copy of this Resolution shall be furnished by the City Clerk to Frank Herhold as a further token of the sincere gratitude and appreciation of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

ADOPTED this 17th day of April 2007.


Mayor
JIM NAUGLE

ATTEST:


City Clerk
JONDA K. JOSEPH

RESOLUTION NO. 07-61

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, SELECTING AND HONORING SELECTING AND HONORING THOMAS E. WELLS, JR. AND THE LATE PRESTON "DICK" A. WELLS, JR. AS HONORED FOUNDERS FOR 2007.

WHEREAS, the vision for Las Olas Boulevard as we know it today, began more than 70 years ago when the families of Thomas E. Wells, Jr. and the late Preston "Dick" A. Wells, Jr. wintered in Fort Lauderdale from Chicago; and

WHEREAS, in 1932 the Wells family established The Las Olas Company (originally called the Coast Guard Development Company) to acquire and rent beach and oceanfront cottages; and

WHEREAS, in 1936, The Las Olas Company opened the Champ Carr Hotel, one of the first upscale hotels built in downtown Fort Lauderdale, renamed the Riverside Hotel in 1947, the property remains the anchor of Las Olas Boulevard combining first class accommodations with old Florida charm; and

WHEREAS, over the next seven decades Tom and Dick Wells remained true to their vision of building a world-class destination in the heart of downtown Fort Lauderdale by continuing to acquire property, listening to the needs of businesses and their clientele; responding to market challenges; and providing quality facilities and resources; and

WHEREAS, today, due to the vision and foresight of Tom and Dick Wells, Las Olas Boulevard is Fort Lauderdale's centerpiece for fine shopping, dining, business and entertainment, the corridor has evolved from a seasonal tourist spot to a year round international destination that provides local residents and visitors with a one-of-a-kind experience unique to South Florida; and

WHEREAS, the growth and development of Las Olas Boulevard has acted as a catalyst for additional public and private investment in downtown helping to transform Fort Lauderdale into a 24-hour City offering diverse residential housing, exceptional quality of life, and outstanding educational, arts and cultural opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the tremendous accomplishments of Tom and Dick Wells can be attributed to their leadership, dedication, and willingness to evaluate their company's progress, monitor trends in the marketplace, and recognize that change is part and parcel with staying successful; and

WHEREAS, the strong foundation that the Wells family established more than 70 years ago and that Tom and Dick Wells continued to cultivate, nurture and expand has served The Las Olas Company well and will continue to guide the company's growth into the future; and

WHEREAS, Tom and Dick Wells personify the term "Honored Founders," they are two upstanding citizens who through their long-term vision, traditional values and uncompromising commitment to excellence paved the way for the growth, development and success of hundreds of businesses, while enhancing quality of life for residents and visitors;


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

Section 1: That Thomas E. Wells, Jr. and the late Preston "Dick" A. Wells, Jr. are hereby selected and honored as Honored Founders of the City of Fort Lauderdale for 2007 in recognition of their many accomplishments and valuable contributions to the City of Fort Lauderdale and that the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale hereby publicly recognizes and acknowledges their achievements and contributions and does hereby express its heartfelt appreciation to Thomas E. Wells, Jr. and the late Preston "Dick" A. Wells, Jr.

Section 2: That a plaque honoring Thomas E. Wells, Jr. and the late Preston "Dick" A. Wells, Jr. as Honored Founders of the City of Fort Lauderdale for 2007 shall be placed in the lobby of the Fort Lauderdale City Hall.

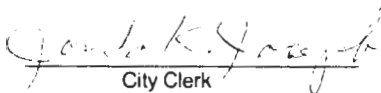
Section 3: That a parchment copy of this Resolution shall be furnished by the City Clerk to Thomas E. Wells, Jr. and to the family of the late Preston "Dick" A. Wells, Jr. as a further token of the sincere gratitude and appreciation of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

ADOPTED this 17th day of April 2007.



Mayor
JIM NAUGLE

ATTEST:



City Clerk
JONDA K. JOSEPH

RESOLUTION NO. 07-62

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, SELECTING AND HONORING CECELIA WARD AS EXEMPLARY FORMER CITY EMPLOYEE FOR 2007.

WHEREAS, Cecelia Ward began her career with the City of Fort Lauderdale as a Senior Planner in 1995 and served 10 years with the Building Services Department, formerly known as the Public Services Department; and

WHEREAS, Cecelia Ward consistently served as an example for her fellow employees by conducting herself with the utmost integrity and set the standard for customer service, professionalism and leadership whether she was working among peers, residents, developers or elected officials; and

WHEREAS, her superiors recognized her exceptional dedication, conviction and professionalism and rewarded her through numerous promotions from Senior Planner to Planning Administrator to Director of the Construction Services Bureau to Acting Director of Public Services; and

WHEREAS, Cecelia Ward excelled in many endeavors while working for the City and was responsible for directing a multitude of high profile projects and initiatives, including spearheading the development of the City's Unified Land Development Regulations; guiding the City through a major update of its Comprehensive Plan; furthering the opportunity for the community to participate in the planning process by initiating the Community Area Planning program; and managing the development of a Consolidated Downtown Master Plan; all of which required significant consensus building among the community on a wide range of issues and challenges facing Fort Lauderdale, the results of which have served as the framework for development that has followed since; and

WHEREAS, Cecelia Ward has been recognized over the years for her hard work and dedication to the City by an array of agencies and organizations including Fort Lauderdale's Finest, Leadership Fort Lauderdale, the Downtown Development Authority and for her commitment to excellence in business; and

WHEREAS, despite her accelerated work schedule, she selflessly gave back to the community and volunteered her time and expertise to several local organizations including Broward County Homeless Assistance and the Community Redevelopment Agency for the City of Pompano Beach; and

WHEREAS, Cecelia Ward's dedication to public service and personal contributions have left a lasting impression on our community and have enabled her to positively shape the future of the City and improve the quality of life of its residents and visitors for generations to come;


NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:

Section 1. That Cecelia Ward is hereby selected and honored as Exemplary Former City Employee of the City of Fort Lauderdale for 2007 in recognition of her many accomplishments and valuable contributions to the City of Fort Lauderdale and that the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale hereby publicly recognizes and acknowledges these achievements and contributions and does hereby express its heartfelt appreciation to Cecelia Ward.

Section 2. That a plaque honoring Cecelia Ward as Exemplary Former City Employee of the City of Fort Lauderdale for 2007 shall be placed in the lobby of the Fort Lauderdale City Hall.

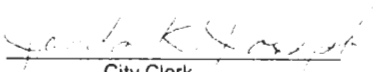
Section 3. That a parchment copy of this Resolution shall be furnished by the City Clerk to Cecelia Ward as a further token of the sincere gratitude and appreciation of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

ADOPTED this 17th day of April 2007.



Mayor
JIM NAUGLE

ATTEST:



City Clerk
JONDA K. JOSEPH

RESOLUTION NO. 07-59

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE,
FLORIDA, SELECTING AND HONORING ROBERT A. DRESSLER AS
DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN FOR 2007.

WHEREAS, Robert A. Dressler was born in 1945 in the City of Fort Lauderdale's Victoria Park neighborhood, is the son of Elisabeth Dressler, and the proud father of James Philip and Kathryn Stillwell Dressler; and

WHEREAS, Robert A. Dressler was educated in the public school system of Broward County, graduated from Fort Lauderdale High School in 1963, holds a Bachelor's degree from Dartmouth College and a Juns Doctorate from Harvard Law School; and

WHEREAS, Robert A. Dressler volunteered to serve the United States during the Vietnam War as a member of the Marine Corps from 1969 to 1972 attaining the rank of Captain; and

WHEREAS, upon his return to Fort Lauderdale in 1975, Robert A. Dressler began his distinguished law practice and helped organize the Victoria Park Civic Association; and

WHEREAS, Robert A. Dressler was elected Mayor of the City of Fort Lauderdale in March 1982 and, from his first days in office, emphasized the importance of long range planning, and

WHEREAS, his leadership and support was critical to the adoption of a Mission Statement in 1984 that outlined a vision for the City of Fort Lauderdale over the next 10 years with a goal to be the best city of our size by 1994; and

WHEREAS, that mission statement laid the groundwork for the passage of the 1986 "Shine On" Bond which provided funding for the renovation of Fort Lauderdale Beach, development of Riverwalk, and numerous other capital improvement projects that began to transform Fort Lauderdale from a Spring Break destination into the exciting, sophisticated and diversified City that we know today; and

WHEREAS, the 1984 dream of becoming the best big city of our size was realized in 1996 when Money Magazine named Fort Lauderdale the "Best Big City to Live in America"; and

WHEREAS, Robert A. Dressler was a champion of neighborhoods and, as Mayor, established the Neighborhood Master Plan program that provided neighborhood associations with an opportunity for input into the City planning process; and

WHEREAS, an advocate of equal opportunity, Robert A. Dressler established the Northwest Advisory Board to ensure that the City's African-American community had a stronger voice in City government; and

WHEREAS, following his tenure as Mayor of the City of Fort Lauderdale, the Governor of Florida appointed Robert A. Dressler to the Board of Regents of the State University System, where he was instrumental in expanding downtown Fort Lauderdale's higher educational facilities; and

WHEREAS, Robert A. Dressler continues to serve the City of Fort Lauderdale and the community-at-large through his work with Rotary Club of Fort Lauderdale, Leadership Florida, the Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce, the Marine Corps League and the Vietnam Veterans Association; and

WHEREAS, Robert A. Dressler has received numerous honors for his commitment to the community, to his profession and to education including the 1987 Irishman of the Year from the Emerald Society of Fort Lauderdale, the 1993 Man of the Year from Florida Atlantic University; Who's Who in America, and the Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers;

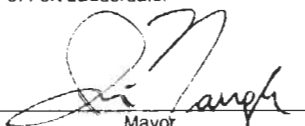
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE,
FLORIDA:

Section 1: That Robert A. Dressler is hereby selected and honored as Distinguished Citizen of the City of Fort Lauderdale for 2007 in recognition of his many accomplishments and valuable contributions to the City of Fort Lauderdale and that the City Commission of the City of Fort Lauderdale hereby publicly recognizes and acknowledges these achievements and contributions and does hereby express its heartfelt appreciation to Robert A. Dressler.

Section 2: That a bronze plaque honoring Robert A. Dressler as Distinguished Citizen of the City of Fort Lauderdale for 2007 shall be placed in the courtyard of the Fort Lauderdale City Hall.

Section 3: That a parchment copy of this Resolution shall be furnished by the City Clerk to Robert A. Dressler as a further token of the sincere gratitude and appreciation of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

ADOPTED this 17th day of April 2007.


Mayor
JIM NAUGLE

ATTEST:

City Clerk
JONDA K. JOSEPH

R-01
R-02
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R-04

MEMORANDUM NO. 07-091

DATE: April 2, 2007

TO: Mayor Jim Naugle
Vice-Mayor Cindi Hutchinson
Commissioner Charlotte Rodstrom
Commissioner Carlton B. Moore
Commissioner Christine Teel
Harry Stewart, City Attorney
Jonda Joseph, City Clerk

FROM: George Gretsas, City Manager *GG*

VIA: Ted Lawson, Director, Public Information Department *TL*

BY: Judy Johnson, Staff Liaison to the Citizens' Committee of Recognition *JJ*

SUBJECT: April 17, 2007 Special Commission Agenda – Resolution to Designate Honorees for Citizen Recognition Awards

Members of the Citizens' Committee of Recognition, consisting of all former Mayors of the City of Fort Lauderdale as well as one former honoree and the President of the Fort Lauderdale Council of Civic Associations, met on December 14, 2006 to select the 2007 Citizen of the Year, Honored Founder, Exemplary Former City Employee and Distinguished Citizen as listed below. At its Conference Meeting on January 4, 2007 the City Commission concurred with the selections made by the Citizens' Committee of Recognition (Exhibit 1).

Citizen of the Year	Frank Herhold
Honored Founder	Thomas E. Wells, Jr. and the late Preston "Dick" A. Wells, Jr.
Exemplary Former City Employee	Cecelia Ward, AICP
Distinguished Citizen	Robert A. Dressler

Approval of the resolutions for the above honorary designations as selected by the Citizens' Committee of Recognition is recommended.

COMMISSION AGENDA REPORT

COMMISSION MEETING DATE: 01-04-2007

AGENDA ITEM: I-A

COMMISSION REPORT NO: 07-0062

PREPARED BY:

DEPT: Public Information

DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR'S SIGNATURE

Judy Johnson, Administrative Assistant, 954-828-4741

AUTHOR'S NAME, TITLE, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER

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CITY MANAGER'S SIGNATURE

TITLE 1:

TITLE 2:

SUBJECT:

CITIZENS COMMITTEE OF RECOGNITION - 2007 RECOMMENDATIONS
E. BIRCH WILLEY, CHAIR

REQUESTED ACTION (STAFF RECOMMENDATION - CONTENT OF MOTION):

REGULAR AGENDA

CONFERENCE

- Motion
- Motion for Discussion
- Old/New Business
- City Commission Reports
- Public Hearing
- Ordinance
- Exec Closed Door
- City Manager Reports
- Resolution
- Presentation
- Conference Reports
- Purchase
- Citizen Presentation
- Advisory Boards
- Consent Resolution

Public Notice Advertised:

FUNDS APPROPRIATION/TRANSFER (provide index code, subobject, and title of subobject):

No Budgetary impact.

FOR PROCUREMENT ITEMS ONLY

PROCUREMENT REFERENCE NO: TRANSACTION TYPE:

BIDS SOLICITED/RECEIVED: WBE: LATE BID:

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Description of Exhibits:

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EXHIBITS: AVAILABLE VIA HARDCOPY: Exhibit #s:

PRIOR COMMISSION/BOARD ACTION: (attach additional file if necessary)

The Citizens' Board of Recognition met on December 14, 2006 to consider nominations for those citizens most deserving of recognition in 2007. Following discussion, the Board voted to recommend the following individuals for the awards indicated below. Descriptions of the nominees are attached as Exhibit 1. Minutes of the Board's meeting are also attached for your convenience as Exhibit 2.

Citizen of the Year - Frank Herhold
Distinguished Citizen - Robert Dressler
Honored Founder - Tom and Dick Wells
Exemplary Former City Employee - Cecelia Magro-Ward (formerly Cecelia Hollar)

Upon confirmation by the City Commission, the honorees will be notified of their selection. A City Commission meeting date will be scheduled for the formal presentation of the awards, pending the availability of the honorees and their families.

BACKGROUND/DETAIL:

Attorney's Initials:

Citizens' Committee of Recognition – Nomination Descriptions

Citizen of the Year – Frank Herhold

Mr. Herhold, Director of the Marine Industry Association of South Florida for sixteen years, is being recognized for his devotion and involvement in the City of Fort Lauderdale's marine industry and the community as a whole. Mr. Herhold oversees the success of the annual Boat Show, orchestrates and implements the annual waterways clean-up for the City and is active in over thirty community organizations, advisory boards and task forces. Mr. Herhold is vital to the economic growth of our largest employer in the county and continues to be committed to protecting and maintaining the City's reputation as the Venice of America and the Yachting Capitol of the World.

Distinguished Citizen of the Year – Robert Dressler

Mr. Dressler, former Mayor of the City of Fort Lauderdale from 1982 through 1986, is being recognized for his successful involvement in the positive development and revitalization of downtown Fort Lauderdale. He was instrumental in the identification and renovations to the beautiful City of Fort Lauderdale beach area, the innovative and unique Riverwalk that meanders through downtown, and the initiation of a program to allow neighborhood associations to initiate improvement projects throughout the City. Mayor Dressler was also very involved in founding the Victoria Park Civic Association, as well as working with other community members to implement and expand the Council of Fort Lauderdale Civic Association.

Honored Founder - Tom Wells and Dick Wells

Tom Wells and the late Dicks Wells are being recognized for their commitment as citizens in charting the course for future growth and harmony in the City of Fort Lauderdale. Their vision, dating back to the early 1930s, saw Las Olas Boulevard becoming a Boulevard known throughout the world for its luxury and quality. Their vision and foresight for the need to preserve the character of the area and their tireless promotion of the Las Olas area has been instrumental in providing the City of Fort Lauderdale with attractive, lively and enjoyable areas for the City's residents and visitors.

Exemplary Former City Employee – Cecelia Magro-Ward (formerly Cecelia Hollar)

Cecelia Magro-Ward is being recognized for her years of dedicated service to the City Commission and all the citizens of the City of Fort Lauderdale. Ms. Magro-Ward was instrumental in restructuring operations of the City's Planning, Zoning and Building Department, which provided significant positive changes to the Zoning Reform regulations of Fort Lauderdale's Unified Land Development Regulation, the City's Master Plan and the implementation of the Water Works 2011 project. Ms. Magro-Ward is well known for her expertise in planning, management and communication. Her passion to provide outstanding customer service and her unending professionalism has been an inspiration to all who have had the pleasure to work with her as staff and as an ambassador of the City.

*City of Fort Lauderdale – Citizens' Committee of Recognition
City Commission Conference Room
December 14, 2006 – 8:30 a.m.
Minutes*

Committee Members Present

Robert O. Cox
Robert Dressler
Eugenia Duncan Ellis
E. Clay Shaw, Jr.
E. Birch Willey, Chair

Also Present

Judy Johnson, Staff Liaison
Harry Stewart, City Attorney

Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 a.m. by Chair Willey. Chair Willey welcomed the Committee and commented that the Committee was delighted to have Congressman Shaw back with them in town.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Shaw/Cox. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2006 meeting, passing unanimously.

Citizen Recognition Awards

Chair Willey reviewed selection process with Committee members. The Committee agreed each category list would be narrowed down to 2 or 3 names by giving each Committee member the opportunity to speak on behalf of the proposed nominations. The Committee agreed that after the list was narrowed, they would vote one individual per category for recommendation to the City Commission for 2007 awards. The Committee determined that a precedent had been established at a prior meeting addressing the situation of a Committee member being included as a submitted nomination for a specific category. The procedure is that the Committee member is asked to leave the room during the discussion and vote for the proposed nomination for that specific category.

Distinguished Citizen

Committee member Robert Dressler was included in the nominations for Distinguished Citizen and was asked to follow the above procedure for nominated Committee members.

The remaining Committee members discussed the nominations submitted and unanimously selected Robert Dressler as the 2007 Distinguished Citizen recommendation to the City Commission.

The Committee agreed to carry forward the following names for consideration for next year's Distinguished Citizen: Patricia Falls DuMont and Patsy Mennuti. The Committee also agreed to reclassify the dual name nomination of Tom and Bill Maus to the Honored Founder category.

Committee member Robert Dressler was asked to return to the meeting.

Citizen of the Year

The Committee agreed that since this category had few nominations and the individuals in the category were familiar to the committee, they would leave the list as is and each Committee member would have one vote.

The Committee unanimously selected Frank Herhold as the 2007 Citizen of the Year recommendation to the City Commission.

The Committee agreed to carry forward Virginia “Ginny” Miller for consideration for next year’s Citizen of the Year.

Honored Founder

The Committee agreed that since this category had few nominations, they would leave the list as is and each Committee member would have one vote. The submissions for Honored Founder were discussed.

The Committee unanimously selected Tom and Dick Wells as the 2007 Honored Founder recommendation to the City Commission.

The Committee agreed to carry forward Art Kennedy, Art Stone and Tom and Bill Maus for consideration for next year’s Honored Founder.

Exemplary Former City Employee

The Committee agreed that since this category had few nominations they would leave the list as is and each Committee member would have one vote. City Attorney, Harry Stewart, was recognized by Chair Willey to speak on behalf of Cecelia Magro-Ward. At the conclusion of Harry Stewart’s comments, the Committee discussed the nominations for Exemplary Former City Employee.

The Committee unanimously selected Cecelia Magro-Ward as the 2007 Exemplary Former City Employee recommendation to the City Commission.

The Committee agreed to carry forward Ron Cochran for consideration for next year’s Exemplary Former City Employee.

The following names will be recommended to the City Commission for its approval. The Board selected all nominees unanimously.

Distinguished Citizen - Robert Dressler
Citizen of the Year – Frank Herhold
Honored Founder – Tom and Dick Wells
Exemplary Former City Employee – Cecelia Magro-Ward

Other Matters of Interest or Concern

Chair Birch Willey suggested the Committee review the Nomination form and decide how firm it should read with regards to background material. Chair Willey stated it should reflect less firm language regarding what the committee will not consider for Nominations.

MOTION: Cox. A motion was made stating the offer of any name for one of the candidates is encouraged to provide data but doesn't have to.

The motion was expanded to address the topics that were discussed 1) the use of a nomination form to submit nominations, 2) the continuation of a deadline date for the nominations, 3) the requirement of background material (last year's minutes reflecting the motion of nominations without background materials not being considered by Committee), 4) the Committee having the ability to offer nominations during the annual meeting and 5) the Committee having the ability to move individual nominations to another category.

During this discussion Commissioner Carlton Moore entered meeting room and thanked the Committee members for what they have done.

MOTION amended: Shaw/Ellis: to add that nothing herein (referenced in last year's motion as well) would preclude any of the members of the Committee from submitting or changing the categories of submitted nominations. Passed unanimously.

The Committee directed staff liaison to adjust the wording on the 2008 nomination form to reflect less firm language regarding the Committee accepting nomination without background materials. The Committee requested staff liaison to change language to: "it is recommended or suggested background material be submitted with nomination form".

Ellis requested the Chair allow her the opportunity to thank Judy Johnson, the staff liaison, for the well-organized book prepared containing the nominations, the background materials, last year's minutes and the Agenda. Ms. Ellis stated it was incredibly helpful. Committee members expressed their appreciation, agreement and thanks.

Chair Willey recognized Cox to share his thoughts on reconstitution of the Committee. Cox stated he would like the Committee to discuss the reformation of the Committee. He said he would like to see additional members, definable by title, on the Committee. Cox gave examples, such as the head of the Fort Lauderdale Historical Society, Chamber of Commerce and Downtown Development Authority. Cox pointed out that the Committee is down to 3 ex-Mayors, he being one who is getting up there in years and may not be available to serve much longer. He also stated additional input from other agencies may be beneficial during the selection process and will allow the Committee to have a perpetual existence. Ellis stated any recommendation to change the makeup of the Committee would require Commission approval. Discussion followed regarding advantages and disadvantages of the Citizens' Committee of Recognition being a broader civic organization.

MOTION: Ellis/Cox. Motion was made to request the City Commission look at how the Committee is formed for future use.
Motion Passed: 3 yeas, 2 nays

Selection of Chair

Chair Willey stated he has served for 2 consecutive terms and said a new Chair should be selected. The Chair received a nomination of Dressler from Shaw.

Discussion followed regarding the current Committee members serving as the Chair and it was determined that Ellis was the only Committee member who had not served in that role. The Chair received a nomination of Ellis from Dressler.

Shaw withdrew his nomination of Dressler. Withdrawal accepted by Chair.

Chair stated Committee would claim by acclamation Ellis as the new chair for the Citizens Committee of Recognition.

The Committee requested staff liaison, schedule the 11:30 a.m. Award Ceremony prior to one of the two 1:30 p.m. April Conference City Commission meeting dates depending on the availability of the recipients. It was determined past honorees, City Commission, and City Manager's office received invitations to the event.

The meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

CITIZEN RECOGNITION PROGRAM

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The City of Fort Lauderdale initiated the Citizen Recognition Program in 1972. The purpose of the program is to give public recognition to citizens who contributed in significant ways to the development of this community.

Honorees are selected by the Citizens' Board of Recognition, which consists of all former Mayors of Fort Lauderdale as well as one former honoree and the President of the Fort Lauderdale Council of Civic Associations. The Board's recommendations are forwarded to the City Commission for approval. Members of the Citizens' Board of recognition include:

Robert Dressler

Robert O. Cox

Congressman E. Clay Shaw, Jr.

Eugenia Ellis

E. Birch Willey, Chair

In 1983, the Citizens' Board of Recognition recommended that effective in 1984, the Citizen Recognition Program would be revised to include a Citizen of the Year and a Distinguished Citizen honoree. The program was again amended in 1989 to include an Honored Founder category effective in 1990. In 1997, the category of Exemplary Former City Employee was added.

Since the inception of the Citizen Recognition Program, 80 outstanding citizens have received such honors.

DISTINGUISHED CITIZEN

- ◆ The **Distinguished Citizen** award is given to that resident of the community who has contributed to the development of the community over a number of years (i.e., a pioneer).

Previous Honorees

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>
A. V. Moniger	1972
Annie Beck	1975
I. A. (Pop) Sterling	1976
H. D. (Pop) Leavitt	1977
William J. Eastman	1978
Susie C. Holly	1979
August Burghard	1979
Lewis Moore	1980
Byron Snyder	1981
N. B. Cheaney	1982
James Evert	1983
George W. English	1984
Virginia S. Young	1985
Evelyn F. Bartlett	1986
William Forrest (Buck) Dawson	1987
Lewis W. Parker	1988
John H. Monahan	1988
Gene A. Whiddon	1989
John H. Payne, III	1990
E. Clay Shaw, Jr.	1991
Evelyn Lewis	1992
Rev. Dr. O. S. Hawkins	1993
Robert O. Cox	1994
Jack Nelson	1995
Birch Willey	1996
Carl Mayhue	1997
Jan Charbonnet Crocker	1998
Kaye Pearson	1999
Ralph Marrinson	2000
Commissioner Jim Scott	2001
The Honorable W. Herbert Moriarty and The Honorable Estella Moriarty	2002
Samuel F. Morrison	2003
Robert Lochrie, Jr.	2004
Laura Ward	2005
Douglas P. Eagon	2006

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

- ◆ The **Citizen of the Year** award is for that person who, in the opinion of the Board and the City Commission, has made the greatest contribution to the community in the current year. The Citizen of the Year must be a resident of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Previous Honorees

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>
Joan Mikus	1984
Benjamin Williams	1985
Sandra S. Casteel	1986
Joyce E. Quinby	1987
Ina Lee	1988
Dr. Nathan Fragen	1989
Welcom H. Watson, Sr.	1990
Linda L. Gill	1991
Raymond F. Letts	1991
William Lindsey	1992
Michael S. Egan	1993
Tommy Mercer	1994
Tom Andrew	1995
Earl Lifshey	1996
Johnny Alexander	1997
H. Wayne Huizenga	1998
Terry Stiles	1999
Monsignor Vincent T. Kelly	2000
Bill Keith	2001
Tim Schiavone	2002
Ray Ferrero, Jr.	2003
William G. Crawford, Jr.	2004
Eugenia Duncan Ellis	2005
Alan Hooper	2006

HONORED FOUNDER

- ◆ The **Honored Founder** award is for a courageous citizen who prepared the way for future growth and harmony in Fort Lauderdale. This person may be deceased.

Previous Honorees

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>
Grace E. Vanderhorst Mizel	1990
Ivy (Julia) Cromartie Stranahan	1991
Floyd Hull	1992
Julian E. Ross, Sr.	1993
Philip Dressler	1994
J. H. Philpott	1994
Mary J. Wilson	1995
John V. Russell	1996
Edgar L. Patterson	1997
Barbara B. Payne	1998
Porter Reynolds	1999
William F. Bigoney	2000
George Gill	2001
Andrew DeGraffenreidt	2002
Richard A. Mills, Jr.	2003
W. George Allen	2004
Marjorie Ann Davis	2005
Robert "Bob"Elmore	2006

EXEMPLARY FORMER CITY EMPLOYEE

- ◆ The **Exemplary Former City Employee** category was initiated in 1997. The award recognizes a former City employee who has served the citizens of Fort Lauderdale for a significant number of years and whose service has made a significant impact on the development and quality of life for the community. This person may be retired, deceased or separated from the City.

Previous Honorees

<u>Name</u>	<u>Year</u>
Robert H. Bubier	1997
Connie Hoffmann	1998
James O. Hill	1999
George L. Hanbury	2000
Tom Tapp	2001
Charles H. Ritchie	2002
Dennis E. Lyles	2003
Lucy Kisela	2004
Hector Castro	2005
Scott A. Russell	2006

In 1999, a one-time special award for Distinguished Service was given posthumously to Ron Cochran.

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PRESENTATIONS

COMMISSIONER ^{TEEC} will present 2007 Citizen of the Year resolution to Frank Herhold.

COMMISSIONER ^{RADSTON} will present 2007 Honored Founder resolution to Thomas E. Wells and the late Preston "Dick" A. Wells, Jr.

COMMISSIONER ^{MOORE} will present 2007 Exemplary former City Employee resolution to Cecilia Ward, AICP.

COMMISSIONER ^{HUTCHINSON} will present 2007 Distinguished Citizen resolution to Robert A. Dressler.