

AVENTURA UPDATE

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The City Maintains Tax Rate and Increases Services

Recently the City Commission adopted the budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2003. The budget reaffirms the City Commission's commitment to developing a strong financial base for the City while maintaining the lowest tax rate in Miami-Dade County. For the eighth continuous year in a row, no property tax increase was required and the budget adopts the 1995 County UMMA millage rate of 2.2270.

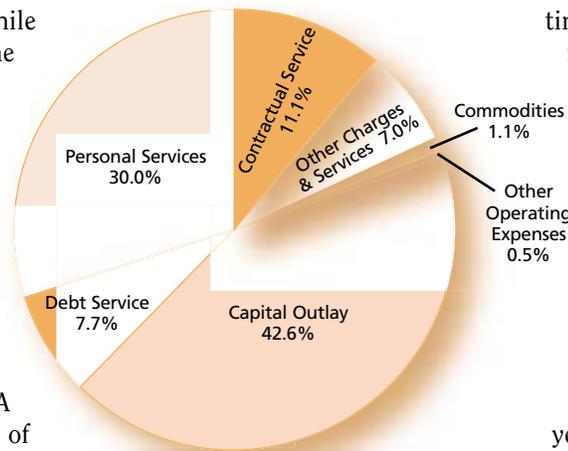
Overall, the proposed budget maintains the quality and level of services currently provided to the community. In addition, increases in services to the community are also included in the budget. This budget document and its related policies represent our continued commitment to excellence and to our residents.

The total budget of \$35.2 million is a 22.3 percent decrease from last year. The decrease is attributed to the completion of major capital projects including the Community Recreation Center and

Charter Elementary School.

Although the City's economic base continues to be strong, as witnessed by a 13% increase in the tax base, nationally these are still uncertain economic times. The budget reflects this uncertainty with a conservative approach that limits the number of new positions and continues to outsource services to the private sector. This upcoming year, the City will begin two new areas of service to the residents; a Charter Elementary School and the opening of the NE 31st Avenue Park. The cost of operating the recently opened Community Recreation Center on an annual basis included in the budget for the first time. Mirroring national industry trends, we will experience significant increases in both insurance and workers' compensation premiums. In spite of these limitations the budget does not contain a tax increase and continues to expand services to the community.

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A COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

The City of Aventura's newsletter represents the City Commission's continued commitment to keep the community updated on important issues, including city government and services. This newsletter is published on a quarterly basis and your comments and suggestions are welcome.

Over the past 8 and one-half years, a great deal of progress has been made to accomplish the goals of incorporation and to improve the quality of life for our residents. "This budget includes important projects that address more parks and recreational opportunities for our changing younger population as well as important projects to address transportation improvements in terms of facilitating traffic flow in the City and expanded shuttle bus service." says City Manager Eric M. Soroka.

» For the eighth year, no property tax increase. Adopts 1995 County UMSA millage rate of 2.2270.

» Expanded recreational opportunities for all age groups at the new community recreation center and implementation of summer recreation program.

» Provides funding to construct and open new NE 31st Avenue Park and construct expanded Waterways Park to provide more recreational and open space opportunities in the community.

» Improves Citywide Shuttle Bus Service by adding a new route and continues expanded service hours.

» Traffic improvements are addressed from additional turning lanes to street light and sign improvements.

» Proposes to improve traffic management by integrating video monitoring devices at key intersections throughout the City.

» Provides for \$6,579,750 of capital improvements. The City's infrastructure needs are addressed through a broad mix of

Capital Improvement projects, which will enhance the City's quality of life, and the attractiveness of the City.

» Continues Lease Book Program to address improvements to the book collections and business materials at the Northeast branch of the Miami-Dade County Library system.

» Continues to implement technology enhancements that develop our "Electronic Government" to allow the public to interact more easily and conveniently with the City and to automate City operations.

» Special Events such as July 4th, Founders Day, Veterans Day, Arbor Day, as well as cultural programs and recreational activities are included.

» Provides resources to address \$463,000 increase in insurance and worker's compensation costs.

» Continues contracting most maintenance functions, engineering and inspection services to the private sector.

» Provides funding for increased costs associated with maintaining newly landscaped areas.

» Funds police equipment needs from laptop computers to new police vehicles in the amount of \$647,000.

Includes \$565,000 to fund drainage and road improvements on Yacht Club Way and the installation of the NE 213th Street connector for the hospital district. ♣

Category Summary

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>PROPOSED AMOUNT</u>	<u>% OF BUDGET</u>
Personal Services	\$10,554,762	30.0%
Contractual Services	3,910,900	11.1%
Other Charges & Services	2,451,300	7.0%
Commodities	379,044	1.1%
Other Operating Expenses	180,490	0.5%
Capital Outlay	15,015,173	42.6%
Debt Service	<u>2,716,410</u>	<u>7.8%</u>
TOTALS	\$ 35,208,079	100.0%

Traffic Control Jurisdiction Agreement

In the City's continued efforts to provide improved police services to the community, the City has initiated a program that allows a condominium or homeowners association to enter into a Traffic Control Jurisdiction Agreement with the City to provide traffic control jurisdiction over a private roadway within the development. This permits the Police Department to conduct

traffic enforcement activities on private property at the request of the owner.

Florida State Statute 316.006 allows municipalities to enter into such agreements provided they are reimbursed for the actual costs of traffic control and enforcement, and if the owner agrees to indemnify the City and provide liability insurance.

The City will bill the owner \$25 per

hour for each officer required to perform the traffic enforcement detail when requested by the owner. Whenever possible, traffic complaints made by the occupants of the property will be responded to and handled as a call for service, without charge to the owner.

To date, ten communities have entered into agreements with the City. ♣

Aventura Charter Elementary School Opens

After months of intense preparation and planning, the new Aventura Charter Elementary School (ACES) opened its doors on August 25th to almost 600 students. The planning for the school began less than 2 and one-half years ago. The \$5.5 million state-of-the-art facility on three acres of land adjacent to the City's Community Center is the first public school in the City. The municipality run charter school is the first in Miami-Dade County.



The City Manager, said, "The City Commission's vision of providing educational opportunities to the growing school-aged population in the city was realized with the opening of the school. It is a rewarding experience to see the children in their classrooms eager to learn from quality teachers in a safe and state-of-the-art facility. Overall, I am pleased with the progress made in the first several weeks of school and commend the school staff,

volunteers and our Aventura Police Department for making the opening weeks a success."

Charter schools are fully recognized as public schools and are funded from the same county and state funds as Miami-Dade County public schools. However, the school is operated by a private firm (Charter Schools USA) and overseen by the City Manager and Principal with the input from the Charter School Advisory Board.

The school's curriculum includes using a variety of methodologies in order to enrich the student's academic and social arenas. Some of these techniques include an emphasis on a safe school campus, before and after school care, technology integrated into every classroom, personalized learning plans, character-building education. Essential to any charter school is a focus on small class sizes allowing for more individualized attention and higher academic standards.

Another characteristic that sets ACES apart from other elementary schools is its emphasis on parental involvement. Parents are required to participate in school activities and be part of their child's learning experiences.

The school's principal, Dr. Katherine Bray Murphy, an experienced and energetic leader, was formerly the Senior Vice President of Education and Operations at Charter Schools U.S.A. "The first several weeks of school have been fantastic!" said Murphy. "The children have settled into a



daily routine in record time and the parental and community support has been outstanding".

The Charter School is a Department of the City governmental organization and is just one more service provided to the community by your city government. ♡



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Flood Prevention and Safety

LOCAL FLOODING FACTS

Flooding is an act of nature which respects no boundary lines. In the City of Aventura, flooding is generally caused by heavy rainfall that occurs in short periods of time, as is common during summer thunderstorms, tropical storms and hurricanes. The City is vulnerable to flooding from storm water runoff and coastal storm surges. Due to this flood risk, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has designated most of the City as a Special Flood Hazard Area on the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM). This map designates areas susceptible to the 100-year flood and for safety purposes, establishes minimum elevations for construction.

A 100-year flood is the equivalent of 10 or more inches of rain within 24 hours. A 100-year flood has a 1% chance of occurring in any given year. However, it can occur more than once in a given year or in successive years. The potential for loss and damage in the City of Aventura during a heavy storm or hurricane does exist. Residents and property owners should be aware of this potential risk and be prepared to deal with flooding when it occurs.

FLOODPLAINS ARE ESSENTIAL

Although flooding is a nuisance, floodplains are an essential part of the natural cycle in South Florida. The Everglades, which is one expansive floodplain, and the Biscayne Aquifer which lies underneath, are South Florida's only source of drinking water. They need large



quantities of water to be replenished. Occasional floods are, and always have been, essential sources of fresh water to replenish the Biscayne Aquifer.

FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS

Developers wishing to build in designated floodplain areas (including the City of Aventura) must use proper design techniques and structural requirements to ensure that new developments are floodproof. All new developments in the City of Aventura must be reviewed by City officials to ensure the designs meet the City's Floodplain Development Regulations in order to receive a permit for construction. The City has adopted Floodplain Development Regulations that require that all new construction have a lowest floor elevation 12" above the base flood elevation or 18" above the crown of the road, whichever is highest.

Before beginning a project, check with the Community Development Department for all codes and regulations that apply to your property.

SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREA DISCLOSURE

It is a requirement in Miami-Dade County that any purchase of improved real estate located in a Special Flood Hazard Area or Coastal Flood Hazard Area include a full disclosure to the buyer that the property lies in either of those zones. This requirement alerts potential buyers to the threat of flooding in the area, so they can make an informed purchasing decision.

IMPROVEMENTS TO PROPERTY

For properties located in Special Flood Hazard Areas, it is required that improvements to properties be done in a manner which meets the current Floodplain Development Regulations. This requirement applies to:

- Any structure which has incurred damage estimated at more than 50% of its market value
- Any structure where improvements are planned where the cost of improvements is

more than 50% of its market value

- Any combination of the above two

FLOOD PROTECTION METHODS

When constructing a new or improved structure in a floodplain area, any combination of these methods may be employed to reduce the flooding potential. These methods must be approved by the City, and must not negatively impact surrounding properties.

RELOCATION: Perhaps the only technique for completely preventing future flood damage. This method involves moving a house out of a flood area to a new location where there is no threat of flooding.

ELEVATION: This method consists of raising a house on an elevated support structure to place it above future flood waters.

LEVEES: Also known as a berm, this is a method of creating a barrier of compacted soil to keep the water away from a property.

FLOODWALLS: Similar to a levee, floodwalls are designed to keep the water away from the house but are constructed of permanent materials such as concrete.

CLOSURES: Used in conjunction with other techniques such as floodwalls and levees, closures provide protection for gaps that are open for frequent usage such as sidewalks and driveways.

FLOOD MITIGATION STEPS

Even if you are not doing major improvements to your property, there are steps you can take to make your property more flood-proof, including:

- Grading your property to facilitate stormwater run-off
- Elevating major appliances such as air-conditioning units and water heaters to prevent damage during flooding
- Using flood-proofing materials such as paints and sealants
- Checking sewer trap valves to prevent backup flooding
- Cleaning gutters and storm drains around your property to permit free flow of water
- Keeping a stockpile of sandbags and construction materials available

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to join with our community to make Aventura a city of the highest quality and a city of excellence. We do this by providing RESPONSIVE, COST EFFECTIVE AND INNOVATIVE local government services.

FLOOD INSURANCE

One of the best ways to protect your investment is to insure it. Standard homeowners insurance and windstorm policies DO NOT cover losses from flooding (rising waters)! The Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 requires the purchase of flood insurance as a condition of receiving any federally related loan for purchase or construction of any building or mobile home located in any Special Flood Hazard Area.

The City of Aventura is a participant in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) which is administered by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Federally guaranteed flood insurance is available to City residents in AE Flood Zones at a discount of 10% because of the City's participation. NFIP policies are sold through licensed insurance agents and companies. You should buy flood insurance before the storm season, as there is a 30-day waiting period before coverage takes effect.

Federal flood insurance can protect homes, businesses and belongings from damage caused by flooding, including:

- Structural elements: such as walls, floors, equipment and fixtures.
- Contents: such as furniture, appliances and carpeting
- Personal items: such as clothing, stereos and televisions

You do not have to live in a special flood hazard area or a Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) designated flood zone to purchase flood insurance. In fact, if you live in a low-risk area, you may be eligible for a low-cost preferred risk policy.

Even if you rent, do not have a mortgage or do not live in a Special Flood Hazard Area, you should still purchase flood insurance!

FLOOD WARNINGS

Flood, hurricane and severe weather warnings are issued by the Miami-Dade Office of Emergency Management and the National Weather Service.

In the case of a hurricane, an Evacuation Order will be given by the Mayor of Miami-Dade County and will be broadcast on local TV and radio stations. The City of Aventura is located in an Evacuation Zone for any storm of Category 2 force or greater. This means all residents are required to leave the City when an Evacuation Order for a Category 2 storm is given. Aventura condominiums and property managers will also be notified of the Evacuation Order by

a fax from the Office of the City Manager.

Residents should stay tuned to the local TV and radio stations for updates on storms, and should evacuate as soon as an Evacuation Order is issued.

TV Stations

- WFOR (Ch. 4)
- WTVJ (Ch. 6)
- WSVN (Ch. 7)
- WPLG (Ch. 10)
- WLTV (Ch. 23) Spanish
- WSCV (Ch. 51) Spanish

Radio Stations

- WIOD (610 AM)
- WINZ (940 AM)
- WFTL (1400 AM)
- WAQI (710 AM) Spanish
- WCQM (92 FM) Spanish

FLOOD SAFETY TIPS

These are important tips you can follow when flooding threatens, whether you are staying in your home or evacuating.

Before the Flood

- Learn and practice the safest route from your home or business to high ground in case you must evacuate.
- Listen to local news for Evacuation Orders and shelter openings. Evacuate
- Turn off water, gas and electric service to your home and plug drains with large corks to prevent sewer backup.
- Keep a disaster kit on hand with a portable radio, flashlight, emergency cooking equipment, drinking water, batteries, first aid supplies, money, canned foods and sturdy shoes.
- Develop and practice an emergency communication plan with your family. Designate an out-of-state friend or relative to serve as the "family contact."
- Fill your car with gas and move it to the highest point on your property.
- Flood-proof your home by utilizing the improvement and mitigation steps outlined in this pamphlet.
- Buy flood insurance to cover the value of your home and its contents.
- Take pictures or videos of your home and valuables and keep them in a safe, dry place with your insurance policy.

During the Flood

- Keep a battery-powered radio tuned to a local station for emergency information.
- Elevate valuables or move them to higher floors.

- Do not drive, walk or play in flooded areas. Strong currents, broken objects, wild animals and raw sewage pose serious health and safety threats.

- Stay away from downed power lines. A downed power line in a puddle of water may electrify the entire puddle.

After the Flood

- Before entering a building, check for structural damage.
- Inspect for fire, electrical or gas hazards and submerged appliances BEFORE turning utilities back on.
- If you smell gas in or around your home, call your utility supplier immediately.
- Use tapwater for consumption only if it has been declared safe by officials. Use bottled water instead.
- Dispose of everything, including food, that has come in contact with flood waters. The flood waters could be contaminated with raw sewage and poisonous chemicals.

FLOOD ZONE INFORMATION

Local flood zone information is located at the Northeast (Aventura) Branch of the Miami-Dade Public Library and at the City of Aventura's Community Development Department. The Community Development Department can provide you with detailed information from the Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) including:

- Whether your property is located in a Special Flood Hazard Area
- The community number
- The panel number and suffix
- The date of the FIRM's index
- The FIRM zone
- The base flood elevation

For surveyors, architects and engineers, the City has the latest form of elevation certificates available to you for completion.

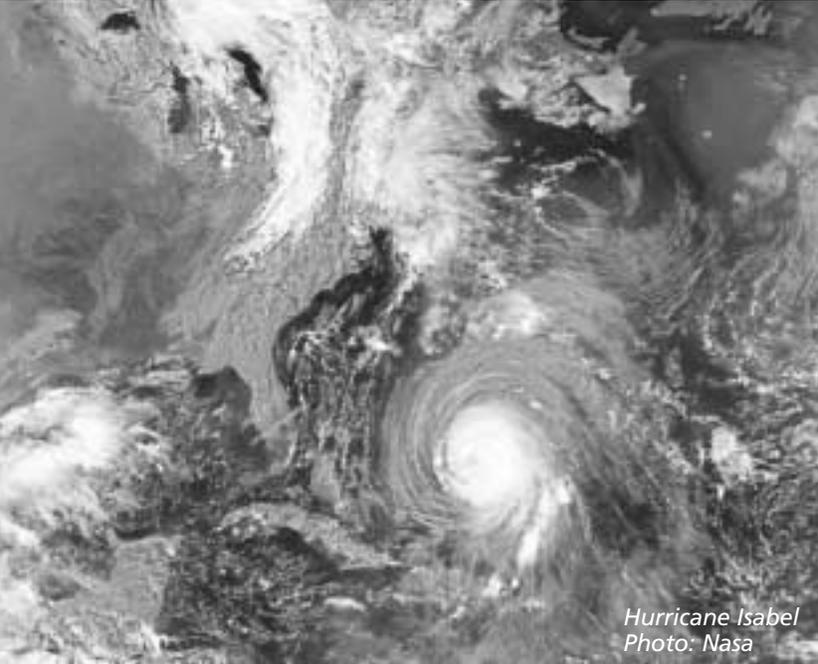
For lenders, insurance agents and real estate agents, elevation certificates are kept on file for all buildings permitted by the City.

For more information, or to receive a Flood Insurance Rate Map determination for your property, contact the Community Development Department at (305) 466-8940. ☺



2003 – A Busy Hurricane Season

While the official hurricane season extends from June 1st until November 30th, this is the time of year that poses the greatest threat of being hit by a storm. The peak of the season occurs around September 7th and history shows us that the frequency of



*Hurricane Isabel
Photo: Nasa*

hurricanes increases from about the middle of August until early October. This does not mean that we can rest easier during the rest of the season, only that severe tropical weather systems occur more frequently during this time that in turn, increases our threat level.

Forecasters have predicted that this season will be busier than usual, and two months into the season, they seem to be right. It's also been an unusual season as Ana, the first named storm, appeared in April, several weeks before the official start of the season, and by the end of July, we have already had four named storms. Fortunately, South Florida has not been threatened so far, but keep in mind that in 1992, it only took one storm, the first one of the season, to strike our area and we continued to deal with the impact of Hurricane Andrew for the next decade.

Education and planning are the two best tools that are available to help you through a storm and there are numerous resources to help you with both. Most major supermarket chains carry hurricane preparedness brochures published by the local media and they include a tracking map along with definitions relating to the key storm terms you should be familiar with, as well as lists of basic items you should have in your home to help you ride out the aftermath of a hurricane or other serious event. There are also several websites that provide tips and

ideas that will help you be prepared for most emergencies. The websites for the major newspapers and television networks serving South Florida also are good sources of information.

When developing a plan, you should have an idea as to where you are going to go if an evacuation is ordered. Most of Aventura is within an evacuation zone for a category two hurricane or higher. The order to evacuate will normally come from the Mayor of Miami-Dade County based upon information provided by the National Hurricane Center. The decision to order an evacuation is not taken lightly. Evacuations can have a serious economic impact on area so if an evacuation is ordered, residents should pay attention and do so. Remember that each storm is different so if you think that you were safe because you survived the last storm that

came close to the area, the next one could be entirely different. Keep in mind that if you wait too long before deciding to evacuate, it may be too late. Even though the storm may seem to be quite a distance from South Florida, tropical storm force winds can often extend two to three hundred miles from the center. Once winds reach tropical storm force, it may be too late to leave. Streets may already be flooded or blocked due to fallen trees, debris, or stalled cars.

Shelters will open at public schools throughout the County as needed, but not all shelters may be opened or they may not open at the same time. Stay tuned to local television and radio stations. They will provide regular updates on the status of the storm as well as letting you know which shelters are open.

People with medical problems that require special attention should register with the Miami-Dade Office of Emergency Management if they have not already done so. Several locations are designated as Special Needs Shelters, but in order for the County to be able to make their plans to accommodate people with special needs, they have to know what those needs are so they can make the necessary arrangements. You should contact the Miami-Dade Office of Emergency Management at 305-513-7700. This should be done now, not when a storm is approaching. When Hurricane Floyd was threatening the South Florida area in 2000, the Office of Emergency Management received over 700 special needs requests from people who had not registered and completed the required paperwork. Each person who requested assistance prior to the storm was later sent a Special Needs Application but less than fifty were completed and returned.

Hurricanes are not convenient, but unlike many other types of natural disasters, we can plan for them in advance and be prepared to act prior to their arrival. ☘

Community Services Department

AVENTURA ROLLS OUT THE RED CARPET FOR THE NEW RED ROUTE

The long awaited Red Route is here! The new Red Route will enhance the shuttle bus service in the central portion of the City around Country Club Drive by complementing the Green Route to allow for faster and more efficient service with more transfer points added at Publix and the Library. New additions to the Red Route such as Classic Residence and Turnberry on the Green will allow Aventura residents even more convenience as our shuttle bus service expands. There will also be a new addition to the yellow route, the Fresh Market! Serving 7,000 passengers monthly, the Red Route will expand the Aventura Shuttle Bus System to serve more Aventura residents, bringing Aventura's physicians and stores to its residents efficiently and conveniently.

Rolling out the red carpet for the Red Route isn't the only change; all routes will now be on one map for your convenience. These new shuttle bus maps will be available to all condominiums and on shuttle buses. Don't miss the Red Route as it takes off September 1, 2003 – just look for the red dot! For questions or comments, please contact 305-932-1BUS.

A KID'S DAY OFF AND HOLIDAY CAMP ARE HERE!

Need an activity for your children during those teacher planning days and

the holidays? Registration will take place at the Community Recreation Center for this activity. For cost and further details, please call 305-466-3883.

COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER HOSTS A FABULOUS "FALL LINE-UP": INTRODUCING ITS BEST VALUE YET, THE LEISURE PASSPORT

The Community Recreation Center, located at NE 188 Street, introduces the best value yet, the Leisure Passport. This Leisure Passport allows a member to register for one low flat rate enabling you to participate in all the programs offered in the Leisure Passport for 8 weeks. This one-rate concept is a great value for members of all ages and hosts classes in art, education, dance, fitness and more! For more information, please call 305-466-3883 or e-mail crccenter@cityofaventura.com.

A STAR STUDDED FOUNDERS DAY

Mark your calendar! This year's Founders Day, held on Sunday, November 16th, guarantees to be a star studded event. It all begins at the Community Recreation Center at 10 am with the Aventura Star Competition, looking for our own Aventura Idol. At 1 pm Founders Park hosts a star-bright spectacle of events including interactive field games, entertainment, crafts, a banana split

contest, and a finale of What's the Deal, where the audience becomes the star on this Aventura game show where prizes are awarded. To top off this star studded day, Creedence Clearwater Revisited will headline the main event concert, taking the stage at 6:00 pm. Opening acts includes Catherine Cue, who was a national semi-finalist in the 2003 Star Search competition, and the always exciting High Voltage Dancers. Don't miss this exciting star studded event that will last from 10 am – 8 pm. For more information, please call 305-466-8930.

ARE YOU PREPARED FOR A HURRICANE EVACUATION?

If evacuation is necessary, it is important that you know how to get out! When an evacuation notice is released, the Aventura Shuttle Bus System will switch its gears into pre-planned evacuation routes. All shuttle buses will follow these routes and will continue to operate until winds reach 35 miles per hour. The Yellow and Green evacuation routes will drop off at Aventura Plaza (US 1 and 180th Street). The Blue and Red evacuation routes will drop off at the Promenade Shops (US 1 and 203rd Street). From these evacuation points, Miami-Dade Transit will transport passengers to designated hurricane shelters only. Please bring only essential items as space will be limited. Unfortunately, pets will not be permitted on the shuttle bus. ☹

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Aventura Mall Police Substation Opens

The Aventura Police Department is pleased to announce the opening of the Aventura Mall Police Substation which is now fully operational. The police substation has been completely outfitted with departmental equipment; and, its offices are available for the new and

completely independent mall police services squad currently made up of five sworn officers and a police supervisor, Corporal Hans Maestre.

The Main numbers to reach any of the members of this unit are (305) 466-3282 and (305) 466-3278. The fax is (305) 466-3293.

The Mall Police Services squad is assigned to patrol and provide specialized services to the commercial center area merchants, patrons and tourists to the Aventura Mall.

Under the guidance of Corporal Maestre, this squad has pioneered new crime prevention programs, gathered criminal intelligence, and built partnerships and exchanged criminal trend data with all store security staff personnel, each individual mall merchants, as well as serves as a liaison with the Aventura Mall's management.

As several of its programs are being utilized to combat repeat shoplifting and pickpocket offenders, Cpl. Maestre has initiated the TPW (Trespass Warning) data base, which is shared by both the police department and the mall's public safety

department. A Field Interview card in conjunction with a picture data base program, and a Mobile Lojack vehicle theft tracking machine are also part of their intense proactive approach. The mall squad is also responsible for attending merchant security meetings, together with providing merchant employee security and crime preventive training.

The current squad members are: Officers Belinda Alvarez, Katina Rodriguez, Jorge Alonso, Robert Myers, Madison Freeman, and Corporal Hans Maestre. ♡



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City Commission Meetings

Commission Meetings are held at 6:00 pm:

Aventura Government Center
Commission Chambers
19200 West Country Club Drive

City Commission Meeting

Tuesday, October 7, 2003

City Commission Meeting

Tuesday, November 4, 2003

For information on upcoming Commission meetings and workshops and to confirm all meeting dates, times and locations, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (305) 466-8901.



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