

**SUMMARY OF MEETING
NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COUNCIL (2)
Highland Oaks Park
20300 NE 24 Avenue
Miami, FL 33161
February 4, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.**

Council Members Present

Lonna Cohen, Chair
Kenneth Friedman
Patrick Gannon
Peggy Stroker, Vice-Chair

Council Members Absent

Chaim Druin
Caryn E. Montegue
Adrienne Promoff

Miami-Dade DP&Z Staff Present

Marisol Triana, Executive Secretary
Brenda King-Carter, Planner

Other Miami-Dade County Staff Present

Danny Barcia, Miami-Dade Parks and Recreation
Mark Jeter, Miami-Dade Police Department
Delfin Molins, Public Works Department
Kennedy Rosario, Commission on Ethics
John Sarduy, Office of Strategic Business Management
Claire Mostel & Maryse Celestin, Office of Neighborhood Compliance
Roslyn Alic-Batson, Office of Capital Improvements

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Cohen called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. and led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Triana called roll and there were 4 members present and 3 absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Agenda was amended to reflect the Miami Dade Expressway Authority's cancelled presentation. A motion was forwarded by Councilman Friedman and seconded by Councilman Gannon. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2009

A motion to approve the minutes was forwarded by Councilman Friedman and seconded by Vice-Chair Stroker. The motion passed unanimously.

The Council then yielded the floor to Ms. Susan Fried who is concerned that Highland Oaks Middle School is currently soliciting advertising to be placed along the school's fencing as a means to raise funds and offset the impact of the budgetary cuts.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

- Annual Orientation/Workshop on Friday, March 6, 2009 for those Council members who have not yet attended.
- Quarterly Chairs Meeting on Friday, March 27, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.

- Miami Dade Parks is hosting the "Love In" at Greynolds Parks on May 17th, 2009. Please contact Christopher Hernandez 305-945-3425 for sponsorship opportunities.
- Commissioner Heyman's Staff will be contacting those Council members who are seating in "vacant seats" as these seats need to be officially filled.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

No Chairperson's report was provided.

OFFICE OF NEIGHBORHOOD COMPLIANCE (ONC)

Ms. Claire Mostel, ONC Compliance Support Coordinator, presented the following:

- 1- The top 5 violations for the Council area are: signs on the right of way, overgrowth properties, commercial vehicles, multifamily use, and boats & jet skies in front of the property line.
- 2- Commissioner Seijas sponsored an ordinance which mandates any property going into foreclosure to register with ONC for a responsible party to maintain the property till such property gets transferred to a new owner.
- 3- The Citizen's Academy was eliminated with the transition of Team Metro to ONC.

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC BUSINESS MANAGEMENT (OSBM)

Budget Priorities FY09-10

PRIORITY 1: *Improve Infrastructure.* A) Continue to review this request; Council members stated the traffic problem continues. Find and implement alternative solution for north-bound traffic backups on NE 26th Avenue, north of Ives Dairy Road to County Line Road (215 St). Traffic backs up to Ives Dairy Road. There are three south bound lanes while only one for north bound traffic. B) Resurface Ives Dairy Road from I-95 east to NE 24 Avenue. C) Install a "No U-turn sign" and a divider to discourage "left turns" at intersection of Ives Dairy Road & Highland Lakes Blvd.

PRIORITY 2: *Police.* A) Enforcement of traffic violations due to heavy traffic at Miami Gardens Drive and West Dixie Highway. B) Enforcement of traffic violations due to heavy traffic at the intersection of Ives Dairy Road and Highland Lakes Boulevard. C) Enforcement of violations that cause traffic gridlocks as a consequence of those travelers who get off on Ives Dairy Road heading eastbound.

PRIORITY 3: *Beautification.* Continue to monitor, maintain, and improve the beautified areas prior to the Super Bowl.

PRIORITY 4: *Ojus Charrette Report.* Provide a more in-depth report from Public Works Department to identify areas that need improvement more specific to the Council area.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR APRIL 15, 2009

- 1- ONC: In-depth report of top 5 violations
- 2- Miami-Dade Expressway Authority – Open Road Tolling and Long-Range Transportation Plan.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Marisol Triana, Executive Secretary