



To: Sally Ola Ola

From: Miriam S. Ramos, Deputy City Attorney for the City of Coral Gables

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

RE: Legal Opinion Regarding Fee Ordinance on Pit Bull Permit

Date: April 3, 2015

Pursuant to my authority to issue opinions and interpretations on behalf of the City (Sec. 2-201(e)(1) and (8) of the City Code), County Code Sec. 5-17.6 applies as the more restrictive measure particularly in light of the fact that it is likely considered a public safety provision. Therefore, we should assure compliance with the County Code provision. I note, however, that in the case of the pit bull that is a service dog, this opinion would not likely apply.

Herbello, Stephanie

From: Ramos, Miriam
Sent: Friday, April 03, 2015 4:27 PM
To: Herbello, Stephanie
Subject: FW: Fee Ordinance on Pit bull Permit

Stephanie, please place this in the opinion folder.

Thanks,

Miriam S. Ramos, Esq.

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From: Ramos, Miriam
Sent: Friday, April 03, 2015 3:23 PM
To: Ola Ola, Sally
Cc: Leen, Craig; Gomez, Diana; Ortiz, William; Figueroa, Yaneris; Wu, Charles
Subject: RE: Fee Ordinance on Pit bull Permit

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Sincerely,

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From: Ola Ola, Sally
Sent: Friday, April 03, 2015 11:16 AM
To: Ramos, Miriam
Cc: Leen, Craig; Gomez, Diana
Subject: Fee Ordinance on Pit bull Permit

Good morning Miriam,

Hope you are doing well today.

The City Fee Ordinance includes a pit bull permit fee under the Finance Department. We would like to get guidance if this is still applicable, considering the Miami-Dade Ordinance on this subject. Attached are excerpts of the City and County ordinances. Thank you for your assistance.

Best regards,

Sally Ola Ola
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