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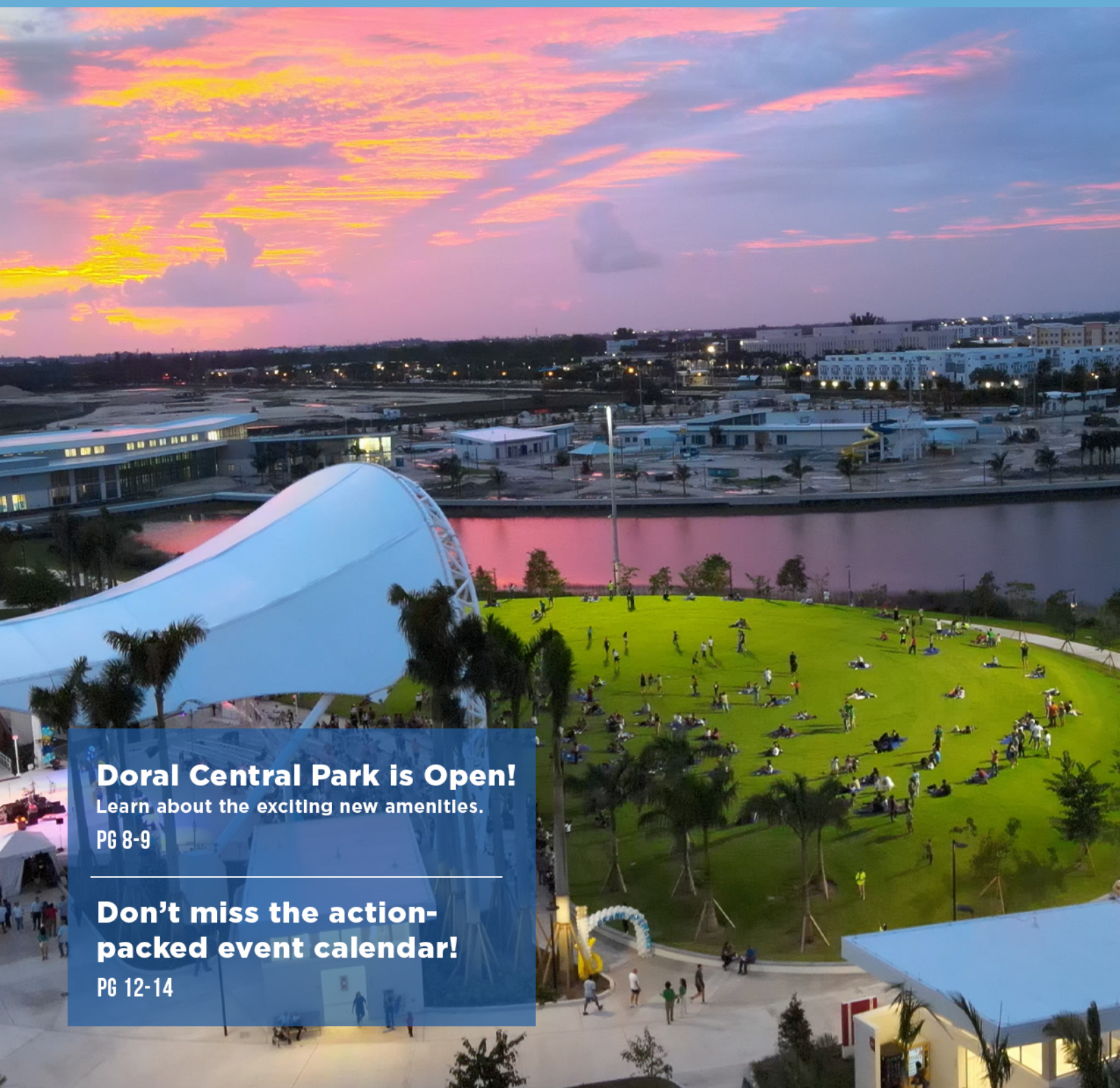
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Doral Central Park is Open!

Learn about the exciting new amenities.

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Don't miss the action-packed event calendar!

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FROM THE DESK OF *The Mayor*

As summer's warmth gives way to the crisp air of fall, I extend my greetings to each and every one of you. This season brings a renewed sense of energy and a perfect opportunity to explore the many offerings our city has for residents of all ages.

The fall is full of fun for all! With Doral Central Park now partially open, there is a wide array of world-class amenities for creating lasting memories with loved ones, including: scenic walking trails, playgrounds, picnic areas, kayak launch and more. Make plans to visit with your family and friends and don't miss updates about the opening of the western portion of the park, coming soon!

As we head into the holiday season there is undoubtedly much to celebrate. Throughout these special occasions, we remind you of the important of keeping safety front of mind. Please be mindful of your surroundings, take precautions to secure your home and valuables, and be aware of potential scams and fraud schemes.

We hope that this holiday season is one filled with joy, gratitude, and togetherness! For the latest updates on events, news, and announcements, remember to visit www.cityofdoral.com or connect with us on social media (@cityofdoral). Let's make this fall season a memorable one!

Warmest regards,

Christi
Mayor Christi Fraga

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL



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PARKS FACILITIES

The Parks and Recreation Department operates and maintains eleven (11) parks with an abundance of amenities for every age and lifestyle including: community centers, lighted artificial sports fields, basketball courts, tennis courts, volleyball courts, bike-ways, jogging trails, exercise stations, batting cages, shaded playgrounds, dog-friendly off-leash areas (Trails and Tails & White Course) and covered pavilions/picnic tables available for party rentals. The City offers clean, safe and secure facilities for adults and children to play and natural areas for everyone to enjoy.



IT STARTS IN
PARKS
Coaching. Connecting. Community.



PARTY RENTALS

Thinking of planning a party or family gathering? Host your next special event at our community centers or at one of our beautiful parks. Permits are required for the use of pavilions and fields. Please visit our website at www.cityofdoral.com under the Parks and Recreation Department Park/ Park Rental link for reservation and fee information. Please contact Morgan Levy Park Community Center at (305) 482-9590, the Doral Legacy Park Community Center at (305) 341-3601, the Doral Glades Park Community Center at (305) 593-6638 or Doral Cultural Arts Center at (305) 593-6671 to book your appointment for a party rental permit.

Fee schedule and permit information available on our website:

www.cityofdoral.com/parks

PARKS PROGRAMS

FALL B REGISTRATION BEGINS: OCTOBER 7, 2024

Discover a variety of **engaging programs** for all ages! Whether you're interested in educational workshops, fitness classes, or creative activities, we have something for everyone. Explore your interests and connect with your community through our diverse offerings.

Youth Programs

- Crafty Art
- Just You & Me
- Genius Science Labs
- Archery
- Nature Crafts
- Simanof Orchestra
- Cristi's Dance Studio
- Jr. Jazzercise
- Chess for Kids
- Start Smart
- Doral Table Tennis
- Doral Beach Tennis Club
- Doral Fencing Club
- Florida Karate Clubs
- United Martial Arts



Adult Programs

- Jazzercise
- Core Yoga
- Yoga Flow
- Sound Bath and Meditation Yoga
- Yoga on the Lawn
- Full Moon Yoga
- Archery



For more information on youth and adult programs, contact Christopher.Hovde@cityofdoral.com

Stay active and have fun with our **sports programs** for youth and adults! From basketball to soccer, our leagues and classes cater to all skill levels. Join a team, make new friends, and enjoy the benefits of physical activity.

Youth Sports

- Youth Basketball League
- Youth Flag Football League
- Tennis
- Soccer
- Doral Field Hockey
- Doral Little League
- Doral Beach Tennis



Adult Sports

- Adult Soccer League
- Adult Basketball League



For more information on Youth and Adult Sports, contact Kenneth.Harris@cityofdoral.com.

Cultural Programs

Immerse yourself in the vibrant cultural scene with our diverse events and classes! Explore a range of artistic experiences and cultural activities that celebrate creativity and expression. Stay connected to discover opportunities to engage with the arts and cultural community. To receive notifications on monthly cultural events and programs sign up for our email list by visiting www.cityofdoral.com/stayinformed!

- Cultural Nights
- Art After Dark Workshops
- Storytime Sessions
- Art & Theatre Classes
- Art Exhibits

For more information on cultural programs, contact Johanna.Villasmil@cityofdoral.com

VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

The City of Doral Students in Action Volunteer Program is designed for high school students to assist the City of Doral Parks and Recreation Department in providing quality community events, programs and activities for visitors and residents of Doral. If you are a student interested in becoming a Parks and Recreation volunteer for community events, programs and/or activities throughout the year, please follow the link below to download the application and visit Morgan Levy Park or Doral Legacy Park to submit it.

You can also submit your application and copy of photo ID directly to

Christopher.Hovde@cityofdoral.com.



PARKS PROGRAMS

Our **Silver Club** offers enriching activities and social gatherings for our 55+ community. From group outings to educational workshops, there's always something fun to enjoy. Join us to stay active, make new friends, and celebrate the joys of this vibrant phase of life.

SENIOR (55+) PROGRAMS

- Bingo Night
- Seminar & Luncheons
- Tai-Chi
- Senior Meditation, Breathing and Qi Gong
- Fall Prevention and Fall Management
- Jazzercise Lite
- Chair Yoga
- Art Class
- Jewelry Class
- Choir
- Walk with Ease Program
- Socials
- Trips & Tours

For more information on joining Silver Club, email Nerea.Recalde@cityofdoral.com.

SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAMS

We are committed to providing inclusive programming for individuals with **special needs**. Our tailored classes and activities focus on fostering personal growth, building confidence, and creating a supportive environment for all participants.



- Feel the Beat! Dance classes
- Mind & Melody Music Program
- Special Olympics
- Wellness & Martial Arts Program
- Tai Chi Program

For more information on Special Needs, contact Anna-Marie.Humphrey@cityofdoral.com or call (305) 593-6600.

Fall CAMPS

Fall Break Camp

Camp YMCA

November 25-27

Doral Glades Park, 7600 NW 98th Place



The YMCA of South Florida's Outdoor Education camp allows kids to explore their love of nature and the outdoors. It also teaches self-reliance and builds character and leadership amidst fun activities that include fishing, archery, kayaking, and more!

To register call (305) 357-4000, email MMartinez@ymcasouthflorida.org, or visit Ymcasouthflorida.org.

Teacher Planning Day Camp



(Ages 5-13)

Morgan Levy Park, Doral Legacy Park, & Doral Glades Park

October 3, 2024 - Doral Legacy Park, Morgan Levy Park, and Doral Glades Park

November 5, 2024 - Doral Legacy Park and Doral Glades Park

Residents: \$22 Non-Residents: \$27

One time t-shirt fee: \$5

Teacher Planning Day is a one-day camp that offers exciting and eventful indoor/outdoor activities, games, movies, and more. This is a unique program that integrates educational and fun components. The price includes lunch and snack. To register, visit the park your child will be attending.

DORAL CENTRAL PARK

Grand Opening



We are thrilled to announce that the first half of Doral Central Park is now open to the public! Come explore our skate park and pump track, amphitheater, fitness stations, and playgrounds. Enjoy a scenic stroll on the boardwalk, try the kayak launch and fishing pier, or even play a game on our multipurpose fields and beach volleyball courts. Come explore the new heart of our community - there is something for everyone to see and do!

For reserve a pavilion email: doralparksinfo@cityofdoral.com or call: 305-593-6671.

DORAL CENTRAL PARK

Grand Opening

A CELEBRATION TO REMEMBER

On August 26, 2024, we proudly celebrated the grand opening of Doral Central Park, marking a new chapter in our community's story. The event was filled with excitement, as residents and visitors explored the park's many amenities and enjoyed a day packed with activities.

The day's festivities included free kayak and water bike rides, an impressive demo from the Miami Skate Academy at the brand new skate park and pump track, and a lively parade to the amphitheater. The Silver Club Choir graced us with a beautiful performance, followed by live music from Orlando Mendez and Los Wizzards in our new Amphitheater, keeping the energy high throughout the day.

Mayor and Council were also in attendance, beaming with pride over this significant achievement. They took the stage to thank the residents for their support and to express their gratitude to the entire team who worked tirelessly to bring this project to fruition.

Guests of all ages enjoyed various activation zones, including a rock climbing wall, a 4-station trampoline, and a selection of inflatable obstacle courses and slides. A 360 photo booth captured the fun, while food truck vendors provided tasty treats.

Beyond the grand opening festivities, Doral Central Park offers an array of amenities that will serve our community for years to come. Visitors can enjoy the Nature Area, expansive Fields, Beach Volleyball courts, Action Park, Kayak Launch, Amphitheater, and multiple Playgrounds designed for all ages.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our generous sponsors, whose support helped create this memorable day for the entire community. Doral Central Park is now open, and we can't wait for you to experience everything it has to offer. And the excitement doesn't stop here! The second half of Doral Central Park is set to open in early 2025, bringing even more spaces and activities for everyone to enjoy.



Thank you to everyone who joined us for this unforgettable day. Whether you're looking for adventure or a peaceful escape, this park is your new go-to destination in Doral!



On National Pickleball Day, Doral proudly unveiled its first dedicated pickleball courts, marking a significant addition to the City's array of recreational amenities. Designed with both casual players and serious competitors in mind, these state-of-the-art courts offer a high-quality playing surface that is sure to elevate the pickleball experience. With the sport rapidly growing in popularity, these new courts are a welcome addition that reflects the City of Doral's commitment to enhancing the health and well-being of its residents.

The Mayor and Council joined a lively crowd of pickleball enthusiasts to celebrate the opening, emphasizing the City's ongoing efforts to provide top-notch facilities that foster community engagement and active lifestyles. This initiative was spearheaded by Councilwoman Maureen Porras, a proud advocate and supporter of the sport and its passionate community.

Complementing existing pickleball courts at Morgan Levy Park and Doral Legacy Park, which are shared with tennis, this new facility adds to the City's growing list of recreational offerings. And the excitement doesn't stop here—additional shared courts will be available at Doral Central Park once the western portion opens in early 2025, continuing Doral's mission to provide outstanding amenities for all.



Grab your paddles and get ready to 'serve up' some fun! The City of Doral's dedicated pickleball courts are now open at Doral Glades Park! Open Play Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM. Saturday from 8:00 AM – 9:00 PM and Sunday from 8:00 AM - Sunset.

For more information, call (305) 593 – 6600 or visit www.cityofdoral.com/parks.



PARKS & RECREATION ONLINE REGISTRATION

5 Easy Steps

Register for Park programs in **five easy steps**! Create your WebTrac account before registration begins! *Every customer wishing to use our online feature will need to create a log-in account.

1 Go to www.cityofdoral.com/parks

2 Click on the “Register Online” tab

3 Click on “Launch Online Registration”

4 Create an account or log-in to account

5 Register for your favorite programs!

OCTOBER 2024

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Bachata Class – Hispanic Heritage Dance Classes

October 2nd
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Doral Cultural Arts Center

Spanish Storytime

October 8th
4:30 PM – 5:30 PM
Doral Cultural Arts Center

Council Meeting

October 9th & October 23rd
10:00 AM - Morning | 6:00 PM - Evening
Doral Government Center

Salsa Class – Hispanic Heritage Dance Classes

October 9th
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Doral Cultural Arts Center

Art After Dark

October 10th
6:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Doral Cultural Arts Center

Columbus Day

October 14th
8:00 PM – 5:00 PM - CLOSED ALL DAY
Doral Government Center

Howl-O-Ween

October 19th
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Trails & Tails Park

Pottery Workshop

October 23rd
6:00 PM – 8:30 PM
Doral Cultural Arts Center

Cultural Nights

October 24th
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Doral Cultural Arts Center

Fall Interactive Art Class

October 25th
4:30 PM – 5:30 PM
Doral Cultural Arts Center

Horror Movie Night

October 25th
6:30 PM – 8:30 PM
Doral Cultural Arts Center Rooftop

Trunk-or-Treat and Movie Night - Inside Out 2

October 26th
5:00 PM – 9:00 PM
Downtown Doral Park



NOVEMBER 2024

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Veterans Day Ceremony

November 11th
9:00 PM - 10:00 PM
Veterans Park

In Observance of Veterans Day

November 11th
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM - CLOSED ALL DAY
Doral Government Center

Art After Dark - Fall Door Hanger

November 14th
6:00 AM and 8:00 PM
Doral Cultural Arts Center

Movies at the Park Ft. Despicable Me 4

November 15th
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Downtown Doral Park

Military/Veterans Family Day 2024

November 16th
11:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Doral Glades Park

Thanksgiving Nature STEM Lab

November 23rd
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Doral Glades Park

In Observance of Thanksgiving Day

November 28th
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM - CLOSED ALL DAY
Doral Government Center

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VETERANS DAY
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HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

DECEMBER 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Park & Tree Lighting Ceremony

December 6th
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Downtown Doral Park

Holiday Bazaar

December 7th
4:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Downtown Doral Park

Holiday Celebration at the Park

December 13th
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Doral Central Park

Miami Symphony Orchestra (MISO) at the Park

December 14th
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
Downtown Doral Park

Storytime with Mrs. Claus

December 17th
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Doral Cultural Arts Center

Council Meeting

December 18th
10:00 AM - Morning Session
Doral Government Center

Art After Dark - Festive Doormat

December 19th
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
Doral Cultural Arts Center

Winter Nature STEM Lab

December 21st
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Doral Glades Park

In Observance of Christmas Day

December 25th
8:00 AM - 5:00 PM - CLOSED ALL DAY
Doral Government Center

Light Up the Night - Menorah Lighting

December 26th
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
Downtown Doral Park



FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT

5 Quick *Tips*

1. **Clean up debris from your yard.** Debris, such as leaves and branches, can clog storm drains and contribute to flooding. Be sure to clean up debris from your yard regularly and do not throw grass clippings in the storm drain.
2. **Inspect your gutters and downspouts.** Make sure that your gutters and downspouts are clean and free of debris. Also, make sure that your downspouts are properly directed away from your foundation.
3. **Test your sump pump.** If you have a sump pump, be sure to test it regularly to make sure that it is working properly.
4. **Trim your trees and shrubs.** Overgrown trees and shrubs can fall on power lines and block roads during a storm. Be sure to trim your trees and shrubs regularly.
5. **Have a flood plan.** In the event of a flood, it is important to have a plan in place. This includes knowing where to go, what to take with you, and who to contact.

Did you know?



According to FEMA, flooding is the most common natural disaster in the United States, and it can cause billions of dollars in damage each year.

FAQ's



Q: What should I do if I live in a high flood risk area?

A: If you live in a special flood hazard area, it is important to take steps to protect your property from flooding. This includes installing a sump pump, purchasing flood insurance, or using low impact development (LID) such as rain barrels to collect water.

Q: What are the benefits of flood insurance (home and content)?

A: Flood insurance can help to protect you from the financial devastation that flooding can cause. Flood insurance can pay for repairs to your home and belongings, as well as additional living expenses if you are displaced from your home due to flooding.

Common Myths

Myth: I don't need flood insurance because I don't live in a high risk flood zone.**

Fact: Floods do not know the lines on a map. Even if you live in a low-risk flood zone, you are still at risk of flooding.

Myth: Flood insurance is too expensive.**

Fact: Flood insurance is more affordable than you might think and can save you thousands of dollars in repairs if your home is flooded.

Sponsorship Opportunities

The City of Doral is excited to invite you to be a part of our journey in creating a vibrant and thriving community. We are reaching out to explore potential partnerships for upcoming city events and initiatives. Doral is experiencing unprecedented growth, and we are committed to enhancing the quality of life for our residents and businesses. Through strategic collaborations, we can create unforgettable experiences, foster community engagement, and drive economic development.

Your support as a sponsor would be instrumental in making these events a success and showcasing your company's commitment to the Doral community. We believe that a partnership with you would be mutually beneficial and create a lasting impact.

Upcoming Events

- 1. Art After Dark**
October 10th: 6:00pm - 8:00pm
- 2. Howl-O-Ween**
October 19th: 5:00pm - 7:00pm
- 3. Pottery Workshop**
October 23th: 6:00pm - 8:30pm
- 4. Cultural Night**
October 24th: 6:30pm - 8:30pm
- 5. Horror Movie Night**
October 25th: 6:30pm - 8:30pm
- 6. Trunk or Treat & Movie Night**
October 26th: 6:00pm - 9:30pm



**BECOME A
SPONSOR**

For more information
please contact us at Sponsorship@CityOfDoral.com

FALL HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS

for a joyful and secure season...

As the fall season brings cooler weather and festive celebrations, we want to ensure that all residents enjoy a safe and happy time with their loved ones. Here are some essential safety tips to keep in mind during this vibrant season:



HOME SAFETY

1. **Secure Your Home:** If you're traveling for the holidays, make sure all doors and windows are locked. Use timers for lights to give the appearance that someone is home, especially as the days get shorter.
2. **Halloween Decorations:** Ensure that decorations, particularly those with lights, are labeled for outdoor or indoor use as appropriate. Avoid overloading electrical outlets and always turn off lights and inflatable decorations when you go to bed or leave the house.
3. **Fire Hazards:** With more candle use during Halloween and Thanksgiving, keep them away from flammable items like curtains and decorations. Consider using battery-operated candles for a safer option.



SHOPPING SAFETY

1. **Stay Alert:** Whether shopping online for holiday gifts or in stores for Thanksgiving essentials, be aware of your surroundings. Keep your wallet and personal information secure.
2. **Parking Lot Safety:** Park in well-lit areas and always lock your car. Be extra cautious of your surroundings when returning to your vehicle, especially during early evening hours.
3. **Package Deliveries:** Arrange for packages to be delivered when someone is home, or use secure delivery options like lockers or pick-up points to avoid theft during the holiday season.



ONLINE SAFETY

1. **Safe Transactions:** Ensure the websites you're shopping on are secure (look for "https" in the URL). Avoid using public Wi-Fi for online shopping, especially as Cyber Monday deals approach.
2. **Beware of Scams:** Be cautious of deals that seem too good to be true, particularly during Black Friday and Cyber Monday. Always verify the legitimacy of websites before making purchases.
3. **Protect Personal Information:** Don't share personal information over the phone or online unless you're sure of the recipient's identity and legitimacy, especially with the increase in holiday-related scams.

FALL HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS

for a joyful and secure season...



TRAVEL SAFETY

1. **Plan Ahead:** Before hitting the road for Thanksgiving or holiday visits, check your vehicle's condition. Ensure your tires, brakes, and lights are functioning properly, especially as fall weather can bring rain and early darkness.
2. **Secure Your Home:** Before leaving, make sure your home is secured. Ask a trusted neighbor to keep an eye on your property and bring in any packages or mail.
3. **Stay Informed:** Monitor weather conditions and plan your travel routes accordingly to avoid delays and hazards, particularly during busy travel periods in November and December.



COMMUNITY AWARENESS

1. **Look Out for Each Other:** Keep an eye out for your neighbors, especially the elderly or those living alone. Offer assistance if they need help with fall yard work or holiday preparations.
2. **Drive Safely:** With more people out and about for Halloween trick-or-treating and holiday shopping, be extra cautious on the roads. Follow traffic rules and watch for pedestrians, especially in busy areas and school zones.
3. **Support Local Businesses:** Consider shopping locally for your holiday needs. Supporting small businesses in Doral helps strengthen the community and ensures that local merchants can thrive during the busy holiday season.



PET SAFETY

1. **Holiday Treats:** Avoid giving your dog table scraps or holiday treats that may be harmful. Foods like chocolate, grapes, and certain nuts can be toxic to dogs. Stick to dog-safe treats and ensure that guests are aware of what is safe for your pet.
2. **Safe Decorations:** Keep holiday decorations, such as tinsel, ribbons, and ornaments, out of reach. These can be choking hazards or cause gastrointestinal issues if ingested. Opt for pet-friendly decorations and avoid using hazardous items.
3. **Comfort and Security:** The holiday season can be noisy and chaotic, which may stress your dog. Create a quiet, comfortable space where your pet can retreat if they feel overwhelmed. Ensure they have their favorite toys and bedding to help them feel secure.



General Election Referendum Questions

On May 8, 2024, the City of Doral Council passed on second reading Ordinance #2024-14 proposing amendments to the City Charter. Doral residents will vote on the following ballot measures during the **November 5, 2024** General Election.

Doral Referendum 1. Clarify Form of Government

The Charter currently provides that the City shall have a "Mayor-Council-Manager" form of government. It is proposed that the Charter be amended to clarify that the City shall have a "Council-Manager" form of government. The proposed amendment does not eliminate the position of the Mayor.

Shall the above-described amendment be adopted?

Yes 270
No 271

Doral Referendum 2. Revised Process for Creating Standing, Special, and Ad Hoc Committees, and Appointment of Members

The Charter currently provides that the Mayor creates and appoints, subject to Council approval, committees of the Council. It is proposed that the Charter be amended to change the manner in which said committees are created so that the Council may create and organize itself into standing committees, special committees, and ad hoc committees, and upon formation of any such committees, the Council may appoint its members.

Shall the above-described amendment be adopted?

Yes 272
No 273

Doral Referendum 3. Council Authorization Required When Mayor Dealing with Other Governmental Entities

The Charter currently provides that the Mayor is the official designated to represent the City in all dealings with other governmental entities. It is proposed that the Charter be amended to provide that no official action or position may be taken by the Mayor on behalf of the City in his/her dealings with other governmental entities except as authorized by the Council.

Shall the above-described amendment be adopted?

Yes 274
No 275

Doral Referendum 4. Requirement for Break in Service for Mayor Seeking Position of Councilmember

The Charter currently provides for a limitation on the consecutive length of service as Mayor, but allows individuals who served two consecutive terms as Mayor to seek the position of Councilmember without a break in service. It is proposed the Charter be amended to provide that individuals who serve two consecutive terms as Mayor must be out of office for four years before seeking a Councilmember position.

Shall the above-described amendment be adopted?

Yes 276
No 277

Doral Referendum 5. Mayor and Councilmember Compensation

The Charter currently provides that Mayor and Councilmembers' annual compensation is \$50,000 and \$12,000, respectively, which is adjusted annually using Urban CPI, and are currently \$77,587 and \$18,611. It is proposed the Charter be amended to cap the Mayor's compensation at the current salary of \$77,587; Councilmember compensation be adjusted and capped at 30% less than the Mayor's salary, which is \$54,310.90; and eliminate future increases, including CPI.

Shall the above-described amendment be adopted?

Yes 278
No 279

Doral Referendum 6. Revised Process for Appointment of City Manager

The Charter currently provides that the City Manager is selected differently than the other two Charter Officers, the City Attorney and City Clerk. It is proposed that the Charter be amended so that the appointment of the City Manager follows the same procedure as the City Attorney and the City Clerk, by providing that the Council selects the City Manager subsequent to the recommendation of a search committee.

Shall the above-described amendment be adopted?

Yes 280
No 281

Doral Referendum 7. Revised Process for Appointment of Members to City Boards and Agencies ("Boards")

The Charter currently provides that the Council establishes such boards as it deems advisable but that the members shall be appointed solely by the Mayor subject to Council approval. It is proposed the Charter be amended to provide that boards be comprised of five members, and that the Mayor and Councilmembers shall each appoint one member to each board.

Shall the above-described amendment be adopted?

Yes 282
No 283

Doral Referendum 8. Elimination of Run-off Elections

The Charter currently requires a run-off election if none of the candidates for office receives a number of votes greater than 50% of the total number of ballots cast. It is proposed that the Charter be amended to eliminate run-off elections, except to break a tie vote, and to revise the majority vote requirement for elections so that candidates receiving the most votes are elected.

Shall the above-described amendment be adopted?

Yes	284
No	285

Doral Referendum 9. Time Frame for Appointment of Charter Revision Commission; Revised Requirements for Members

The Charter currently requires the appointment of a Charter Revision Commission (CRC) every five years. It is proposed the Charter be amended to provide for CRC appointment every ten years; that CRC members must be electors residing in the City for at least five years; eliminating the requirement that one member be from a previous CRC; and prohibiting current members of the Council from serving on the CRC.

Shall the above-described amendment be adopted?

Yes	286
No	287

Doral Referendum 10. Replace Office of Charter Enforcement with an Office of Inspector General

The Charter currently provides for an Office of Charter Enforcement. It is proposed that the Charter be amended to eliminate said office, and to replace it with an Office of Inspector General, which is an independent body to perform investigations, audits, and oversight of municipal matters including City contracts, programs, and expenditures, in order to identify, investigate, and prevent inefficiencies, fraud, waste, mismanagement, misconduct, and abuse of power.

Shall the above-described amendment be adopted?

Yes	288
No	289

All qualified electors residing within the boundaries of the City of Doral shall be eligible to vote YES or NO for these proposals. This Special Election shall be conducted in accordance with applicable provisions of general law relating to special elections and the provisions of the City of Doral Charter.



Preguntas Sobre el Referéndum Electoral General

El 8 de mayo de 2024, el Concejo de la Ciudad de Doral aprobó en segunda lectura la Ordenanza #2024-14, que propone enmiendas al Estatuto de la Ciudad. Los residentes de Doral votarán sobre las siguientes medidas en la boleta durante las Elecciones Generales **del 5 de noviembre de 2024**.

Referendo 1 de Doral. Aclaración sobre la forma de gobierno

Actualmente, la Carta Constitucional establece que la Ciudad tendrá una forma de gobierno del tipo "Alcalde-Concejo de la Ciudad-Administrador". Se propone enmendar la Carta Constitucional para aclarar que la Ciudad tendrá una forma de gobierno del tipo "Concejo de la Ciudad-Administrador". La enmienda propuesta no implica eliminar el cargo de Alcalde.

¿Deberá aprobarse la enmienda antes descrita?

Si 270
No 271

Referendo 2 de Doral. Procedimiento revisado para la creación de comités permanentes, especiales y ad hoc, y para el nombramiento de sus miembros

Actualmente, la Carta Constitucional establece que, previa aprobación del Concejo de la Ciudad, el Alcalde es quien crea los comités del Concejo de la Ciudad y nombra a sus miembros. Se propone enmendar la Carta Constitucional para cambiar la forma de creación de dichos comités permanentes, comités especiales y comités ad hoc, de modo que el Concejo de la Ciudad pueda crearlos y organizarse en ellos, y que, una vez constituido cualquiera de estos comités, el Concejo de la Ciudad pueda nombrar a sus miembros.

¿Deberá aprobarse la enmienda antes descrita?

Si 272
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Referendo 3 de Doral. Necesidad de autorización del Concejo de la Ciudad cuando el Alcalde trate con otras entidades gubernamentales

Actualmente, la Carta Constitucional dispone que el Alcalde es el funcionario designado para representar a la Ciudad en todos los tratos con otras entidades gubernamentales. Se propone enmendar la Carta Constitucional para establecer que el Alcalde no podrá adoptar ninguna medida o posición oficial en nombre de la Ciudad en sus tratos con otras entidades gubernamentales si no cuenta con la autorización del Concejo de la Ciudad.

¿Deberá aprobarse la enmienda antes descrita?

Si 274
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Referendo 4 de Doral. Requisito de servicio no continuo para que el Alcalde pueda postularse a un cargo de Concejal

Actualmente, la Carta Constitucional establece una limitación en la duración consecutiva del plazo en el cargo de Alcalde, pero permite que las personas que hayan ocupado el cargo de Alcalde durante dos mandatos consecutivos se postulen a un cargo de Concejal sin interrupción en el servicio. Se propone enmendar la Carta Constitucional para establecer que las personas que ocupen el cargo de Alcalde durante dos mandatos consecutivos tengan que estar cuatro años sin ocupar ese puesto antes de poder postularse a un puesto de Concejal.

¿Deberá aprobarse la enmienda antes descrita?

Si 276

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Referendo 5 de Doral. Remuneración del Alcalde y de los Concejales

Actualmente, la Carta Constitucional establece que la remuneración anual del Alcalde y los Concejales es de \$50,000 y \$12,000, respectivamente, cifras que se ajustan cada año utilizando el índice de precios del consumidor urbano, y en la actualidad ascienden a \$77,587 y \$18,611. Se propone enmendar la Carta Constitucional para limitar la remuneración del Alcalde al salario actual de \$77,587; ajustar la remuneración de los Concejales y limitarla a un 30% menos que el salario del Alcalde, proporción que equivale a \$54,310.90; y eliminar futuros aumentos, incluido el aumento basado en el índice de precios del consumidor.

¿Deberá aprobarse la enmienda antes descrita?

Si 278

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Referendo 6 de Doral. Procedimiento revisado para el nombramiento del Administrador de la Ciudad

Actualmente, la Carta Constitucional dispone que el Administrador de la Ciudad se elija de forma diferente a los otros dos cargos previstos en la Carta Constitucional: Abogado de la Ciudad y Secretario de la Ciudad. Se propone enmendar la Carta Constitucional para que se aplique al nombramiento del Administrador de la Ciudad el mismo procedimiento que al del Abogado de la Ciudad y el Secretario de la Ciudad, y disponer que el Concejo de la Ciudad seleccione al Administrador de la Ciudad después que un comité de búsqueda haga su recomendación.

¿Deberá aprobarse la enmienda antes descrita?

Yes 280

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Referendo 7 de Doral. Procedimiento revisado para el nombramiento de miembros de las juntas y agencias de la Ciudad (las "juntas")

Actualmente, la Carta Constitucional dispone que el Concejo de la Ciudad establezca las juntas que considere convenientes, pero que sus miembros sean nombrados exclusivamente por el Alcalde, previa aprobación del Concejo de la Ciudad. Se propone enmendar la Carta Constitucional para establecer que las juntas estén compuestas por cinco miembros, y que el Alcalde y los Concejales nombren cada uno a un miembro para cada junta..

¿Deberá aprobarse la enmienda antes descrita?

Si 282

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Referendo 8 de Doral. Eliminación de las elecciones de segunda vuelta

Actualmente, la Carta Constitucional requiere ir a elecciones de segunda vuelta si ninguno de los candidatos obtiene un número de votos superior al 50% del total de boletas emitidas. Se propone enmendar la Carta Constitucional para eliminar las elecciones de segunda vuelta, excepto en casos de empate, y revisar el requisito relativo al voto mayoritario en las elecciones, de modo que resulten elegidos los candidatos que reciban el mayor número de votos.

¿Deberá aprobarse la enmienda antes descrita?

Si 284
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Referendo 9 de Doral. Plazo para el nombramiento de la Comisión de Revisión de la Carta Constitucional; revisión de los requisitos para los miembros

Actualmente, la Carta Constitucional requiere que se nombre una Comisión de Revisión de la Carta Constitucional (CRC, en inglés) cada cinco años. Se propone enmendar la Carta Constitucional para disponer que el nombramiento de la CRC se realice cada diez años; que los miembros de la CRC sean electores que hayan residido en la Ciudad durante al menos cinco años; que se elimine el requisito de que uno de los miembros provenga de una CRC anterior; y que se prohíba que los actuales miembros del Concejo de la Ciudad formen parte de la CRC.

¿Deberá aprobarse la enmienda antes descrita?

Si 286
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Referendo 10 de Doral. Sustitución de la Oficina para el Cumplimiento de la Carta Constitucional por una Oficina del Inspector General

Actualmente, la Carta Constitucional prevé la existencia de una Oficina para el Cumplimiento de la Carta Constitucional. Se propone enmendar la Carta Constitucional para eliminar dicha oficina y sustituirla por una Oficina del Inspector General, una entidad independiente encargada de realizar investigaciones, auditorías y supervisión de los asuntos de la Ciudad, incluidos los contratos, programas y gastos de la Ciudad, con el fin de detectar, investigar y prevenir ineficiencias, fraudes, despilfarro, mala administración, comportamientos indebidos y abusos de poder.

¿Deberá aprobarse la enmienda antes descrita?

Yes 288
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Todos los electores calificados que residan dentro de los límites de la Ciudad de Doral podrán votar Sí o NO por estas propuestas. Esta Elección Especial se llevará a cabo de conformidad con las disposiciones aplicables de la ley general relacionada con las elecciones especiales y las disposiciones de la Carta Orgánica de la Ciudad de Doral.

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