

**MINUTES**  
**Attorney-Client Executive Session**  
**September 15, 2025**  
**9:30 A.M.**  
**6601 Main Street**  
**Miami Lakes, Florida 33014**

**1. Call to Order**

Vice Mayor Morera called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

**2. Roll Call**

The Town Clerk, Gina M. Inguanzo, called the roll with the following Councilmembers being present: Councilmember Cuadra Garcia, Councilmember Herzberg, Councilmember Sanchez, and Vice Mayor Morera. Mayor Dieguez and Councilmember Garcia participated in the private session of the Executive Session via phone. Councilmember Fernandez was absent.

Present as well were Town Manager, Ed Pidermann, Town Attorney Raul Gastesi, Deputy Town Attorney, Lorenzo Cobiella, Town Clerk Gina M. Inguanzo and Attorneys Onier Llopiz and Joan Carlos Wizel.

The Certified Court Reporter was present in Council Chambers during the open session and at the Community Conference Room, during the private Attorney-Client Executive Session.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance**

Councilmember Sanchez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. Invocation/Moment of Silence**

Councilmember Cuadra Garcia led the moment of silence.

**5. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**6. Open Session of Attorney-Client Executive Session**

Vice Mayor Morera read into the record the following section: "I would like to announce that we are about to conduct an attorney client session pursuant to Section 286.011(8), Florida Statutes, to discuss strategy related to litigation expenditures and/or settlement negotiations in the following case:

- 1. The Town of Miami Lakes v. Becker & Poliakoff PA, 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit, Miami Dade County, Florida. Case No, 2024-0126148 CA 01**

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Section 286.011(8), Florida Statutes provides an exemption from the public meetings law in order to allow the Town Council to conduct a closed session to discuss strategy related to litigation expenditures and/or settlement negotiations in a pending lawsuit. This is what the Town Council will be doing today. This session will be recorded by a court reporter. When the litigation has concluded, the transcript becomes public record and can be requested by anyone. This attorney-client session is estimated to last one hour. The names of those individuals attending today's attorney-client session are:

1. Mayor Josh Dieguez
2. Vice Mayor Bryan Morera
3. Town Councilmembers Angelo Cuadra Garcia, Ray Garcia, Steven Herzberg and Alex Sanchez,
4. Town Manager Edward Pidermann,
5. Town Attorneys Raul Gastesi, Jr., Esq., and Lorenzo Cobiella, Esq., from Gastesi, Lopez and Mestre, PLLC.,
6. Attorneys Onier Llopiz, Joan Carlos Wize from Llopiz and Wize, and
7. A Certified Court Reporter

The individuals I have just named will now leave Council Chambers and go to the Community Conference Room to conduct the private Executive Attorney-Client Session. Once the private Executive Attorney-Client session is done, they will return to the Council Chambers, and the Town Council will adjourn”.

At this point only the individuals named left Council Chambers and went to the Community Conference Room to start the private session.

**7. Termination of Attorney-Client Executive Session and Reopen Public Meeting**

Once the private Attorney-Client Executive Session concluded, the Town Council convened in an open session in Council Chambers. Vice Mayor Morera then asked if there are any motions from the Council? Hearing no motions and there being no further business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned.

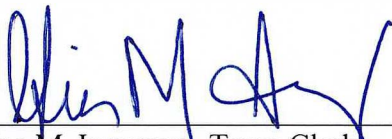
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The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:57 a.m.

Approved this 21<sup>st</sup> day of October 2025.

  
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Joshua Dieguez, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Gina M. Inguanzo, Town Clerk