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Board of Directors Meeting

March 5, 2020

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Board of Director's Meeting

March 5, 2020
Miami Beach Convention Center
1901 Convention Center Drive
Miami Beach, FL 33139

6:00 p.m. Reception - 7:00 p.m. Dinner Meeting

City of Miami Beach

WELCOMING REMARKS:

*President **Claudia V. Cubillos,***
Mayor, Village of El Portal

1. INVOCATION:

*Fire Chief **Virgil Fernandez,***
City of Miami Beach

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

*Police Chief **Rick Clements,***
City of Miami Beach

3. **MINUTES: February 13, 2020**

4. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

    1. Monthly Disbursement

5. **INTRODUCTION:**

    *Board Member **Micky Steinberg,***
    Vice Mayor, City of Miami Beach

6. **HOST CITY PRESENTATION:**

    *Mayor **Dan Gelber,***
    City of Miami Beach

7. **GREATER MIAMI CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU *(GMCVB)* PRESENTATION:**

    *Mr. **William "Bill" Talbert,***
    President & CEO, GMCVB

8. **2020 CENSUS PRESENTATION:**

    *Commissioner **Esteban "Steve" Bovo,***
    Miami-Dade County

9. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT:**

    Richard Kuper, Esq.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **MDCCMA Meeting**: *Friday, March 20, 2020 at 12:30 p.m.*
  Location: Coral Gables Museum
  285 Aragon Avenue
  Coral Gables, FL 33134

- **Board of Directors Meeting:** *Thursday, April 2, 2020*
  Location: T.B.A

- **COE Attorney Luncheon Seminar:** *Thursday, April 23, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.*
  Location: Miami Shores Country Club
  10000 Biscayne Boulevard
  Miami Shores, FL 33138

- **MDCLC 66th Annual Gala:** *Saturday, May 9th, 2020*
  Location: Mana Wynwood Convention Center
  318 NW 23rd St,
  Miami, FL 33127

- **MDCLC Mayoral Forum:** *Wednesday, July 29, 2020*
  Location: University of Miami
  Donna E. Shalala Student Center
  1330 Miller Drive
  Coral Gables Florida 33146

11. ADJOURNMENT

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Minutes

February 13, 2020
Miami Springs Country Club

MDCLC President Claudia Cubillos welcomed everyone to this evening's Board of Director's meeting and reminded everyone of Valentine's Day and jokingly encouraged all the men to visit a 24 hour store to buy their wives flowers and/or gifts. President Cubillos called the meeting to order at 7: 15 p.m..

President **Cubillos** introduced **Vice Mayor Maria Mitchell** of the City of Miami Springs to give the invocation**.**

Councilman Jaime Petralanda of the City of Miami Springs lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

President **Cubillos** asked for a motion to approve the minutes and consent agenda. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

President **Cubillos** introduced **Mayor Billy Bain** of the City of Miami Springs to give the host city presentation. Mayor Bain welcomed everyone to the city and mentioned that their slogan is "at the heart of it all". He then recognized his council, administration and wife. He thanked everyone for visiting the city and hoped everyone enjoys their food and rest of the evening.

President **Cubillos** thanked First Bank for sponsoring this evening's meeting. Cubillos recognized Ms. Elisa Robles for always supporting the League and attending the board meetings; and welcomed Vice President & Branch Regional Sales Manager of First Bank **Mr. Hernando Novoa** to speak about First Bank. Mr. Novoa mentioned he was happy to be back in Miami Springs after taking a break from golf due to breaking windows. He went on to

present: Carlos Lopez, Circuit Court, Mavel Ruiz, Circuit Court, Milena Abreu, County Court, Donald Cannava, County Court, Victoria Ferrer, County Court, Stephanie Silver, County Court, Lody Jean, County Court, Vivianne Del Rio, Circuit Court, Migna Sanchez Llorens, Circuit Court. **Judicial Candidates** present: Lucia Baez Geller. **New Associate Members** present: Mohawk Group, Gustavo Arana. **Associate Members** present: C.A.P. Government, Inc., Carlos Penin, Raul Rodriguez, Jose Miranda, Ed Rojas, Chen Moore & Associates, Dr. Ben Chen, CIC Hotaling Insurance, Rene Alvarez, Concentra, Adriana Alvarado, David Federman, Diaz Campaigns, Pedro Diaz, Stephanie Fresneda, Reinaldo Valdes, Enterprise Fleet Management, Jesus Granadillo, Christina Harris, First Bank, Elisa Robles, Hernando Novoa, FPL, Christopher Ferreira, Baldwyn English, GEMRT, Carlos Trueba, Frances Cabrera, Claudia Estrada, Leo Miyares, Lourdes Miyares, Juan Mederos, Go Plus Lighting, Chris Zanyk, HDR, Javier Manso, Kimley-Horn & Associates, Juan Jimenez, Mike Nortafrancesco, George Puig, Mastec, Taryn Mazone, Al Gomez, Miccosukee Tribe of Indians, Talbert Cypress, Security 101, Radys Nader, SFM Services, Christian Infante, The Corradino Group, Joseph Corradino, University of Miami, Maite Alvarez, Verizon, Marilynn Vallori, Beth Bailey, Weiss Serota Helfman…, Chad Friedman, Haydee Sera, Dan Espino.

President **Cubillos** called up Secretary **JC Bermudez,** Mayor of Doral to speak about HB611 and SB766. Secretary Bermudez informed everyone that the Commission on Ethics passed a resolution to oppose the passage of legislation. These bills will preempt our rights as cities. The state is preempting our ability to have lobbyist register with municipalities and will now have to register directly with the state. He encouraged all cities to oppose this legislation.

Vice President **Corradino** informed everyone of the South Florida Regional Planning Council's (SFRPC) Legislative Priorities for the 2020 year. Vice President Corradino along with Councilman Jordan W. Leonard are board members of the SFRPC appointed by MDCLC President.

The Miami-Dade City/County Management Association and the Miami-Dade County League of Cities invite you to join us at a luncheon in honor of Women's History Month and the presentation of the 2020 Trailblazer Award honoring Women in Public Service.

The recipient of the 2020 Trailblazer Award is:
Alina Tejeda Hudak, Former Deputy Mayor and County Manager, Miami-Dade County

The Award will be presented by the previous recipients of the Trailblazer Award, U.S. Congresswoman Ileana Ros-Lehtinen and Miami-Dade County Public School Board Chair Perla Tabares Hantman.

FRIDAY,
MARCH 20, 2020
12:30 P.M.

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285 Aragon Avenue
Coral Gables, Florida
Complimentary
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All persons, including incumbent local elected officials seeking reelection or election to a different elected office, and local government employees, have a right to engage in political campaign activities. However, there are limitations imposed by the County Ethics Code and Florida Statutes, that prohibit the use of public resources in support of any political campaign or candidate. For incumbents with paid public staffers, the line between the permissible and the impermissible use of public resources to communicate with constituents and the general public can become blurred.

The panel brings together legal experts in local government ethics & governance and public corruption prosecution, to discuss the prohibitions contained in the Miami-Dade County Code of Ethics and Florida Statutes and their application to the activities of local elected officials, and their paid government staffers, during election campaigns.

When: April 23, 2020, at 12 pm
Where: Miami Shores Country Club
10000 Biscayne Boulevard, Miami Shores, Florida, 33138
Cost: $35 (includes lunch)
RSVP: rodzand@miamidade.gov
For more information call (305) 579-2594

Florida Bar CLE Credits have been applied for

THE ELECTION SEASON'S BLURRY LINE BETWEEN THE PERMISSIBLE AND THE IMPERMISSIBLE USE OF PUBLIC RESOURCES TO COMMUNICATE WITH CONSTITUENTS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

Panel Members:

Richard Kuper, Moderator, is the Executive Director of the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, representing the interests of thirty four municipalities in Miami-Dade County. Mr. Kuper, an expert in local government relations with previous service as a municipal Chief of Staff in the City of Miami, is also a Florida Supreme Court Certified Mediator. He formerly served as a Miami-Dade County Assistant State Attorney and Assistant Public Defender. Mr. Kuper is a frequent lecturer on matters relating to local government ethics.

Robert Meyers, Panelist, is a partner with the law firm of Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, which provides legal services to over forty municipalities in Miami-Dade County and across Florida. Mr. Meyers focuses his practice on ethics and governance. Mr. Meyers was previously the Executive Director of the Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust and also held academic positions with Florida International University and the University of Tennessee where he taught courses on law, ethics and government. He is a frequent lecturer on matters relating to local government ethics and he has published numerous articles on the subject.

Howard Rosen, Panelist, is the Special Prosecutions Chief Assistant State Attorney for the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office, one the largest local prosecutors' offices in the nation. Mr. Rosen is a direct report to the elected State Attorney and is the point of contact for all public corruption investigations including those of local government officials. Mr. Rosen has over three decades of prosecution experience and spent twenty years as a public corruption prosecutor. He is a frequent lecturer on matters relating to the investigation and prosecution of public officials and employees.

Tim VanderGiesen, Panelist, is an Assistant State Attorney and the Division Chief of the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Public Corruption Unit and Public Corruption Task Force, the latter comprised of co-located law enforcement officers specializing and tasked with the investigation of public corruption. Mr. VanderGiesen has over two decades of prosecution experience and has been the lead prosecutor in several high-profile prosecutions of public officials. He is a frequent lecturer and trainer on matters relating to investigation and prosecution of public officials and employees.

Jose Arrojo, Panelist, is the Executive Director of the Miami-Dade Commission on Ethics and Public Trust where he is authorized by ordinance to issue advisory opinions regarding the County Ethics Code and its application to the actions of county and municipal elected and appointed officials, employees, and board members. Mr. Arrojo was previously Chief Assistant State Attorney for Special Prosecutions and Felonies at the Miami-Dade State Attorney's Office, serving as a direct report to the elected State Attorney and as the point of contact for all public corruption cases. While away from government service, he represented public employees charged with work related misconduct. He is a frequent lecturer on matters relating to local government ethics and the investigation and prosecution of public officials and employees.

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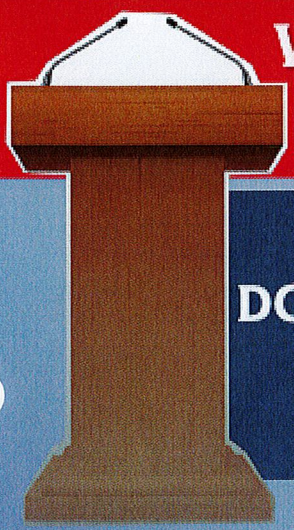

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29TH, 2020
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