



## CITY OF DORAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

All residents, property owners and other interested parties are hereby notified of a **VIRTUAL COUNCIL ZONING MEETING** on **Tuesday, September 22, 2020 beginning at 10:00 AM**, to consider the adoption of the 2020 update to the Capital Improvements Element (CIE) of the City's Comprehensive Plan. The City Council will consider this item for **SECOND READING**. The meeting will be held with the elected officials, administration and City staff participating via video conferencing.

Governor DeSantis' Executive Order Number 20-69 and extension 20-193 suspended the requirements of Section 112.286, Florida Statutes and the Florida Sunshine Law, that a quorum to be present in person, and that a local government body meet at a specific public place. The Executive Order also allows local government bodies to utilize communications media technology, such as telephonic and video conferencing for local government body meetings.

**Public Comments:** members of the public that wish to provide comments may do so by emailing the City Clerk at [cityclerk@cityofdoral.com](mailto:cityclerk@cityofdoral.com). Comments must be submitted with your name and full address by **Monday, September 21, 2020**. The comments will be circulated to the elected officials and administration, as well as remain as a part of the record for the meeting.

The meeting will be broadcasted live for members of the public to view on the City of Doral's website (<https://www.cityofdoral.com/government/city-clerk/council-meetings>) as well as Channel 77 and Facebook Live.

The City of Doral proposes to adopt the following Ordinance:

### ORDINANCE No. 2020-21

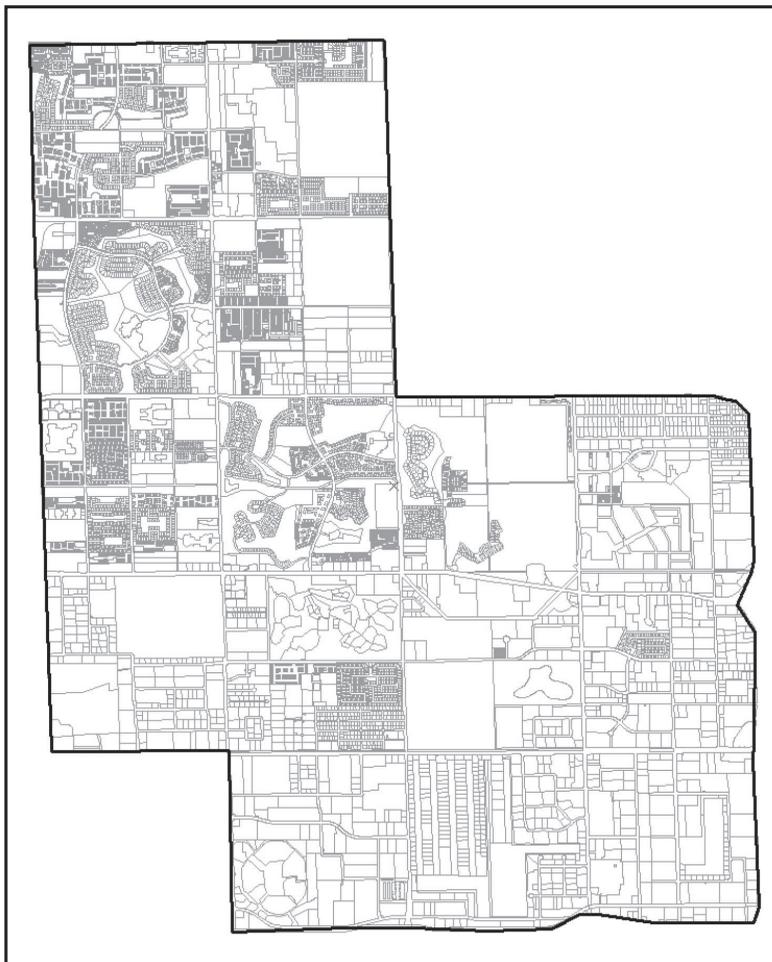
**AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE ANNUAL UPDATE TO THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT (CIE) OF THE CITY'S COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR 2020 AND THE FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS SCHEDULE FOR FISCAL YEARS 2020/2021 - 2024/2025 PURSUANT TO SECTION 163.3177(3)(B), FLORIDA STATUTES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

**HEARING NO.:** 20-09-DOR-01

**APPLICANT:** City of Doral

**REQUEST:** To adopt the 2020 Capital Improvements Element (CIE) update of the City's Comprehensive Plan and the Five-Year Capital Improvements Schedule for Fiscal Years 2020/2021 - 2024/2025 consistent with Section 163.3177(3)(B), Florida Statutes.

### Location Map



Inquiries regarding the item may be directed to the Planning and Zoning Department at 305-59-DORAL.

Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes If a person decides to appeal any decisions made by the City Council with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, they 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. This notice does not constitute consent by the City for introduction or admission of otherwise inadmissible or irrelevant evidence, nor does it authorize challenges or appeals not otherwise allowed by law. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person who are disabled and who need special accommodations to participate in this meeting because of that disability should contact the Planning and Zoning Department at 305-59-DORAL no later than three (3) business days prior to the proceeding.

Connie Diaz, MMC  
City Clerk  
City of Doral City of Doral

## FROM THE COURTS

# Lin Wood Calls Ex-Partners' Fee-Splitting Lawsuit 'Shakedown Effort'



JOHN DISNEY/ALM

In a complaint littered with accounts of profane threats, three former partners of L. Lin Wood Jr., above, sued him over claims he reneged on a settlement agreement regarding fees for pending and settled cases.

by Greg Land

Law firm divorces and ensuing fee fights can be messy, rancorous affairs, but a breach of contract complaint filed against libel lawyer L. Lin Wood Jr. by three former firm members paints a picture of over-the-top acrimony: 3 a.m. phone calls, threats and vows of affection sprinkled among those of revenge.

"You all better get on your knees and pray to Almighty God that He now asks me to show you mercy," said one email Wood allegedly sent to his former colleagues, according to the lawsuit.

"Who the fuck did you think you were dealing with? You were screwing around me with (sic), but I was someone else in disguise. You in fact have been screwing around with God Almighty."

The exchange is but a tiny excerpt from the account raised by attorneys Nicole Wade, Jonathan Grunberg and Taylor Wilson, who set up the firm of Wade, Grunberg & Wilson when the relationship with Wood unraveled.

What exactly led to such recriminations isn't clear from the complaint, filed Monday in Fulton County Superior court by Andrew Beal and Milinda Brown of Buckley Beal. But it alludes to a settlement reached earlier this year after the plaintiffs sought to leave his firm and which Wood is accused of failing to honor.

Wood—who has represented Richard Jewell, the security guard briefly suspected in the Centennial Olympic Park bombing, former Trump campaign national security staffer Carter Page, and now 17-year-old Kyle Rittenhouse, who is charged with killing two men and wounding another in Kenosha, Wisconsin—first referred questions to Alston & Bird partners Joey Burby and Chris Marquardt.

They provided a statement from Wood saying in part that he is "deeply disappointed and saddened that three young lawyers I mentored and involved in some of my cases in recent years have chosen to file a frivolous and unnecessary lawsuit against me and my law firm.

"Adding insult to injury," it said, "these young lawyers have chosen to willingly

engage in a disgraceful and unprofessional effort to publicly attack me by including irrelevant, out-of-context private messages I sent to them in the midst of a difficult time in my personal life arising primarily from my family's reaction to my faith in Jesus Christ."

The statement describes the suit as a "shakedown effort designed to coerce me to do what the ethical rules of my profession prohibit" and force him to hand over "an unreasonable portion" of his earned fee.

In an interview, Wood said the lawsuit was an effort to smear him.

"The allegations are that I induced them into a contract I did not intend to honor," said Wood. "The truth is, when I found out there would be a delay in the receipt of the settlement proceeds due to the COVID-19 shutdown, I offered them a \$500,000 line of credit until the funds were available."

Wood provided an email offering a "working line of credit" that ended with "While we may never practice law together again, we still have our friendship and love."

Grunberg's reply thanked him for the offer and declined, saying "We wish you nothing but continued professional success. We also wish you the best personally and hope that the pain with family and friends comes to a close soon."

Wood said that, in the past several months, he referred more than two-dozen cases to the plaintiffs, "and I know for a fact they accepted some of them."

As proof, he forwarded an email dated Aug. 24 in which he referred a family matter involving Otis Redding III to Wade, with her thanks to Wood included in the email chain.

"Then they turn around and sue me," he said. "I called Otis Redding III and told him I was withdrawing my referral; now I'm representing him."

"I think the people that know me—lawyers, judges, law school administrators and professors—will see this for what it is, because they know I'm a man of character, of integrity and ethics."

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