



City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 2009

ITEM TITLE:

Discussion related to the City's findings regarding incorporating the existing Roving Patrol District into the proposed Guard House Special Taxing District.

BRIEF HISTORY:

On April 29, 2008 the City Commission passed and adopted Resolution No. 2008-54, (As Amended) approving the request to create a Special Taxing District to provide 24-hour stationary security guard service subject to compliance with applicable Miami-Dade County requirements, and requiring that the Roving Patrol Program be continued.

Letter dated October 15, 2008 from Donald L. Tock, Jr., Chief, Special Taxing Districts Division, Miami-Dade County, informed the Homeowners Association President, Jorge L. Freeland, that the County could not allow a Roving Guard Program be continued as part of the City's requirement to approve the Guard House Special Taxing district.

At the November 18, 2008 City Commission meeting, the Hammock Lakes Homeowners Association President Jorge L. Freeland requested the removal of this condition and that the remainder of the City Resolution be carried out.

The City Commission, after hearing the homeowners' comments regarding this issue, directed staff to verify with the County's Special Taxing District if both districts, Guard House and Roving Patrol, could be tied together to ensure continuation of the Roving Patrol Program. Staff, had several meetings with Mr. Donald L. Tock, Jr., Chief, Special Taxing Districts Division, Miami-Dade County, who indicated that the County could not allow the two (2) districts to be considered as one (1); therefore, it is our understanding that it will be entirely the decision of the property owners to keep the Roving Patrol in operation once the guard house is in place.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION:

| Date: | Resolution/Ordinance No. | Comments |
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| 04-29-08 | Resolution No. 2008-54 (As Amended) | Passed and approved |

APPROVED BY:

| Department Director | City Attorney (If Applicable) | City Manager |
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ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Cover form
2. Resolution No. 2008-54 (As Amended)
3. Notice to Residents