



## City of Doral Police and Traffic Advisory Board Minutes

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Monday, November 15, 2021  
1:00 p.m.  
Doral Government Center  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Multipurpose Room  
8401 N.W. 53<sup>rd</sup> Terrace  
Doral, FL 33166

**1. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order at: 1:00 pm.

**2. Roll Call of Board Members**

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| David Yglesias, Chair            | Present         |
| Frank Vaio, Vice Chair           | Present         |
| Wes Roddy, Secretary             | Present         |
| Vicente Peña-Hamel, Board Member | Delayed Arrival |

**Also in attendance:**

Acting Major Fatima Nuñez, DPD  
Captain Nancy Fernandez, DPD  
Lieutenant Yojans Martinez, DPD  
Officer Victor Ten, DPD  
Rita Carbonell, Public Works Dept.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

**4. Public Comments**

Mr. Pierre Christ offered comments.

**5. Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve the September 20, 2021 meeting minutes was made by Mr. Yglesias seconded by Mr. Vaio.

**6. Discussion Items**

**a. Discussion: Jan-Sep 2020 vs 2021 Part 1 Crimes Statistics**

Major Fernandez said the last couple of years have been unique, with a lot of businesses being shut down and people staying home. Because this is not a good base to compare

crime statistics with 2021, the DPD also compares current Part 1 crimes with those stats from 2019, to get a more accurate assessment. Additionally, Major Fernandez said comparing the current year to 2020, we are up approx. 12% in total crimes. If you compare the current year to 2019, we are down 8.6%. This year's biggest increases came from aggravated assaults and batteries, with many of those domestic incidents. Auto thefts had no discernable change, commercial burglaries are down -2%, residential burglaries were also down, while vehicle burglaries increased a little. DPD continues to educate citizens and HOAs on burglary prevention. Some tips to help include not leaving valuables or your car keys in any of your vehicles. Thieves go into communities and areas checking whether vehicles are locked, or valuables exposed.

**b. Discussion: Creation of a Neighborhood Crime Watch (NCW)**

Lieutenant Martinez and Officer Ten from the Neighborhood Resource Unit (NRU) go out into the community when there is a concern. This helps stay a step ahead of crimes and allows the community to get involved and creates a partnership that contributes positively to the overall security in our city. Lieutenant Martinez said there are currently over 100 neighborhood watches. These watches may not routinely meet with DPD, but they do provide a pathway to developing a relationship with the department. In addition to NCW, the Mayor's Citizen Academy, Citizen's Police Academy, Hands on Doral, and Ambassadors program are other ways citizens can learn, contribute, or volunteer. Major Fernandez said she would notify the board when the next Citizen's Police Academy commences.

**c. Discussion: Diving Gear (Mask, Snorkel, Fins) for DPD**

Major Fernandez said there is training available for rescue divers and Miami Dade County has a specialized unit on call 24 hours a day for these incidents. She said if the board was interested in having diving gear issued to DPD patrol officers, the board should put it on a future PAT agenda and allow the training unit to respond. After further discussion, Mr. Peña-Hamel decided to withdraw his motion to provide officers with diving gear.

**d. Discussion: Visit to Station & Simulator**

The board will work with the department to set up a date to visit the training center and in particular the simulator. This was a topic of discussion during the Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> PAT board meeting.

**e. Open Discussion**

Mr. Yglesias commended the DPD for conducting another Thanksgiving food drive. Lieutenant Martinez provided an update on its progress and said the Turkey Drive will be conducted from the Training Center on November 19<sup>th</sup>. The board also spent time briefly discussing the various shootings that have occurred recently.

**7. Future Meeting Date:** Monday, January 24, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.

**8. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourns at: 1:39 pm

Respectfully submitted,

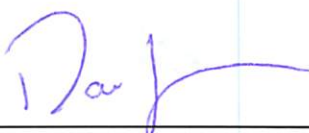
  
Wes Roddy, Secretary

Motion to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2021, Police and Traffic Advisory Board Meeting made by Board Member \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by Board Member \_\_\_\_\_.

David Yglesias, Chair  
Frank Vaio, Vice Chair  
Wes Roddy, Secretary  
Vicente Peña-Hamel, Board Member

  
  
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APPROVED and ADOPTED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2022.

  
David Yglesias, Chair