




To: Edward Hudak; Cynthia Birdsill

From: Craig E. Leen, City Attorney for the City of Coral Gables 

RE: Legal Opinion Regarding Special Event Notify Managers Office

Date: October 3, 2014

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Parramore, Carol

From: Leen, Craig
Sent: Monday, October 06, 2014 10:05 AM
To: Osle, Zilma; Parramore, Carol
Subject: FW: Special Event Permit Application for a demonstration Rally

Please place in opinion folder.

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From: Leen, Craig
Sent: Friday, October 03, 2014 3:54 PM
To: Hudak, Edward; Birdsill, Cynthia
Cc: Olazabal, Carmen; Couceyro, Fred; Abby Corbett
Subject: RE: Special Event Permit Application for a demonstration Rally

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From: Hudak, Edward
Sent: Friday, October 03, 2014 3:42 PM
To: Birdsill, Cynthia
Cc: Olazabal, Carmen; Leen, Craig; Couceyro, Fred
Subject: RE: Special Event Permit Application for a demonstration Rally

Ok I'll keep you posted

Edward J. Hudak 

Interim Chief of Police
Coral Gables Police Dept.
305-460-5418


From: Birdsill, Cynthia
Sent: Friday, October 03, 2014 3:41 PM
To: Hudak, Edward
Cc: Olazabal, Carmen; Leen, Craig
Subject: Re: Special Event Permit Application for a demonstration Rally

Yes please.

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 3, 2014, at 3:32 PM, Hudak, Edward <ehudak@coralgables.com> wrote:

I'm not sure if we want to allow this. I would like to contact the requester and advise them of how they can exercise their first amendment rights and still have a presence. If they keep moving there is no need for a permit. Only if they are using loud speakers and things that would impede traffic or pedestrian's. Let me know if you want me to contact them.

Edward J. Hudak 

Interim Chief of Police
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From: Birdsill, Cynthia
Sent: Friday, October 03, 2014 11:50 AM
To: Hudak, Edward
Cc: Olazabal, Carmen
Subject: Fwd: Special Event Permit Application for a demonstration Rally

Ed, please review this. Thanks.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Couceyro, Fred" <fcouceyro@coralgables.com>
To: "Birdsill, Cynthia" <cbirdsill@coralgables.com>
Cc: "Olazabal, Carmen" <colazabal@coralgables.com>
Subject: FW: Special Event Permit Application for a demonstration Rally

Hello Cindy,

We received this application for a demonstration last night. We discussed this at the special Event meeting. This is a political demonstration and thus does not fall within the purview of special events. The proper procedure for this has been for this request to go through the City Manager's office and then discussed with the Police Department and then they can determine the safe area if any for this demonstration to

occur. Unfortunately, they sent us this last night at 9 pm, and the demonstration is scheduled for Monday.

Fred Couceyro, CPRP
Parks and Recreation Director

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From: Gavarrete, Norma
Sent: Thursday, October 02, 2014 9:47 PM
To: Hudak, Edward; Couceyro, Fred
Cc: Couceyro, Fred; Segovia, Jodi
Subject: Fwd: Special Event Permit Application for a demonstration Rally

Hello, please see below and attachment.

Thanks

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From: "Vidal" <vidal2lorenzo@comcast.net>
To: "Gavarrete, Norma" <ngavarrete@coralgables.com>
Cc: "CEO IVAC (ERNESTO ACKERMAN)" <ceo@ivac.org>
Subject: Special Event Permit Application for a demonstration Rally

Dear Norma-Milena Gavarrete,

Please find attached; a permit application for a demonstration rally, planned to take effect this coming Oct. 06, 2014 in front of the offices of Becker & Poliakoff. Location : Alhambra Towers. 121 Alhambra Plaza, 10th Floor Coral Gables, Florida.

The purpose of the demonstration is to protest against Senator Mary Landrieu (D-LA) for blocking bill #S.2142 that issues sanctions to officials of the Venezuelan government involved in violations of human rights. Senator Landrieu comes to a fundraising event organized by the offices of Becker & Poliakoff.

Sincerely yours,

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IVAC-Miami Coordinator
Independent Venezuelan American Citizens
A non-profit organization.