

In The News Reading #4: State audit slams Hollywood's financial practices

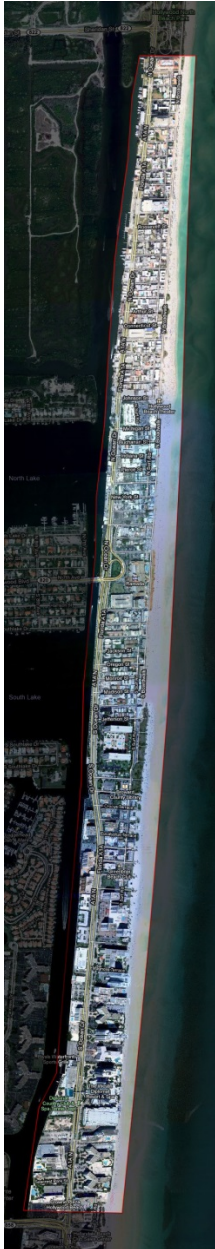
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Hollywood Beach CRA Downtown Hollywood CRA



Another Florida City is facing corrupt charges on its financial budgeting of funds. The City of Hollywood was cited by the state for inappropriate funding and management of its budgets and will be audited. This comes after the city declared a financial urgency laying off employees and reducing salaries from 7.5 to 12.5 percent.

Inappropriate and misuse stems from the management of its 750 vehicle fleet. It also questions the use of 2.8 million incentives to the developer of the Hollywood Station. Also noted are how funds from the CRA were used for tourism and extra police officers.

Comment:

It really sickens me at the abuse of city fund mismanagement – where are the ethics? I think all city employees should sign a code of ethics and be seriously held accountable.