



# **Town of Miami Lakes Memorandum**

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**To:**            **Honorable Mayor and Honorable Councilmembers**

**From:**        **Edward Pidermann, Town Manager**

**Subject:**     **School Safety Considerations**

**Date:**        **June 16, 2020**

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## **Background**

On February 18, 2020, the Town Council of the Town of Miami Lakes directed the Town Manager to explore provisions that address safety of public and private school facilities.

The request came about after a presentation from a group of students from Miami Lakes Middle School regarding safety needs of school facilities. The students presented several recommendations regarding the areas in the immediate surroundings of the schools. Staff worked with the students to narrow the recommendations to the most feasible ones.

On May 5, 2020 the Planning Board in their capacity as the Local Planning Agency, recommended to approve the ordinance as presented.

On May 20, 2020 the Town Council moved the item on first reading, requesting that the provisions related to alcohol sales be removed from the ordinance.

The proposed ordinance provides for stricter controls in the development of properties directly adjacent to school facilities, and regulations for uses within 250 feet of the school property. Since first reading, the provisions related to alcohol sales have been removed from the ordinance.

## **Recommendation:**

Staff recommends approval of the ordinance adding Sec. 13-1617. - School Facilities Safety Considerations to the Land Development Code, providing for regulations of development and uses in properties directly abutting and within 250 feet of the facility.

**Attachments:**

Ordinance

Staff Report