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Mayor's Hispanic American Advisory Meeting

Tuesday, August 16, 2022, 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM

City Hall / St. James Building, Third Floor Conference Room C

117 West Duval Street

And Via Zoom

MINUTES

- **Call to Order**
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Welcome and Introduction**
 - Board members in person: Jose Morales and Luis Montiel
 - Board members virtually: Jen Silva, Zergihno Roell Garcia, Aida Seeraj, and Nelson Silverio
 - COJ/DSD staff in person: Kara Tucker and Jennifer Wolf
 - COJ/DSD staff virtually:
 - Guests: Maria Machin, Jose Vega (Mayo Clinic), Officer Gonzalez (International Affairs Unit, JSO), and Ana Grogan (SBA)
- **Public Comment**
 - Maria – MHAAB is supposed to advise the Mayor on issues within the Hispanic community; she wants MHAAB to be more on top of knowing where Hispanics are within the community and how many Hispanic owned businesses are out there
 - Jose Vega – Mayo is building a registry and is offering services to the Hispanic community
 - Officer Gonzalez – requests we add the International Affairs email to the invite in case he has to be absent in the future
- **Approval of Minutes from 01/22, 02/22, 03/22, 04/22, 05/22, 06/22, and 07/22**
 - (NO QUORUM)
- **Speakers**
 - (Rescheduled)
- **Old Business**
 - Partnership event with SBA North Florida: unable to vote on this due to no quorum
- **New Business**



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- [Begin looking to create 2022 Year Report to the Mayor's Office](#)
- [Visit Jax – new Latino Travel Guide in the works and requesting edits to their existing option](#)
- Generate a topic per month to focus on, seek speakers for, and highlight events (Proclamations? Please allow 30 days)
 - i. August
 1. Children's Eye Health and Safety Month
 2. [UNF Series for Hispanic Month; Jose and Luis will present; game room of games from different countries; room filled with different music](#)
 3. [Overdose Awareness Month](#)
 - ii. September
 1. [PROCLAMATION: Hispanic Business Month – September 13th](#)
 2. Taco Fest
 3. Childhood Cancer Awareness Month
 4. Fruit and Veggies - More Matters Month
 5. Yoga Awareness Month
 6. Prostate Cancer Awareness Month
- **Subcommittee Reports**
 - Public Safety – Miguel Dipierri: [\(NONE\)](#)
 - Veterans – Jose Morales: [\(NONE\)](#)
 - Education – Jen Silva: [national survey \(SilvaLiningz - Twitter\) results are in; Jose asked how MHAAB could partner with the school board](#)
 - Healthcare – Aida Seeraj: [August 31st proclamation for overdose awareness; is giving free naran kits; Hispanic overdoses are on the rise](#)
 - Faith-based – (??): [\(NONE\)](#)
 - Media/Public Relations – Jorge Lopez and Nelson Silverio: [\(NONE\)](#)
 - Business – Luis Montiel and Zergihno Roell Garcia: [Taco Fest coming up in September](#)
 - Community Initiative – Jose Morales: [Disability Expo coming was an amazing event and MHAAB should attend/partner in 2023](#)
- **Public Comment** – All Attendees
 - [\(NONE\)](#)
- **Adjourn Meeting**



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