



CITY OF DORAL

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

The mission of the Doral Environmental Advisory Committee is to make recommendations to the Doral City Council for the sustainment of a safe, healthful, tranquil quality of life for those who live, work and play in the City of Doral, while conserving and protecting the natural resources of the area.

Wednesday, March 21, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

8300 N.W. 53RD STREET, SUITE 100
DORAL, FL 33166

1. **Call to order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:20 PM

2. **Call to Order / Roll Call of Members**

Dr. Kathie Sigler, Chair	Present
Mr. Morgan Levy, Vice Chair	Present
Ms. Stephanie Long, Secretary	Present
Mr. Nelson Carmenates	Absent
Mr. Luis Casado	Absent

Dulce Pantaleon
Eric Carpenter

3. **Agenda/Order of Business** (Following Roberts Rules of Order, speakers to be recognized by the chair).
 - a. Approval of Minutes
 - Wednesday, February 15th, 2012. Minutes approved.

4. **Discussion Items**
 - a. Earth Day ECOFair Event

- The ECO Fair will be held on Earth Day April 21st, 2012.
 - Sustainable and earth-friendly educators and exhibitors will be invited.
 - Dulce is looking into inviting food trucks to the park. They will be limited in number and will try to focus on healthy/organic options. Kathie suggests that we don't charge this year for their attendance, but ask them to record their sales.
 - Kathie and Morgan suggest that Dulce invites the owner of Paradise Farms (Gabriel Maruski).
 - Stephanie suggests that the Doral Farmer's Market be invited.
 - Kathie suggests the event be advertised in the Doral Trolley and newspapers.
- b. Perennial Peanut Planting**
- A strip of median will be replanted with perennial peanuts. The location is south of 80th Ln and north of 78th st on 112th Ave.
 - It was suggested that at least one classroom attend and install a plant. Have a ribbon cutting and give a speech about the importance of water conservation.
- c. Doral Youth Conservation Corps**
- Discussion to be tabled until next week.
- d. Conservation/Sustainability Area in JC Bermudez**
- Mr. Carpenter reported that he checked on the public records and did not find a section of the J.C. Bermudez Park plan that included a conservation or sustainability center.
 - Mr Carpenter suggested three other alternative locations:
 1. A wetlands conservation in Doral North Park
 2. The remnant tree island inbetween 78th and 86th Streets on 102nd Ave.
 3. 52 acre preserve
 - Morgan Levy motions to present the following idea to the City of Doral Parks and Recreation Advisory Board: Erect permanent educational signage in the City of Doral parks which inform the community about the importance of environmental conservation (example provided). The motion was seconded by Stephanie Long. The motion was unanimously approved by the board.
- e. Recycling Organic Waste in Doral**
- Draft and present a resolution urging the Doral Country Club to strongly consider in-vessel composting for all yard waste and food waste. Motioned by Mr. Levy and seconded by Ms. Long; unanimously approved.
 - Mr. Levy also suggests a composting system for the entire city. Mr. Carpenter wonders whether this would cause problems for the public right-of-way during pick-up/drop-off of the waste. Mr. Levy suggests that this problem could be alleviated by a twice a week routine. More information to follow to determine whether the cost of operation would be offset by the sales.

5. New Business

a. Adopt-a-Tree 2012

- Motion made by Ms. Long to approve the Adopt-a-Tree event in Doral for Sept 2012, seconded by Mr. Levy. Motion unanimously approved.
- The event includes a budget of up to \$40,000 for the trees.

6. Adjournment at 7:18 p.m.

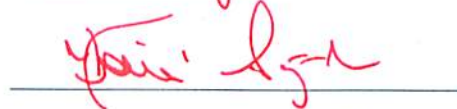
Respectfully Submitted,



Stephanie Long

Motion to approve the minutes of the Environmental Advisory Board Meeting (March 21, 2012) made by K. Sigler and seconded by M. Levy.


Chair Kathie Sigler



DEAC Member Luis Casado



DEAC Member Morgan Levy



DEAC Member Nelson Carmentates

DEAC Member Stephanie Long



Kathie Sigler, Chair

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Kathie Sigler, Chair