

# City of Doral Military Affairs Advisory Board Minutes

Thursday, January 7, 2016

8401 N.W. 53<sup>--</sup>Terrace 3<sup>--</sup> Floor Training Room Doral, FL 33166

### 1. Call to Order

## 2. Roll Call of Members

Meeting was called to order @ 6:07 p.m

Carlos Rivero Present
Brian George Present
Matheus Santos Present
Tony Porras Absent
Deborah Prather Present

Also present was Adam Temple.

- 3. Public Comments
- 4. Agenda/Order of Business
- a. Approval of Minutes Voted on approval of minutes:

Brian motioned to approve minutes and to switch item 2 in the agenda to item 1 due to presentation by Kristy Ayala-Rosado. All in favor.

- b. **Agenda Item II** –. Kristy Ayala-Rosado presented the 25 cities initiative funded by SSVF. She stated that Miami is has the 5<sup>th</sup> highest homeless population in the U.S.
  - Deborah motioned for the board to invite a VSO (Angel Figueroa) to present his job description before the board.
- c. **Agenda Item I** For outreach programs, Carlos spoke to Chamber of Commerce about classes for veteran's (monthly workshops).
  - Carlos motioned for 3 veteran specific topic workshops per year. Brian seconded that motion. All in favor.
- d. **Agenda Item III** Brian motioned for the city to coordinate assisting a reserve army unit with family in exchange for the unit participating in memorial/veterans day parade to show more uniformed presence. Carlos seconded that motion. All in favor.
- e. Agenda Item IV This item was tabled.
- f. Agenda Item V The board discussed costs associated with a sticker program. Carlos requested that the city provide number of retail businesses in Doral. The board suggested offering a 10% discount for business license renewals.
- g. **Agenda Item VI** The board recommends the council should join the Vietnam Commemorative Partner Program.
- 5. Future Meeting Date Future meeting date will be February 4th at 6:00PM.
- 6. Adjournment meeting adjourned at 7:08PM.

### Recommendations:

- -The City should publish a press release about the veteran's preference for solicitations
- -The City should provide a guest speaker for Southcom's new comes brief
- -The City should look into possible VA retirement home
- -The board supports workforce housing initiatives and incentivizing developers

# Respectfully Submitted,

Matheus Santo	os, Secretary	<u> </u>
Motion to appr Meeting	ove the minutes of the J	anuary 7th, 2016 Military Affairs Advisory Board
made by	and second	ed by
	Board Member	PC
	Board Member	
		Carlos Rivero, Chair