

City of Doral Animal Welfare Committee Minutes

Monday, August 22, 2022 6:00p.m. Doral Government Center 1st Floor Multipurpose Room 8401 N.W. 53rd Terrace Doral, FL 33166

 Call to Order Meeting was called to order at 6:07 pm.

2. Roll Call of Board Members

Christopher Yankana, Chair Jennifer Triana, Vice Chair Maria Garces, Secretary Maria Carolina Venegas, Board Member

Present Present

Present (was late)

Present

Also present were:

Edgard Estrada, Code Compliance Director

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Comments

Mrs. Gilda Nunez, Chief of Legislative Affairs and Communications for Miami-Dade County from Animal Services Department was invited to the meeting and offered her support to the committee.

Mr. Frank Gamez attended the meeting; he is running for City Council Seat 1

5. Approval of Minutes

June 6, 2022

Motion to approve the June 6, 2022 meeting minutes made by board member Christopher Yankana and seconded by board member Jennifer Triana. By consensus, motion passes unanimously.

6. Discussion Items

a. Discussion: Upcoming City Events in October

- Howl-o-ween is on October 15,2022. Ms. Gilda Nunez commented that they could participate and bring the animal trailers & do adoption event and pass flyers with all

the information Animal Service provides for the community. Ms. Nunez also talked about the traps program to catch street cats and vaccinated and neuter.

Board Member Christopher Yankana mentioned that is a very busy event and it will be a great opportunity to partner with Animal Services

b. Discussion: Miami-Dade Animal Services

- Ms. Nunez talked about the volunteer program and the foster program. She also mentioned about the great facility they have, the rotation of the animals, and the enrichment programs like the walking tours, the rabies prevention program, the fundraising programs and the outstate transport program to bring the animals to the shelter.
- Board member Chris mentioned that it is a great opportunity to partner with them.
- Ms. Nunez talked about a big event 'The Mega Matchaton' that runs for 24 hours and we could help promote.

c. Discussion: Other Upcoming Events

- Mr. Estrada mentioned the upcoming events in Christmas Lighting tree on Dec 2 and Holiday Celebration in the Park on Dec 9. He recommends getting information at the parks department and will talk to them to get in contact with Mrs Gilda Nunez to see in which other event Animal service could participate.
- Mrs. Nunez mentioned a wish list they have for the Animal shelters and board member Jennifer Triana asked about a drive if they have for that and maybe we could promote that. They have the blanket drive or the Toy drive. Board member Carolina Venegas agreed that it would be great to participate in the December Drive
- Mrs. Nunez mentioned the High school recruitment program for the community visiting schools. She also mentioned Curriculum for responsible Pet owner visiting elementary schools with presentation of specific topics, the important to neuter and sprayed etc.
- Board member Carolina Venegas mentioned a problem in some areas where they feed cats. Mrs. Nunez told that try to approach this matter by educating.
- Board member Maria Garces mentioned to contact Ms. Maggie Santos who manages the social media post to promote there the Animal service activities too.

d. Open Discussion:

- Regarding the poo stations, Mr. Estrada asked about those locations (102 ave and at Vanderbilt neighborhood) and is waiting for response and see the maintenance program. Mr. Estrada said could be a good idea to mention it in a Council meeting. -- Board member Carolina mentioned about a wall close to her community that is almost falling and is a hazard and some blinking lights, so Mr. Estrada took note and is going to send someone to check
- •Board member Jennifer Triana mentioned that to decide the location in Doral Glades Park will be a good idea to bring it to a city council meeting we have to contact Mrs. Juanita Cruz to see when the next City Council is could attend.
- 7. Future Meeting Date: Monday, September 26, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
- 8. Adjournment: Meeting adjourns at 6:49 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Maria Garces, Secretary

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 22, 2022 Animal Welfare Committee made by Board

Member ______ and seconded by Board Member

Christopher Yankana, Chair Maria Garces, Secretary Jennifer Triana, Board Member Maria Carolina Venegas, Board Member Gy.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 3rd day of October 2022.

Christopher Yankana, Chair