

Virtual Meeting of the City of Hialeah Business Economic and Recovery Task Force

Minutes

Wednesday, October 7, 2020

501 Palm Ave, Hialeah, FL 33010

6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. **REPORT:** Chairman Cruz called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

A. **REPORT:** Sylvana Soler-Gonzalez, Office of the City Clerk, called the roll with the following Committee Members present:

1. Dr. Anthony Cruz
2. Mandy Llanes
3. Lisa Tamburello
4. Alexis Osorio

B. **REPORT:** Sylvana Soler-Gonzalez, Office of the City Clerk, called the roll with the following Committee Members absent:

1. Mauro Olivieri
2. Ozzie Herrera

REPORT: Councilwoman Perez informed the Committee that Committee Member Mauro Olivieri would no longer be a member of the Business Economic and Recovery Task Force.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A. **REPORT:** The Office of the City Clerk did not receive email messages from persons interested in making comments or posing questions on matters of public concerns.
- B. **REPORT:** Sylvana Soler-Gonzalez, Office of the City Clerk, asked anyone watching or listening to the meeting who would like to speak, to please use the raising of the hand feature on Zoom. No members of the public expressed interest at this time.

REPORT: Ralph Aleman, with a home address of **5753 Miami Lakes Drive, Hialeah, Florida 33014**, informed the Committee of the blood drive initiative held by Innovative Transfusion Medicine at local City parks every week, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

4. GUEST SPEAKER

- A. Representative from RISE Program

PRESENTED

REPORT: Committee Chair Cruz requested a Motion to Approve the dispersal of information of the RISE program in the City's utility bills.

REPORT: Motion to Approve made by Committee Chair Cruz, and seconded by Committee Member Llanes. Motion passes 4-0-2 with Committee Member Olivieri and Committee Member Herrera absent.

5. AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Request permission to approve the minutes of the Business Economic and Recovery Task Force Meeting held on August 5, 2020
(OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK)

REPORT: Motion to Approve Item 5A made by Committee Member Llanes, and seconded by Committee Member Tamburello. Motion passes 4-0-2 with Committee Member Olivieri and Committee Member Herrera absent.

- B. Phase III Business & Schools Reopening

REPORT: Committee Member Osorio spoke of initiatives to inform local business and customers of COVID-19 testing.

REPORT: Chairman Cruz informed the Committee of the reopening of college campuses in Miami Dade College.

REPORT: Committee Member Tamburello spoke of in person services provided to the community by the Citrus Health Network.

REPORT: Committee Member Llanes spoke of the Hialeah Chamber of Commerce and their efforts to local restaurants and small businesses.

C. Drive-Thru Testing and Blood Drives at Hialeah Parks

REPORT: Mr. Ralph Aleman, Vice President of Innovative Transfusion Medicine, presented information regarding COVID-19 drive-thru testing and blood drives at City parks.

D. Business Recovery Outreach

REPORT: Committee Chair Cruz requested a Motion to Recommend to the City's administration that funds from a micro grant be used for salon services and adult and child daycares businesses, with 10 employees or less.

REPORT: Motion to Approve to make a recommendation to the City's administration that funds from a micro grant be used for salon services and adult and child daycares businesses, with 10 employees or less, made by Committee Chair Cruz, and seconded by Committee Member Osorio. Motion passes 4-0-2 with Committee Member Olivieri and Committee Member Herrera absent.

E. CARES Act Funding

REPORT: Councilwomen Perez advised the Committee of the CARES Act Funding program that provides relief to all businesses and individuals in Miami-Dade County from the impacts of COVID-19.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

REPORT: None

7. NEW BUSINESS

REPORT: NONE.

8. COMMENTS/DISCUSSION BY COMMITTEE

REPORT: None

9. ADJOURNMENT

REPORT: The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Cruz at 7:34 p.m.

NEXT BUSINESS ECONOMIC AND RECOVERY TASK FORCE COMMITTEE

MEETING: Wednesday, November 4, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.