



**MINUTES
CITY OF DORAL
INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING**

Mission Statement – “To position and develop the City of Doral as a world-class international business destination, enhancing the local economy by: (1) Promoting, developing and attracting international business to the city. (2) Identifying strategic ways that will provide opportunities for international investments from targeted businesses and industries. (3) Creating and establishing strategic alliances with multi-national companies, foreign city governments and institutions to foster trade, investments and general economic development.”

Wednesday, September 21st, 2011 (3:00 p.m.)

Special Meeting

8300 N.W. 53RD Street, Suite# 100
Doral, FL 33166

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:10PM.

2. Roll Call of Members

Nubielena Medina-Gomez	Present
Frank Castillo	Present
Dave Woodward	Present
David Yglesias	Excused
Juan Casimiro	Excused

Also present at the meeting:

IBDAB Liaison: Bettina Rodriguez-Aguilera – Economic Development Coordinator, City of Doral

Yvonne Soler-McKinley – City Manager

Review and learn on the policies and procedures on the disbursement approval process: Documents required when requesting approval, Deadlines, Etc.

At this part of the meeting, Mrs. , Finance Manager, and Mrs. Elisa Rassi, also joined the meeting to provide information on the budgeting process for the advisory boards.

A motion was submitted once again by Advisory Board Member Dave Woodward, to request that the IBDAB Members are provided with an updated Balance Statement of its assigned Budget on a bi-monthly basis, in order to keep up with expenditure recommendations, payments and available funds. The motion was seconded by Frank Castillo, and approved all in favor, none opposed by all present members.

Exploratory trip to Dominican Republic:

Recommendation for the approval of the exploratory trip to Dominican Republic must be resubmitted for approval by the City Manager. The recommendation should be accompanied by the required support documentation, trip schedule, agenda of events and travel itineraries.

Decision on approvals pending on FY2010-2011 recommended disbursements:

In order to approve the pending FY2010-2011 recommended disbursements, the minutes and any background documentation needs to be presented to the City Manager via the IBDAB Liaison as soon as possible.

Other Business:

Mrs. Bettina Rodriguez-Aguilera informed the IBDAB that the City is seeking its inclusion in the EB5 Immigration Project. She also indicated that she will propose that IBDAB be included and help drive the Project for the City. The inclusion of the City in the EB5 Project will be discussed further and in depth at the IBDAB meeting on November 3, 2011.

Mrs. Rodriguez-Aguilera also informed that the Members of the IBDAB will be invited to attend the upcoming meeting of the Doral Design District Steering Committee. Meeting date to be provided to IBDAB members via email.

Public Comments

No public comments were made.

The members of the IBDAB acknowledge the attendance of Mr. Dana Fernety, the new Executive Director of the Doral Business Council. They welcomed Mr. Fernety to the Doral Community and wished him the greatest of success in his new position.

New Business

No new business was discussed.

The next upcoming meeting of the International Business Development Advisory Board is scheduled for November 3, 2011.

Meeting Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Frank Castillo, Advisory Board Vice-Chair
In place of Juan Casimiro, Advisory Board Secretary (Absent)

Motion to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2011 International Business Development Advisory Board Meeting made by F. Castillo and seconded by D. Yglesias.

Board Member



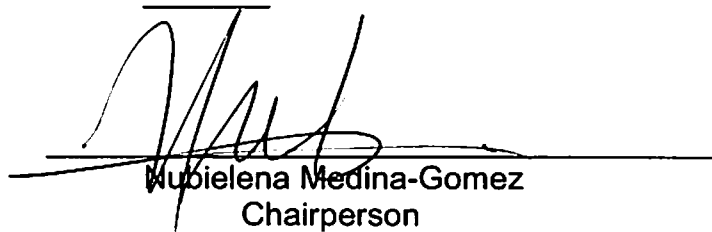
Board Member



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Chairperson



Murielena Medina-Gomez
Chairperson