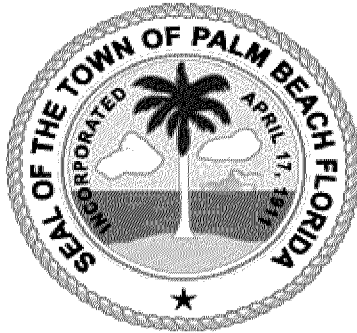




TOWN OF PALM BEACH

SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN HALL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS - SECOND FLOOR
360 SOUTH COUNTY ROAD

AGENDA

DECEMBER 6, 2024

9:30 AM

Election

Welcome

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Danielle H. Moore, Mayor
Bobbie D. Lindsay, President
Lew Crampton, President Pro Tem
Julie Araskog
Ted Cooney
Bridget Moran

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITIZENS - 3 MINUTE LIMIT

A. RESOLUTIONS

1. RESOLUTON NO. 181-2024: A Resolution Of The Town Council

Of The Town Of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida,
Declaring The Results Of The Town Caucus; Naming Therein The
Candidates Nominated And Named In This Resolution; Declaring
That A Municipal Election Shall Not Be Held

V. PROCLAMATION

- B.** Mayor's Proclamation to the Qualified Electors of the Town of Palm Beach Regarding the Town Election of March 11, 2025.

Kelly Churney, Acting Town Clerk

VI. ANY OTHER MATTERS

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Procedures for Public Participation:

Note 1: **Live Stream audio:** To watch/listen live, visit the 'Public Meetings' webpage on the Town's website at www.townofpalmbeach.com. and select the "View Event" or "Click Here to Listen" button.

Note 2: Any citizen is entitled to be heard concerning any matter under the sections entitled 'Communications from Citizens' and 'Public Hearings', subject to the three-minute limitation. The public also can speak to any item listed on the agenda, including the consent agenda, at the time the agenda item comes up for discussion. Citizens desiring to address the Town Council should proceed toward the public microphones when the applicable agenda item is being considered to enable the Town Council President to acknowledge you. In-person or virtual Public Comment is limited to three minutes and must be preceded by your name and address for the record. As a public business meeting, the Town Council President retains the right to limit discussion on any issue.

Alternative public comment is also welcome for Town Council Meetings via four methods:

1. To make a public comment virtually (for Town Council Meetings Only), email a request to publiccomment@townofpalmbeach.com and identify the desired agenda item(s) to be addressed
2. Written public comment submittals should be sent to publiccomment@townofpalmbeach.com.
3. Direct written entry into the public meeting record through the eComment portal on the Public Meetings webpage.
4. Mail or in-person submittal of written document to the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall no later than the Friday prior to the meeting.

Note 3: **Appeals:** If a person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, they will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made for such purposes, which shall include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Note 4: Disabled persons needing accommodations to participate in this meeting are requested to call the Clerk's Office at (561) 838-5416 at least one day prior to the meeting.

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Special Town Council on: December 6, 2024

Section of Agenda

Resolutions

Agenda Title

RESOLUTON NO. 181-2024: A Resolution Of The Town Council Of The Town Of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida, Declaring The Results Of The Town Caucus; Naming Therein The Candidates Nominated And Named In This Resolution; Declaring That A Municipal Election Shall Not Be Held

Presenter

ATTACHMENTS:

- ▣ **Memorandum Dated December 4, 2024, from Kelly Churney, Acting Town Clerk**
- ▣ **Resolution No. 181-2024**
- ▣ **Draft Minutes of the Town Caucus held on Tuesday, December 3, 2024**

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Information for Special Town Council Meeting on: December 6, 2024

To: Mayor and Town Council

Via: Kirk Blouin, Town Manager

From: Kelly Churney, Acting Town Clerk

Re: Certification of December 3, 2024, Nominations and a Resolution Calling for No Election - **Resolution No. 181-2024**

Date: December 4, 2024

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Town Council approve Resolution No. 181-2024, declaring the results of the December 3, 2024, Town of Palm Beach Caucus and announcing that there is no need for an election on March 11, 2025.

GENERAL INFORMATION

On December 3, 2024, the Town of Palm Beach held its 113th Town Caucus to nominate candidates for the offices of Town of Palm Beach Mayor and Town Council Member Groups 1 and 2. With only one nomination for Mayor, candidate Danielle H. Moore was declared unopposed and to be elected to the office of Town of Palm Beach Mayor, effective as of the general election date, March 11, 2025. With only one nomination for Council Member Group 1, candidate Julie Araskog was declared unopposed and to be elected to the office of Town Council Member Group 1, effective as of the general election date, March 11, 2025. With only one nomination for Council Member Group 2, candidate Edward "Ted" A. Cooney was declared unopposed and to be elected to the office of Town Council Member Group 2, effective as of the general election date, March 11, 2025. Their nominations are shown in the attached certified copy of the minutes of the caucus.

TOWN ATTORNEY REVIEW

The Town Attorney has reviewed and approved this item for legal form.

Attachments

cc: Carolyn Stone, Deputy Town Manager, Business Enterprise and Culture
Robert Miracle, Deputy Town Manager, Finance and Administration
Joanne O'Connor, Town Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 181-2024

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE TOWN CAUCUS; NAMING THEREIN THE CANDIDATES NOMINATED AND NAMED IN THIS RESOLUTION; DECLARING THAT A MUNICIPAL ELECTION SHALL NOT BE HELD

WHEREAS, at a regular and duly called caucus of the Town of Palm Beach, Florida, held on December 3, 2024, the following persons were duly nominated by the voters of the Town of Palm Beach for the offices of Mayor and Town Council persons of said Town of Palm Beach, Florida, with their terms of office to be for two-year periods, terms ending upon the first regular meeting of the Town Council following the date of the schedule Town Election in March 2027.

MAYOR: DANIELLE H. MOORE

GROUP ONE: JULIE ARASKOG

GROUP TWO: EDWARD “TED” A. COONEY

Their nominations, as shown in the certified copy of the minutes of the said caucus and included in this resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Acting Town Clerk has performed the necessary examination and certification required by the Town Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, no other candidates were nominated for the seats listed above; and

WHEREAS, based on the above, there shall be no need for the municipal election, otherwise scheduled to have occurred on March 11, 2025.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE: It is hereby declared that the following candidates have been nominated and qualified for election to the seats of Mayor and Town Council persons, each for a two-year period.

MAYOR: DANIELLE H. MOORE

GROUP ONE: JULIE ARASKOG

GROUP TWO: EDWARD "TED" A. COONEY

SECTION TWO: Since no other candidates qualify for the seats referenced above, it is hereby declared that a municipal election otherwise scheduled for March 11, 2025, is unnecessary.

SECTION THREE: It is hereby declared that the following candidates, having no opposition for election, are hereby declared to be elected to the respective Mayor and Town Council seats listed below:

MAYOR: DANIELLE H. MOORE

GROUP ONE: JULIE ARASKOG

GROUP TWO: EDWARD "TED" A. COONEY

SECTION FOUR: The terms of the office of the elected officials referenced shall begin and shall run from the first regular meeting of the Town Council following the date of the scheduled Town election on March 11, 2025.

PASSED AND ADOPTED in a regular, adjourned session of the Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach assembled this 6th day of December 2024.

Danielle H. Moore, Mayor

Bobbie D. Lindsay, Town Council President

Lewis S.W. Crampton, Council President Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Julie Araskog, Town Council Member

Edward A. Cooney, Town Council Member

Kelly Churney, Acting Town Clerk

Bridget Moran, Town Council Member



TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Minutes of the Town of Palm Beach

Town Caucus

Held on December 3, 2024

A CAUCUS OF THE VOTERS OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH HELD IN THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH, FLORIDA, AT 3:30 P.M. ON DECEMBER 3, 2024, FOR NOMINATING CANDIDATES FOR MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL SEATS, GROUPS ONE AND TWO.

The 113th Annual Town Caucus was held in Town Hall Chambers at the above-named time according to the call and notice, which was published in the Palm Beach Post, a newspaper in Palm Beach County, Florida, and El Latino Semanal News, a Spanish-language newspaper in Palm Beach County, Florida, on November 18, 2024, November 25, 2024, and December 2, 2024.

I. **CALL TO ORDER – MAYOR DANIELLE H. MOORE**

Mayor Danielle H. Moore called the Caucus to order.

II. **ELECTION OF CAUCUS OFFICERS**

Mayor Moore advised that the first order of business of this 113th Caucus was to elect Caucus Officers, consisting of a Caucus Chairperson and a Caucus Secretary. She stated that according to the Town Charter and Town Code, only qualified voters may participate in the Town Caucus and that each nominator must state his or her name and street address.

A. **Caucus Chairperson**

On motion of Carla Termini Cove, 2860 S. Ocean Blvd., #305, Palm Beach, FL 33480, nominated Nicki McDonald of 234 Merrain Road, Palm Beach, FL 33480, for the 113th Town of Palm Beach Caucus as Chairperson.

Mayor Moore called for further nominations. There were none.

Ms. McDonald was elected unanimously by acclamation.

Ms. McDonald assumed the office of Chairperson and called for nominations for a Caucus Secretary. Chair McDonald reminded everyone that according to the Town Charter and Code, only qualified voters of the Town are permitted to participate in this 113th Caucus. Each nominator must state his or her name and address.

B. Caucus Secretary

On motion of Carla Termini Cove, 2860 S. Ocean Blvd., #305, Palm Beach, FL 33480, nominated Lawrence Kaplan, 2299 Ibis Isle Road, Palm Beach, FL 33480, for Caucus Secretary.

Chair McDonald called for further nominations, but there were none.

Mr. Kaplan was elected unanimously by acclamation.

III. NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR

Chair McDonald called for nominations for Mayor, the seat currently held by Danielle H. Moore. Chair McDonald stated that each nominator must state their name, street address, and the name and address of the person nominated.

Margaret A. Zeidman, 229 Barton Avenue, Palm Beach, FL 33480, nominated Danielle H. Moore, 277 Pendleton Avenue, Palm Beach, 33480, as the candidate for Mayor.

The nomination was seconded by Alfred “Skip” Pollock Aldridge, III, 2295 S. Ocean Blvd, #701, Palm Beach, FL 33480, and Carla Termini Cove, 2860 S. Ocean Blvd., #305, Palm Beach, FL 33480.

Chair McDonald called for further nominations. There were none.

After a motion to close nominations was made, seconded, and unanimously passed, Chair McDonald declared that nominations for Mayor were closed.

Chair McDonald then declared Danielle H. Moore duly nominated at the 113th Town Caucus to be the candidate for Mayor and requested that the candidate state her name and address and that she is a registered voter in the Town of Palm Beach.

Danielle H. Moore was recognized. She stated that her address is 277 Pendleton Avenue, Palm Beach, FL 33480, and she is a registered voter in the Town of Palm Beach.

IV. NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF TOWN COUNCIL MEMBER – GROUP ONE

Chair McDonald called for Town Council Member – Group One nominations, the seat currently held by Julie Araskog. Chair McDonald stated that each nominator must state their name, street address, and the name and address of the person nominated.

Michael Small, 156 East Inlet Drive, Palm Beach, FL 33480, nominated Julie Araskog, 1490 Via Manana, Palm Beach, 33480, as a Town Council Member – Group One candidate.

The nomination was seconded by Denise A. Hanley, 417 Seabreeze Avenue, Palm Beach, FL 33480, and Gail Ellen Howe, 2295 S. Ocean Blvd., PH 20, Palm Beach, FL 33480.

Chair McDonald called for further nominations. There were none.

After a motion to close nominations was made, seconded, and unanimously passed, Chair McDonald declared that nominations for the Town Council - Group One candidate were closed.

Chair McDonald then declared Julie Araskog duly nominated at the 113th Town Caucus to be a candidate for the Office of Town Council Member - Group One and requested that the candidate state her name and address and that she is a registered voter in the Town of Palm Beach.

Julie Araskog was recognized. She stated that her address is 1490 Via Manana, Palm Beach, FL 33480 and she was a registered voter in the Town of Palm Beach.

V. NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF TOWN COUNCIL MEMBER – GROUP TWO

Chair McDonald called for Town Council Member – Group Two nominations, the seat currently held by Edward “Ted” A. Cooney. Chair McDonald stated that each nominator must state their name, street address, and the name and address of the person nominated.

John Franklin Cooney, Jr., 140 Seagate Road, Palm Beach, FL 33480, nominated Edward “Ted” Cooney, 251 Royal Poinciana Way, Palm Beach, 33480, as a Town Council Member – Group Two candidate.

The nomination was seconded by Brittain Damgard, 117 Wells Road, Palm Beach, FL 33480, and William Gilbane, III, 675 North Lake Way, Palm Beach, FL 33480.

Chair McDonald called for further nominations. There were none.

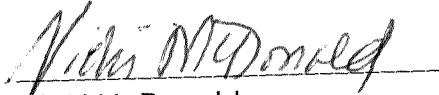
After a motion to close nominations was made, seconded, and unanimously passed, Chair McDonald declared that nominations for the Town Council - Group Two candidate were closed.

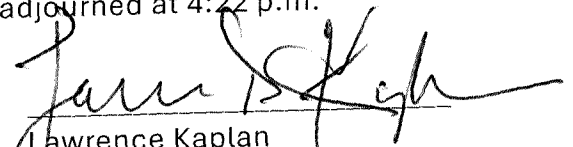
Chair McDonald then declared Edward “Ted” Cooney duly nominated at the 113th Town Caucus to be a candidate for the Office of Town Council Member – Group Two and requested that the candidate state his name and address and that he is a registered voter in the Town of Palm Beach.

Edward “Ted” Cooney was recognized. He stated that his address is 251 Royal Poinciana Way, Palm Beach, FL 33480, and he was a registered voter in the Town of Palm Beach.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

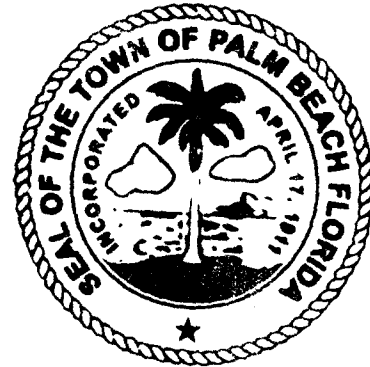
There being no further business to come before the Caucus, upon motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the Caucus adjourned at 4:22 p.m.


Nicki McDonald
Caucus Chairperson


Lawrence Kaplan
Caucus Secretary

ATTEST:


Kelly Churney, Acting Town Clerk
Date: December 5, 2024



CLERK'S CERTIFICATE

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF PALM BEACH } ss:
TOWN OF PALM BEACH }

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I am the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the Town of Palm Beach, Florida; that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of a Document the original of which is on file in the Office of the Town Clerk of the Town of Palm Beach, Florida.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said Town, this 5th day of December, A.D. 2024

TOWN SEAL


TOWN CLERK - Signature
Kelly Churney
TOWN CLERK - Print

TOWN OF PALM BEACH

Special Town Council on: December 6, 2024

Section of Agenda PROCLAMATION

Agenda Title
Mayor's Proclamation to the Qualified Electors of the Town of Palm Beach
Regarding the Town Election of March 11, 2025.

Presenter
Kelly Churney, Acting Town Clerk

ATTACHMENTS:

- ▣ **Mayor's Proclamation**

**MAYOR’S PROCLAMATION TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS
OF THE TOWN OF PALM BEACH, FLORIDA**

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Charter of the Town of Palm Beach, Florida, and the General Laws pertaining thereto, no election will be held in the Town of Palm Beach, Florida, on the 11th day of March 2025, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and two Town Council persons, for two year periods; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Palm Beach, Florida, on December 6, 2024, at a special adjourned session assembled, duly adopted a resolution calling for no election on said date, and directing the Mayor of the Town to issue her proclamation thereof, and

WHEREAS, it is hereby declared that the following candidates have been nominated and qualified for election to the seats without opposition for Mayor – Danielle H. Moore, Town Council Person in Group 1- Julie Araskog, and Group 2 – Edward “Ted” A. Cooney.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Danielle H. Moore, Mayor of the Town of Palm Beach, Florida, hereby give notice and make a proclamation that there will not be an election on the 11th day of March 2025 for electing a Mayor and two Town Council Persons, for two-year periods.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of said Town on this 6th day of December 2024.

Danielle H. Moore, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kelly Churney, Acting Town Clerk

PUBLISH: December 11, 2024 (Palm Beach Post)
 December 13, 2024 (el Latino Semanal)