

Town of Miami Lakes, Florida

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AGENDA

Special Meeting

July 8, 2019

8:30 PM

Government Center

6601 Main Street

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Moment of Silence**
5. **Public Comments**

All comments or questions from the attending public to the Council shall be directed to the Mayor, in a courteous tone. No person other than the Council and the person recognized by the Mayor as having the floor, shall be permitted to enter into discussion without the permission of the Mayor. To ensure the orderly conduct and efficiency of the meeting, public comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes maximum per person; however, the Mayor may authorize the extension of the aforesaid time frame, and any extension shall apply to other individuals speaking on the same subject.

No clapping, applauding, heckling, verbal outburst in support of, or in opposition to a speaker or his/her remarks shall be permitted. Should a member of the audience become unruly, or behave in any manner that disrupts the orderly and efficient conduct of the meeting, the Mayor is given the right and the authority to require such person to leave the Council Chambers.

As a courtesy to others, all electronic devices must be set to silent mode to avoid disruption of the proceedings.

6. **Items for Discussion and Action**
 - A. **Suicide Awareness Event (Collazo, Cid)**

7. **Adjournment**

This meeting is open to the public. A copy of this Agenda and the backup therefore, has been posted on the Town of Miami Lakes Website at www.miamilakes-fl.gov and is available at Town Hall, 6601 Main Street, Miami Lakes 33014. 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 Town Hall at 305-364-6100 two days prior to the meeting.

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considered at this 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.

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Town of Miami Lakes Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers
From: Honorable Councilmember Luis Collazo
Subject: Suicide Awareness Event
Date: 7/8/2019

Recommendation:

A Special Call Meeting will be taking place to discuss the Suicide Awareness Event that is being proposed by the Veterans Committee. The Veterans Committee wants to support this event in order to educate the Town's resident's on suicide prevention and is kindly requesting the Town Council's support on this matter.

Please see attached minutes from the Veterans Committee.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

Minutes from Veterans Committee

Resolution

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Veterans Committee
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1) Call to Order at 7:04pm

2) Roll Call:

√	Nayib Hassan, chair
√	Gary Cardenas, Vice Chair
	Bryan Bacallao
√	Pedro Fiallo
	Angel Luis Vazquez
	Mary Collins
√	Sherrill Hernandez
√	Edward Paez
	Ruben Miguel

Guest – William Sanchez from the liaison department

3) Public Comments

- a. Lupe Brumman from Advocate health discussed what their company does. They are a Medicare specific marketing organization and they guide and support Medicare brokers license sales agent. They are funded from the Federal government. They guide seniors to get the best plan for them. Owner is a veteran, special forces in the army and they have 2 veteran serving officers. They would to participate in helping veterans with benefits that veterans can seek outside. She would like to be apart of the all the four counties. Gary or Nayib will email Lupe the mission to the event for July 9.
- b. Mrs. Wong was brought to Nayib attention for support from the committee, she is doing a walk and wants the support from the town of Miami Lakes, a suicidal awareness walk. The walk is Out of the darkness. She wants to host the event sometime in august in one of the regional parks. No order to host the event, she will need a support from a committee. Entails from the committee, doesn't require any strong commitment from the committee but a support from the committee, no sponsorship. If they will support her event, her event can go forward through the Town of Miami Lakes, supported by the veteran committee. Nayib thinks it's a great time especially the veterans and suicidal awareness. Emily Wong – she is currently working on a nonprofit called the Victor Ruiz foundation and its honor for her friend who passed away August 12, 2018. Victor committed suicide, leaving his friends and family behind. She and her team cannot start this foundation until they have a date, she is looking in early August preferably August 1 because that would mark the anniversary of the loss of her friend Victor. Goals is the foundation is spread awareness, educate the community, society, the causes, the signs and the symptoms. Prevention methods when it comes down to mental illness and suicide prevention. She wants to do an Out of the Darkness walk; she would like to hold this event at Miami Lakes Park West. The meaning of the walk to bring people out of the dark and into the light. No specific target audience because anyone at any age can deal mental illness. With this event she wants to also for the community to show all the community members to show all the resources to mental illness, crisis, and suicidal prevention. Put the resource in front of people, it can normal

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the situation to stop it. She wants to show that its not weak to speak, there is hope and help. Her goal is to help educate anyone that have or know of anyone of going through any mental illness or thoughts of suicide. To start the walk early morning and end as the sun comes. Emily holding her first meeting to get her team on board but needs a date.

4) Order of Business (Deferrals, Additions, Deletions)

- a. Nayib asked to add to the agenda out of the darkness to support Emily Wong August 10, as item D. second by Pedro, no one unopposed to add on agenda. Nayib asked if they can move item D to item A and pushing everything around. No one opposed.

5) Adoption of Minutes

6) New Business

- a. Coming out of the Darkness Event – August 10, 2019
 - No discussion, motion by Pedro to support the event, second by Sherrill Hernandez, all in favor. No one opposed and everyone supports Emily Wong on her walk.
- b. Veterans Assistance Office informational
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- c. July 9 Forward March Event
 - Tried to reach Dennis Baker, no answer. Discuss the location of the event, there are two (2) locations, Ana Mendez University – and at the Shula’s. They have offered that they can use everything they have and even give out reduce rates to rooms. Sherril likes the idea of having it at the college but thinks that doing it at the Shula’s and having the support from the Graham Properties is an important thing with this whole thing. Concept having everything right here, and an awesome opportunity doing it. Grahams are giving them access full facility expect hotels but are giving a discounted rate of \$118 a night. Gary think that having it at Ana Mendez because education is part of the program that they are participating, there are so ready and set up, parking is not a problem versus trying to park at Shula’s is a mess, security purpose will be easier to control where as Shula’s you have non-participants that will be coming in and out, Sherrill agrees with Gary. William Sanchez; he would suggest doing it at Shula’s because of the location, if they want to grab something to eat that can go to Main Street versus having to deal with the traffic trying to cross the palmetto. Nayib suggestion it being a collateral effort with the two locations, Shula’s being the location all the legislatures will be able to stay and hosting the event at Ana Mendez. Any discussion made by the governor; it can be made at the Shula’s location at the graham properties. Ana Mendez have been very supportive with any events from the veterans committee and have supportive with the committee. Vote by paper; 5 people attending the meeting – results Graham – one vote and Ana Mendez four (4) votes. Checking with other hotels for discounted rates; Gary will contact the La Quinta and the Marriot.
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d. Distribution of Jingle Bell Jog Sponsorship Packet December 21, 2019

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7) Adjournment

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-_____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES,
FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE VETERANS COMMITTEE
COMING OUT OF THE DARKNESS EVENT, AND
PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2019, the Town of Miami Lakes (the “Town”) Veteran’s Committee conducted a regularly scheduled monthly meeting (“Committee Meeting”); and

WHEREAS, the Committee, after listening to public comments, deliberation and discussion among the Committee Members, the Committee moved to support local activist Emily Wong’s, Out of the Darkness event project in order to bring awareness to Town residents; and

WHEREAS, suicide related deaths affect all people regardless of demographics or income levels; and

WHEREAS, the Out of Darkness event is scheduled to take place on August 10, 2019, at a Miami Lakes Park to be determined; and

WHEREAS, the Veteran’s Committee will be responsible for the organization and marketing of the Out of Darkness event; and

WHEREAS, the Out of Darkness event will be budget neutral; and

WHEREAS, any monies collected from the event shall be donated to the hosting town committees’ budget; and if all monies are to be later donated to another organization, said organization shall be a valid 501(c)3

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that supporting the Veteran’s Committee, August 10, 2019, Out of Darkness event in order to educate Town resident’s on suicide prevention is in the Town’s best interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Support of the Town of Miami Lakes' Veteran's Committee Out of Darkness Event. The Town Council supports the Veteran's Committee efforts to organize an August 10, 2019 event, titled "Out of Darkness," to be held at a Town of Miami Lakes Park, in order to educate and promote suicide prevention.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

Passed and adopted this 3rd day of July 2019

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

Mayor Manny Cid	_____
Vice Mayor Nelson Rodriguez	_____
Councilmember Carlos O. Alvarez	_____
Councilmember Luis Collazo	_____
Councilmember Josh Dieguez	_____
Councilmember Jeffrey Rodriguez	_____
Councilmember Marilyn Ruano	_____

Manny Cid
MAYOR

Attest:

Gina Inguanzo
TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

Raul Gastesi, Jr.
TOWN ATTORNEY