

CITY OF DORAL NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

All residents, property owners and other interested parties are hereby notified of a **COUNCIL ZONING MEETING** on <u>March 24, 2021</u>, beginning at 10:30 AM.

General Public Comments: members of the public that wish to provide comments in writing may do so by emailing the City Clerk at cityclerk@cityofdoral.com. Comments must be submitted with your name and full address by Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 5:00 pm. The comments will be circulated to the elected officials and administration, as well as remain as a part of the record for the meeting.

<u>Public Hearing Comments (Pre-Registration):</u> interested parties that wish to speak on the Public Hearing item(s) <u>ONLY</u>, must register by <u>Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at 5:00 pm</u> via this link: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/683914237250897935

Those individuals who do not register in advance will not be permitted to speak.

NOTE: Personal opinions and general statements are not considered "substantial competent evidence" for the record, and such testimony can have no effect on the Mayor and Council's final decision.

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:

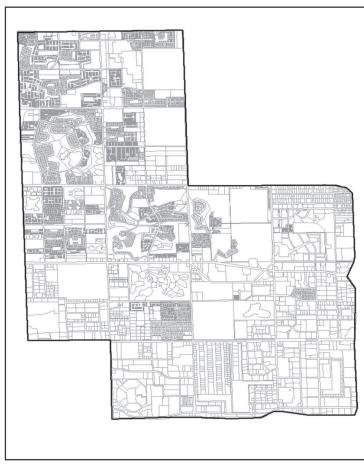
ORDINANCE No. 2021-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, APPROVING/DENYING TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF DORAL LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, CHAPTER 77 "ROADS AND VEHICULAR USE AREAS," TO REVISE SECTION 77-88 "VARIANCES"; TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO APPROVE MINOR VARIANCES FROM CHAPTER 77 OF THE CITY'S CODE ADMINISTRATIVELY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

HEARING NO.: 21-03-DOR-06
APPLICANT: City of Doral

REQUEST: The City of Doral (the "Applicant") is requesting Mayor and City Council approval of an amendment to Chapter 77 "Roads and Vehicular Use Areas," revising Section 77-88 "Variances" to allow the Public Works Department to approve minor variances from Chapter 77 of the City's Code administratively.

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

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BANKING/FINANCE

Here's What to Know About Senate's \$1.9 Trillion COVID Relief Package

by Melanie Waddell

The Senate \$1.9 trillion version of the American Rescue Plan, which passed Saturday, includes more funds for Paycheck Protection Program loans, direct checks, lower health care premiums and money for state and local governments.

The bill was approved by a 50-49 vote Saturday afternoon and is expected to be passed by the House Tuesday and signed by President Joe Biden this week.

The Senate bill also strips out a provision from the House version of the bill that would have capped retirement plan contribution limits.

Biden said in televised remarks on Saturday just after the vote that "When we took office 45 days ago, we promised that help was on the way. Today, I can say we've taken one more giant step forward in delivering on that promise. Help is on the way."

Coming to agreement on the bill "wasn't always easy, wasn't always pretty, but it was desperately needed," Biden stated.

"This plan will get checks out the door this month," Biden said.

Biden stated that over 85% of American households will get direct payments of \$1,400 per person.

"For a typical middle-class family of four, husband and wife working making \$100,000 a year total, with two kids, they'll get \$5,600," Biden said.

Unemployment benefits, which were lowered from \$300 per week from \$400 in the House bill, will be extended for 11 million Americans, Biden stated.

Raymond James analysts said in their Monday morning email briefing that they "expect the package will pass in the House without delay, even though progressive lawmakers expressed frustration at the Senate enacting stricter income limits for individual payments and scaling back unemployment support to \$300/week."

The phase-out threshold for individual payments, more restrictive under the Senate bill, is now \$80,000 for individuals and \$160,000 for joint filers.

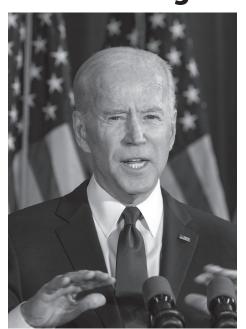
Although the bill extends federal unemployment payments through Sept. 5, and exempts the first \$10,200 in benefits from income taxes, the Raymond James analysts continued, "additional funding provided to FEMA's disaster relief fund could serve as a temporary backstop if unemployment support continues to be seen as necessary later this fall."

Another "under the radar provision": an exemption of student loan forgiveness from taxable income for four years, the Raymond James analysts said, "which may be laying the groundwork for federal student debt relief."

Under the Senate bill, there's also \$15 billion in new funding for Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) as grants. Nonprofits and news services are allocated \$7 billion in PPP funds, while \$1 billion funds a grant program for independent live venues, theatres and cultural institutions, the Raymond James analysts point out.

EIDL grants, the analysts said, "are exempt from inclusion in recipients' gross income for tax purposes."

Other provisions of the American Rescue Plan, according to the Raymond James analysts, include:



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EXPANSION OF EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT

Maximum EITC raised to around \$1,500 for childless workers and makes eligible 19- to 24-year-old workers as well as those over 65.

EDUCATION

The bill provides \$130 billon for K-12 schools and \$40 billion for colleges and universities. "A provision in the bill also specifies that any student loan forgiveness implemented between 2021-2025 is exempt from the classification of canceled debt as additional income for tax purposes, potentially a key step in expanded federal student debt relief."

CHILD TAX CREDIT AND CHILD AND DEPENDENT CARE TAX CREDIT

The CTC is raised to \$3,000 from \$2,000 for children over 6 and \$3,600 for children under 6 while expanding eligibility for the credit for 17-year-olds. The credit is made fully refundable, reaching homes without reported income.

STATE AND LOCAL AID

The bill provides \$350 billion for state and local government support. This includes \$169 billion to allocate based on each state's total share of unemployed workers, \$25 billion to split evenly among states, \$120 billion to allocate to cities and counties and \$10 billion for states to expand remote work infrastructure (public health education, health monitoring services) via a Capital Projects Fund.

HEALTH CARE

The bill increases subsidies for those on Affordable Care Act plans, provides for 100% coverage of COBRA premiums for those who have become unemployed, and delays the removal of the Medicaid drug rebate cap for one year. The bill also provides significant levels of funding for COVID-19 testing and vaccines.

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