



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

**MEETING MINUTES
CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
NUISANCE ABATEMENT BOARD
FIRE STATION #2, 528 NW 2ND STREET
FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA
THURSDAY, JANUARY 8, 2026, 7:00 P.M.**

Cumulative

Committee Members	January-December 2026		
	Attendance	Present	Absent
Joel Slotnick, Chair	P	1	0
Glen Lindsay, Vice Chair	P	1	0
Marc Dickerman	P	1	0
Avigdor Pemper	P	1	0

Staff Present

Detective Carlton Smith
Joyce Hair, Board Clerk
K. Cruitt, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

Communication to the City Commission

None.

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Purpose: Promote, protect, and improve the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens by imposing administrative fines and other non-criminal penalties in order to provide an equitable, expeditious, effective, and inexpensive method of enforcing ordinances under circumstances when a pending or repeated violation continues to exist.

1. Call meeting to order; Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Slotnick called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Roll call; witnesses sign log; swearing in

Roll was called and it was noted a quorum was present.

All individuals planning to speak at tonight's meeting were sworn in at this time.

3. Approval of Minutes for December 11, 2025

Motion made by Mr. Dickerman, seconded by Mr. Pemper, to accept the minutes. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

Cases

4. Case Number 25-01-02

831 NW 6th Street

Four Corners

- **Status Hearing**

Detective Smith reported that there were five calls for service since the previous meeting. The City's Homeless Outreach Team responded to three of these calls. The other two calls were for trespassing and a disturbance on the property. The property remains in compliance.

Detective Smith advised that there have been times that cars and individuals were on the property when the business was closed. Trespass warnings have been issued. A possible solution will be placing a chain on the property to discourage cars from pulling into the parking lot.

5. Case Number 25-05-02

427 W. Sunrise Blvd.

Shop and Save

- **Status Hearing**

Detective Smith stated that there have been no calls for service since the last meeting, and the property is clean and in compliance.

6. Case Number 25-09-03

2935 N. Federal Hwy

America's Best Motel

- **Status Hearing**

Detective Smith stated that there were 19 calls for service over the past 30 days, nine of which were business-initiated. The business has maintained a log of these calls, as

requested. Additional calls involved trespassing and a burglary. He remains in regular contact with the property owner. The property is in compliance.

7. Case Number 20-09-02
3031 W Commercial Blvd.
Hometown Studios

- **Status Hearing**

Detective Smith reported that there have been 18 calls for service over the past 30 days, at least eight of which were made by the business. There is a Police detail deployed at the location from Wednesdays through Saturdays.

Business owner Robert Powell emphasized that problems at this location are related to people rather than conditions, adding that the property is in the process of being sold.

Mr. Powell continued that he has worked to bring the property into compliance quickly, and requested that the property be removed from the jurisdiction of the Nuisance Abatement Board (NAB). Chair Slotnick explained that this cannot be done before the property's scheduled release date, which is September 4, 2026. NAB jurisdiction lasts for one year. It was noted that the Board had agreed at the December meeting to address fines for the subject property.

Motion made by Vice Chair Lindsay, seconded by Mr. Dickerman, to open discussion regarding fines to be imposed in this matter. [The **motion** was not voted upon.]

Vice Chair Lindsay observed that the total fines for the property are \$2,075.62, which constitutes 50% of investigative costs. It was further clarified that if the property is sold, it will remain under NAB jurisdiction. Mr. Powell advised that if the property changes hands, he will bring the new owner or their representative to a NAB meeting.

Motion made by Vice Chair Lindsay, seconded by Mr. Pemper, to impose a fine of \$2,075.62 on the property as a full and final fine amount in connection with the Nuisance Abatement, pending additional compliance while under the jurisdiction of the Board. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed 3-1 (Mr. Dickerman dissenting).

8. Board Discussion

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Any written public comments made 48 hours prior to the meeting regarding items discussed during the proceedings have been attached hereto.