

MINUTES
Quarterly Special Taxing District
Town Council Workshop
July 16, 2026
6:30 PM
Government Center
6601 Main Street
Miami Lakes, Florida 33014

1. Call to Order:

The meeting began at 6:32 p.m.

The following Councilmembers were present: Councilmember Angelo Cuadra Garcia, Councilmember Ray Garcia, Councilmember Steven Herzberg, Councilmember Alex Sanchez and Vice Mayor Morera.

The following Town Staff members were present: Town Clerk Gina M. Inguanzo, Deputy Town Clerk Alexis P. Martinez. Special Projects Manager John Yanes.

2. Public Comments:

The Town Clerk acknowledged two written public comments received via email from Ms. Bonnie Cintron and Boris Foster regarding the Special Taxing Districts.

Public Comments were reopened after discussion for item 3A(e) took place.

Mr. Ron Collins came before the Town Council to provide public comments. He spoke about the two speed humps that need to be replaced on East Troon Circle. Vice Mayor Morera stated he would let the Town Manager know and Mr. Collins shared his recommendations for how residents within the Special Taxing Districts can collect decals based on how Loch Lomond does it.

Mr. Abel Fernandez attended via Zoom to provide public comments. He spoke about speeds humps not being a cost-borne by the individual taxing districts, traffic studies for speed humps, why more residents are not participating in Town led meetings and contract monitoring costs.

Mr. Patrick Kunkel came before the Town Council to provide public comments. He spoke about automation options for gate guards.

3. Item Discussed:

Special Projects Manager John Yanes presented the topics for discussion, provided feedback and answered questions posed by Town Council.

Topics of discussion including

TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION

A. UPDATES:

- a. FISH STOCKING COMPLETED AT LAKE HILDA AND LAKE PATRICIA**
- b. LAKE MAINTENANCE CYCLES INCREASED DURING SUMMER**
- c. RESIDENT ACCESS CREDENTIALS (DECALS AND CLICKERS/SMART PASSES)**
- d. FIRST MONITOR INSTALLED AT ROYAL OAKS EAST GUARDHOUSE ON 79TH AVE**
- e. GATE ARM DAMAGE REIMBURSEMENTS**
- f. CODIFYING STD ORDINANCES FROM COUNTY**
- i. SERVICE MODERNIZATION OPTIONS**
- g. AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE ADDING LANGUAGE ON CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS.**

During discussion, Councilmember Sanchez suggested the HOA's of the Special Taxing Districts reach out to residents to let them know the Town has the decals and that, at the events held around Town, perhaps through the Neighborhood Improvement Committee working with the Special Taxing Districts and the HOA's, a tent could be set up where residents can apply for their decals at that time, apart from the limited Monday–Friday, 9 to 5 time frame.

Councilmember Garcia suggested putting more campaigns on our Town website and social media platforms to increase and encourage participation of residents to purchase their decals.

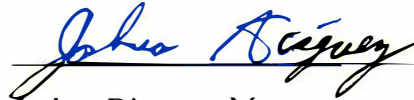
Councilmember Herzberg asked if we could save money on alternative options for mailing postcards that notify the residents of these meetings and once we codify the Special Taxing District ordinance from the county, have legal look at what modifications we can or cannot make; he added based on what comes back to Town Council, we may want to look at Vice Mayor Morera's Special Taxing District ordinance and modify that and not make it so tight. Councilmember Herzberg requested options on reducing gate guards while still providing a great service and possibly adding law enforcement at night; he further stated once we have options we can go out to the community and see if they are even into it and look into what we need to do if we would have to have votes to change things like that.

Vice Mayor Morera requested an update on when the additional monitors for the guardhouses will come in, and suggested Miami Lakes Section One is the better option for where the next tv monitor should be installed and to try and make it a different Special Taxing District security section each time to be fair.

4. Adjournment:

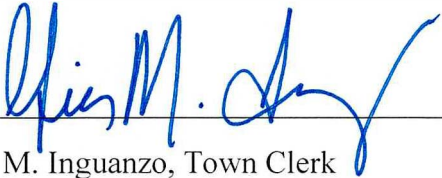
This meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Approved this 18th day August 2026.

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Joshua Dieguez, Mayor

Attest:

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Gina M. Inguanzo, Town Clerk