

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 <u>Wednesday, August 26, 2020</u> beginning at 10:30 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 **First 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 20-179 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.

<u>Public Comments:</u> members of the public that wish to provide comments may do so by emailing the City Clerk at cityclerk@cityofdoral.com. Comments must be submitted with your name and full address by Tuesday, August 25, 2002. 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:

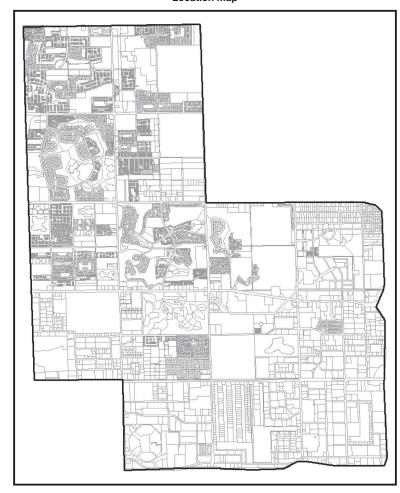
ORDINANCE No. 2020-21

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.: 20-08-DOR-03 **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

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FROM THE COURTS

Tysse Revives Human Rights Case Over Extrajudicial Killings in Bolivia

by Ross Todd

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit breathed new life into a lawsuit brought against the former president and defense minister stemming from the killing of more than 50 unarmed Indigenous people during a period of civil unrest and political upheaval in the South American country nearly two decades ago.

The decision was a win for Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, which has spent the past 13 years working pro bono on the matter, including a three-week trial in federal court in Florida that culminated in April 2018 jury verdict finding the former officials liable under the Torture Victim Protection Act and awarding the plaintiffs, family members of eight of those killed, \$10 million in damages.

Akin Gump partner James Tysse persuaded an Eleventh Circuit panel that the trial judge below had erred when entering judgment post-verdict on behalf of the defendants. The Litigation Daily recently asked Tysse about the decision's greater impact and his firm's work on the landmark human rights case.

Who were your clients and what was at stake?

Our clients are relatives of eight indigenous Bolivians, including an 8-year-old girl named Marlene, and a pregnant woman named Teodosia, who were among dozens killed as part of a brutal government crackdown in October 2003 known as "Black October." More than a decade ago, we brought Torture Victims Protection Act (TVPA) and wrongful-death causes of action against Bolivia's former President, Gonzalo Sánchez de Lozada, and its former Defense Minister, José Carlos Sánchez Berzaín, both of whom had fled to the United States after hasty resignations in Black October's wake

The case was never about money, but rather seeking justice for our clients and the many others who were killed and wounded during that dark month. Neither official stood trial for his actions in Bolivia. So Akin Gump and its partners at Harvard Law School and the Center for Constitutional Rights sued them in federal court, ultimately winning a trial victory and a \$10 million verdict.

Unfortunately, the trial judge then tossed out the verdict post-trial for lack of evidence. So this appeal was the last hope our clients had of holding these officials accountable for their actions in any court of law.

How did Akin Gump get involved in this case?

Our pro bono partner, Steve Schulman, brought the case to the firm 13 years ago and has personally shepherded it (along with our incredible partner organizations) through its many phases—from fact-gathering in rural Bolivia, to multiple interlocutory appeals and a cert petition, to a three-week trial, and finally to our recent Eleventh Circuit win.

Who were your co-counsel and what did they bring to the table?



Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld partner James Tysse persuaded an Eleventh Circuit panel that the trial judge below had erred when entering judgment post-verdict on behalf of the former president and defense minister of Bolivia, who were facing claims stemming from the killing of more than 50 unarmed Indigenous people during a period of civil unrest and political upheaval in the South American country nearly two decades ago.

So many people played a role in our clients' success. Besides Steve, Akin Gump associate Lide Paterno wrote dazzling briefs and somehow learned the massive trial record backwards and forwards. Beth Stephens and Judith Chomsky of the Center for Constitutional Rights, both experts in this field, wisely honed the strategy and the briefs. Thomas Becker, Susan Farbstein, and Tyler Giannini (all brilliant Harvard faculty members), a bunch of smart students from Harvard's International Human Rights Clinic, and Claret Vargas of Center for Justice and Accountability, played key roles from the outset. And of course, we had tons of support from the Akin Gump trial team that secured the \$10 million verdict, led by partners Joseph Sorkin and Ruben Munoz.

What were your primary arguments that the trial court erred in entering judgment for the defendants after your trial win below?

One of our trial strategies was to introduce evidence showing that the two defendants personally orchestrated a plan to kill unarmed civilians to quell civil disturbances. Midway through trial, however, the district court intimated that he wasn't convinced we had proved that theory with sufficient evidence—and after the verdict, he granted defendants judgment as a matter of law on that basis.

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