

**MINUTES**  
**Sunshine Meeting**  
**June 19, 2019**  
**8:00 PM**  
**Mary Collins Community Center**  
**6601 Main Street, Miami Lakes, Florida 33014**

**1. Call to Order:**

Meeting began at 8:09 p.m.

Present at the meeting were: Councilmember Luis Collazo, Vice Mayor Nelson Rodriguez, Mayor Manny Cid, Veteran Committee Chair Nayib Hassan, Youth Activities Task Force Chair Tony Fernandez, Planning and Zoning Board Member Lynn Matos, Deputy Town Clerk Ashley Shepple, and other local residents, mental health professionals, Miami Lakes High School teachers and Victor Ruiz' family members.

**2. Items Discussed:**

A. Suicide Awareness Event

Miami Lakes resident, Emily Wong, spoke about organizing and planning a community event in honor of her late friend, Victor Ruiz, who committed suicide last year. She was asking for not only Town Elected Officials, Staff, and Committees support but help from other mental health professionals and Miami Lakes residents. Ms. Wong would like the event to be called "Out of the Darkness" and to be held on Saturday, August 10, 2019. Ms. Wong divided the attendees into several event planning groups to coordinate the event. They were such as logistics, marketing, sponsorship, event activities, volunteer recruitment, mental health professionals and organization recruitment, and non-profit organization recruitment.

**Adjournment:**

This meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Approved on this 16th day of July 2019.

  
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Manny Cid, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Gina M. Inguanzo, Town Clerk