



## City of Doral Police & Traffic Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

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Thursday, August 15, 2024  
12:30 pm  
Doral Police Department  
Roll Call Room  
6100 NW 99 Avenue  
Doral, FL 33178

### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 pm

### 2. Roll Call of Board Members

Andre Abbate, Vice Chair	Present ✓
Pierre Christ, Chair	Present ✓
Nerissa James, Board Member	Present ✓
David Yglesias, Board Member	Present
Peter Espinosa, Board Member	Present

### 3. Attendees from the City of Doral

Major Leo Ochoa  
Executive Officer Alicia Neal  
Rita Carbonell

### 4. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Major Leo Ochoa

### 5. Public Comments

No member of the public was in attendance.

### 6. Approval of the minutes of the June 6, 2024 meeting

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Andy Abbate and seconded by David Yglesias. The motion passed unanimously.

- **7. Discussion Items**

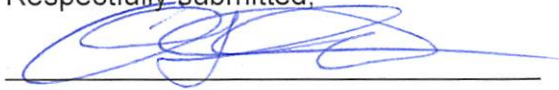
- The Chair thanked Nerissa James for her service as the Board Secretary. Andy Abbate volunteered to serve as the new Board Secretary, and the board approved having him serve.
- Presentation by Natalie French of the City of Doral Emergency Operations Center. This is a continuation of her informative presentation at the Board's June 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.
  - The City of Doral EOC is a divisional EOC and includes the Town of Medley, the Village of Virginia Gardens, and the City of Miami Springs.
  - The Doral EOC conducted its drill for 2024 which follows the National Incident Management System, or NIMS, and the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program.
  - Participants in the exercise included the city manager, the deputy city manager, directors and assistant directors, the floodplain manager, and police command staff.
  - It was noted that during an emergency, bad actors intentionally put inaccurate information on social media. That is why the Public Affairs Department proactively monitors all social media outlets and encourages residents to only follow official City of Doral social media for accurate information.
  - During an emergency the Doral EOC works closely with the Miami-Dade County EOC and, in the event of an actual emergency, a representative of Miami-Dade County has a seat in the Doral EOC.
- Doral Alert Telephone Calls and Text Messages
  - At the previous meetings, the board recommended that the caller ID for these telephone calls and text messages indicate they are from DPD or the City. Currently, the caller ID displays as BlueTEC.
  - Staff suggested that the Public Affairs be invited to attend the next meeting to discuss the Doral Alert Telephone Calls and Texts as well as changing the caller ID as noted above.
- Coffee With a Cop

The overall program was recognized as being very successful. To better promote the program and garner a more diverse attendance, the board made the following suggestions:

- Have no more than one (1) event per month

- If the event is sponsored by a private organization then the invitation should so state and should include the name of the sponsor and their logo.
- Policies and procedures be adopted for Coffee with a Cop including:
  - The flyer being approved and distributed no later than five (5) business days before the event
  - The event listed on the official City of Doral website calendar
  - The flyer distributed to the City of Doral elected officials for inclusion in their newsletter/e-mails
  - Executive Officer Neal stated she would develop policies and procedures for review by the board at its next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,



Andy Abbate, Vice Chair/ Secretary

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 15, 2024 Police & Traffic Advisory Board meeting made by AND. ABBATE and seconded by PEARL.

Pierre Christ, Chair

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Andy Abbate, Vice Chair/Secretary

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Peter Espinosa, Board Member

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Nerissa James, Board Member

David Yglesias, Board Member

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APPROVED and ADOPTED the 17<sup>th</sup> day of October 2024



Pierre Christ, Chair