



**City of Coral Gables**  
**CITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**JUNE 24, 2008**

**ITEM TITLE:**

Public Safety Committee Minutes of May 13, 2008

**SUMMARY OF MEETING:**

**Item No. 1 – Absent Members:** A motion to excuse the two absent members was made by Mr. Saks, and carried unanimously.

**Item No. 2 – Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the March 11, 2008 meeting were approved as presented upon motion by Ms. Anderson which carried unanimously.

**Item No. 3 – University of Miami:** A review of University of Miami crime statistics was given by Assistant Chief Naue. Training exercises were also discussed in light of recent events at FAU.

**Item No. 4 – State Budget Cuts:** Discussion relative to State Budget Cuts and the effects on Public Safety agencies.

**Item No. 5 – Marine Patrol:** Discussion relative to the operations of the Coral Gables Marine Patrol Unit ensued.

**Item No. 6 – Memorial Day Holiday:** Discussion relative safety preparations for the upcoming Memorial Day Holiday.

**Item No. 7 – Hurricane Season:** Discussion relative to preparations and training of personnel for the Hurricane Season ensued. Handling of personnel issues during an emergency situation was also discussed.

**Item No. 8 – Wireless Communications:** Discussion relative to wireless communications issues and redundant systems for public safety agencies.

**Item No. 9 – Homeland Security Grants:** Discussion tabled upon motion by Mr. Stieglitz, and carried unanimously.

**Item No. 10 – Use of Force:** Discussion relative to publicity related to excessive use of force, and officer training.

**Item No. 11 – Chemical/Biological Threat:** Discussion relative to potential pandemic, or significant chemical or biological threat and public safety agency preparations.

**Item No. 12 – Housing Market:** Discussion relative to the housing market's effect on crime statistics.

**Item No. 13 – Chairperson:** Selection of new committee chair tabled until entire committee is present. Mr. Saks announced his resignation from the Public Safety Committee.

**Item No. 14 – City Commission Update:** None.

**Item No. 15 – City Projects Update:** None.

**Item No. 16 – Fire Department:** Deputy Chief Stolzenberg discussed Public Service Announcements and other initiatives in which the Fire Department is currently involved.

**Item No. 17 – Police Department:** Assistant Chief Naue discussed the building implosion project.

**Item No. 18 – Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the Public Safety Committee was set for July 8, 2008, 6:00 pm, at a location to be determined.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. May 13, 2008 Minutes