

City Commission
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The City of Aventura



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JUNE 4, 2013 6 PM

Government Center
19200 West Country Club Drive
Aventura, Florida 33180

1. **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **AGENDA:** Request for Deletions/Emergency Additions
4. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:** U.S. Coast Guard to Police Dept.
5. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Matters included under the Consent Agenda are self-explanatory and are not expected to require discussion or review. Items will be enacted by one motion. If discussion is desired by any member of the Commission, that item must be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.
 - A. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
May 7, 2013 Commission Meeting
May 16, 2013 Workshop Meeting
 - B. **MOTION TO RATIFY THE CITY MANAGER'S REAPPOINTMENT OF RAQUEL ROTHMAN, ESQ. AND BARBARA BUXTON, ESQ. AS SPECIAL MASTERS FOR THE CITY OF AVENTURA CODE ENFORCEMENT PROCESS.**
 - C. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE COMMUNITY-WIDE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JOINT ROUNDTABLE ON YOUTH SAFETY; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE AIMS OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**
 - D. **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA JOINING THE BISCAIYNE BAY COALITION IN SUPPORT OF ITS PROTECTION FOR THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY RESIDENTS AND THE IMPROVEMENT OF OUR TOURISM**

ECONOMY; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE AIMS OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

E. MOTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF UP TO \$28,000 FOR A K-9 DOG, EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING FROM THE POLICE FORFEITURE FUNDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CITY MANAGER'S MEMORANDUM.

F. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA AWARDED AND LETTING A BID/CONTRACT FOR BID NO. 13-05-01-2, CUSTODIAL SERVICES FOR CITY FACILITIES TO IMAGES JANITORIAL SERVICES, INC. AND KELLY JANITORIAL SYSTEMS, INC. AT THE BID PRICES AS CONTAINED IN EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ASSOCIATED CONTRACTS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE NECESSARY AND EXPEDIENT ACTION TO CARRY OUT THE AIMS OF THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION AND ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR SAID BID AWARD; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

G. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA DECLARING CERTAIN PROPERTY LISTED UNDER THE ASSETS OF THE CITY AS SURPLUS TO THE NEEDS OF THE CITY; DESCRIBING THE MANNER OF DISPOSAL; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE AIMS OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

- 6. ZONING HEARINGS: QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARINGS** — Please be advised that the following items on the Commission's agenda are quasi-judicial in nature. If you wish to object or comment upon any of these items, please inform the Mayor when she requests public comments. An opportunity for persons to speak on each item will be made available after the applicant and staff have made their presentations on each item. All testimony, including public testimony and evidence, will be made under oath or affirmation. Additionally, each person who gives testimony may be subject to cross-examination. If you refuse either to be cross-examined or to be sworn, your testimony will be given its due weight. The general public will not be permitted to cross-examine witnesses, but the public may request the Commission to ask questions of staff or witnesses on their behalf. Persons representing organizations must present evidence of their authority to speak for the organization. Further details of the quasi-judicial procedures may be obtained from the Clerk.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA GRANTING CONDITIONAL USE APPROVAL TO PERMIT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SYNAGOGUE IN THE HEAVY BUSINESS (B3) DISTRICT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 18999 BISCAVNE BOULEVARD, CITY OF AVENTURA; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

7. ORDINANCES: FIRST READING--PUBLIC INPUT:

- A. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF AVENTURA CODE OF ORDINANCES, BY AMENDING SECTION 2-348 "CIVIL PENALTIES" OF ARTICLE V "CODE ENFORCEMENT" OF CHAPTER 2 "ADMINISTRATION", AND BY AMENDING ARTICLE III "DANGEROUS INTERSECTION SAFETY" OF CHAPTER 48 "VEHICLES, USE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY, PARKING AND OTHER REGULATIONS", TO ENSURE CONSISTENCY WITH SECTION 316.0083, "THE MARK WANDALL TRAFFIC SAFETY ACT", AS AMENDED BY THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE THROUGH THE ENACTMENT OF CS/CS/ HOUSE BILL 7125 DURING THE 2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR CLERK DESIGNATED; PROVIDING FOR SAVINGS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

- B. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA BY REVISING DIVISION 2, "FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION", OF ARTICLE IV., "FLOODS", OF CHAPTER 30 "ENVIRONMENT" OF THE CITY CODE; ADDING LANGUAGE REGARDING THE INTENT AND PURPOSE; ADDING DEFINITIONS; ADDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; ADDING ADMINISTRATION PROVISIONS AND DELETING PROVISIONS FOR FLOOD HAZARD REDUCTION IN V ZONES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

8. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING – PUBLIC HEARING: None

9. RESOLUTIONS – PUBLIC HEARING: None.

10. REPORTS

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS

12. OTHER BUSINESS: None.

13. ADJOURNMENT

FUTURE MEETINGS

COMMISSION MEETING	JUNE 19, 2013	9 AM	EXEC. CONFERENCE ROOM
COMMISSION WORKSHOP	JUNE 19, 2013	following 9 AM mtg	EXEC. CONFERENCE ROOM
COMMISSION MEETING	JULY 9, 2013	6 PM	COMMISSION CHAMBER

This meeting is open to the public. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, all persons who are disabled and who need special accommodations to participate in this meeting because of that disability should contact the Office of the City Clerk, 305-466-8901, not later than two days prior to such proceeding. One or more members of the City of Aventura Advisory Boards may be in attendance and may participate at the meeting. Anyone wishing to appeal any decision made by the Aventura City Commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Agenda items may be viewed at the Office of the City Clerk, City of Aventura Government Center, 19200 W. Country Club Drive, Aventura, Florida, 33180. Anyone wishing to obtain a copy of any agenda item should contact the City Clerk at 305-466-8901.



**MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MAY 7, 2013 6 PM**

Aventura Government Center
19200 W. Country Club Drive
Aventura, Florida 33180

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Susan Gottlieb at 6 p.m. Present were Commissioners Enbar Cohen, Teri Holzberg, Billy Joel, Howard Weinberg, Vice Mayor Michael Stern, Mayor Susan Gottlieb, City Manager Eric M. Soroka, City Clerk Teresa M. Soroka and City Attorney David Wolpin. Commissioner Luz Weinberg was absent. As a quorum was determined to be present, the meeting commenced.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Samantha Morris and Kiana Rouchon.

3. AGENDA: REQUESTS FOR DELETIONS/EMERGENCY ADDITIONS: None.

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS: Certificate of Appreciation for fifteen years of service to the City was presented by Mr. Soroka to Police Officer Anthony Angulo.

5. CONSENT AGENDA: A motion to approve the Consent Agenda was offered by Commissioner Joel, seconded by Commissioner Howard Weinberg, passed unanimously and the following action was taken:

A. The following minutes were approved:

April 2, 2013 Commission Meeting
April 18, 2013 Special Meeting

B. Resolution No. 2013-18 was adopted as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA AWARDING AND LETTING A BID/CONTRACT FOR BID NO. 13-04-05-02, BISCAYNE BOULEVARD STREET LIGHTING PHASE III, TO HORSEPOWER ELECTRIC AT THE BID PRICE OF \$489,489; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ASSOCIATED CONTRACTS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE NECESSARY AND EXPEDIENT ACTION TO CARRY OUT THE AIMS OF THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION AND ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR SAID BID AWARD; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

C. Resolution No. 2013-19 was adopted as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA DECLARING CERTAIN PROPERTY LISTED

UNDER THE ASSETS OF THE CITY AS SURPLUS TO THE NEEDS OF THE CITY; DESCRIBING THE MANNER OF DISPOSAL; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE AIMS OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

D. Resolution No. 2013-20 was adopted as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AND OTHERWISE ENTER INTO THE ATTACHED AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT DATED FEBRUARY 8, 2008 BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF AVENTURA AND AMERICAN TRAFFIC SOLUTIONS, INC.; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE AIMS OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

E. Resolution No. 2013-21 was adopted as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA AWARDED AND LETTING A BID/CONTRACT FOR BID NO. 13-04-22-02, COUNTRY CLUB DRIVE MILLING AND RESURFACING INSIDE HALF OF RIGHT-OF-WAY, TO GENERAL ASPHALT COMPANY, INC. AT THE BID PRICE OF \$598,344; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ASSOCIATED CONTRACTS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE NECESSARY AND EXPEDIENT ACTION TO CARRY OUT THE AIMS OF THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION AND ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR SAID BID AWARD; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

F. The following motion was approved:

MOTION TO APPROVE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000 FROM THE CITY'S GENERAL FUND FOR THE 2013 ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD TO THE ELIGIBLE DR. MICHAEL KROP SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH RESOLUTION 2012-12

6. ZONING HEARINGS: QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARINGS — Please be advised that the following items on the Commission's agenda are quasi-judicial in nature. If you wish to object or comment upon any of these items, please inform the Mayor when she requests public comments. An opportunity for persons to speak on each item will be made available after the applicant and staff have made their presentations on each item. All testimony, including public testimony and evidence, will be made under oath or affirmation. Additionally, each person who gives testimony may be subject to cross-examination. If you refuse either to be cross-examined or to be sworn, your testimony will be given its due weight. The

general public will not be permitted to cross-examine witnesses, but the public may request the Commission to ask questions of staff or witnesses on their behalf. Persons representing organizations must present evidence of their authority to speak for the organization. Further details of the quasi-judicial procedures may be obtained from the Clerk.

Mr. Wolpin read the following resolution by title:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA GRANTING CONDITIONAL USE APPROVAL TO ALLOW AN ABOVE GROUND EMERGENCY FUEL STORAGE TANK TO SERVICE AN EMERGENCY GENERATOR FOR THE AT&T ROOFTOP CELLULAR EQUIPMENT AT 2999 NE 191 STREET, CITY OF AVENTURA, IN THE TC1 (TOWN CENTER) DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Community Development Director Joanne Carr addressed the Commission and entered the staff report into the record. A motion for approval was offered by Commissioner Howard Weinberg and seconded by Commissioner Cohen. Mayor Gottlieb opened the public hearing. The following individual addressed the Commission: Brian Kravinsky, representing AT&T. There being no further speakers, the public hearing was closed. The resolution passed unanimously by roll call vote and **Resolution No. 2013-22** was adopted.

7. ORDINANCES: FIRST READING/PUBLIC HEARING: None.

8. ORDINANCES: SECOND READING/PUBLIC HEARING: Mr. Wolpin read the following ordinance by title:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE ATTACHED CHARTER SCHOOL OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE AVENTURA CITY OF EXCELLENCE SCHOOL FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013/14 (JULY 1 – JUNE 30), PURSUANT TO SECTION 4.05 OF THE CITY CHARTER; AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS ESTABLISHED BY THE BUDGET; PROVIDING FOR BUDGETARY CONTROL; PROVIDING FOR PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATION; PROVIDING FOR GIFTS AND GRANTS; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR ENCUMBRANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion for approval was offered by Vice Mayor Stern and seconded by Commissioner Joel. Mayor Gottlieb opened the public hearing. There being no speakers, the public hearing was closed. The motion for approval passed unanimously by roll call vote and **Ordinance No. 2013-05** was enacted.

9. RESOLUTIONS – PUBLIC HEARING: None.

10. REPORTS: As presented.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

12. OTHER BUSINESS: None.

13. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Commission at this time, after motion made, seconded and unanimously passed, the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Teresa M. Soroka, MMC, City Clerk

Approved by the Commission on _____.

Anyone wishing to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at a meeting or hearing will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.



MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION
WORKSHOP MEETING
MAY 16, 2013 9am

Aventura Government Center
19200 W. Country Club Drive
Aventura, Florida 33180

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. by Mayor Susan Gottlieb. Present were Commissioners Enbar Cohen, Teri Holzberg, Billy Joel, Howard Weinberg, Luz Urbaz Weinberg, Vice Mayor Michael Stern, Mayor Gottlieb, City Manager Eric M. Soroka, City Clerk M. Teresa Soroka and City Attorney David M. Wolpin. As a quorum was determined to be present, the meeting commenced.

- TOWN CENTER NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT TC3:** Mr. Soroka and Community Services Director Joanne Carr discussed a proposed amendment to the Land Development Regulations to add Town Center Neighborhood (TC3) District, as requested by the owner of the property on NE 207 St/NE 30 Avenue. Jeff Bercow, Esq., Mickey Marrero, Esq. and Steve Sorensen, representing the owner, addressed the Commission
CITY MANAGER SUMMARY: Consensus to proceed with amendment as presented. First reading to be at the July Commission meeting.
- COMMUNITY GARDEN PROPOSAL:** (City Manager) Mr. Soroka proposed having a community garden at Founders Park South where residents could purchase a planting bed and plant and maintain it.
CITY MANAGER SUMMARY: Consensus to approve. Implementation of the project to be a responsibility of the Community Services Advisory Board.
- SCHOOL UPDATE:** (Mayor and City Manager) Mayor Gottlieb and Mr. Soroka reported on a meeting with Mark Rosenberg, President of FIU and Miami-Dade County Schools Superintendent Alberto Carvalho in which they are suggesting providing for a magnet high school on the FIU campus to the funded partially by surrounding communities, in exchange for which a certain number of the student population would be designated to the City for its eligible residents to apply.
CITY MANAGER SUMMARY: Consensus to take no action until more information is forthcoming.

Mr. Soroka requested and received Commission approval to apply for a grant to provide for a City of Aventura Police Officer as a School Resource Officer at Aventura Waterways K-8, which has none at the present time.

4. **ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Commission at this time, the meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Teresa M. Soroka, MMC, City Clerk

Approved by the Commission on _____.

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CITY OF AVENTURA
OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Commission

FROM: Eric M. Soroka, ICMA-CM, City Manager 

DATE: May 13, 2013

SUBJECT: **Re-Appointment of Special Masters for Code Enforcement Process**

June 4, 2013 City Commission Meeting Agenda Item 5-B

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Commission ratify the City Manager's re-appointment of Raquel Rothman, Esq. and Barbara Buxton, Esq. as Special Masters for the City of Aventura Code Enforcement process.

BACKGROUND

Section 4 of Ordinance 96-14 which established the City's Code Enforcement Process provides for the City Manager to appoint Special Masters, subject to City Commission ratification, for a term of one year. The above-referenced individuals are submitted to you for re-appointment as Special Masters.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

EMS/act

Attachment

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CARLOS A. GIMENEZ

MAYOR
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

April 30, 2013

The Honorable Susan Gottlieb
Mayor, City of Aventura
19200 W. Country Club Drive
Aventura, FL 33180

Dear Mayor Gottlieb:

As you know, Miami-Dade County Public Schools Superintendent, Alberto M. Carvalho and I hosted our second *Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety* meeting on March 8, 2013 where we shared the recommendations for short and long-term action steps developed by the *Roundtable's* Working Groups. Since that time, we have begun to implement the steps laid out in the *Roundtable's* Community Action Plan (<http://www.miamidade.gov/mayor/library/roundtable-action-plan.pdf>).

As we shared on March 8th, to be successful, we will need continued leadership and collaboration from each municipality in order to effectively address the violence that Miami-Dade's youth often face. On April 2, 2013, the Board of County Commissioners passed Resolution No. R-264-13 (see attached), a pledge to take the necessary steps to improve the safety of our youth, and thereby enhance the quality of life for all the residents of Miami-Dade County. It is my sincere hope that you will consider putting forth a similar resolution before your governing board.

If you need additional information, please contact Lisa M. Martinez, Senior Advisor, at 305-375-2911, or me directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carlos A. Gimenez".

Carlos A. Gimenez

Attachment

c: R. A. Cuevas, Jr., County Attorney
Alberto M. Carvalho, Superintendent, Miami-Dade County Public Schools
Office of the Mayor Senior Staff
In-School Working Group Co-Chairs
Out-of-School Working Group Co-Chairs
Youth Services Working Group Co-Chairs
Community Education and Empowerment Working Group Co-Chairs

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-__

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE COMMUNITY-WIDE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JOINT ROUNDTABLE ON YOUTH SAFETY; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE AIMS OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, senseless tragedies, such as the fatal shooting in December 2012 of young students and teachers at Sandy Hook Elementary in Newtown, Connecticut, have recently affected our nation; and

WHEREAS, a local news report recently indicated that between 2009 and 2012, 81 youths under the age of eighteen were victims of shootings in Miami-Dade County which resulted in fatalities; and

WHEREAS, youth safety is critical to the entire community's safety; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez and Miami-Dade County Public Schools Superintendent Alberto M. Carvalho recently formed the Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety (the "Roundtable") and engaged leadership from 34 municipalities and over 100 community stakeholders within Miami-Dade County, including the City of Aventura; and

WHEREAS, the Roundtable aims to provide a holistic, comprehensive, community-wide approach to protect children, not only in their classrooms, but also in their neighborhoods and local parks; and

WHEREAS, the Roundtable has issued a comprehensive Community Action Plan report (the "Report") with recommendations concerning in-school safety, out-of-school safety, youth services and community education and empowerment; and

WHEREAS, the Report’s recommendations include increased police visibility at schools, school cameras with live streaming capabilities, high visibility truancy sweeps, crime deterrence efforts through environmental design of parks that positively influence human behavior, enhancement of public awareness of existing crime prevention/reporting programs, increased student access to school-based behavioral/mental health services and referrals, identification of funding to support summer job opportunities, and promotion of youth empowerment summits.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1. The City Commission of the City of Aventura fully supports the Roundtable and its Community Action Plan, as set forth above, and its efforts to improve youth safety.

Section 2. The City Manager is authorized to do all things necessary to carry out the aims of this Resolution.

Section 3. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Enbar Cohen	_____
Commissioner Teri Holzberg	_____
Commissioner Billy Joel	_____
Commissioner Howard Weinberg	_____
Commissioner Luz Urbacz Weinberg	_____
Vice Mayor Michael Stern	_____
Mayor Susan Gottlieb	_____

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of June, 2013.

SUSAN GOTTLIEB, MAYOR

ATTEST:

TERESA M. SOROKA, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CITY ATTORNEY

Memorandum



Date: March 13, 2013
To: The Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners
From: Carlos A. Gimenez 
Mayor
Subject: Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety Community Action Plan

Upon reflecting on the recent tragedies that have affected our entire nation, I shared at the December 18, 2012 Board of County Commissioner's meeting that I would be working with Miami-Dade County Public Schools Superintendent Alberto M. Carvalho to address the violence that Miami-Dade's youth regularly faces.

The *Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety* was established to unite mayors and police chiefs from all 34 municipalities, as well as community stakeholders, in order to discuss the most effective means of safeguarding our children. Through guided discussions led by four targeted Working Groups, the *Roundtable* identified ways to leverage our collective resources, encourage and increase community engagement, and ensure the safety of our community's youth, not only in our schools, but also in our parks and neighborhoods.

The results of this collaboration effort are documented in the *Roundtable's* Community Action Plan attached. This report details the process we have taken to engage our community leaders and also proposes a collaborative, long-term approach that we intend to implement immediately.

With the continued support of the Board of County Commissioners, we believe we can take the necessary steps that will lead to the improved safety and enhanced quality of life for not only the youth of our community, but for all of the residents of Miami-Dade County.

If you need additional information, please contact Lisa M. Martinez, Senior Advisor, at 305-375-2911, or me directly.

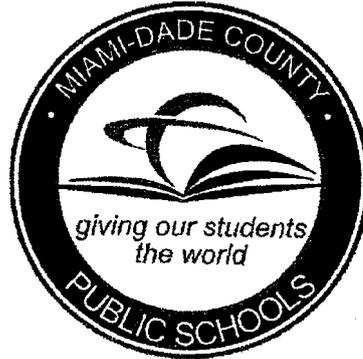
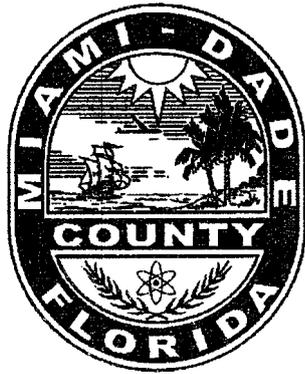
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c: R. A. Cuevas, Jr., County Attorney
Alberto M. Carvalho, Superintendent, Miami-Dade County Public Schools
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Community Education and Empowerment Working Group Co-Chairs
Office of the Mayor Senior Staff
Charles Anderson, Commissioner Auditor

Miami-Dade County and
Miami-Dade County Public Schools

Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety Community Action Plan

March 8, 2013



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Community Action Plan

Purpose

Over the years, senseless acts of violence have affected our entire nation. The recent tragedy in Newtown, Connecticut, horrified parents across the world, as mindless violence made its way directly into the heart of a place that had long been considered safe space for our children – an elementary school that could have been any elementary school across the country. Fear quickly steered the national conversations towards demands for action. The question, however, rests in determining what types of action will protect all children while also bolstering preventive measures on and off school campuses.

In establishing the *Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety*, Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez and Superintendent Alberto M. Carvalho have joined community leaders across the County to declare with deliberate action and a unified voice that *enough is enough* (See *Exhibit 1 – Op-Ed Articles*). The violence that regularly faces Miami-Dade's youth in their own neighborhoods requires that we, as a united community, each take personal responsibility for protecting our children. The answers do not lie in quick fixes or one-size-fits-all solutions.

The recommendations presented in this report aim to ensure that the Miami-Dade County community comes together for the long haul to develop a safe envelope around our schools and other public places where children gather. It establishes first steps that will be taken by community leaders that have chosen to lead by example. It employs an approach that will engage the community as a whole, while also honing in on specific areas of the County that face chronic gun violence. The recommendations propose a holistic, comprehensive approach, inclusive of a continuum of work that will begin immediately.

Structure and Timeline

The first *Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety* was held on January 18, 2013, at 2:00 p.m., at the Vizcaya Museum & Gardens Village Garage (See *Exhibit 2 – First Roundtable Invitation*). At the first *Roundtable*, Miami-Dade County (MDC) Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez and Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) Superintendent Alberto M. Carvalho brought together mayors and police chiefs from all 34 municipalities to begin discussing the most effective means to safeguard our children.

The discussion was guided by the following questions:

- What do we currently do to ensure that our children are safe at our schools? At our parks? In our neighborhoods? Are there strategies that we are not currently utilizing that should be explored? Are there policies that hinder these efforts?

- How do we currently support our most vulnerable youth? How are their needs assessed? How are services delivered? How is success determined? Are there gaps in this process that need to be reviewed?
- Are there current initiatives/community-based groups working together to address youth safety? Why and how were they created? How is success determined? Is there duplication of efforts? Can coordination across the County be improved? How can the impact of these efforts be maximized?

At this first meeting, all attendees were invited to participate in working groups that would delve into answering the guiding questions and formulating recommendations that would make our schools, parks, and neighborhoods safer (See *Exhibit 3 – Working Group Participation Form*). Each working group was chaired by at least one representative from MDC and one representative from M-DCPS. The co-chairs reached out to all municipalities and over 100 community organizations to participate in this process.

The objective of these working group meetings was to share successful practices, discuss current challenges, and define helpful recommendations for short and long-term solutions. The four working groups each met four times between February 1st and February 26th to develop recommendations to present as part of the comprehensive *Community Action Plan* at the second *Roundtable*.

The second *Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety*, held on March 8, 2013, at 3:00 p.m. at Miami Senior High School, allowed mayors and police chiefs to review the recommendations for short and long-term solutions developed by the working groups and discuss how to best implement them (See *Exhibit 4 – Second Roundtable Invitation*).

Working Groups

The working groups were structured in the categories listed below. All participating members were invited to attend all meetings. Additionally, all 16 working group meetings and both roundtables were appropriately noticed.

- **In-School Youth Safety Working Group**, which focused on the following questions:
 - What do we currently do to ensure that our children are safe at our schools? Are there strategies that we are not currently utilizing that should be explored? If strategies are not being used, what are the reasons and ways to overcome impediments? Are there policies, state or federal laws, or regulations in place that hinder these efforts?
- **Out-of-School Youth Safety Working Group**, which focused on the following questions:
 - What do we currently do to ensure that our children are safe at our parks? In our neighborhoods? Are there strategies that we are not currently

utilizing that should be explored? If strategies are not being used, what are the reasons and ways to overcome impediments? Are there policies, state or federal laws, or regulations in place that hinder these efforts?

- **Youth Services Working Group**, which focused on the following questions:
 - How do we currently support all of the youth in our community? How are their needs assessed? How are services delivered? How is success determined? Are there gaps in this process that need to be reviewed? What prevention strategies are currently in place in your community?
- **Community Education and Empowerment Working Group**, which focused on the following questions:
 - How can we engage our current initiatives/community-based groups and our residents to work together to address youth safety? Can coordination across the County be improved? How can the impact of these efforts be maximized? How can we share information as effectively as possible?

At each of the working group meetings, co-chairs provided all participants with an opportunity to share their ideas. All ideas were then prioritized and ranked by the groups, from which each group completed an action chart to address tangible steps that would need to be taken to implement the proposed recommendations.

Recommendations

As a result of the collective work of the participants in the aforementioned work groups, recommendations were vetted and ranked. Those that were deemed feasible and determined to have the greatest impact are reflected in the *Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety Recommendation Action Chart (Action Chart)*.

The *Action Chart* will serve as the roadmap to guide the work of the *Roundtable* and can be found on pages 7 – 35 of this report.

Pledge of Commitment and Resolution

Working Group members who expressed an interest in participating as stakeholders within this process were asked to sign a Pledge of Commitment (See *Exhibit 5*) affirming their organization's continued involvement in this vitally important partnership and support for improving youth safety in Miami-Dade County. Although all efforts were made to cast a wide net for participation, it is our intent to keep this an open-ended process. As such, organizations or municipalities that elect to get involved after the initial work has started are welcome to join the effort.

Municipalities that took part in the working groups will be asked to put forth a resolution before their governing boards to reaffirm their municipalities' continued involvement and support for improving youth safety. The draft resolution that MDC will present to the

Board of County Commissioners for consideration during their first meeting in April 2013 can also be found in *Exhibit 6*.

Moving Forward

Safeguarding the youth in our community is a long-term process that must be revisited regularly for comprehensive updates and concrete actions.

The long-term success of the *Roundtable's* efforts to address this important issue will depend on true community-wide buy-in, with each and every resident taking personal responsibility for the safety and well-being of our young people. Efforts to further engage the community will be implemented as noted in the Community Education and Empowerment Working Group's recommendations.

Moving forward on implementation steps for the *Action Plan* will begin immediately. It is our shared belief that the work of the *Roundtable* is just the first step in a collaborative, long-term process that will lead to the improved safety and enhanced quality of life for all of the residents of Miami-Dade County.

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**JOINT ROUNDTABLE ON YOUTH SAFETY
RECOMMENDATION ACTION CHART**



Recommendation	Lead Stakeholder	Additional Participating Stakeholders	Targeted Areas for Implementation	Action Steps for First 6 Months	Outcomes for 6 Month Benchmarks	Additional Funding
Increase Police Presence and Visibility in Schools	Miami-Dade Schools Police Department (MDSPD)	Agencies as noted in APPENDIX 1a, Local Law Enforcement, Miami Dade County Public Schools	Public, Private and Charter Schools throughout Miami-Dade County	See APPENDIX 1a.	<p>1. MDSPD will facilitate monthly meetings with school administrators to enhance presence and partnerships with school community, which will support better collaboration and cooperation between school administrators and law enforcement.</p> <p>2. After implementation of strategies, assess effectiveness through data collection.</p> <p>3. After data assessment, determine feasibility of continued or enhancement of identified strategies.</p>	To be determined by each stakeholder's commitment
In-School Safety						

In-School Safety

Recommendation	Lead Stakeholder	Additional Participating Stakeholders	Targeted Areas for Implementation	Action Steps for First 6 Months	Outcomes for 6 Month Benchmarks	Additional Funding
County-wide School Critical Incident Response Plan	MDCPS	MDCPS (Lieutenant Edgardo Caneva) City of Miami Police Department	Public, Private and Charter Schools throughout Miami-Dade County	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Finalize plan and obtain buy-in from Miami-Dade Chiefs. 2. Share Lockdown Procedures With Local Agencies. 3. Develop and Implement Mock Exercises. 4. Facilitate Operational Reviews With Law Enforcement Agencies At School Sites. 5. Train school employees in plan. 	Finalized plan adopted.	To be determined
Limit Access While School Is In Session	Miami-Dade County Public Schools (MDCPS) Operations		Public, Private and Charter Schools throughout Miami-Dade County	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Evaluate the needs of each school based on CPTED vulnerability assessments. 2. MDCPS will continue conducting unannounced site visits to determine effectiveness of existing security practices. 3. Identify available technologies for use in the school environment through a pilot program involving identified schools. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify funding sources to purchase standardized electronic access control system and identification cards for students and staff. 2. Evaluate the effectiveness of the equipment/new technology to determine the feasibility of district wide implementation of additional equipment through research and development of established technologies. 	Bond and Identify grant opportunities

YOUTH SAFETY RECOMMENDATION ACTION CHART

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Recommendation	Lead Stakeholder	Additional Participating Stakeholders	Targeted Areas for Implementation	Action Steps for First 6 Months	Outcomes for 6 Month Benchmarks	Additional Funding
Develop School Resource Officer Training	City of Miami Police Department Training Center, MDPSTI and Miami Dade College School of Justice		Law Enforcement Officers participating in school activities	Develop and offer training to all agencies throughout Miami-Dade County.	1. Establish quarterly best practices meeting between MDSPD and participating agencies. 2. Update and revise curriculum as needed or recommended during best practices meetings.	Region XIV and any other available funding sources
Cameras With Live Streaming Capabilities	MDCPS Capital Task Force	MDPD Homeland Security Detective Omar Garcia	Public, Private and Charter Schools throughout Miami-Dade County	1. Meet with Stakeholders to outline parameters. 2. Explore Smart Camera Technology.	1. Obtain mutual Agreement amongst all parties. 2. Proceed towards the implementation of the identified system.	To be determined
Research and Develop A Smart Device Reporting Application	Miami-Dade County Crime Stoppers	City of Miami Police Department Training Center	Students, Parents, Faculty, and general public	Implement and provide accessibility and promote Crime Stoppers application for use by the general public via smart devices such as phone and tablets	1. Determine effectiveness of the application. 2. Identify any technical issues to be addressed. 3. Identify areas in need of improvement and make adjustments to improve the performance of the application. 4. Continue public awareness campaign.	To be determined
CPTED and Threat Assessment Evaluations	MDSPD	MDPD Homeland Security (Leutnant Raul Martinez) and Local Law Enforcement with trained practitioners (430 Cor. Wa)	Public, Private and Charter Schools throughout Miami-Dade County	Coordinate with MDPD Homeland Security to prioritize all MDCPS School facilities and schedule surveys.	1. Evaluate completed surveys. 2. Implement recommendations based on available resources.	To be determined

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Recommendation	Lead Stakeholder	Additional Participating Stakeholders	Targeted Areas for Implementation	Action Steps for First 6 Months	Outcomes for 6 Month Benchmarks	Additional Funding
Create Coalition Of All Schools	Miami Dade College School of Justice (Dr. Hector Garcia)	Public, Private and Charter Schools throughout Miami-Dade County, Miami-Dade County Youth Commission	Public, Private and Charter Schools throughout Miami-Dade County.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify partnerships and schedule meetings with stakeholders. 2. Develop strategic plan to create the working coalition of non-public schools in Miami Dade County. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recruit non-public schools stakeholders to develop goals and objectives related to the synthesis of these organizations within the overall functional aspects of the wider group based on strategic plan. 2. Establish coalition to address safety concerns at schools. 3. Hold quarterly meetings to discuss and identify needs germane to these non-public schools. 4. Develop an Action Plan to address needs. 	To be determined
Out-of-School Safety						
Visibility	Truancy Sweeps	Miami-Dade Police Department and Local Law Enforcement	Public, Private, and Charter Schools throughout Miami-Dade County.	See Appendix 1b.	Solidify/strengthen ongoing partnerships for truancy related operations.	To be determined pending operational planning and staffing needs.

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<p>Communication / Reporting</p>	<p>Traffic Enforcement</p>	<p>Miami-Dade Police Department and Local Law Enforcement</p>	<p>Miami-Dade Public Schools Police, Parks Department</p>	<p>Areas frequented by youth after school hours at during school days</p>	<p>See Appendix 1b.</p>	<p>1. Solidify/strengthen ongoing partnerships for traffic enforcement and education related efforts. 2. Initiate method for feedback from stakeholders and community on our efforts.</p>	<p>To be determined based on individual detail planning and staffing needs.</p>
	<p>Police Presence During Early Release Dates</p>	<p>Parks Departments, Miami-Dade Public Schools Police, Local Municipalities</p>	<p>MDPD Homeland Security Fusion Center</p>	<p>Parks and facilities known for juvenile presence on early release dates</p>	<p>See Appendix 1b.</p>	<p>Implement announcement of early release dates to local government and law enforcement agencies.</p>	<p>To be determined based on staffing needs.</p>
	<p>Work Stations At Critical Parks</p>	<p>Parks Departments</p>	<p>State, Local, and Federal government partners</p>	<p>Parks and facilities known for youth activities and/or after school programs</p>	<p>1. Identify prioritized list of sites for work stations. 2. Identify agencies that would enjoy mutual benefit. 3. Draft Memorandum of Understanding between participating agencies.</p>	<p>Implement program.</p>	<p>To be determined based on needs and cost to parks.</p>
<p>Centralized Crime Data Warehouse For All Law Enforcement</p>	<p>Miami-Dade Chiefs of Police Association via Miami Gardens PD (Chief Matt Boyd)</p>	<p>Miami-Dade Police Department, Local Law Enforcement, Parks agencies</p>	<p>County-wide</p>	<p>1. Hold meeting amongst stakeholders to outline parameters. 2. Explore options to gather and share data.</p>	<p>Identify/Launch platform for crime data sharing amongst stakeholders.</p>	<p>Funding will be needed, source to be determined based on available federal funding.</p>	

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Mental Health Training	Judge Leifman's Office (Ms. Habsi Kaba)	MDCPS Police, Parks Department, CBOs, MDCPS (Ms. Debbie Mendilla)	Mentoring and after-school program coordinators at parks and facilities known for youth activities and/or after-school programs County-wide	Develop training curriculum for target audience.	Implement training program.	To be determined based on training needs.
PAL & Community Based Organizations (CBOs)	YMCA (Mr. Brian Shearer)	CBOs, PAL organizations, Park agencies		1. Identify programs that would benefit from exchange of information. 2. Establish meetings to share information affecting PAL & CBOs.	1. Increase communication between organizations in related services to avoid duplication, increase awareness, identify areas for improvement. 2. Strengthen relationships with Law Enforcement 3. Leverage program resources.	To be determined based on needs assessment resulting from meetings
Enhanced Relationships Between Law Enforcement and Parks Personnel	Parks Departments	Law enforcement MDCPS, CBOs	Parks and facilities known for youth activities and/or after school programs based on safety	Identify means of enhanced communication and advanced schedules for meetings.	Solidify/strengthen ongoing partnerships between parks personnel, police and CBOs during scheduled meetings/events through increased police participation/presence.	No cost to realize.
Police Presence At Parks During Large Events/Gatherings	Parks Departments	Additional Law Enforcement agencies	Targeted Areas Parks and facilities known for youth activities and/or large gatherings/event areas frequented by youth at school	1. Continue to implement special events administrative order (MDC) AO-8-3. 2. Share MDC order with municipalities.	Enhanced safety and security at upcoming events.	Costs to be determined based on the event.

Recommendation	Lead Stakeholder	Additional Participating Stakeholders	Targeted Areas for Implementation	Action Steps for First 6 Months	Outcomes for 6 Month Benchmarks	Additional Funding
Enhance public awareness of existing crime prevention/reporting programs	Citizen's Crime Watch of Miami-Dade	Parks and facilities law enforcement, Parks Departments, Miami-Dade Schools Police, CrimeStoppers of Miami-Dade	Parks and facilities 1 st priority: Parks and facilities located in high crime areas based on appropriate/patrol areas. 2 nd priority: All other parks as a crime prevention strategy	1. Formulate public awareness strategy for Youth Crime Watch Concept, Be Brave Hotline. 2. Add Signage/Enhance Park Watch Program To Include Surrounding Neighborhood. 3. Increase coordination between Crime Watch and Park Watch Programs. 4. Establish procedures and protocols for lockdown.	Enhance awareness of Crime Watch - Be Brave and Park Watch to visitors of parks through installation of signs and other awareness materials/campaigns.	To be determined based on survey of needs
Develop Lockdown Procedures at Parks	Parks Department	Local law enforcement agencies	All parks with recreation centers and CBOs	1. Establish procedures and protocols for lockdown. 2. Develop training drills.	Implement lockdown procedures.	No cost anticipated.
CPTED	Parks Department	Miami-Dade Police and local law enforcement agencies	Parks and facilities known for youth activities and/or after school programs based on priority list, which is based on assessment.	1. Identify parks for survey based on priority. 2. Begin security assessments.	Identify cameras/lighting needs based on CPTED recommendations.	Costs related to cameras/lighting funding source to be determined based on availability.
Reserve/Volunteer Park Ranger Program	Parks Department	All park agencies	All parks	Develop policy for program.	1. Implement program and begin training. 2. Share results with park agencies.	Funding needed for training materials / uniforms.
Security for Public Housing Near Parks	Miami-Dade Public Housing and Community Development	Additional Participating Miami-Dade Parks Department, local law enforcement agencies, Department, CBOs, MDCPS (Ms. Debbie Montilla)	Targeted Areas for Rehabilitation bordering/near parks Managers and after school program coordinators at parks and facilities known for	Establish/strengthen relationship between housing site managers, parks, and local law enforcement.	Establish points of contact between affected entities and implement lines of communication.	No cost anticipated.

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Route Safety	Miami-Dade County Public Schools Transportation	Miami-Dade Schools Police, Local Law Enforcement	Problematic bus routes to include stops and actual buses	See Appendix 1b.	Increase police patrol and address problem areas.	No cost anticipated.
	Miami-Dade Transit	Miami-Dade Schools Police and local law enforcement	Problematic MDT bus routes to include stops and actual buses	See Appendix 1b.	Increase police patrol and address problem areas, and consider additional routes to expedite commute for youth.	To be determined based on recommended actions.

Youth Services

Recommendation	Lead Stakeholder	Additional Participating Stakeholders	Targeted Areas	Action Steps for First 6 Months	Outcomes for 6 Month Benchmarks	Additional Funding
Systems of Care & Re-Entry	Miami-Dade County Public Schools (MDCPS)	Miami-Dade Schools Police, Local Law Enforcement	All students	1. Maintain qualified and credentialed site-based student services team. 2. CAHSD will provide 2012 Head Start Community Needs information. 3. Comprehensive training for principals, teachers, and school personnel. 4. Establish health and mental health services throughout the school system.	Increase services and ratio of counselors to students.	To be determined based on the number of counselors needed.
			Targeted Areas for Implementation			

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Develop pathways to connect resources (stakeholder meetings)	MDCPS	See APPENDIX 2.	At-risk youth and families	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recruit other service providers. 2. Conduct Universal Screenings. 3. Look into supplemental mental and health clinics. 4. Agencies should present their community services directly to principals. 5. An individual (not on MDCPS payroll) who takes the responsibility of sending and linking community organizations with the school and the needs of students should be placed inside each schools. 	Coordinate monthly resource sharing/networking meetings for service providers (meetings will be established between the MDCPS, CBOs, and MDC).	Leverage blended funding for 6 month benchmark
Develop pathways to connect resources (stakeholder meetings)	MDCPS	See APPENDIX 2.	At-risk youth and families	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Gather and review information. 2. Recruit other resource links, i.e., Switchboard, Children's Trust. 	Develop Directory/Resource Book.	Leverage blended funding
Support the families by providing a family advocate/mentor for all youth reentering the community from some form of incarceration	Empower Youth	State Attorney's Office (SAO), Juvenile Services Department (JSD), Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ), Administration of Children's Services (AOC), Department of Children and Families (DCF) and CBO's	Miami Gardens, Homestead, and Liberty City Targeted Areas for implementation	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify resources needed to provide advocacy and mentorship for families 2. Tap into faith-based community programs for support 	Develop Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for service delivery.	

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Recommendation	Lead Stakeholder	Additional Participating Stakeholders	Targeted Areas for Implementation	Action Steps for First 6 Months	Outcomes for 6 Month Benchmarks	Additional Funding
One Stop education center for youth reentering the community after release from confinement or juvenile justice programs to prevent drop-out	MDCPS	State Attorney's Office (SAO), Public Defender (PD), Juvenile Services (JSJ), Dept. of Juvenile Justice (DJJ), Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), and Community Based Organizations (CBO's) DC, QOL, Kids, and South Florida Workforce Solutions	Miami Gardens, Homestead, and Liberty City	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Explore the re-entry court pilot One Stop through partnerships with schools, DJJ, and CBO's Establish and transition protocol for all youth entering a correctional facility to assist in motivating youth as they're released from confinement Identify best practice programming for youth reentering the community i.e. Pilot drug court scenarios and re-entry court with judges Develop White Paper detailing the plan. 	Finalize White Paper.	Explore funding options
Training and retention of a cadre of effective Juvenile Judges	Public Defenders	SAO, JSJ, DJJ, AOC, and CBO's	County-wide	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Reach out to the Chief Judge to schedule meeting Begin advocating for the ongoing training and retention of effective Juvenile Judges. 	Work with Chief Judge to train and engage Juvenile Judges.	To be determined
Develop a Training Center/Professional Development Menu for collaborative participation of organizations/professionals that provide services to at-risk youth and their families	MDC Juvenile Services Department	See APPENDIX 2. Share Your Heart (Victory for Youth), Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender (LGBT), Federation of Families, Faith Based Organizations, MDCPS	County-wide	Identify organizations- local and national- that are presently providing evidence-based training in the area of children and family engagement.	Make list available to the community.	No additional funding needed

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Identify best practice/evidence-based family engagement models that also include a parent training component		See APPENDIX 2: MDC/JSD, MDC/SP The Natural Helper (The Children's Trust), Urban League of Greater Miami	County-wide	1. Research best practice/evidence-based family engagement models. 2. Research best practice parent training model. 3. Identify a family engagement model appropriate for Miami Dade County. We will use the model across the board between MDC, the School system and the CBOs so that our approach is uniform and consistent when engaging families. 4. Identify a Parent training model appropriate for Miami Dade County's diverse community.	Implement models.	No additional funding needed
Enhance promotion of 211 and the county-wide 311	MDC Community Information And Outreach Department	Switchboard of Miami	County-wide	Disseminate information of agencies listed with 211 and 311.	Assess referrals and outcomes of call-ins.	Additional funding requirements unknown
Keep parks and schools open after traditional hours to provide services	MDC/MDCPS	CBO's Miami League of Greater Miami Urban League of Greater Miami YMCA YWC of Miami Dade County YMCA of Miami Dade County YWC of Miami Dade County YMCA of Miami Dade County YWC of Miami Dade County	County-wide	1. Develop a work group to come up with a viable plan. 2. Identify specific parks and schools based on service needs of the community.	A plan for implementation will be developed.	Additional funding will be needed

After School & Mentoring Programs

Recommendation	Lead Stakeholder	Additional Participating Stakeholders	Targeted Areas for Implementation	Action Steps for First 6 Months	Outcomes for 6 Month Benchmarks	Additional Funding
MOU with CBOs to provide various services	MDCPR/MDCPS	Belafonte Faculty Center, The Children's Trust, Urban Partnership Bank of Greater Community Coalition and Branches Inc., MDCPS South Florida Behavior Network	County-wide	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Contact Miami-Dade Parks & Recreation (MDCPR) and MDCPS regarding current programming and available space for new programming 2. Develop a master list of present programs and space available in school and parks. 3. Develop MOU that will be signed between parks and schools for use of the facilities and enhancement of present programs (MOU approval will be obtained via the Board of County Commissioners). 4. Gather a master list of CBO Programs county-wide and their needs for space 5. Identify transportation services for children in need. 6. Identify organizations that can provide counseling services at the local parks and schools. 	MOU's signed between MDCPR and MDCPS.	Will be assessed after first six months.

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One-Stop Mentoring Referral System	Big Brothers Big Sisters (BBBS)	All mentoring agencies, City Year, Take Stock, Empowered Youth, MDCPS, MDC	County-wide	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify target zip codes/communities. 2. Identify mentoring program in each zip code. 3. Create a database that captures mentoring services. 4. Disseminate list to Providers. 5. Expand school-based mentoring to community mentoring (i.e. school to work, churches, etc.). 6. Expand workplace mentoring to include municipalities and entrepreneurial skills to be included. 7. Mentoring Resource Center (MRC) provides database. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increased number of students and mentors enrolled in mentoring programs. 2. Mentoring Resource Center (MRC) will launch list of mentoring agencies. 3. Hold Call to Action event at the beginning of the school year. 	Additional funding is needed to sustain future projects
Creating Community Change: Youth Empowerment Summit	MDCPS	Anti-Defamation League (ADL), Youth Move, MCCJ, Youth Crime Watch (YCW), Safe Schools	County-wide youth empowerment culminating events held simultaneously in every senior high school	Series of trainings for selected middle schools and senior high schools peer leaders.	Peer Leaders facilitate the development of school-site action plans.	Leverage existing community resources
Poster Contest (Prevention Activities Ongoing)	YCW	Chamber of Commerce Project Century	County-wide	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Publicize and promote contests. 2. Briefing sent to all schools and principals. 	Winner identified and recognized.	Sponsor organizations for prizes.

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Additional Targeted Areas
for
Participating Stakeholders
Implementation

Recommendation	Lead Stakeholder	Additional Participating Stakeholders	Targeted Areas for Implementation	Action Steps for First 6 Months	Outcomes for 6 Month Benchmarks	Additional Funding
Youth Dialogue (Ongoing)/School Based training	MDCPS	Youth Move, ADL, MCCJ, YCW, Safe schools		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Partner with MDCPS to provide training to all students like no place for hate, youth crime watch techniques and safe school practices Develop action plan for training. 	Youth Dialogue (Ongoing)/School Based training	MDCPS
Identify and enhance employment programs and initiatives that have a track record of success to meet the needs of the community by advocating for funding to support summer job opportunities South Florida Workforce	South Florida Workforce SPW/MDC	MDCPS, The Children's Trust, Local Businesses, Faith Based Organizations, Civic Organizations	County-wide	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Research Select & Contact employment programs and initiatives that have a track record of success to meet the needs of the community. Schedule meetings with business leaders and conduct presentations designed to increase participation of new businesses for job placement of motivated young people. Utilize Recommendations and Youth Surveys and Assessments to drive process of addressing the needs of the community. Identify work sites. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Establish agreements/ Funding. Secure job placement and employer mentoring paid wages 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Solicit large corporations Apply for State and federal funding Solicit stakeholders Collective Funding.
Identify and advocate for funding to support summer job opportunities	SPW/MDC	MDCPS, The Children's Trust, Local Businesses, Faith-based Organizations	Homestead, Liberty City, Overtown, Miami Gardens, North Miami Beach, Ft. City, etc.	Identify work sites	Secure job placement and employer mentoring paid wages.	To be determined

Additional Funding	Outcomes for 6 Month Benchmarks	Action Steps for First 6 Months	Targeted Area for Implementation	Will be assessed after first six months.
<p>Community Education & Empowerment</p>				
<p>Engagement</p>	<p>Recommendation</p> <p>Create focus groups with the following groups: a. Youth and Juveniles b. Parents Impacted by Violence c. Teachers d. Residents to share Working Group Recommendations and obtain feedback on best ways to engage others.</p> <p>[LINKED TO In-School's "Create a Coalition of Schools" Recommendation]</p>	<p>Lead Stakeholder</p> <p>Miami-Dade County Libraries Local Businesses Faith-based Organizations Participating Stakeholders</p>	<p>Empower Youth, PTA, Faith-based Community, Urban Partnership Agency, Free Coalitioning Miami Teachers County Public Schools Youth Move, ADL, YCOW, YCW, Safe Schools</p>	<p>County-wide</p> <p>Targeted Area for Implementation</p>
<p>Empowerment</p>	<p>Recommendation</p> <p>Promote Youth Empowerment Summits [LINK TO Youth Services "Creating Community Change" Recommendation]</p>	<p>Lead Stakeholder</p> <p>Miami-Dade County Public Schools</p>	<p>County-wide</p> <p>Targeted Area for Implementation</p>	<p>Will be assessed after first six months.</p>

Recommendation	Lead Stakeholder	Additional Participating Stakeholders	Targeted Areas for Implementation	Action Steps for First 6 Months	Outcomes for 6 Month Benchmarks	Additional Funding
<p>Provide communication channel between youth and law enforcement. [LINKED TO In-School's "Crime Stopper's Application" Recommendation]</p>	<p>Crime Stoppers</p>	<p>Miami-Dade County, MDPD, Media partners</p>	<p>County-wide</p>	<p>Work with CrimeStoppers to develop a marketing campaign to promote application.</p>	<p>Launch application marketing campaign.</p>	<p>None at this time.</p>
<p>Promote Coalition of Youth Crime Watch, Park Watch, and Neighborhood Watch [LINKED TO Out-of-School's "Enhance Youth Crime Watch Concept" Recommendation]</p>	<p>Crime Watch</p>	<p>Additional: Parks Department, MDC's Law Enforcement Educators</p>	<p>Targeted Areas Targeted to key communities based on data/information</p>	<p>Work with Crime Watch to develop a marketing campaign to support outreach efforts.</p>	<p>Assess progress of targeted communities.</p>	<p>None at this time.</p>

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<p>Education/Awareness</p>	<p>Create and identify "universal" and "per target audience" messaging using data from focus groups and youth summits.</p>	<p>Miami-Dade County Community Information and Outreach (CIAO) and Miami-Dade County Public Schools</p>	<p>Urban Partnership Drug Free Coalition Additional Participating Stakeholders</p>	<p>County-wide Targeted Areas for Implementation</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop an extensive media plan where messaging, audience, media outlets, reach, duration of campaign, and rates are established and detailed. 2. Utilize Building Better Communities and the People's Transportation Plan as marketing models (community meetings and workshops). 3. Use marketing research tools to identify the top media channels, online, outdoors, print, transit. (i.e. advertise in shoppers to reach parent. Target video game & social media sites to reach children. Mall directories for both audiences). 4. Use County Assets to advertise on (i.e. GSA, Vizcaya, Zoo, 3-1-1 etc....). 5. Engage recognizable faces from each targeted community to be spokespersons. 6. Use PSAs in Heat and Marlins game- offered to the County free of charge. 7. Utilize Social and local media. 	<p>Launch a long term awareness campaign targeting parents, students and the public sector.</p>	<p>None at this time. Will assess further after six months.</p>

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	Engage in a long-term awareness campaign	Miami-Dade County Community Information and Outreach (CIAO) and Miami-Dade County Public Schools	Miami-Children's Initiative, Youth Commission, Student Governments, Faith-based community, Youth Fair, Public	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. County-wide, with the possibility to expand beyond our region. 2. Targeted communities to pilot increased engagement efforts 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Target parents, students and the public sector through avenues such related to the school district (i.e., The Parent Academy, PTA/PTSA, etc. 2. Create a campaign month and associated with a color to create awareness (i.e. pink for breast cancer awareness) 3. Develop a county-wide committee to create an operational plan where communication is established between all departments and school board (i.e. School Board robo calls) which will allow for the use of in-school media channels 4. Promote Poster Contest "LINKED TO Youth Services" "Poster Contest" Recommendation) 5. Enhance promotion of 211 & 311. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Launch student contest to increase reach and audience and better market the issue. 2. Assess progress on engagement partnerships and update plans. 	None at this time. Will assess after six months.

APPENDIX 1

Recommendations to Increase Police Presence and Visibility for In-School Safety

MDSPD will meet with all local agencies to identify gaps in current service and discuss commitments for increased police presence and visibility in schools. MDPD and MDSPD also will continue with the following current practices that are in place:

- Directed patrols
- Traffic enforcement (ingress & egress)
- Opening/closing of the school year
- Holiday/vacation dismissals
- Classroom Presentations
- Education (DARE/PAL)
- Programs (mentorships/Shop With a Cop and Bigs in Blue)
- Collaborative efforts (when requests are made by MDSPD)
- Truancy sweeps.

Additionally, departments can enhance their current practices by employing some or all of the following recommended strategies:

Strategies	Departments
<p>Park and Talk :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During available patrol time, with an emphasis on critical times of ingress and egress, officers will respond to schools in their area, where they will park their vehicles in a visible location and engage in conversations with school staff, parents and students. This action will be recorded in the officer's daily activity reports. 	<p>Aventura Police Bal Harbour Police Biscayne Park Police Florida City Police Homestead Police Key Biscayne Police Miami Beach Police Miami-Dade Police Miami-Dade Public Schools Police North Miami Police Pinecrest Police</p>

<p>Conduct Roll Calls at Schools:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> During each month, area squads will conduct roll calls outside schools in a visible location. Methodologies for roll call deployments will incorporate statistical data and MDSPD requests. 	<p>South Miami Police Sunny Isles Police Surfside Police West Miami Police</p> <p>Aventura Police Bal Harbour Police Biscayne Park Police Florida City Police Homestead Police Key Biscayne Police Miami Beach Police Miami-Dade Police Miami-Dade Public Schools Police North Miami Police Pinecrest Police South Miami Police Sunny Isles Police Surfside Police West Miami Police</p>
<p>Classroom Presentations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officers will respond to schools on scheduled dates throughout the school year to conduct classroom presentations on a variety of topic to include: Career Day, the Great Program, K-9 presentations, and drug awareness. 	<p>Aventura Police Bal Harbour Police Biscayne Park Police Florida City Police Homestead Police Key Biscayne Police Miami Beach Police Miami-Dade Police Miami-Dade Public Schools Police North Miami Police Pinecrest Police South Miami Police</p>

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Appendix 1 - Increase Police Presence and Visibility

Officers will respond to schools on scheduled dates throughout the school year to conduct classroom presentations on a variety of topic to include: Career Day, the Great Program, K-9 presentations, and drug awareness.

<p><u>Write Reports:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Officers will be directed by area supervisors to complete their reports in highly visible locations at school sites, with an emphasis on times of ingress and egress. 	<p>Sunny Isles Police Surfside Police West Miami Police Aventura Police Bal Harbour Police Biscayne Park Police Florida City Police Homestead Police Key Biscayne Police Miami Beach Police Miami-Dade Police Miami-Dade Public Schools Police North Miami Police Pinecrest Police South Miami Police Sunny Isles Police Surfside Police West Miami Police</p>
<p><u>Quadrant Patrol:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This strategy identifies schools that are situated within a quadrant, which is comprised of several grids, in an assigned area of patrol. Once identified, deployments of quadrant patrol for area schools will be based on statistical data that encompasses crime trends as well as MDSPD and community requests. This patrol strategy will be recorded in the officers' Daily Activity Reports. 	<p>Aventura Police Bal Harbour Police Biscayne Park Police Florida City Police Homestead Police Key Biscayne Police Miami Beach Police Miami-Dade Police Miami-Dade Public Schools Police North Miami Police Pinecrest Police South Miami Police Sunny Isles Police</p>

<p>Departmental Training:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All police agencies can utilize MDCPS facilities during school hours to conduct in-service training for course such as Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), Report Writing and other academic based courses. 	<p>Surfside Police West Miami Police Aventura Police Bal Harbour Police Biscayne Park Police Florida City Police Homestead Police Key Biscayne Police Miami Beach Police Miami-Dade Police Miami-Dade Public Schools Police North Miami Police Pinecrest Police South Miami Police Sunny Isles Police Surfside Police West Miami Police</p>
<p>Departmental Meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In coordination with MDCPS local agencies will host community meetings that may include the Citizens Advisory Committee monthly meetings and other town hall meetings at area schools. This effort will increase visibility and presence during night school activities. 	<p>Aventura Police Bal Harbour Police Biscayne Park Police Florida City Police Homestead Police Key Biscayne Police Miami Beach Police Miami-Dade Police Miami-Dade Public Schools Police North Miami Police Pinecrest Police South Miami Police Sunny Isles Police Surfside Police</p>

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Adopt-a-School:

- This initiative will involve a two-prong approach with officers assigned to a community policing role who will work and interact with the kids, through mentorship. The program encourages volunteerism for officers who want to give back to their community by using schools as the focal point. Their presence will increase visibility at schools and build stronger partnerships within the school community. Coordinate with MDSPD to identify targeted schools within each area.

...during school hours to conduct in-school CPR training. Report Which School...

Use of Police Reserve Officer (PRO) Program:

- Provide School Resource Officer Training to PRO's who can be deployed to area schools for greater visibility. This could also be inclusive of the Adopt-a-School recommendation.

...will host community meetings... monthly meetings, and other... will increase visibility and presence...

APPENDIX 1b

Recommendations to Increase Police Visibility for Out-of-School Safety

MDPD and MDSPD will contact local agencies to discuss commitments for increased police visibility for out-of-school safety. MDPD and MDSPD will also continue with, and in some cases add or enhance, the following practices:

- Truancy sweeps
- Traffic enforcement
- Police presence during early release dates
- Directed patrols

MDPD will continue to use the same approach with officers assigned to a community area. Officers will continue to interact with the kids, through mentorship. The goal is to have officers in the community by employing some or all of the following recommended strategies: Additionally, departments can enhance their current practices by employing some or all of the following recommended strategies:

Strategies	Departments
<p><u>Truancy Sweeps:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify partnerships with law enforcement and community through commitments to participate in this initiative. These partnerships will include local law enforcement agencies and community groups. • MDSPD will coordinate monthly truancy sweeps and notify all participating agencies. • Commit to participate in high visibility monthly truancy sweeps with MDSPD County-wide. • Commit to conduct sweeps on dates likely to have high truancy (i.e. national skip day). • Commit to encouraging regular truancy enforcement. • Work with community groups to encourage reporting of truants (i.e. Crime Watch) <p>MDPD will continue to use the same approach with officers assigned to a community area. Officers will continue to interact with the kids, through mentorship. The goal is to have officers in the community by employing some or all of the following recommended strategies: Additionally, departments can enhance their current practices by employing some or all of the following recommended strategies:</p>	<p>Aventura Police Bal Harbour Police Biscayne Park Police Cutler Bay Policing Unit Florida City Police Homestead Police Key Biscayne Police Miami Beach Police Miami-Dade Police Miami-Dade Public Schools Police Miami Lakes Policing Unit North Miami Police Palmetto Bay Policing Unit Pinecrest Police South Miami Police Sunny Isles Police Surfside Police</p>

<p>Traffic Enforcement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify partnerships with law enforcement and community. Coordinate logistics for traffic enforcement/education details. Commit to conduct high visibility traffic enforcement details in areas frequented by youth after school hours or during commute/route 3 times a week. Traffic details may include enforcement and/or education initiatives such as speed zone enforcement and seat belt violations. Feedback and assessment of success will be measured through communication with stakeholders such as park managers, schools administrators, and community meetings such as Crime Watch. 	<p>West Miami Police</p> <p>Aventura Police</p> <p>Bal Harbour Police</p> <p>Biscayne Park Police</p> <p>Cutler Bay Policing Unit</p> <p>Florida City Police</p> <p>Homestead Police</p> <p>Key Biscayne Police</p> <p>Miami Beach Police</p> <p>Miami-Dade Police</p> <p>Miami-Dade Public Schools Police</p> <p>Miami Lakes Policing Unit</p> <p>North Miami Police</p> <p>Palmetto Bay Policing Unit</p> <p>Pinecrest Police</p> <p>South Miami Police</p> <p>Sunny Isles Police</p> <p>Surfside Police</p> <p>West Miami Police</p>
<p>Police Presence During Early Release Dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Commit to provide enhanced visibility by way of directed patrols on early release dates (as provided by School Board). MIDPD Homeland Security Fusion Center to provide advance notice of dates via email notification to all stakeholders. Feedback and assessment of success will be measured through communication with stakeholders such as park managers, schools administrators, and community meetings such as Crime Watch. 	<p>Aventura Police</p> <p>Bal Harbour Police</p> <p>Biscayne Park Police</p> <p>Cutler Bay Policing Unit</p> <p>Florida City Police</p> <p>Homestead Police</p> <p>Key Biscayne Police</p> <p>Miami Beach Police</p> <p>Miami-Dade Police</p> <p>Miami-Dade Public Schools Police</p> <p>Miami Lakes Policing Unit</p> <p>North Miami Police</p>

<p>Palmetto Bay Policing Unit Pinecrest Police South Miami Police Sunny Isles Police Surfside Police West Miami Police All Local Parks Agencies / CBOs.</p>	
<p>Aventura Police Bal Harbour Police Biscayne Park Police Cutler Bay Policing Unit Florida City Police Homestead Police Key Biscayne Police Miami Beach Police Miami-Dade Police Miami-Dade Public Schools Police Miami Lakes Policing Unit North Miami Police Palmetto Bay Policing Unit Pinecrest Police South Miami Police Sunny Isles Police Surfside Police West Miami Police Miami-Dade Schools Transportation Miami-Dade Transit</p>	<p>Route Safety:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify problem routes/stops by surveying bus drivers. Commit to provide enhanced police visibility by way of directed patrols at Miami-Dade Transit and Miami-Dade Schools bus stops/routes identified as problematic or having rowdy students. MDT and Schools Transportation to provide lists of problematic stops/routes as they are identified and re-assess regularly.

APPENDIX 2
Systems of Care/Community Collaboration
Contact List

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APPENDIX 3 Engagement of Parks Departments for Out-of-School Recommendations

Strategies	Contact List	Parks Departments and Organizations Signing On
<p><u>Work Stations at Critical Parks:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify prioritized list of sites for work stations, parks and facilities with youth activities and/or after school programs. Identify potential agencies that would enjoy mutual benefits. Draft memorandum of understanding between participating agencies- State, Local and Federal Government partners. 	<p>Foundation 305.825.0300 Mutual Benefit 305.825.0300 Homeless Youth Program 305.825.0300 Habitat Habitat@habitat.org kochen@cityofmiami.com adomene@cityofmiami.com Director@cityofmiami.com Hammock Hammock@cityofmiami.com</p>	<p>Miami-Dade Parks, Recreation, and Open Spaces Department (PROS) City of North Miami City of Miami Springs City of Doral YMCA Optimist Club of Kendall Hammocks</p>
<p><u>Police Athletic League (PAL) and Community Based Organizations (CBOs):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify programs that would benefit from exchange of information. Establish meetings to share information affecting PAL & CBOs. Increase communications between organizations in related services to avoid duplication, increase awareness, identify areas for improvement. 	<p>Palton Palton@palton.com</p>	<p>PROS City of North Miami City of Miami Springs City of Doral YMCA Optimist Club of Kendall Hammocks</p>
<p><u>Partnership between Law Enforcement (LE) and parks personnel / enhanced relationships:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify means of enhanced communication and advanced schedules for meetings. Solidify/strengthen ongoing partnerships between parks personnel, police and CBOs during scheduled meetings/events. 	<p>Miami Coalition Miami Coalition Chris's Health JCP Miami P.S. Service Miami P.S.</p>	<p>PROS City of North Miami Beach City of North Miami City of Miami Springs City of Doral YMCA Optimist Club of Kendall Hammocks</p>

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<p><u>Police Presence at Parks During Large Events / Gatherings:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop/enhance communications between Park Departments and Law Enforcement for advanced notification of large events or gatherings in parks. Parks Departments to share policies, procedures, legislation for large events. 	<p>PROS City of North Miami Beach (currently in place) City of North Miami City of Miami Springs City of Doral YMCA Optimist Club of Kendall Hammocks</p>
<p><u>Develop Lockdown Procedures at Parks:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishment of procedures and protocols for lockdown at all parks with recreation centers and CBO youth facilities. 	<p>PROS City of North Miami Beach (currently in place) City of North Miami City of Miami Springs City of Doral</p>
<p><u>Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED):</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify parks for survey based on priority. CPTED is a multi-disciplinary approach to deterring criminal behavior through environmental design. CPTED's goal is to prevent crime by designing a physical environment that positively influences human behavior. • Begin security assessments. • Identify cameras/lighting needs based on CPTED recommendations. 	<p>PROS City of North Miami Beach City of North Miami City of Miami Springs City of Doral YMCA Optimist Club of Kendall Hammocks</p>
<p><u>Reserve / Volunteer Park Ranger Program:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop policy for program. • Phase in beginning with parks and facilities with youth activities and/or after school programs. • Expand to additional Parks as reserve and volunteer rangers are added to the program. 	<p>PROS City of North Miami City of Miami Springs City of Doral YMCA Optimist Club of Kendall Hammocks</p>

Exhibit 1

Op-Ed Articles

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Protecting our children from gun violence

BY ALBERTO CARVALHO AND CARLOS GIMENEZ
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NISSA BENJAMIN / MIAMI HERALD STAFF

Our country is at a crossroads, one where we must stop and refocus on what is important. Last week twenty beautiful little angels and six dedicated educators were taken in a senseless random act of violence in Newtown, Conn. Since then our nation has struggled for answers as to how such a tragedy could happen. This tragedy has touched every American, every parent, every child in a manner that is difficult to describe.

In terms of the safety and preparedness of our schools, Miami-Dade County Public Schools is prepared for any emergency; however, a random act of violence is not predictable, particularly when perpetrated by an unstable individual. As a result, constant vigilance and preparedness are key to the security of our schools.

Op-Ed Articles

M-DCPS is fortunate to have its own full-service police department, one of few in the state, and a full complement of security monitors at every school. Even though every school has a site-specific emergency plan, all security protocols are being reviewed, including municipal first responder collaboration. Currently, the Schools Police Department has mutual aid agreements with all 37 local and state law enforcement agencies which service our community, ensuring that maximum resources are available in the event of any emergency.

The safety of our children is a concern and a responsibility which extends beyond just the school system. It extends beyond our courageous men and women of law enforcement; it is a shared responsibility.

That is why as superintendent of schools and Miami-Dade County mayor we are committed to coming to the table to evaluate how we, along with the county and other municipalities, can work together to create an envelope of safety around our schools. Therefore in the coming weeks we will be inviting all of the chiefs of our community's police agencies to review current safety protocols and develop recommendations for improvements.

Similarly, we are working to bring together mental healthcare professionals and those who provide social support services to identify opportunities for early interventions for at-risk and troubled youth. These meetings will then be followed up by a convening of mayors and other elected officials so that we may collectively identify resources and assets necessary to protect our schools and provide support to our youth. It is our intent that this work will yield specific recommendations and agreements which will

be announced by February.

M-DCPS will also be providing planned critical safety and security infrastructure upgrades at schools in the immediate future as a result of the funds made available by the passage of the \$1.2 billion bond referendum this past November.

Examples of planned improvements include: perimeter fencing and campus access control, fire and security alarm replacement and upgrades, public address system replacement and upgrades, additional surveillance cameras, and emergency lighting system upgrades. Those who continue to advocate the dilution of capital outlay funds, particularly into non-public entities, must consider the implications on the safety conditions at our publicly owned school facilities. We can and we will continue to fortify our schools and improve our safety and security protocols because the lives of our students and staff remain a paramount priority.

Our nation has seen far too many tragedies like Newtown. Each time the horrible tragedy is met with an outpouring of emotion and a subsequent knee-jerk reaction from pundits and politicians, albeit rarely with any long term results.

The recurring failure is that the emotional reaction to the heinous act never truly addresses the root cause of the problem. This cannot be the case again. Now is the time to put aside petty differences, partisan politics, and poll results and take a good long look at our policies and legislation, care and services for those with mental or emotional challenges, and our overall culture which regularly inundates youth and adults alike with violence, a disregard for the sanctity of life, and images and video games which glorify criminal lifestyles and the degradation of women.

The responsibility for safety of our youth, the security of our schools, the very return of civility to our society does not rest at the feet of any one entity, but is instead a shared duty of us all. It must begin with an honest national conversation about our values and our priorities at the very highest levels of our government, in our houses of worship, in town squares and around our dinner tables. As Americans, as public officials, as fathers, our hearts broke on December 14 when those 20 little angels and six educators lost their lives, just as our hearts ache each and every time one of our own students loses their life as the result of a foolish decision or violent act.

Through collaborative partnerships, responsible resource allocation, the availability of mental health and counseling services, and regular emergency response training we must create a safe environment in and around our schools and our students. This is an imperative of the highest order which can no longer be ignored or postponed. There can be no higher priority than the lives of our children.

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A holistic approach to gun violence in Miami-Dade

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Elected leaders and law-enforcement officials from across Miami-Dade County convened a Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety last week, assembled in the wake of several recent tragedies involving guns and child victims, both nationally and locally. Among these were the senseless shootings of Miami teenagers Bryan Herrera and Aaron Willis, bright young students guilty of nothing more than riding their bikes when shot without reason or provocation.

Our aim is to ensure that this community does everything possible to protect our most precious asset — young people like Bryan and Aaron — not only in their classrooms but also in their neighborhoods and local parks. These places should be safe havens for our children. Following the heinous acts of a few, we must redouble our efforts to fortify our community's public spaces, because no parent should ever have to second-guess their decision to let their child bike to a friend's house, walk home from school, or play ball at the local park.

The first roundtable meeting included a frank exchange of ideas among the participants, with many stating that our overriding focus must be on safeguarding our schools. While school safety remains vital, statistics tell us that our schools are generally safe and that tragedies like the one at Sandy Hook Elementary are the exception, not the rule. In Miami-Dade County's public schools, more than 40 students' lives were cut short by violent acts in the last four and a half years; only one of those was on school grounds.

So, while we will continue to improve school safety, we must also take a holistic, community-wide approach to our mission. In the coming weeks, the Youth Safety Roundtable will bring together four distinct working groups to assess what we are doing right to keep our kids safe in and out of the classroom; identify those areas where we are coming up short; and chart a clear path forward. That path must include a common-sense approach to gun control and gun responsibility.

The working groups will include diverse local stakeholders: community leaders, educators, law-enforcement officials, mental-health specialists, social-service professionals, and faith-based leaders. The broad perspectives and expertise these parties bring to the table will help us answer the tough questions that recent tragedies have forced all of us to ask ourselves.

What are we currently doing to safeguard our children at our schools, at our parks, and in our neighborhoods?

How can we improve?

Are we giving our most vulnerable youths proper support?

And how can we engage the broader community in this effort?

The answers to these questions and others will form the guidelines for safeguarding our young for the long term — a working document that we will revisit regularly for comprehensive updates and concrete actions. The Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety will not be truly effective if it only remains a priority for a few months. Our children deserve better from us; we must be vigilant and keep this issue squarely in the forefront for years to come. While the memories of recent tragedies may fade with time, the possibility of future tragedies will not.

Ultimately, the success of our efforts to address this community-wide issue will take true community-wide buy-in, with each and every resident taking personal responsibility for the safety and well-being of our young people. We all have a stake in this. If we are successful in keeping our children safe, we will be successful in keeping our entire community safe.

Miami-Dade Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez and Schools Superintendent Alberto M. Carvalho are co-chairs of the Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety.

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CARLOS A. GIMENEZ
MAYOR



ALBERTO M. CARVALHO
SUPERINTENDENT

January 9, 2013

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[Honorable / Chief] :

On behalf of Miami-Dade County Public Schools and Miami-Dade County, we invite you to participate in a *Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety* to be held on January 18, 2013, at 2:00 p.m., at the Vizcaya Museum & Gardens Village Garage, located at 3250 South Miami Avenue (parking available at the Miami Science Museum parking lot). This *Roundtable* will unite Mayors and Police Chiefs within the Miami-Dade community to work together on this vital public safety initiative.

Over the past few years, senseless acts of violence have affected our entire nation. The recent tragedy in Newtown, Connecticut, as well as random violence against youth in our own community demand that we, as a community, come together to address this issue.

The focus of the *Roundtable* will be the safety of our community's youth, not only in our schools, but also in our parks and neighborhoods. The objective is to share successful practices, discuss current challenges and define helpful recommendations for short and long-term solutions.

In order to efficiently and effectively address this community-wide issue, we must first come together and share information to ensure that the strongest safety protocols are in place. Through these discussions, we will also identify ways to leverage our collective resources, encourage and increase community engagement, and create an envelope of safety around our schools and our children. We look forward to working with you on this collaborative effort.

Sincerely,

Carlos A. Gimenez
Mayor
Miami-Dade County

Alberto M. Carvalho
Superintendent
Miami-Dade County Public Schools

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Working Group Participation Form

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Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety Working Group Participation Form



Name: _____
 Name of Organization: _____
 Address: _____
 Phone Number: _____
 Alt. Phone Number: _____
 Email: _____

I would like to participate in:

_____ **Youth Safety Working Group: In-School Youth Safety Working Group**

What do we currently do to ensure that our children are safe at our schools? Are there strategies that we are not currently utilizing that should be explored? If strategies are not being used, what are the reasons and ways to overcome impediments? Are there policies, state or federal laws or regulations in place, that hinder these efforts?

_____ **Youth Safety Working Group: Out-of-School Youth Safety Working Group**

What do we currently do to ensure that our children are safe at our parks? In our neighborhoods? Are there strategies that we are not currently utilizing that should be explored? If strategies are not being used, what are the reasons and ways to overcome impediments? Are there policies, state or federal laws or regulations, in place that hinder these efforts?

_____ **Youth Services Working Group**

How do we currently support all of our youth in our community? How are their needs assessed? How are services delivered? How is success determined? Are there gaps in this process that need to be reviewed? What prevention strategies are currently in place in your community?

_____ **Community Education and Empowerment Working Group**

What community services are already available in the community? Are there current initiatives/community-based groups working together to address youth safety? What level of coordination, if any, exists between the various community agencies? Why and how were they created? How is success determined? Is there duplication of effort? Can coordination across the county be improved? How can the impact of these efforts be maximized?

Please indicate participation preference by placing "1" for your first choice, "2" for your second choice, or "3" for your third choice by the respective working group category. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact: Ms. Lilliam B. Del-Gado, Administrative Assistant, at 305 995-1497 or email at lbdelgado@dadeschools.net, or Ms. Jackie Anghel-Novick, Assistant to Senior Advisor, at 305 375-2911 or email at anghelj@miamidade.gov. Deadline: Tuesday, January 22, 2013.

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Youth Safety Working Group / Out-of-School Youth Safety Working Group

Exhibit 4

Second Roundtable Invitation

Youth Services Working Group

How do we determine the quality of life for all of our youth in our community? How are the
successes of our services determined? How is success determined? Are the
services provided to the community? What are the strategies, are our
services...



ALBERTO M. CARVALHO
SUPERINTENDENT



CARLOS A. GIMENEZ
MAYOR

February 28, 2013

[ADDRESS BLOCK]

[Honorable / Chief] :

On behalf of Miami-Dade County Public Schools and Miami-Dade County, we invite you to participate in the second *Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety* to be held on March 8, 2013, at 3:00 p.m. in the media center at Miami Senior High School, located at 2450 S.W. First Street, Miami, Florida, 33135. Parking is available at the northeast corner of West Flagler and West 24 Avenue. The parking lot entrance is off West 24 Avenue. This meeting will unite mayors and police chiefs within the Miami-Dade community who have been working together with community stakeholders on this vital public safety initiative.

Since the first roundtable met on January 18, 2013, four working groups, In-School Youth Safety, Out-of-School Youth Safety, Youth Services, and Community Education and Empowerment, have worked tirelessly to identify ways to leverage our collective resources, encourage and increase community engagement, and improve safety protocols for our public spaces in order to create an envelope of safety around our children.

The focus of this second roundtable will be to share the recommendations for short and long-term solutions developed by these working groups and to discuss how we can best implement these practices within our respective communities.

If you plan to attend, please contact, Ms. Lilliam B. Del-Gado, Administrative Assistant, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, Grants Administration, and Community Engagement, Miami-Dade County Public Schools, at 305 995-1497 or lbdelgado@dadeschools.net.

We look forward to your continued participation on this collaborative effort.

Sincerely,

Alberto M. Carvalho, Superintendent
Miami-Dade County Public Schools

Carlos A. Gimenez, Mayor
Miami-Dade County

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Pledge Template

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(INSERT ORGANIZATION'S LOGO)



Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety Pledge of Commitment

(Organization's Name) has participated in the Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety process and will be collaborating as a partnering stakeholder in the long-term action plan that will be presented at the second Joint Roundtable taking place on March 8, 2013 at 3pm. The success of our efforts to address this community-wide issue will require authentic long-term buy-in and consistent communication within and between participating organizations and agency.

Pledge Template

By signing this document, I (person's name) pledge my continued support of prioritizing youth safety in Miami-Dade County and will proceed in taking the necessary steps to continue (Organization's Name) involvement in this vitally important partnership.

Signed _____ Date _____

Print Name _____

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE REPORT PRESENTED BY THE JOINT ROUNDTABLE ON YOUTH SAFETY AND DIRECTING THAT ANNUAL UPDATES BE PROVIDED ON THE PROGRESS OF THE COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY-WIDE ACTION PLAN INCLUDED WITHIN THE REPORT

WHEREAS, the safety of our youth is critical to the safety of our entire community; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety aims to ensure that Miami-Dade County does everything possible to protect our youth not only in their classrooms but also in their neighborhoods and local parks; and

WHEREAS, through the Roundtable, Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez and Miami-Dade County Public Schools Superintendent Alberto M. Carvalho engaged leadership from all 34 municipalities and over 100 community stakeholders within Miami-Dade County to work on this vital public safety initiative; and

WHEREAS, safeguarding the youth in our community is a long-term process that must be revisited regularly for comprehensive updates and concrete follow-up actions; and

WHEREAS, to ensure that the strongest safety protocols are in place, information must be shared county-wide in order to identify ways to leverage our collective resources and to encourage and increase community engagement; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Roundtable's efforts to address this issue will be dependent upon true community-wide buy in, with each and every resident taking personal responsibility for the safety and well-being of our young people; and

WHEREAS, the Board supports the efforts of this Roundtable, and directs the Mayor or designee to work cooperatively with and support the Roundtable's work as outlined in its comprehensive, community-wide action plan; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board:

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Section 1. Fully supports the Joint Roundtable on Youth Safety process and accompanying report.

Section 2. Directs the Mayor or designee to continue the work and activities shared within the report.

Section 3. Requests that an annual progress update be provided to the Board of County Commissioners.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

- | | |
|----------------------|-------------------------|
| | Rebeca Sosa, Chairwoman |
| | Lynda Bell, Vice Chair |
| Bruno A. Barreiro | Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. |
| Jose "Pepe" Diaz | Audrey M. Edmonson |
| Sally A. Heyman | Barbara J. Jordan |
| Jean Monestime | Dennis C. Moss |
| Sen. Javier D. Souto | Xavier L. Suarez |
| Juan C. Zapata | |

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this _____ day of _____, 2013. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency. _____

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Tropical Audubon Society

The Voice of Conservation in South Florida

President

May 15, 2013

Jose Francisco Barros,
D.D.S.

RE: Support of Biscayne Bay Restoration

Honorary Director

Roger Hammer

Dear Mayor Gottlieb:

Board of Directors

Alan Steinberg

I am following up on The Miami-Dade County League of Cities presentation given by Laura Reynolds, Executive Director of Tropical Audubon Society a few weeks ago. Tropical Audubon Society is launching its campaign to bring together a coalition of partners with a vested interest in supporting the protection of Biscayne Bay for the health and benefit of Miami-Dade County residents and for our tourism economy.

Dennis Olle, Esq.

Biscayne Bay is threatened on a number of fronts including water quality and diminished fresh water inputs. It is important to the health of Biscayne Bay that its restoration and maintenance be supported by the community to ensure proper water quality and quantity be delivered to this natural estuary.

Brian Rapoza

Lewis Milledge, Esq.

Gary Hunt

Attached is a draft Resolution for your municipality to join the Biscayne Bay Coalition so that we may work together to maintain a healthy Biscayne Bay, a healthy economy, and healthy lifestyle for our residents and visitors alike.

Rafael Galvez

Elizabeth Smith

The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) is meeting Thursday June 13, 2013 at 9:00am in the Council Chamber of the Village of Key Biscayne, Florida. They will consider water reservation issues that directly impact freshwater flow into Biscayne Bay. The agenda will be posted seven days prior to the meeting (June 6th) at: [Home >> About Us >> Organization >> Governing Board >> GOVERNING BOARD AGENDAS, MINUTES, PRESENTATIONS AND MORE](#). A large public attendance at the meeting will demonstrate to the SFWMD that the citizens of Miami-Dade County take the health of Biscayne Bay seriously. I urge you to attend this meeting.

David Pearson

Richard Cohen

Katy Sorenson

Pilar Rodriguez

Jaime Raich, Esq.

Should you have any questions please feel free to email or call me. I will contact you again regarding the adoption of the Resolution and attendance at the SFWMD meeting June 13.

Sara Conde

Student Director

Thank you in advance for your consideration of these important matters.

Michael Thicksten

Sincerely,

Susan N. Shapiro

Advisory Board

Dick Townsend

Susan N. Shapiro

Dr. Thomas E. Lodge

Marketing and Development

George Gann

development@tropicalaudubon.org

305-793-4763

Executive Director

Laura Reynolds

Attachments sent by email

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-___

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA JOINING THE BISCAYNE BAY COALITION IN SUPPORT OF ITS PROTECTION FOR THE HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY RESIDENTS AND THE IMPROVEMENT OF OUR TOURISM ECONOMY; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE AIMS OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Biscayne Bay is a part of the Greater Everglades Ecosystem; and

WHEREAS, Biscayne Bay is designated as a national park and protects 172,000 acres of submerged lands; and

WHEREAS, Biscayne Bay is protected as an aquatic preserve and protects 70,000 acres of submerged lands; and

WHEREAS, Biscayne Bay spans the entire coast of Miami-Dade County and is an iconic part of the view-scape of Miami and the beaches; and

WHEREAS, Biscayne Bay supports the economy of Miami-Dade County and surrounding areas through tourism and the Port of Miami for business; and

WHEREAS, the Biscayne Bay Aquatic Preserve and Biscayne National Park are the nursery grounds for commercial and recreational fisheries vital to Miami-Dade's economy; and

WHEREAS, the water quality of Biscayne Bay is essential for human health and safety and the health of the environment; and

WHEREAS, natural fresh water flows into Biscayne Bay have been severely diminished due to impacts from sprawl and alterations to historic Everglades flow patterns; and

WHEREAS, Biscayne Bay is a natural estuary in need of ongoing monitoring and restoration; and

WHEREAS, Biscayne Bay supports endangered and threatened species; and

WHEREAS, Biscayne Bay and its coastal wetlands play a vital role in the Atlantic flyway serving as a migratory pathway for wildlife and is globally important.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The forgoing “**WHEREAS**” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption.

Section 2. The City Commission of the City of Aventura supports the restoration of Biscayne Bay as part of the Greater Everglades with the completion of the Biscayne Bay Coastal Wetlands (BBCW) Project under Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Project (CERP).

Section 3. The City Commission of the City of Aventura supports the adoption of a state rule to protect the current flow of surface and ground water into Biscayne Bay.

Section 4. The City Commission of the City of Aventura supports the efforts of the Environmentally Endangered Lands Program (EEL) and the Florida Forever Program to purchase adjacent coastal wetlands needed for the BBCW Project and recharge of Miami-Dade’s aquifer.

Section 5. The City Manager is authorized to do all things necessary to carry out the aims of this Resolution.

Section 6. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Enbar Cohen	_____
Commissioner Teri Holzberg	_____
Commissioner Billy Joel	_____
Commissioner Howard Weinberg	_____
Commissioner Luz Urbacz Weinberg	_____
Vice Mayor Michael Stern	_____
Mayor Susan Gottlieb	_____

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of June, 2013.

SUSAN GOTTLIEB, MAYOR

ATTEST:

TERESA M. SOROKA, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CITY ATTORNEY

CITY OF AVENTURA
OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Commission

FROM: Eric M. Soroka, ICMA-CM, City Manager 

DATE: May 29, 2013

SUBJECT: **Disbursement of Police Forfeiture Funds**

June 4, 2013 City Commission Meeting Agenda Item 5E

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt the following Motion to expend funds from the Police Forfeiture Fund:

“Motion authorizing the appropriation of up to \$28,000 for a K-9 dog, equipment and training from the Police Forfeiture Funds in accordance with the City Manager’s memorandum.”

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

EMS/act

Attachment

CCO1802-13

CITY OF AVENTURA
POLICE DEPARTMENT
INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Eric M. Soroka, City Manager
FROM: 
Steven Steinberg, Chief of Police
DATE: 20 May 2013
SUBJECT: Use of Forfeiture Funds

The Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement (FESA), Section VIII allows for the use of federally forfeited funds for law enforcement. Section IX, A9 of the Federal Equitable Sharing agreement requires that the funds be expended only upon request of the Chief of Police to the governing body of the municipality and approval of the governing body.

I am requesting City Commission approval for the expenditure of:

K9 and equipment	\$28,000
Total Expenditure Request:	\$28,000

Summary

K9 and related equipment – I am requesting to use up to \$28,000 in Federal Treasury funds for the purchase of the below listed equipment and expenses:

1 dual purpose K9 – Bomb and street work trained
Equipment for K9 and related K9 vehicle
Bomb course for handler
Miscellaneous related expenses

The figure quoted is high as the agency will purchase a K9 that is already trained in both bomb work and patrol work. If we have to purchase the K9 from an out of state vendor, then the price will be higher for related expenses such as the on site bomb school for the handler, travel and K9 equipment. If the K9 is purchased locally, then costs should be somewhat lower as the out of state school will not be used.

CITY OF AVENTURA

COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Commission

FROM: Eric M. Soroka, ICMA-CM, City Manager

BY: Robert M. Sherman, Director of Community Services 

DATE: May 29, 2013

SUBJECT: **Bid No. 13-05-01-2 Custodial Services for City Facilities**

June 4, 2013 City Commission Meeting Agenda Item SF

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt the attached Resolution awarding Bid No. 13-05-01-2 Custodial Services for City Facilities to the lowest responsible and responsive bidders, Image Janitorial Services Inc. for \$90,240.00 and Kelly Janitorial Systems, Inc. for \$106,200.00 for a combined base bid price of \$196,440.00 per year. This represents a \$16,548 increase from our previous contract of \$179,892.00 for custodial services, which was awarded in July 2011.

Background:

In accordance with the City's Purchasing Ordinance, bids for this maintenance contract were solicited, advertised and opened on May 1, 2013. The bid was advertised in accordance with City purchasing regulations.

Bids were received from the following five firms:

Ecco Clean Commercial
American Facility Services, Inc.
Stockton Maintenance Group
Image Janitorial Services, Inc.
Kelly Janitorial Systems, Inc.

The bid document requested pricing for custodial services for all City facilities for an initial two (2) year term, with the City retaining the sole right to extend the contract for two additional two (2) year terms. The bid also required that the successful bidder use only certified green cleaning products.

The Bid Documents also included the following guidelines for awarding and evaluating the bids:

Award of Bids: The City of Aventura reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all Bids or parts of Bids, to waive any informality, irregularities or technicalities, to re-advertise for Bids, or take any other actions that may be deemed to be in the best interests of the City. The City also reserves the right to award the Contract on a split order basis, group by group, or item by item, or such combination as will best serve the interests of the City, unless otherwise stated. The City also reserves the right to waive minor variations to the specifications (interpretation of such to be made by the applicable department personnel). Final award of Bid(s) shall be made by the City Commission.

Evaluation of Bids: The City, at its sole discretion, reserves the right to inspect any/all BIDDER's facilities to determine their capability of meeting the requirements for the Contract. In addition to unit pricing, the CITY will take into consideration the BIDDER's flexibility, responsiveness, environmental responsibility, financial position, experience, staffing, equipment, materials, references, and past history of service to the City and/or with other units of state, and/or local governments in Florida, or comparable private entities, when determining award of the BID to the successful BIDDER.

Based on the foregoing criteria, American Facility Services, Inc. (the apparent low bidder with a base bid of \$198,056.16) was disqualified when staff contacted two local municipalities that have used American Facility Services, and did not give satisfactory recommendations.

The remaining two low bidders were Image Janitorial Services, Inc. and Kelly Janitorial Systems, Inc. which bids were \$2,794.32 apart, \$199,860 and \$202,654.32 respectively. Several of Image Janitorial Services, Inc. clients were contacted for references, and all were satisfied with their level of service.

Kelly Janitorial Systems, Inc. was the City's Custodial Services contractor from 2001 through 2011 with an excellent service record during this period of time; and has since assisted the City by providing custodial services the next business day after the prior contractor was terminated by the City; and has provided a consistent high level of both cleaning and customer service. Their past experience, history of service and assistance to the City was taken into consideration in evaluating the bids, resulting in recommending awarding this bid to the two lowest qualified responsive and responsible bidders.

City Commission
May 29, 2013
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I am recommending awarding Bid No. 13-05-01-2 Custodial Services for City Facilities as follows:

Image Janitorial Services, Inc.:

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Facility</u>	<u>Annual amount</u>
3	ACES Campus Arts & Cultural Center	\$ 90,240
		Hourly rates apply
Sub-total:		\$ 90,240

Kelly Janitorial Systems, Inc.:

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Facility</u>	<u>Annual amount</u>
1	Government Center	\$ 62,400
2	Community Recreation Center	31,200
4	Founders Park (north and south)	4,200
5	Veterans Park restroom	4,200
6	Waterways Park office building & restroom	4,200
Sub-total:		\$ 106,200

BID AWARD FOR ALL ITEMS \$ 196,440

Both companies will be required to post the appropriate required insurance and all work will be subject to the regular review and inspection of the Facilities Manager and Public Works Operations Manager.

Please feel free to contact the City Manager if you have any questions.

RMS/gf

Attachments

RMS13008

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-___

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA AWARING AND LETTING A BID/CONTRACT FOR BID NO. 13-05-01-2, CUSTODIAL SERVICES FOR CITY FACILITIES TO IMAGE JANITORIAL SERVICES, INC. AND KELLY JANITORIAL SYSTEMS, INC. AT THE BID PRICES AS CONTAINED IN EXHIBIT "A" ATTACHED; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ASSOCIATED CONTRACTS; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE NECESSARY AND EXPEDIENT ACTION TO CARRY OUT THE AIMS OF THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR THE APPROPRIATION AND ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR SAID BID AWARD; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Manager of the City of Aventura, Florida, has, pursuant to the various laws of the State of Florida and the Code of the City of Aventura, properly solicited and accordingly accepted bids for BID NO. 13-05-01-2, CUSTODIAL SERVICES FOR CITY FACILITIES; and

WHEREAS, sealed bids have been submitted to and received by the City pursuant to the City's Invitation to Bid/Notice to Bidders, specifications, proposals, and requirements for the project/work as cited above; and

WHEREAS, staff has determined that Image Janitorial Services, Inc. and Kelly Janitorial Systems, Inc. have submitted the lowest responsible and responsive bids for said project/work; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission, upon the recommendation of the City Manager, is therefore desirous of awarding said bid/contract to said lowest responsible and responsive bidders.

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

Section 1: That bid/contract for BID NO. 13-05-01-2, CUSTODIAL SERVICES FOR CITY FACILITIES is hereby awarded to Image Janitorial Services, Inc. and Kelly Janitorial Systems, Inc. at the bid prices contained in Exhibit "A" attached as follows: Facility Nos. 1,2,4,5,6 to Kelley Janitorial Systems, Inc. at the bid price of \$106,200.00 and Facility No. 3 to Image Janitorial Services, Inc. at the bid price of \$90,240.00

Section 2: The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute, on behalf of the City, a contract by and between the parties embodying the terms, conditions, specifications as set forth in the subject Invitation to Bid/Notice to Bidders, bid specifications, bid proposal and bid requirements and said parties shall execute said prepared contract on behalf of the City.

Section 3: That the City Manager is hereby authorized and requested to take all necessary and expedient action to carry out the aims of this Resolution in awarding this bid/contract.

Section 4: That the funds to be allocated and appropriated pursuant hereto and for the purpose of carrying out the tenets of this Resolution shall be from the General Fund Line Item Nos. 001-5001-539-4620, 001-9001-590-3410; and 190-6008-569-4620.

Section 5: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

- Commissioner Enbar Cohen _____
- Commissioner Teri Holzberg _____
- Commissioner Billy Joel _____
- Commissioner Luz Urbáez-Weinberg _____
- Commissioner Howard Weinberg _____
- Vice Mayor Michael Stern _____
- Mayor Susan Gottlieb _____

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of June, 2013.

SUSAN GOTTLIEB, MAYOR

ATTEST:

TERESA M. SOROKA, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CITY ATTORNEY

EXHIBIT "A"

CITY OF AVENTURA
 BID TABULATION
CUSTODIAL SERVICE FOR CITY FACILITIES

BID # 13-05-01-2

Bid opening after 2:00 pm on Wednesday, May 1st, 2013

FACILITIES	*ECCO CLEAN COMMERCIAL		**AMERICAN FACILITY SERVICES, INC		**STOCKTON MAINTENANCE GROUP		IMAGE COMPANIES JANITORIAL SER		KELLY JANITORIAL SYSTEMS, INC	
	MONTHLY	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	ANNUAL
1. Government Center	\$14,000.00	\$168,000.00	\$6,220.36	\$74,644.32	\$7,086.10	\$85,033.20	\$6,400.00	\$76,800.00	\$5,200.00	\$62,400.00
2. Community Recreation Ctr. (CRC)	\$4,600.00	\$55,200.00	\$2,073.45	\$24,881.40	\$2,850.73	\$34,208.76	\$2,050.00	\$24,600.00	\$2,600.00	\$31,200.00
3. ACES Elementary & Middle School Buildings	\$14,800.00	\$177,600.00	\$6,966.80	\$83,601.60	\$7,323.03	\$87,876.36	\$7,520.00	\$90,240.00	\$8,037.86	\$96,454.32
4. Founder's Park, North & South	\$1,800.00	\$21,600.00	\$414.69	\$4,976.28	\$513.13	\$6,157.56	\$305.00	\$3,660.00	\$350.00	\$4,200.00
5. Veterans Park Restroom	\$860.00	\$10,320.00	\$414.69	\$4,976.28	\$513.13	\$6,157.56	\$127.50	\$1,530.00	\$350.00	\$4,200.00
6. Waterways Park Office Bldg & Restroom	\$1,320.00	\$15,840.00	\$414.69	\$4,976.28	\$366.52	\$4,398.24	\$250.00	\$3,000.00	\$350.00	\$4,200.00
TOTAL BASE BID PRICE	\$37,380.00	\$448,560.00	\$16,504.68	\$198,056.16	\$18,652.64	\$223,831.68	\$16,652.50	\$199,830.00	\$16,887.86	\$202,654.32
Monthly Bid Price x 24 = Total Bid Price for 2 Year Period (A x B)										
<u>Total Bid Price for 2 Year Period (A x B)</u>	\$897,120.00		396,112.32		447,663.36		399,660.00		405,308.64	

OPTIONAL SERVICES							
1.	Shampooing per sq.ft	\$0.16	\$0.12	\$0.115	\$0.10	\$0.18	\$0.18
2.	Strip/Wax/Buf/Tile Flooring per sq.ft	\$0.36	\$0.24	\$0.175	\$0.18	\$0.25	\$0.25
3.	Porter or Janitor, Regular Rate per hour	\$20.00	\$12.50	\$11.85	\$13.50	\$14.50	\$14.50
	Nights/Holidays Rate	\$30.00	\$14.50	\$17.77	\$18.50	\$20.25	\$20.25
4.	Exterior Window Cleaning: City Facilities	Per Cleaning					
a.	Government Center	No Bid	\$1,400.00	\$6,988.55	\$12,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00
b.	Community Recreation Ctr.	No Bid	\$ 600.00	\$ 651.47	\$ 360.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 175.00
c.	Founder's Park	No Bid	\$ 50.00	\$ 90.56	\$ 150.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
d.	Waterways Park	No Bid	\$ 50.00	\$ 148.06	\$ 150.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
e.	Elementary School	No Bid	\$ 400.00	\$ 893.52	\$ 600.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 180.00
f.	Middle School	No Bid	\$ 400.00	\$ 893.52	\$ 350.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 180.00
g.	Arts & Cultural Center	No Bid	\$ 600.00	\$ 325.74	\$ 600.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00

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5.	Classroom Area Rugs, Disinfecting & Cleaning	\$60.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 15.00
	Addendum Acknowledged	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Proper Bid Bond	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Sub Contractor Listed	No	None	Yes	None	None
	Bidder Qualification. Stmt	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Offers listed from the vendors herein are the only offers received timely as of the above opening date and time. All other offers submitted in response to this solicitation, if any, are hereby rejected as late.

Note: *Ecco Clean – Bid was not completely seal and all forms that were required to be submitted was not included in their submittals.

**Stockton Maintenance Group has math error. Total Annual Base Bid should be \$ 223,831.68.

**American Facility Services has math error. Total Annual Base Bid should be \$ 198,056.16

Purchasing Agent: _____ Dated _____

CITY OF AVENTURA
OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Commission

FROM: Eric M. Soroka, ICMA-CM, City Manager 

DATE: May 29, 2013

SUBJECT: **Resolution Declaring Equipment Surplus**

June 4, 2013 Commission Meeting Agenda Item 56

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt the attached Resolution declaring certain equipment as surplus to the needs of the City.

BACKGROUND

Section 2-258 of the City Code of Ordinances provides that any property owned by the City which has become obsolete or which has outlived its usefulness may be disposed of in accordance with procedures established by the City Manager, so long as the property has been declared surplus by a resolution of the City Commission.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

EMS/act

Attachment

CITY OF AVENTURA

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Eric M. Soroka, City Manager
FROM: Karen J. Lanke, Information Technology Director
DATE: May 23, 2013
SUBJECT: Surplus Computer Equipment

I am requesting that the computer equipment listed on the attached spreadsheet be declared surplus property as the equipment no longer meets the needs of the City.

Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this request.

Attachment

**City of Aventura
Computer Equipment Inventory**

Exhibit A

Asset Tag	Brand	Model	Qty	Serial Number	Type
	Dell	Latitude D630	1	41GTPD1	Laptop
	Dell	Latitude D630	1	3B0NGH1	Laptop
	Dell	Latitude D630	1	1JZ82D1	Laptop
	Dell	Latitude D810	1	F8SKL81	Laptop
	Dell	Latitude E6400	1	F2L6WK1	Laptop
	Dell	Latitude E6400	1	G2L6WK1	Laptop
	Dell	Latitude E6400	1	C1L6WK1	Laptop
	Dell	Latitude E6410	1	NA	Laptop
	Dell	Optiplex 745	1	4WLHRD1	Desktop
	Dell	Optiplex 755	1	84FNGH1	Desktop
	Dell	Optiplex 755	1	1T4PYH1	Desktop
	Dell	Optiplex 760	1	22S4WK1	Desktop
	Dell	Optiplex 760	1	H2S4WK1	Desktop
	Dell	Optiplex 780	1	3TDLKN1	Desktop
	HP	NA	1	NA	Printer
	Logitech	QuickCam Express	1	NA	Webcam
	Zebra	RW420	1	XXRC08-41-5415	Printer

RESOLUTION NO. 2013- ____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA DECLARING CERTAIN PROPERTY LISTED UNDER THE ASSETS OF THE CITY AS SURPLUS TO THE NEEDS OF THE CITY; DESCRIBING THE MANNER OF DISPOSAL; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO DO ALL THINGS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE AIMS OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Manager desires to declare certain property as surplus to the needs of the City; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2000-09 provides that all City-owned property that has been declared surplus cannot be disposed of prior to the preparation and formal approval of a resolution by the City Commission.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1. Recitals Adopted. The above recitals are hereby confirmed and adopted herein.

Section 2. The property listed on Exhibit "A" has been declared surplus and is hereby approved for disposal.

Section 3. The City Manager is authorized to dispose of the property listed on Exhibit "A" through a public auction, sale, trade-in, transfer to other governmental agency or, if of no value, discarded.

Section 4. The City Manager is hereby authorized to do all things necessary to carry out the aims of this Resolution.

Section 5. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Enbar Cohen	_____
Commissioner Teri Holzberg	_____
Commissioner Billy Joel	_____
Commissioner Howard Weinberg	_____
Commissioner Luz Urbáez Weinberg	_____
Vice Mayor Michael Stern	_____
Mayor Susan Gottlieb	_____

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of June, 2013.

SUSAN GOTTLIEB, MAYOR

ATTEST:

TERESA M. SOROKA, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CITY ATTORNEY

CITY OF AVENTURA

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Commission

FROM: Eric M. Soroka, ICMA/CM
City Manager

BY: Joanne Carr, AICP
Planning Director

DATE: May 14, 2013

SUBJECT: Request of Shuva Israel Florida Inc. for Conditional Use Approval to permit a synagogue in the Heavy Business (B3) District, to be located in Suites 201 & 202, Jaffe Building at Aventura, 18999 Biscayne Boulevard, City of Aventura (03-CU-13)

June 4, 2013 City Commission Meeting Agenda Item 6

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the request for conditional use approval to permit the establishment of a synagogue in the Heavy Business (B3) District, subject to the following conditions:

1. Prior to commencement of the proposed uses, the applicant shall:
 - a) Obtain all necessary permits and complete construction of improvements for safe pedestrian access including an accessible pedestrian sidewalk connecting to the existing public sidewalk on Biscayne Boulevard, crosswalk markings across the private parking area to the site sidewalk and relocation of the existing stop bar in the private parking area, all to be shown on a plan to be submitted by the applicant.
 - b) Obtain all necessary permits for interior renovations to the lease premises.
2. Permits shall be obtained within twelve (12) months of the date of the Resolution or the approvals granted shall be null and void unless extended by a motion of the City Commission.

The Site - The site of the proposed place of worship is a 4,153 square foot unit on the second floor of the office/bank building at 18999 Biscayne Boulevard.

The Project – The applicant wishes to establish a synagogue in the second floor unit with a main sanctuary containing 40 seats and a small sanctuary containing 12 seats to be used for services and adult study, two office spaces, kitchen area and restroom. A floor plan is attached as Exhibit #4.

Congregant access to the unit is proposed by way of existing public sidewalks on Biscayne Boulevard, NE 187 Street, NE 191 Street, NE 190 Street and NE 29 Avenue. Congregants approaching from the east will have continuous sidewalk access through the Town Center Aventura plaza. The applicant will be required to install a connection on the site to the Biscayne Boulevard sidewalk for congregants approaching from that direction. Pedestrian access improvements include a concrete walkway connection on the building site from Biscayne Boulevard, pedestrian crosswalk markings through the private parking area to connect to the building site sidewalks and relocation of a stop bar to accommodate the crossing markings, all as shown on the sketch attached as Exhibit #5. The applicant will be required to submit detailed plans, obtain a building permit for this work and complete the work before beginning the proposed use.

ANALYSIS

Consistency with Comprehensive Master Plan – The request is consistent with the City of Aventura Comprehensive Plan. The subject property has a Town Center future land use designation. Places of worship are allowed in properties with this future land use category.

Citizen Comments – As of the date of writing of this report, the City has received no written comments from citizens.

Community Development Department Analysis – The applicant is requesting conditional use approval to establish a synagogue the Jaffe Building at Aventura on Biscayne Boulevard between NE 187 Street and NE 191 Street. This property lies within the Heavy Business (B3) zoning district according to the City’s Land Development Regulations. This district regulation provides that permitted uses in the Community Facilities (CF) District may be established in this zone if first approved as a conditional use. Churches or synagogues and other places of worship, schools and libraries are permitted uses in the Community Facilities (CF) District.

Staff’s concerns with this proposal are that safe pedestrian access and adequate parking facilities be provided.

I. SAFE PEDESTRIAN ACCESS

The applicant has advised that congregants will be of orthodox Jewish faith and will therefore walk to service and study. It is therefore imperative that safe pedestrian access be provided to the unit. There are presently sidewalks on the public streets in the vicinity of the office building and a site sidewalk along the south side of the building. In order to ensure safe access, the applicant will be required to install an accessible sidewalk connection to Biscayne Boulevard through the site to the building sidewalk, to install pedestrian crosswalk markings on the private parking area and to relocate an existing stop bar to accommodate those markings. All improvements are to comply with ADA standards. The applicant has agreed to construct the required improvements and they are included as a condition of approval of this application.

II. PARKING

Although the applicant advises that most congregants will walk to service and study, the City's Code does require provision of the parking spaces for these uses. The number of parking spaces required is regulated by Section 31-171(b) of the City Code, which states that places of worship require one parking space per four seats in the largest assembly area. The proposed 40 seats in the main sanctuary require 10 parking spaces.

The leased premise was formerly occupied by Jaffe Eye medical office which required 14 parking spaces for its use. The new proposed use requires a lesser number of spaces, therefore, there is a reduced impact on parking demand for the building.

Criteria

According to Section 31-73(c) of the City's Land Development Regulations, a Conditional Use request is evaluated using the following criteria:

1. *The proposed use shall be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.*

The request is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. The synagogue is proposed to be located on a parcel with a Town Center land use designation through the conditional use procedures of the Code.

2. *The establishment, maintenance or operation of the proposed use shall not be detrimental to or endanger the public health, safety or general welfare.*

The establishment, maintenance or operation of the proposed use will not be detrimental to or endanger the public health, safety or general welfare. Pedestrian access will be by way of marked crosswalks from new and existing sidewalks and pedestrian crossings through the adjacent shopping center parking lot. Installation of the marked crosswalks and construction of access improvements are a condition of this approval.

3. *The proposed use shall be consistent with the community character of the immediate neighborhood of the proposed use.*

The proposed use is consistent with the community character of the immediate neighborhood. There are residential developments within walking distance of the building that will benefit from the location of the use.

4. *Utilities, roadway capacity, drainage and other necessary public facilities, including police, fire and emergency services shall exist at the City's adopted levels of service or will be available concurrent with demand as provided for in the requirement of these LDR's.*

Utilities, roadway capacity, drainage and other necessary public facilities exist at the City's adopted levels of service or will be available concurrent with demand as provided for in the Land Development Regulations.

5. *Adequate measures exist or shall be taken to provide ingress and egress to the proposed use in a manner that minimizes traffic congestion in the public streets.*

Adequate measures exist to provide ingress and egress to the proposed use in a manner that minimizes traffic congestion in the public streets. There are existing accesses from the public roads, namely, Biscayne Boulevard, NE 191 Street, NE 187 Street and NE 29 Avenue that then connect to easements in the private roadways through this site and the adjacent plaza.

6. *The establishment of the conditional use shall not impede the development of surrounding properties for uses permitted in the zoning district.*

The establishment of this use will not impede the development of surrounding properties for uses permitted in the zoning district. The site is located within an existing two story portion of the office building.

7. *The design of the proposed use shall minimize adverse effects, including visual impacts of the proposed use on adjacent property through the use of building orientation, setbacks, buffers, landscaping and other design criteria.*

The design of the proposed use will minimize adverse effects, including visual impacts of the proposed use on adjacent property through the use of building orientation, setbacks, buffers, landscaping and other design criteria. The proposed use is located on the second floor of an existing, enclosed office and bank building.

SHUVA ISRAEL AVENTURA, INC.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
CITY OF AVENTURA

April 29, 2013

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Ms. Joanne Carr, AICP
Community Development Director
City of Aventura
19200 West Country Club Drive
Aventura, Florida 33180

MAY 2 2013
DM
INITIAL
03-CU-13

Re: Letter of Intent, Conditional Use Approval Application // Permit # BL13-1217 // Jaffe Building, Aventura FL

Dear Ms. Carr:

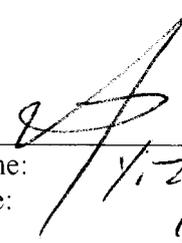
Please accept this letter of intent as an expression of interest on behalf of Shuva Israel Aventura Inc. ("*Shuva Israel*") to operate a designated portion of the Jaffee Building, 18999 Biscayne Boulevard, Aventura, Florida (the "*Property*") primarily for Jewish cultural and bible studies three to four times a week for approximately twenty to forty people as well as prayer services. Understandably, this requires Shuva Israel to seek conditional review from the City of Aventura and it is in accordance therewith that we are submitting this letter. We believe the use sought by Shuva Israel is compatible with the other land uses permitting in the zoning district. It is our belief that the impact of this use on the surrounding area will be extremely favorable.

We have and will continue to cooperate with all of the City of Aventura's applicable land uses, development and building departments. It is our intention to work towards achieving a project that is mutually beneficial to all. We look forward to working with the City of Aventura.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

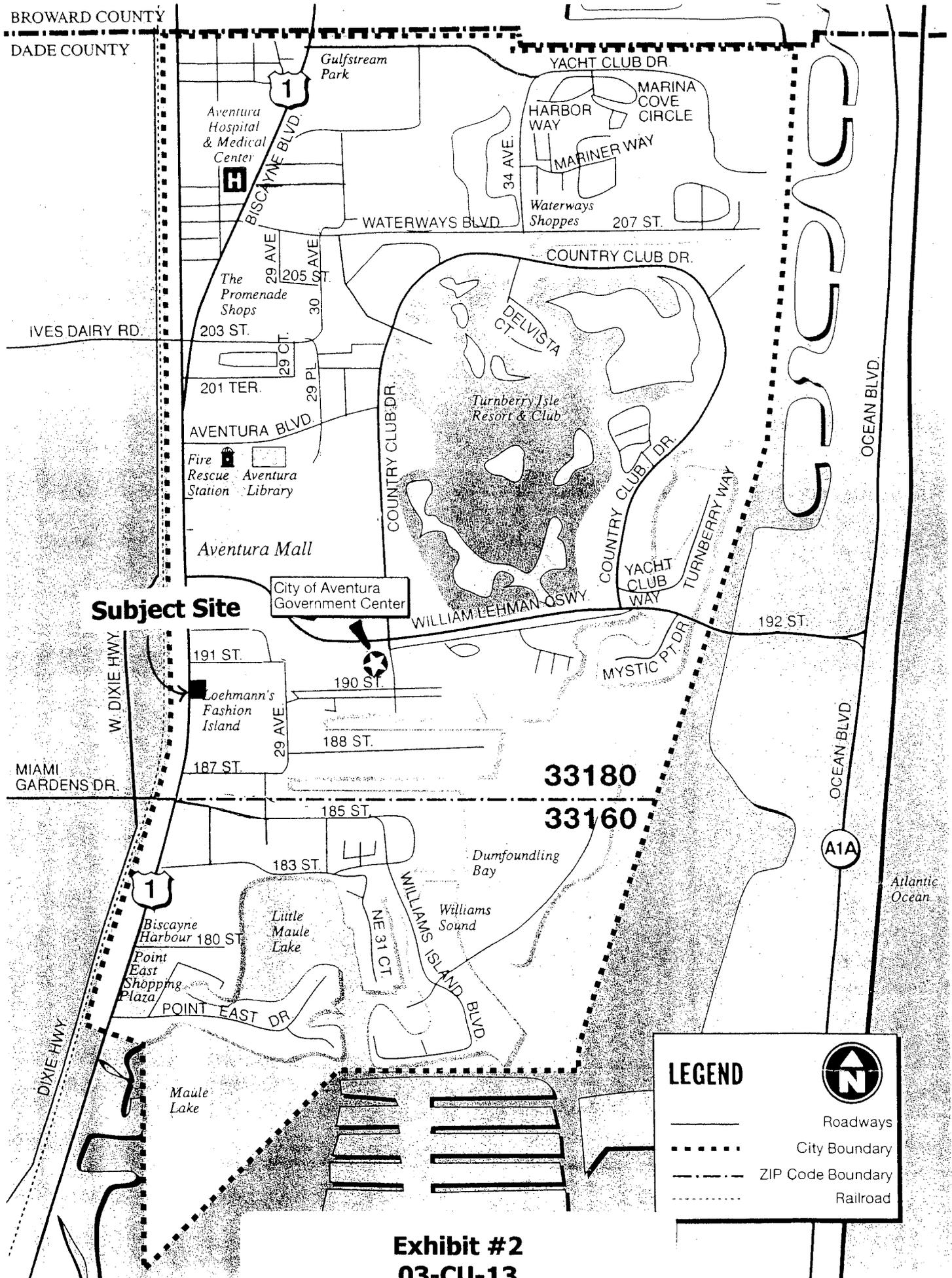
Respectfully Submitted,

SHUVA ISRAEL OF AVENTURA, INC.

By: 
Name: Yitzhak Klerman
Title: Director

**Exhibit #1
01-CU-13**

BROWARD COUNTY
DADE COUNTY



Subject Site

City of Aventura
Government Center

33180

33160

LEGEND



- Roadways
- City Boundary
- - - - ZIP Code Boundary
- Railroad

Exhibit #2
03-CU-13

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

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Exhibit #3
03-CU-13

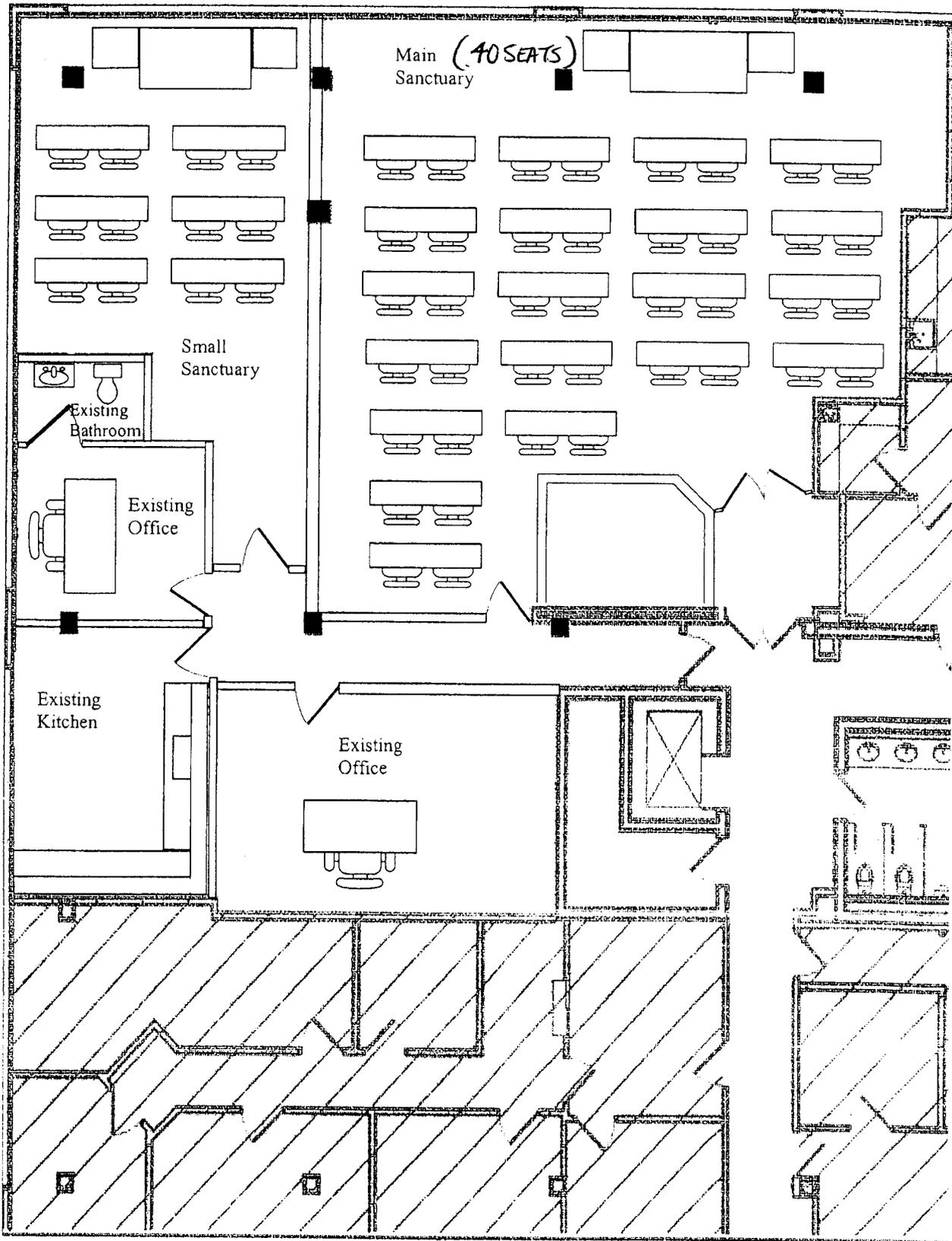


Exhibit #4
03-CU-13

SKETCH OF SURVEY SCALE: 1"=20'

RECOMMENDED SITE WORKS:

03-CU-13 Shuva Israel Aventura Inc.

1. Install new concrete sidewalk from Biscayne Boulevard sidewalk
2. Paint pedestrian crosswalk marking
3. Paint pedestrian crosswalk marking
4. Relocate stop bar to north of crosswalk

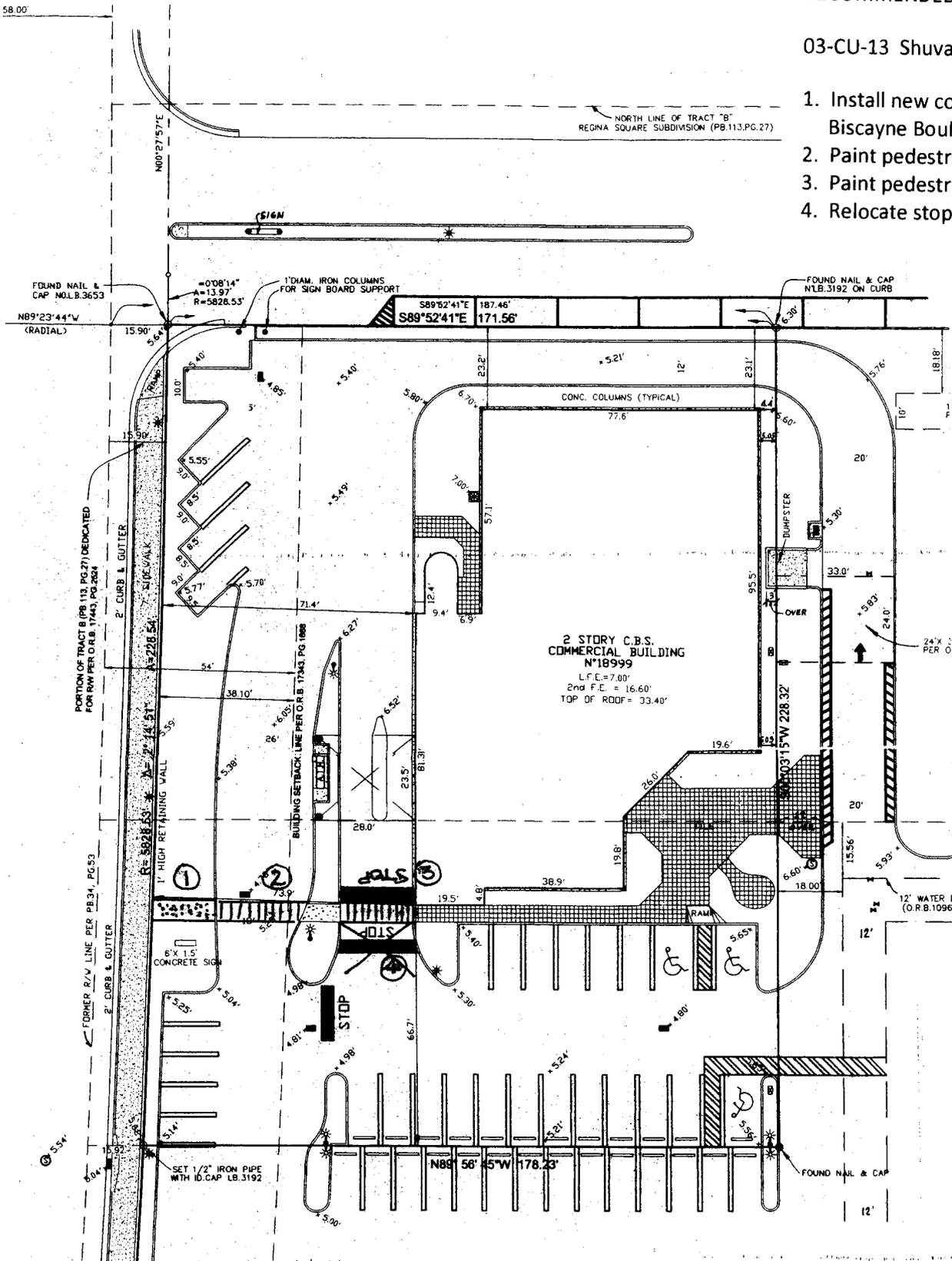


Exhibit #5
03-CU-13

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OCTOBER 26, 2001	011037	J.L.	217-74	40038	REVISED &
APRIL 17, 2000	40038	J.L.	105-24	40038	SHOW NEW
SEPTEMBER 6, 1998	89885	J.L.	105-24	89885	SHOW THE
NOVEMBER 15, 1995	119539	H.H.	105-24	HAND	BOUNDARY

CERTIFIED TO:
COMMUNITY BANK OF BROWARD;
CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY;
ESA-AVENTURA, LLC;
HINSHAW AND CULVERTSON, LLP



APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVE AFFIDAVIT

Pursuant to Section 31-71(b)(2)(i) of the City of Aventura Land Development Code, this Applicant Representative Affidavit is hereby made and submitted. The undersigned authorized representative of the individual or entity applying for the Development Permit, which is identified in the accompanying application, and the owner of the property subject to the application (if different) hereby lists and identifies all persons representing the individual or entity applying for the Development Permit in connection with the application, as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name, Relationship. Row 1: ETHAN HASSOUN, VICE-PRESIDENT. Row 2: SHUVA KRAEL AVENTURA INC.

(Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary)

NOTICE: ANY STATEMENT OR REPRESENTATION MADE BY ANY PERSON LISTED ON THE APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVE AFFIDAVIT SHALL BE BINDING UPON THE INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY APPLYING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT AND THE OWNER OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY. APPLICANTS AND AFFIANTS ARE ADVISED TO TIMELY SUPPLEMENT THIS AFFIDAVIT PURSUANT TO SEC. 31-71(B)(2)(IV) OF THE CITY'S LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS IN THE CITY CODE. IN THE EVENT THAT PRIOR TO CONSIDERATION OF THE APPLICATION BY THE CITY BOARD OR COMMISSION, THE INFORMATION PROVIDED IN THE AFFIDAVIT BECOMES INCORRECT OR INCOMPLETE.

WITNESS MY HAND THIS DAY OF MAY 2003

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF APPLICANT:

OWNER

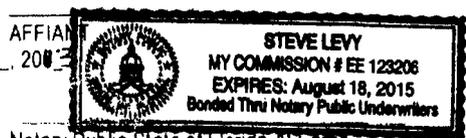
By: [Signature]
Name: YIZHAK TOLEDANO
Title: DIRECTOR, SHUVA KRAEL
Address: 2999 NE 91 ST PH2
AVENTURA FL 33180

By:
Name:
Title:
Address:

STATE OF FLORIDA)
COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE)

Before me the undersigned authority personally appeared YIZHAK TOLEDANO as the authorized representative of the Applicant and/or the owner of the property subject to the application, who being first by me duly sworn, did swear or affirm that he/she executed this Affidavit for the purposes stated therein and that it is true and correct.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME this 24th day of MAY 2003



Notary Public State of Florida At Large
Printed Name of Notary Steve Levy
My commission expires: Aug, 2015



BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP AFFIDAVIT*

This Affidavit is made pursuant to Section 31-71(b)(2)(ii) of the City of Aventura Land Development Code. The undersigned Affiant hereby discloses that: (mark with "x" applicable portions only)

- 1. Affiant does not have a Business Relationship with any member of the City Commission or any City Advisory Board to which the application will be presented.
- 2. Affiant hereby discloses that it does have a Business Relationship with a member of the City Commission or a City Advisory Board to which the application will be presented, as follows:

_____ (List name of Commissioner or Advisory Board Member) who serves on the _____ (List City Commission or City Advisory Board upon which member serves).

The nature of the Business Relationship is as follows:

- i. Member of City Commission or Board holds an ownership interest in excess of 1% of total assets or capital stock of Applicant or Representative;
- ii. Member of City Commission or Board is a partner, co-shareholder (as to shares of a corporation which are not listed on any national or regional stock exchange) or joint venturer with the Applicant or Representative in any business venture;
- iii. The Applicant or Representative is a Client of a member of the City Commission or Board or a Client of another professional working from the same office or for the same employer as the member of the City Commission or Board;
- iv. A City Commissioner or Board member is a Client of the Applicant or Representative;
- v. The Applicant or Representative is a Customer of the member of the City Commission or Board (or of his or her employer) and transacts more than \$10,000.00 of the business of the member of the City Commission or Board (or his or her employer) in a given calendar year;
- vi. The member of the City Commission or Board is a Customer of the Applicant or Representative and transacts more than \$25,000.00 of the business of the Applicant or Representative in a given calendar year.

WITNESS MY HAND THIS _____ DAY OF MAY 2013

APPLICANT:

By: _____ (Signature)
 Name: YITZAK TOLEDANO (Print)
 Title: DIRECTOR, SHIVA ISRAEL (Print)

WITNESS MY HAND THIS 24 DAY OF MAY 2013

PROBATIONER

By: _____ (Signature)
 Name: STEVE LEVY (Print)
 Title: _____ (Print)

MY COMMISSION # EE 123206
 EXPIRES: August 18, 2015
 Bonded thru Notary Public Underwriters

*The terms "Business Relationship," "Client," "Customer," "Applicant," "Representative" and "Interested Person" are defined in Section 2-395 of the Aventura City Code.

WITNESS MY HAND THIS _____ DAY OF MAY, 2003

REPRESENTATIVE: (Listed on Business Relationship Affidavit)

By: [Signature] (Signature)

Name: ETHAN HASSOUN (Print)

Title: VP, SHOUA KPRAC (Print)

By: _____ (Signature)

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NOTE: 1) Use duplicate sheets if disclosure information for Representative varies

2) Applicants and Affiants are advised to timely supplement this Affidavit pursuant to Sec. 31-71(b)(2)(iv) of the City's Land Development Regulations in the City Code, in the event that prior to consideration of the application by the City Board or Commission, the information provided in the Affidavit becomes incorrect or incomplete.

NOTARIZATION PROVISION

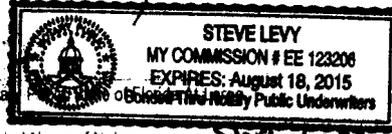
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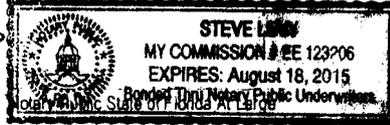
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RESOLUTION NO. 2013-___

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA GRANTING CONDITIONAL USE APPROVAL TO PERMIT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SYNAGOGUE IN THE HEAVY BUSINESS (B3) DISTRICT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 18999 BISCAYNE BOULEVARD, CITY OF AVENTURA; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the property described herein is zoned B3, Heavy Business District;
and

WHEREAS, the applicant, Shuva Israel Aventura Inc., through Application No. 03-CU-13, is requesting Conditional Use approval to permit the establishment of a synagogue in the Heavy Business (B3) District; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission held a quasi-judicial public hearing as provided by law to review the Application; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that the Application meets the criteria of the applicable codes and ordinances, to the extent the Application is granted.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1. Application for Conditional Use to permit establishment of a synagogue in the Heavy Business (B3) District on property located at 18999 Biscayne Boulevard and legally described in Exhibit "A" to this resolution, is hereby granted subject to the following conditions:

1. Prior to commencement of the proposed use, the applicant shall:
 - a) Obtain all necessary permits and complete construction of improvements for safe pedestrian access including an accessible pedestrian sidewalk connecting

to the existing public sidewalk on Biscayne Boulevard, crosswalk markings across the private parking area to the site sidewalk and relocation of the existing stop bar in the private parking area, all to be shown on a plan to be submitted by the applicant.

- b) Obtain all necessary permits for interior renovations to the unit.
- 2. Permits shall be obtained within twelve (12) months of the date of the Resolution or the approvals granted shall be null and void unless extended by a motion of the City Commission.
- 3. Any discontinuation of the approved conditional use for a period of one hundred and eighty (180) consecutive days shall constitute abandonment and shall rescind this approval.

Section 2. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Enbar Cohen	_____
Commissioner Teri Holzberg	_____
Commissioner Billy Joel	_____
Commissioner Howard Weinberg	_____
Commissioner Luz Urbaez Weinberg	_____
Vice Mayor Michael Stern	_____
Mayor Susan Gottlieb	_____

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 4th day of June, 2013.

Susan Gottlieb, Mayor

ATTEST:

TERESA M. SOROKA, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CITY ATTORNEY

This Resolution was filed in the Office of the City Clerk this _____ day of _____, 2013.

CITY CLERK

EXHIBIT "A"

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

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CITY OF AVENTURA
OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Commission

FROM: Eric M. Soroka, ICMA-CM, City Manager 

DATE: May 29, 2013

SUBJECT: **Ordinance Amending Dangerous Intersection Safety Section of the City Code to Incorporate Revisions Adopted During the 2013 Legislative Session**

1st Reading June 4, 2013 City Commission Meeting Agenda Item 7A

2nd Reading June 19, 2013 City Commission Meeting Agenda Item _____

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt the attached Ordinance amending Chapter 48 of the City Code entitled "Dangerous Intersection Safety" to comply with the provisions of House Bill 7125 and to further revise and update the City Code to conform with the 2013 legislation.

BACKGROUND

This past legislative session, the Florida Legislature enacted House Bill 7125 which in part reformed the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Act as follows:

1. A new two-step process for enforcing red light violations with intersection safety cameras was adopted. The first step is sending a notification of the violation. The violator now has 60 days (30 more than the previous legislation) following the notification to either pay the \$158 statutory penalty or request a hearing before a local hearing officer appointed by the City. If the violator fails to pay the penalty or request a hearing, then a uniform traffic citation will be issued and enforced in the County Court. The hearings will be held at the Aventura Government Center and conducted by the City's Special Master. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Special Master shall determine whether a violation occurred and can uphold or dismiss the violation. If the violation is upheld, the Special Master may require the petitioner to pay municipal costs not to exceed \$250.00.

2. The standard changed for finding a red light camera violation when a car is making a right hand turn at a red light. A violation will not have occurred when a driver fails to stop at the red light if the driver is making a right-hand turn in a careful and prudent manner provided the driver comes to a complete stop before turning right. A violation may not be issued if the driver comes to a complete stop after crossing the stop line and before turning right if permissible at a red light, but failed to stop before crossing over the stop line or other point at which a stop is required.

The amendment and revisions are effective July 1, 2013.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Attachment

CCO1801-13

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-_____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF AVENTURA CODE OF ORDINANCES, BY AMENDING SECTION 2-348 "CIVIL PENALTIES" OF ARTICLE V "CODE ENFORCEMENT" OF CHAPTER 2 "ADMINISTRATION", AND BY AMENDING ARTICLE III "DANGEROUS INTERSECTION SAFETY" OF CHAPTER 48 "VEHICLES, USE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY, PARKING AND OTHER REGULATIONS", TO ENSURE CONSISTENCY WITH SECTION 316.0083, "THE MARK WANDALL TRAFFIC SAFETY ACT", AS AMENDED BY THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE THROUGH THE ENACTMENT OF CS/CS/ HOUSE BILL 7125 DURING THE 2013 LEGISLATIVE SESSION; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR CLERK DESIGNATED; PROVIDING FOR SAVINGS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on October 18, 2007 the City Commission enacted Ordinance No. 2007-15 creating Article III "Dangerous Intersection Safety" of Chapter 48 "Vehicles, Use of Right-of-Way, Parking, And Other Regulations" (the "Ordinance") ; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with applicable law, the Ordinance designated the running of red traffic lights as a violation of the City Code and provided for the use of traffic safety cameras as a supplemental means of enforcement; and

WHEREAS, during the 2010 legislative session, the Florida Legislature enacted House Bill 325 establishing uniform procedures for the use of red light traffic safety cameras throughout the State of Florida and, for the first time, preempting the use of traffic safety cameras for enforcement purposes ; and

WHEREAS, on June 17, 2010 the City Commission enacted Ordinance No. 2010-06 amending Chapter 48 of the City Code in order to comply with criteria established in HB 325; and

WHEREAS, during the 2013 legislative session, the Florida Legislature enacted CS/CS/HB7125 ("House Bill 7125"), amending the statutory uniform procedures for the use of red light cameras throughout the State of Florida; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to further amend Chapter 48 of the City Code to comply with the provisions of House Bill 7125, and to further revise and update the City Code to conform with the 2013 legislation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS: ¹

Section 1. Recitals Adopted. That the above stated recitals are hereby adopted and confirmed.

Section 2. City Code Amended. That Article V “Code Enforcement” of Chapter 2 “Administration” of the City of Aventura Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by amending Section 2-348 “Schedule of civil penalties” to delete obsolete reference:

Section 2-348. Schedule of civil penalties.

(a) The following table outlines the sections of the Code, as they may be amended from time to time, which may be enforced pursuant to the provisions of this article, and the dollar amount of civil penalty for the violation of these sections as they may be amended. These penalties shall be in addition to any and all other legal remedies which may be available to the City. Each description of violation in the schedule is for informational purposes only and is not meant to limit or define the nature of the violation or the subject matter of the listed Code sections. To determine the exact nature of the activity proscribed or required by the Code, the relevant Code section must be examined.

(b) The following is the schedule of civil penalties:

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<u>48-25</u> , et seq.	Violation of the dangerous intersection safety	<p>\$125.00 first offense \$250.00 second offense \$500.00 each additional offense</p>
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Section 3. City Code Amended. That Article III “Dangerous Intersection Safety” of Chapter 48 “Vehicles, Right-of-Way, Parking, And Other Regulations” of the City of Aventura Code Of Ordinances is hereby amended by amending Section 48-25 “Intent” to read as follows:

Sec. 48-25. – Intent.

The purpose of this article is to authorize the use of traffic infraction detectors to promote compliance with red light signal directives and to adopt a civil enforcement system for

¹ Additions to existing text in the City Code shall be indicated by underline, deletions from existing text in the City Code shall be indicated by ~~strikethrough~~.

red light signal violations, all in accord with general law, including Chapter 2010-80, Laws of Florida (2010) (the "Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Act" or the "Act") as amended by CS/CS/HB 7125 (2013) ("House Bill 7125"). This article will also supplement law enforcement personnel in the enforcement of red light signal violations and shall not prohibit law enforcement officers from issuing a citation for a red light signal violation in accordance with other routine statutory traffic enforcement techniques.

Section 4. City Code Amended. That Article III "Dangerous Intersection Safety" of Chapter 48 "Vehicles, Right-of-Way, Parking, And Other Regulations" of the City of Aventura Code Of Ordinances is hereby amended by amending Section 48-26 "Use of image capture technologies" to read as follows:

Section 48-26 Use of image capture technologies.

The city shall utilize traffic infraction detectors pursuant to general law as a means of monitoring compliance with laws related to traffic control signals, while assisting law enforcement personnel in the enforcement of such laws, which are designed to protect and improve public health, safety and welfare. This section shall not supersede, infringe, curtail or impinge upon state or county laws related to red light signal violations or conflict with such laws. Nothing herein shall conflict with the primary jurisdiction of Miami-Dade County to install and maintain traffic signal devices. This article shall serve to enable the City to provide enhanced enforcement and respect for authorized traffic signal devices pursuant to F.S., §§ 316.008 and 316.0083 (2010), as amended by House Bill 7125 (2013). The city may utilize traffic infraction detectors as an ancillary deterrent to traffic control signal violations and to thereby reduce accidents and injuries associated with such violations.

Section 5. City Code Amended. That Article III "Dangerous Intersection Safety" of Chapter 48 "Vehicles, Right-of -Way, Parking, And Other Regulations" of the City of Aventura Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by amending Section 48-27 "Definitions" to read as follows:

Section 48-27. Definitions.

The following definitions shall apply to this article:

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Local Hearing Officer. The person(s), appointed by the City Manager and approved by the City Commission to serve as code enforcement special master (the "Special Magistrate") pursuant to City Code Section 2-334. The Special Magistrate is hereby authorized to conduct hearings related to a notice of violation issued pursuant to Section

316.0083, Florida Statutes, and this Article. The City Manager, if desired, may designate a specific Special Magistrate(s) to serve as the Local Hearing Officer .

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Petitioner. Any person that has received a Notice of Violation and has requested a hearing before the Local Hearing Officer for the purpose of determining whether the alleged violation has occurred.

Section 6. City Code Amended. That Article III “Dangerous Intersection Safety” of Chapter 48 “Vehicles, Right-of -Way, Parking, And Other Regulations” of the City of Aventura Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by amending Section 48-28 “Adherence to red light traffic control signals” to read as follows:

Section 48-28. Adherence to red light traffic control signals.

- (a) Pursuant to general law, motor vehicle traffic facing a traffic control signal's steady red light indication shall stop before entering the crosswalk on the near side of an intersection or if none then before entering the intersection and shall remain standing until a green indication is shown on the traffic control signal; however, the driver of a vehicle which is approaching a clearly marked stop line, but if none, is approaching the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection or, if none, then is approaching the point nearest the intersecting roadway where the driver has a view of approaching traffic on the intersecting roadway before entering the intersection in obedience of a steady red traffic control signal, may make a right turn in a careful and prudent manner provided the driver comes to a complete stop before turning right (unless such turn is otherwise prohibited by posted sign or other traffic control device) but shall yield right-of-way to pedestrians and other traffic proceeding as directed by the traffic control signal at the intersection. A notice of violation and a traffic citation may not be issued if the driver of a vehicle comes to a complete stop after crossing the stop line and before turning right if permissible at a red light, but failed to stop before crossing over the stop line or other point at which a stop is required.

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Section 7. City Code Amended. That Article III “Dangerous Intersection Safety” of Chapter 48 “Vehicles, Right-of -Way, Parking, And Other Regulations” of the City of Aventura Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by amending Section 48-31 “Review of recorded images” to read as follows:

Section 48-31. Review of recorded images.

- (a) The owner of the vehicle which is observed by recorded images committing a red zone infraction, shall be issued a notice of violation (hereinafter also known as a "notice") no later than 30 days after the red zone infraction occurs. The recorded image shall be sufficient grounds to issue a notice.
- (b) The City's Chief of Police shall designate one or more Traffic Infraction Enforcement Officers, who shall be Police Officers of the City and who shall meet the qualifications set forth in F.S. § 316.640(5)(A), or any other relevant statute. The Traffic Infraction Enforcement Officer shall review recorded images prior to the issuance of a notice to ensure the accuracy and integrity of the recorded images. Once the Traffic Infraction Enforcement Officer has verified the accuracy of the recorded images, he or she shall complete a report, and a notice shall be sent to the vehicle owner at the address on record with the Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles or the address on record with the appropriate agency having such information in another state.
- (c) If a vehicle owner receiving a notice fails to pay the penalty imposed by F.S. § 316.0083, ~~or~~ to provide an affidavit that complies with the provisions of F.S. § 316.0083, or request a hearing within 30 60 days of the date the notice is issued, then a Uniform Traffic Citation shall be issued to the vehicle owner as provided by general law. ~~The Uniform Traffic Citation shall be issued no later than 60 days after the red zone infraction occurs.~~

Section 8. City Code Amended. That Article III "Dangerous Intersection Safety" of Chapter 48 "Vehicles, Right-of -Way, Parking, And Other Regulations" of the City of Aventura Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by amending Section 48-32 "Notice of violation" to read as follows:

Section 48-32. Notice of violation.

The notice of a red zone infraction shall be served via first class mail and shall include:

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(11) A statement that the owner must pay a penalty of \$158.00 to the City, ~~or~~ provide an affidavit that complies with F.S. § 316.0083, or request a hearing within thirty (30) sixty (60) days of the date the notice is issued in order to avoid court fees, costs, and the issuance of a Uniform Traffic Citation;

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(13) Information on the person's right to request a hearing and on all court costs related thereto and a form to use to request a hearing or shall direct the person to a web address for a website that provides that information .

Section 9. City Code Amended. That Article III “Dangerous Intersection Safety” of Chapter 48 “Vehicles, Right-of -Way, Parking, And Other Regulations” of the City of Aventura Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by creating Section 48-33 “Notice of violation hearing procedure” which shall read as follows:

Section 48-33. Notice of violation hearing procedure.

- (a) A Petitioner who elects to request a hearing shall be scheduled for a hearing by the clerk of the Local Hearing Officer to appear before a Local Hearing Officer with notice to be sent by first-class mail. Upon receipt of the notice, the Petitioner may reschedule the hearing once by submitting a written request to reschedule to the clerk of the Local Hearing Officer, at least 5 calendar days before the day of the originally scheduled hearing. The Petitioner may cancel his or her appearance before the Local Hearing Officer by paying the penalty assessed by s. 316.0083(1)(b), Fla. Stat., as amended, plus \$50 in administrative costs, before the start of the hearing.
- (b) All testimony at the hearing shall be under oath and shall be recorded. The Local Hearing Officer shall take testimony from a traffic infraction enforcement officer and the Petitioner, and may take testimony from others. The Local Hearing Officer shall review the photographic or electronic images or the streaming video made available under s. 316.0083(1)(b)1.b., Fla. Stat., as amended. Formal rules of evidence do not apply, but due process shall be observed and govern the proceedings.
- (c) At the conclusion of the hearing, the Local Hearing Officer shall determine whether a violation under s. 316.0083, Fla. Stat., as amended, has occurred, in which case the hearing officer shall uphold or dismiss the violation. The Local Hearing Officer shall issue a final administrative order including the determination and, if the notice of violation is upheld, require the Petitioner to pay the penalty assessed under s. 316.0083(1)(b), Fla. Stat. as amended, and may also require the petitioner to pay municipal costs, not to exceed \$250. The final administrative order shall be mailed to the Petitioner by first-class mail.
- (d) An aggrieved party may appeal a final administrative order consistent with the process provided under s. 162.11, Fla. Stat.

Section 10. Implementation. That the City Manager shall take any and all action necessary to implement the amended Red Light Camera Safety Program including, but not limited to, the appointment or designation of a Local Hearing Officer(s), and amendment of the City’s agreement with American Traffic Solutions and other service providers to the extent

necessary, if any, to comply with Chapter 316; Fla. Stat., as amended through the enactment of HB 7125 (2013).

Section 11. Clerk Designated. That the Office of the City Clerk of the City of Aventura is hereby designated as the clerk to the Local Hearing Officer.

Section 12. Severability. That the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance, but they shall remain in effect it being the legislative intent that this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

Section 13. Inclusion in the Code. That it is the intention of the City Commission and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of the City of Aventura, that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intentions, and that the word Ordinance shall be changed to Section or other appropriate word.

Section 14. Savings. That all fines, penalties, fees and costs imposed pursuant to the provisions of Article III of Chapter 48 of the City Code, which provisions existed immediately prior to July 1, 2013, are hereby authorized, approved, ratified and confirmed, and shall continue to be due and owing until paid to City.

Section 15. Effective Date. That following adoption of this Ordinance on second reading, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2013, except that the provisions of Section 10 of this Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon adoption on second reading.

The foregoing Ordinance was offered by Commissioner _____ who moved its adoption on first reading. This motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Enbar Cohen	_____
Commissioner Teri Holzberg	_____
Commissioner Billy Joel	_____
Commissioner Howard Weinberg	_____
Commissioner Luz Urbaz Weinberg	_____
Vice Mayor Michael Stern	_____
Mayor Susan Gottlieb	_____

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Commissioner Teri Holzberg	_____
Commissioner Billy Joel	_____
Commissioner Howard Weinberg	_____
Commissioner Luz Urbacz Weinberg	_____
Vice Mayor Michael Stern	_____
Mayor Susan Gottlieb	_____

PASSED AND ADOPTED on first reading this 4th day of June, 2013.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on second reading this ____ day of June 2013.

SUSAN GOTTLIEB, MAYOR

ATTEST:

TERESA M. SOROKA, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CITY ATTORNEY

CITY OF AVENTURA

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: City Commission

FROM: Eric M. Soroka, ICM/ACM
City Manager

BY: Joanne Carr, AICP
Community Development Director

DATE: May 13, 2013

SUBJECT: Proposed Additions to Floodplain Management Regulations in Division 2 of Article IV of Chapter 30 of the City Code to comply with the National Flood Insurance Program and to co-ordinate with floodplain management regulations in the 2010 Florida Building Code (01-CC-13)

June 4, 2013 City Commission Meeting Agenda Item 7B
July 9, 2013 City Commission Meeting Agenda Item

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the ordinance attached to this report, amending Division 2, "Flood Damage Prevention", of Article IV, "Floods" of Chapter 30, "Environment" of the City Code to comply with the National Flood Insurance Program ("NFIP") and to co-ordinate with the floodplain management regulations in the 2010 Florida Building Code.

BACKGROUND

On February 28, 2013, the Florida Division of Emergency Management, State Floodplain Management Office, conducted a Community Assistance Visit with City staff. This visit is conducted periodically to discuss floodplain management programs and participation in the NFIP, to assess enforcement of the local flood damage prevention ordinance and to determine if the community requires technical assistance from the State to perform its floodplain management duties.

A copy of the 2013 Community Assistance Visit report dated April 5, 2013 is attached as Exhibit #1 to this report. The State found no concerns with the City's administrative and enforcement procedures for floodplain management. The State did ask that the City either revise the existing floodplain management ordinance to ensure compliance with the NFIP

and with the 2010 Florida Building Code that became effective on March 15, 2012, or repeal the existing ordinance and replace it with the model ordinance prepared by the State Floodplain Management Office. Staff has advised the State that it proposes to revise our existing ordinance by amending Division 2 “Flood Prevention Damage” of Article IV “Floods” of Chapter 30 “Environment” of the City Code. The State has provided a checklist of items that need to be added or revised. The proposed amendments, detailed in the section below, are based on that checklist.

THE AMENDMENT

The following amendments are proposed to Division 2 – Flood Damage Prevention – of Article IV of Chapter 30 of the City Code. These revisions are shown in underlined text in the attached ordinance.

- (1) Section 30-162, Intent and Purpose, revised to add that the intent is to administer and enforce the floodplain management ordinance in conjunction with the Florida Building Code.
- (2) Section 30-164, Definitions, revised to add definitions for “floodway”, “highest adjacent grade” and “start of construction”.
- (3) Section 30-165, General Provisions, revised to add “severability” clause.
- (4) Section 30-166, Administration, revised to designate the Community Development Director as the Floodplain Administrator.
- (5) Section 30-166, Administration, Application Stage, revised to add checklist items for data to be considered as basis for elevating and floodproofing structures, requirements for altered or relocated watercourses, and regulations for development in a regulatory floodway.

The following section is deleted and is therefore shown in ~~strike-through text~~:

- (6) Section 30-167, Provisions for Flood Hazard Reduction, revised to delete Subsection (c), Standards for V zones, since there are no V zones on our City’s Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs).

**Exhibit #1
01-CC-13**



2013 Community Assistance Visit

City of Aventura CAV Report

April 5, 2013

State Floodplain Management Office
Bureau of Mitigation
Florida Division of Emergency Management

1. INTRODUCTION

1.1. General

On February 28, 2013, the Florida Division of Emergency Management, State Floodplain Management Office (SFMO) conducted a Community Assistance Visit (CAV) with the City of Aventura (CID 120676) in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Community Assistance Program.

1.2. Purpose

The purpose of the CAV was to assess the City's floodplain management program and overall knowledge of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), and to provide City staff with any technical assistance in general or specifically relating to identified program deficiencies and violations. CAVs provide an opportunity to establish or re-establish working relationships between the SFMO and NFIP participating communities to create a greater awareness of the NFIP and its requirements.

1.3. CAV Structure

The CAV consisted of a floodplain tour by SFMO staff, followed by a meeting with City staff to discuss the City's floodplain management program in general and to examine floodplain permit files.

1.4. Attendees

The CAV meeting was attended by Joanne Carr, AICP (Community Development Director; Floodplain Administrator) and Raul Rodriguez (Building Official), of the City of Aventura; and Steve Martin, CFM, Daniel Fitz-Patrick, CFM, and Marlee McCleary, CFM, of the State Floodplain Management Office (SFMO).

1.5. Community Contact Information

Floodplain Administrator (FPA): Joanne Carr, AICP
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jcarr@cityofaventura.com

Chief Executive Officer (CEO): Eric Soroka, City Manager
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2. FINDINGS

2.1. Are there problems with the community's floodplain management regulations?

Minor. During the CAV meeting, the City's flood damage prevention ordinance was reviewed only for the purpose of discussion about program implementation. As discussed during the meeting, the 2010 Florida Building Code (FBC) became effective on March 15, 2012 and includes flood damage prevention standards for construction. As such, communities in Florida are required to repeal and replace, or revise, their existing flood damage prevention ordinances to ensure coordination with both the NFIP and the FBC. The model flood damage prevention ordinance developed by the SFMO for use by communities, and notice of its availability, was provided to all NFIP participating communities, by email, on April 13, 2012, and has been formally approved by FEMA Region IV on January 15, 2013. To ensure coordination with the FBC, the City is encouraged to adopt the SFMO's model flood damage prevention ordinance.

State staff reiterated key points regarding why the community should adopt the model: a) it ensures that the ordinance is not duplicative with the State-required building regulations; b) it helps prevent the local floodplain ordinance from being inconsistent with the FBC now or in the future when the FBC is updated; c) the State model ordinance is based on the FEMA model ordinance that is coordinated with the International Code Council Building Code; and, d) the model ordinance incorporates clarifying language from the FEMA guidance documents that help interpret the NFIP regulations and refers to the FBC which incorporates design standards contained in ASCE 24-05 *Flood Resistant Design and Construction* flood building standards. Shortly after the CAV concluded, SFMO staff electronically conveyed the contact information for the DEM consultants assisting communities in repealing, replacing, and revising their flood prevention ordinances.

2.2. Are there problems with the community's administrative and enforcement procedures?

None. The City has effectively maintained the application and enforcement of its ordinance. As most of the community is located within a floodplain, all proposed development is required to undergo a floodplain review, conducted by the Floodplain Administrator, to determine: a) if the development is located within a flood hazard area; and, b) what design and construction standards the developer must adhere to in order to ensure NFIP compliance. During the CAV meeting it was noted by the Floodplain Administrator that there have been no issues with the enforcement of the City's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance over the last ten years.

2.3. Are there engineering or other problems with the maps or flood insurance study?

None. The Floodplain Administrator noted that prior to the adoption of the City's current maps (effective September 11, 2009) FEMA conducted meetings and maintained contact with the City. This process resulted in FIRMs that accurately and satisfactorily represent the City of Aventura's Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHAs).

2.4. Are there other problems in the community's floodplain management program?

None. There are no other problems with the City's floodplain management program.

2.5. Are there problems with the biennial report data?

N/A. Biennial reports are no longer required by FEMA.

2.6. Are there programmatic issues or problems identified?

No. No programmatic issues or problems not specific to the City have been identified.

2.7. Are there potential violations of the community's floodplain management regulations?

No. Prior to the CAV meeting, the City's floodplains were toured virtually using Google Earth and Street View and in-person by SFMO staff in order to observe any development that has been or is occurring in the floodplain. Prior to the CAV, the City provided SFMO staff with a list of permitted development within the SFHAs during the previous five years. SFMO staff virtually toured the thirty nine properties and structures from the permit list and then generated a smaller sample of seventeen structures to visit during the field tour.

Observations of specific properties as well as overall development within the floodplain were discussed during the CAV meeting. SFMO staff requested to see the permit files for nine properties of concern, all of which were adequately and satisfactorily resolved by the City during the CAV meeting. City of Aventura staff quickly and efficiently produced permit files for each of these properties. SFMO staff reviewed these files and found all elevation certificates to be in compliance with the community's ordinance and the NFIP (44 CFR §59-60). Three of these permit files contained flood proofing documentation for non-residential structures. SFMO staff reviewed the flood proofing certificates and determined that the City has effectively enforced its Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance by requiring flood proofing of non-residential structures to one foot above the BFE, or 18 inches above the crown of the road, whichever was higher (City of Aventura, Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, Sec. 30-166(c)(4)).

3. COMMUNITY BACKGROUND

3.1. Community Assistance Visit / Community Assistance Contact History

According to FEMA's Community Information System (CIS), the last CAV was conducted by FEMA on March 19, 1999. A general CAV note suggested that the community needed to maintain records of elevation certificates with the permit file for each development activity. No other findings were provided. The last Community Assistance Contact (CAC) was conducted by FEMA on December 2, 2006. There were no summary notes or findings available to describe the nature of this CAC.

3.2. Floodplain Administrator

Joanne Carr, AICP, is designated to administer the floodplain management program for the City of Aventura. She has served in this capacity for ten years and has attended the L-273 Floodplain Management training during this time. Ms. Carr also serves as the City's Community Development Director. She coordinates with the Building Department, specifically the City's Building Official, Raul Rodriguez, to conduct certain review activities (see Section 4.3 of this report).

3.3. Flood Insurance Statistics

According to CIS, as of January 31, 2013, the City has 7,859 NFIP policies that generate \$ 1,263,244 in annual premiums, resulting in a total insurance coverage of \$ 1,668,742,100. There are 780 minus-rated policies, a rather substantial number considering the size of the community, which are located in A-Zones. There has been \$ 535,713 in closed paid losses from 25 total claims. The community has 10 repetitive loss structures, all within AE, AO, AH, or A zones. There are 4 structures with four or more losses. The total repetitive loss payment for buildings was \$ 2,409,932.

4. DEVELOPMENT

4.1. General

There were thirty nine permits for new construction issued within the City over the past five years (since January 1, 2008), twelve of which were located within a SFHA.

4.2. Development Review Process

The City's general procedures for the review of permits are appropriate. The floodplain administrator completes a "Floodplain Development Checklist" for every permit application proposing development within a SFHA. Development must adhere to the regulations contained in the community's Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance if it is determined to be within a SFHA according to the City's FIRMs (effective September 11, 2009). Subdivisions and larger developments are subject to review by the public during public hearings prior to the plan approval stage and must adhere to the standards for subdivision proposals as stated in the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance (Sec. 30-167(d)). Applications for permits of a non-structural nature are reviewed by the City's Public Works Department and are approved administratively in most cases.

The City of Aventura's development review process requires an elevation certificate to be submitted at the tie beam inspection stage. Proposed elevations and certified methods of flood proofing non-residential structures must also be submitted at this early construction stage. The finished floor elevation or flood proofing methods must meet permit specifications before construction may continue. Prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy (CO), another Elevation Certificate must be provided, documenting that the final finished floor elevation and HVAC compressors and other equipment, is "elevated no lower than one foot above the base flood elevation or 18 inches above the highest point of the adjacent road crown elevation, whichever is higher" (Sec. 30-167(b)(1)). The Community's

Floodplain Administrator is an integral part of the development review process and upholds NFIP regulations in the review of all surveys and Elevation Certificates, which must be completed according to FEMA/NFIP requirements for any development proposed within a floodplain.

4.3. Substantial Improvement / Substantial Damage

The community not only meets the NFIP requirements for substantial improvement, but includes a higher standard of a one-year period in "A" zones and a five-year period in "V" zones for cumulative construction costs, according to its Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance (Sec. 30-164, *Substantial Improvement*). The floodplain administrator reviews applications for improvement at the site plan review stage. A determination is made as to whether the cost of proposed improvements, or cumulative costs of improvements, equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the start of construction of the improvement. Appraisal and valuation of the improvement are conducted using Miami-Dade County Property Appraiser assessments. The community has not had any requests for substantial improvement permits in the past three years.

The City applies the minimum NFIP requirement to substantial damage. When there is damage to a structure, whereby the cost of restoring the structure to its before-damaged condition equals or exceeds 50 percent of the market value of the structure before the damage occurred, the structure is required to be brought into conformance with the City's floodplain management regulations (Sec. 30-164, *Substantial Damage*). In order to help assess whether the structure has been substantially damaged, the City's Building Official conducts a field inspection to estimate the cost of repairs. An assessment of the structure's value before the damage occurred is obtained from the Miami-Dade County Property Appraiser and is compared to qualified estimates of the cost for repair. No substantial damage determinations have been made in the last three years.

4.4. Floodplain Certifications

The first elevation certificate is required prior to the issuance of a tie beam permit and a second certificate must be submitted before obtaining a certificate of occupancy. If a non-residential building is flood-proofed to one foot above the BFE or 18 inches above the crown of the road, whichever is higher, the permit applicant must ensure the design is certified by professional engineer or architect (City of Aventura, Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, Sec. 30-166(c)(4)).

4.5. Accessory Structures

The Community regulates accessory structures in the same manner as residential development; however, accessory structures may be built below the BFE (with flood openings) since they are not designed for human habitation. Such buildings have a low potential for flood damage, are located to offer minimum resistance to floodwaters, are securely anchored, and have all electrical and mechanical equipment properly elevated or flood-proofed. If accessory structures do not meet the above criteria listed in the City's Flood Prevention Ordinance (Sec. 30-167(b)(5)) they must adhere to the elevation requirement for residential construction, which states that structures shall be "elevated no lower than

one foot above the base flood elevation or 18 inches above the highest point of the adjacent road crown elevation, whichever is higher” (Sec. 30-167(b)(1)).

4.6. Manufactured Homes / Recreational Vehicles

There are currently no manufactured home parks within the City of Aventura. According to the City’s Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, “all manufactured homes placed within the City must meet all the requirements for new residential construction contained in [the City’s ordinance], including installation on permanent foundation systems, elevation, and anchoring” (Sec. 30-167(b)(4)(a)). Also contained within the City’s ordinance, “all recreational vehicles placed on-sites must either: (1) be fully licensed and ready for highway use, or (2) the recreational vehicle must meet all the requirements for new construction, including anchoring and elevation requirements...” (Sec. 30-167(b)(4)(b)).

4.7. Historic Structures

There are no historic structures located within the Special Flood Hazard Area of the City of Aventura.

4.8. Violations and Enforcement

The City’s Code Compliance Department is tasked with investigating any concerns regarding possible violations in floodplains. At the time of the CAV meeting, no enforcement/ compliance actions were underway in the community.

4.9. Variances

According to the community’s Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, “The City Commission shall hear and decide requests for variances from the requirements of [the City’s ordinance]” (Sec. 30-168(a)). The ordinance also states that “the City Commission shall consider all technical evaluations, all relevant factors, [and] all standards specified in other subsections of [the ordinance],” (Sec. 30-168(d)). No variances from the City’s Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance have been requested or issued over the past 10 years.

5. MITIGATION

5.1. Mitigation Initiatives

The City of Aventura is an active participant in the Miami-Dade Local Mitigation Strategy (LMS) process and attends county-wide Floodplain Roundtable Meetings. Other mitigation initiatives include hurricane evacuation and flood warning systems for the citizens of Aventura, the distribution of floodplain information via flyers and mailers, and the maintenance of flood damage prevention documents and information materials within the City’s library. The City also hosts a yearly ‘Hurricane Facts’ event prior to hurricane season. During this event, floodplain management staff distributes information regarding flood damage prevention and the NFIP.

The City of Aventura works with commercial plaza owners to clean and maintain their drainage systems, thereby improving their capacity to store and treat storm-water on-site, promoting efficient city-wide storm-water drainage. The City of Aventura has undertaken large-scale drainage projects in the past to mitigate flood damage and continues to fund drainage enhancement initiatives. The City has achieved an NFIP Community Rating System rating of 7, which enables owners of properties located in flood zones with flood insurance policies to receive a 15 percent discount on their annual flood insurance premiums.

5.2. Mitigation Grant Activity

The community has no open awarded grants at this time. The floodplain administrator has not received any requests for assistance concerning grants.

6. FOLLOW-UP

6.1. Community Actions

The City should provide a revised ordinance addressing the deficiencies listed in the attached "Ordinance Review Checklist" or indicate a decision to adopt the state model ordinance by July 1, 2013.

6.1.1. Ordinance

The City is not interested in adopting the State model ordinance since it currently enforces the FBC or its current flood ordinance provisions whichever is more stringent and meets the standards established by the NFIP. It was also noted during the CAV meeting that the City finds the new state model ordinance difficult for the 'average reader' to follow because of the need to reference numerous volumes, sections or standards in the FBC or ordinance. As stated by City staff, this is the foremost reason the City has not, to date, repealed its ordinance and replaced with the State model.

In lieu of adopting the State Model ordinance, Miami Dade County has adopted an administrative amendment (which addresses technical amendments) to the Florida Building Code, which has been submitted to the Florida Building Commission. The administrative amendment requires that the County and all its municipalities follow the flood regulations in the FBC, which also incorporates ASCE 24, or their own specific floodplain management ordinance, whichever is more stringent. SFMO staffs have concerns about the procedural efficacy of this approach. Therefore, the SFMO staff strongly encourage the City of Aventura to revise, or repeal and replace its Floodplain Ordinance to coordinate and be consistent with the FBC to ensure that flood building standards meet the minimum or higher standards established within the NFIP.

SFMO staff asked City staff to contact the consultants to further discuss the merits of adopting the model and how the City of Aventura may integrate higher standards into their floodplain ordinance. For technical assistance regarding the model ordinance, communities may contact the SFMO's flood damage

prevention ordinance technical assistance contractor at 1-800-595-0724 or flood.ordinance@em.myflorida.com.

The new state model ordinance was provided to the community at the CAV meeting and can be found on the SFMO's website at:

http://www.floridadisaster.org/Mitigation/SFMP/lobc_resources.htm

6.1.2. Potential Violations

As stated in Section 2.7 of this report, all concerns raised by SFMO staff at the CAV meeting were satisfactorily resolved by the community. Therefore no potential violations will be listed.

6.2. State Actions

The SFMO will continue to provide technical assistance, when requested, during the repeal and replacement, or revision, of the City's flood damage prevention ordinance. The SFMO will continue to provide information on training opportunities related to the new code, or for other topics, when requested. The SFMO will also ensure that the City receives information and technical assistance in response to its requests regarding available mitigation grant programs for the eligible minus-rated properties and repetitive loss properties.

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA BY REVISING DIVISION 2, "FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION", OF ARTICLE IV., "FLOODS", OF CHAPTER 30 "ENVIRONMENT" OF THE CITY CODE; ADDING LANGUAGE REGARDING THE INTENT AND PURPOSE; ADDING DEFINITIONS; ADDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; ADDING ADMINISTRATION PROVISIONS AND DELETING PROVISIONS FOR FLOOD HAZARD REDUCTION IN V ZONES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City of Aventura is desirous of amending the City's Flood Damage Prevention provisions to ensure compliance with the National Flood Insurance Program and to ensure compliance with the 2010 Florida Building Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has held the required public hearings, duly noticed in accordance with law; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has reviewed the actions set forth in this Ordinance and has determined that such actions are in the best interests of the public health, safety and welfare of its citizens.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF AVENTURA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Findings. That the foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and incorporated as the legislative intent of this Ordinance.

Section 2. Division 2, "Flood Damage Prevention", of Article IV., "Floods" of Chapter 30, "Environment", of the City Code is hereby revised as follows¹:

"Chapter 30, Environment"

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"Article IV., Floods"

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"Division 2 – Flood Damage Prevention"

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Section 30-162. - Intent and Purpose

It is the purpose of this division to promote the public health, safety and general welfare and to minimize public and private losses due to flood conditions in specific areas by provisions designed to:

¹ Underlined text indicates proposed additions to the City Code; ~~stricken through~~ text indicates proposed deletions from existing City Code text.

- (1) Restrict or prohibit uses which are dangerous to health, safety and property due to water or erosion hazards, or which result in damaging increases in erosion or in flood heights or velocities;
- (2) Require that uses vulnerable to floods, including facilities which serve such uses, be protected against flood damage at the time of initial construction or substantial improvement;
- (3) Control the alteration of natural floodplains, stream channels, and natural protective barriers which are involved in the accommodation of flood waters;
- (4) Control filling, grading, dredging and other development which may increase erosion or flood damage, and;
- (5) Prevent or regulate the construction of flood barriers which will unnaturally divert flood waters or which may increase flood hazards to other lands.

This ordinance is intended to be administered and enforced in conjunction with the provisions of the Florida Building Code, as amended from time to time.

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Section 30-164. - Definitions.

In construing the provisions of this division, where the context will permit and no definition is provided herein, the definitions provided in F.S. Ch. 403, as may be amended from time to time, and in the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, as may be amended from time to time, shall apply. The following words and phrases when used in this division shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section.

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Floodway shall mean the channel of a river or other riverine watercourse and the adjacent land areas that must be reserved in order to discharge the base flood without cumulatively increasing the water surface elevation more than one (1) foot.

...

Highest Adjacent Grade shall mean the highest natural elevation of the ground surface prior to construction next to the proposed walls or foundation of a structure.

...

Start of Construction shall mean the date of issuance for new construction and substantial improvements to existing structures, provided the actual start of construction, repair, reconstruction, rehabilitation, addition, placement, or other improvement is within 180 days of the date of issuance. The actual start of construction means either the first placement of permanent construction of a building (including a manufactured home) on a site, such as the pouring of slab or footings, the installation of piles or the construction of columns. Permanent construction does not include land

preparation (such as clearing, grading or filling), the installation of streets and walkways, excavation for a basement, footings, piers or foundations, the erection of temporary forms or the installation of accessory buildings such as garages or sheds not occupied as dwelling units or not part of the main buildings. For a substantial improvement, the actual start of construction means the first alteration of any wall, ceiling, floor or other structural part of a building, whether or not that alteration affects the external dimensions of the building.

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Section 30-165. - General provisions.

(a) *Lands to which this division applies.* This division shall apply to all areas of the City.

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(i) Severability. If any part, section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, phrase, clause, term, or word of this article is declared unconstitutional by the final and valid judgment or decree of any court of competent jurisdiction, this declaration of unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect any other part, section, subsection, paragraph, subparagraph, sentence, phrase, clause, term, or word of this article.

Section 30-166. - Administration.

(a) *Designation of local administrator.* ~~The City Manager or his designee is hereby appointed~~ hereby designates the Community Development Director as the Floodplain Administrator to administer and implement the provisions of this division. Whenever the term City Manager is used in this division, it is intended to include any designee. The Floodplain Administrator may delegate performance of certain duties to other employees.

...

(1) *Application stage.*

...

e. Description of the extent to which any watercourse, swamp, marsh, lake, or pond will be altered, relocated, or created as result of proposed construction, including evidence that the carrying capacity of any such altered or relocated watercourses will be maintained; and

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l. In A zones, in the absence of FEMA Base Flood Elevation data and floodway data, other available data may be considered as the basis for elevating residential structures to or above base flood level, and for floodproofing or elevating nonresidential structures to or above base flood level.

m. Within AE zones without a designated floodway, new development shall not be permitted unless it is demonstrated that the cumulative effect of all past and projected development will not increase the base flood elevation by more than one (1) foot.

n. In a regulatory floodway, any encroachment is prohibited which would cause any increase in the base flood level unless hydrologic and hydraulic analyses prove that the proposed encroachment will not increase flood levels during the base flood discharge.

Section 30-167. - Provisions for flood hazard reduction.

(a) *General standards.* In all areas of special flood hazard the following provisions are required:

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~~(c) *Standards for coastal high hazard areas (V Zones).* Located within the areas of special flood hazard are areas designated as coastal high hazard areas, which are denoted with a "V" prefix on the FIRM. These areas, called "velocity zones," have special flood hazards associated with wave action, therefore, the following provisions shall apply:~~

~~(1) *Building location.* All buildings shall be located in conformance with the requirements of the State of Florida Coastal Zone Protection Act of 1985.~~

~~(2) *Elevated buildings.* All buildings shall be elevated so that the bottom of the lowest supporting horizontal member (excluding pilings or columns), together with all mechanical and electrical equipment, including duct work, is located no lower than the base flood elevation, with all space below the lowest supporting member open so as not to impede the flow of water. Open lattice work or decorative screening may be permitted for aesthetic purposes only and must be designed to wash away in the event of abnormal wave action and in accordance with section 30-167(c)(8);~~

~~(3) *Piling or column foundations.* All buildings or structures shall be securely anchored on pilings or columns extending vertically below grade a sufficient depth below the zone of potential scour and securely anchored to subsoil strata;~~

~~(4) *Anchoring and connection requirements.* All pile and column foundations and structures attached thereto shall be anchored to resist flotation, collapse, and lateral movement due to the effect of wind and water loads acting simultaneously on all building components. Proper structural anchoring shall include a complete system of adequately sized, galvanized metal connectors securely fastening the various structural subsystems of the building together, from the roofing and ridge down to the pilings, to resist wind damage. Water loading values shall equal or exceed the base flood. Wind loading values shall be in accordance with the Florida Building Code, and any subsequent revisions thereto.~~

~~(5) *Certification of design.* At time of application for a permit, a registered professional engineer or architect shall certify that the design, specifications and plans for construction are in compliance with the provisions contained in section 30-167(c)(2), (3) and (4) of this division, and shall cite the parameters and variables used in developing the design, including wind loading values, water loading values, depth of potential scour zone, and subsoil strata characteristics.~~

~~(6) *Ban on use of structural fill.* There shall be no fill used as structural support. Limited non-compacted fill may be used around the perimeter of a building for landscaping/aesthetic purposes provided the fill will wash out from storm surge, (thereby rendering the building free of obstruction) prior to generating excessive loading forces, ramping effects, or wave deflection. The City Manager shall approve design plans for landscaping/aesthetic fill only after the applicant has provided an analysis by an engineer, architect, and/or soil scientist, which demonstrates that the following factors have been fully considered:~~

~~a. Particle composition of fill material does not have a tendency for excessive natural compaction;~~

- ~~b. Volume and distribution of fill will not cause wave deflection to adjacent properties; and~~
- ~~c. Slope of fill will not cause wave run-up or ramping.~~

~~(7) Protection of sand dunes and mangrove stands. There shall be no alteration of sand dunes or mangrove stands which would increase potential flood damage.~~

~~(8) Enclosures below base flood elevation. Lattice work or decorative screening shall be allowed below the base flood elevation provided they are not part of the structural support of the building and are designed so as to breakaway, under abnormally high tides or wave action, without damage to the structural integrity of the building on which they are to be used. Solid, non-supporting, breakaway walls may also be used, but only for purposes of enclosing and securing access to upper floors (foyer for staircase or elevator) and for secured storage and vehicle parking. The solid breakaway walls shall have a safe design loading resistance of not less than ten and not more than 20 pounds per square foot.~~

~~(9) Use of enclosed areas. If aesthetic lattice work or screening is utilized, such enclosed space shall not be designed to be used for human habitation, but shall be designed to be used only for parking of vehicles, building access, or limited storage of maintenance equipment used in connection with the premises. Areas enclosed by solid, breakaway walls shall be used for building access parking and secured storage only.~~

~~(10) Plans for enclosures. Prior to construction, plans for any buildings that will have lattice work or decorative screening, or solid, breakaway walls must be submitted to the City Manager for approval, and must comply with the standard noted in section 30-167(c)(8). Certification by a registered architect or engineer is required for any breakaway wall designs which do not comply with said standard. Such designs must be certified to collapse as a result of a water load less than that which would occur during the base flood, and to not result in the displacement, collapse, or other structural damage to the rest of the building and foundation system or to adjoining structures. Water and wind loading values shall be those set forth in section 30-167(c)(4) above.~~

~~(11) Restriction on future enclosures. Any alteration, repair, reconstruction or improvement to a structure shall not enclose the space below the lowest floor except as provided for in section 30-167(c)(8),(9).~~

~~(12) Manufactured homes. No manufactured homes or recreational vehicles may be placed in coastal high hazard areas.~~

~~(13) Certification of completed construction. Upon completion of the structure or substantial improvement, a registered professional engineer or architect shall certify that the building was constructed in compliance with the provisions contained in section 30-167(c) of this division, including the approved, certified design specifications provided per section 30-167(c)(5).~~

~~(14) Accessory structures. Accessory structures shall be allowed per section 30-167(b)(5), subject to the following criteria:~~

- ~~a. The structure is located so as not to cause collapse, displacement, or other structural damage to adjacent primary structures during a base flood event;~~
- ~~b. The structure is designed to not provide resistance to the combined effects of wave action and wind during a base flood event, and to break down into small enough pieces so that the resultant debris does not create a serious danger to adjacent primary structures (the safe design loading of the walls shall be not less than ten and no more than 20 pounds per square foot); and~~
- ~~c. The design of the building is certified by a registered professional engineer or architect to comply with said standards.~~

~~(15) Temporary structures. Temporary structures shall be permitted per section 30-167(b)(6).~~

(d) *Standards for Subdivision Proposals*
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Section 3. Severability. That the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this Ordinance but they shall remain in effect, it being the legislative intent that this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

Section 4. Inclusion in the Code. That it is the intention of the City Commission and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and made a part of the City Code of the City of Aventura.

Section 5. Effective Date. That this Ordinance shall be effective upon passage by the City Commission on second reading.

The foregoing Ordinance was offered by Commissioner _____,
who moved its adoption on first reading. This motion was seconded by Commissioner
_____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Commissioner Enbar Cohen	_____
Commissioner Howard Weinberg	_____
Commissioner Teri Holzberg	_____
Commissioner Billy Joel	_____
Commissioner Luz Urbaez Weinberg	_____
Vice Mayor Michael Stern	_____
Mayor Susan Gottlieb	_____

The foregoing Ordinance was offered by Commissioner _____,
who moved its adoption on second reading. This motion was seconded by
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Commissioner Luz Urbaez Weinberg	_____
Vice Mayor Michael Stern	_____
Mayor Susan Gottlieb	_____

PASSED on first reading this 4th day of June, 2013.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on second reading this 9th day of July, 2013.

Susan Gottlieb, Mayor

ATTEST:

TERESA M. SOROKA, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CITY ATTORNEY