



City of Doral Animal Welfare Committee Minutes

Monday, August 12, 2024

6:00 p.m.

Doral Government Center
1st Floor Multipurpose Room
8401 N.W. 53rd Terrace
Doral, FL 33166

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m.

2. Roll Call of Board Members

Jennifer Triana, Chair	Present
Emily Marquez, Vice Chair	Present
Christopher Yankana, Secretary	Absent/Excused
Humberto Useda, Board Member	Present
Frank Vaio, Board Member	Present
Lia Portilla, Board Member	Present

Also present were:

Edgard Estrada, Code Compliance Director

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Public Comments

There were no public comments although several observers were in attendance and participated in the discussion.

5. Approval of Minutes

a. June 10, 2024

Motion to approve the June 10 meeting minutes made by board member Frank Vaio and seconded by board member Humberto Useda. By consensus, motion passes unanimously.

6. Discussion Items

- a. City Update on social media posts:
 - i. The Committee requested inclusion of Dog Walking Etiquette posts as well as educational videos, if available, in current social media.
 - ii. The Committee requested that the schedule of Animal Services activities be added to social media posts. L. Portilla will take the lead in providing information.
 - iii. The Committee asked that at least one post on heat exhaustion be added to social media. E. Marquez noted that samples had already been sent.
- b. Halloween discussion and pet-driven activities:
 - i. Although a date has not been set for Halloween, the committee agreed that a presence was important, especially in view of the pet costume contest. E. Estrada to inform members of the date as soon as possible. L. Portilla will look at MDAS availability or the possibility of donating giveaways for the committee to use at the event.
- c. Follow-up on information on Miami-Dade's TNR program for City residents:
 - i. L. Portilla noted that information and/or a sign sheet could be made available at the Halloween event and other events in which the committee participates.

7. Open Discussion

- a. Breed Specific Ordinances:
 - a. The Committee will look at these ordinances across the county and state-mandated, and report at the next meeting.
- b. Holiday Event:
 - a. The Committee agreed that photos with Santa would be an interesting event for the Holiday Season. E. Estrada will ask the Parks Department and get back to the Committee. The Committee would like to decorate the designated area and to this end: 1) secure sponsors and 2) request a matching gift from the City Council. The Committee would need to make the request directly to the Council and a budget must be prepared. J. Triana would be the representative to the Council. L. Portilla will put together a draft budget.

8. Discussion of Next Meeting Agenda Items

Follow-up to the items meeting discussed at the previous, including whether waste bags had been placed in the Doral dog parks. E. Estrada noted that the city is entering into a free six-month program to test bags that dissolve.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Monday, October 7, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

10. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m. Motion to adjourn by Board Member F. Vaio and seconded by Board Member L. Portilla.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Marquez, Vice Chair

Motion to approve the minutes of the August 12, 2024 Animal Welfare Committee made by _____ and seconded by Board Member _____.

Jennifer Triana, Chair
Emily Marquez, Vice Chair
Christopher Yankana, Secretary
Humberto Useda, Board Member
Frank Vaio, Board Member
Lia Portilla, Board Member


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APPROVED and ADOPTED this 7th day of October 2024.


Jennifer Triana, Chair