

14. Consideration of City Council Flag Program nominee, Javier Molinares.
(Councilman Foster)



LEGISLATIVE MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Suzanne Sherman, City Manager

THRU: City Manager's Office

DATE: May 2, 2024

RE: Consideration of City Council Flag Program nominee, Javier Molinares.
(Councilman Foster)

SUMMARY:

The approval criteria for the City Council Flag Program was established at the July 7, 2022 Regular Council Meeting. The program allows for each member of Council to nominate up to three (3) individuals from the stated categories of first responders, military personnel, veterans, and those that have served and lived in the community. The nomination could be active, retired, or deceased individuals. The flag will be raised at City Hall and flown for one day or less. At the end of the time, the flag will be lowered, folded, and be given to the individual or family members along with a certificate with the dates that the flag was raised. This Program will run once a year and will be reviewed and considered annually. All flags purchased must be made in America.

All nominees will be submitted for consideration to the City Council for a vote at a Regular Council meeting.

Councilman Randy Foster has nominated Javier Molinares to be a recipient of the Flag Program, under the category of Veteran, which is further defined as: nominee shall be a veteran as defined under Title 38 U.S.C 101 (2), an individual who served in the active military, naval, air, or space service, and who was discharged or released therefrom under conditions other than dishonorable. DD Form 214 shall be provided for proof of veteran status.

Staff has received and reviewed the DD Form 214 and confirmed veteran status and honorable discharge. Mr. Molinares served in the US Army from 1995 through 1999, in the 82nd Airborne Division as a paratrooper, a role that demanded bravery and dedication, is a testament to his adaptability and diverse experiences. Before diving into basic training, Javier prepared himself by undergoing an English program at the Defensive Language Institute (DLI), Lackland Air Force Base. He then completed rigorous infantry and airborne training at Fort Benning, Georgia, before being stationed at Fort Bragg.

Javier is a dedicated advocate for the Hispanic community in Palm Bay and surrounding areas. His role as the chairman of the Brevard Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, a 501(c)(6) organization, is a testament to his leadership and commitment to fostering inclusivity. Through his leadership, he bridges the gap between the Hispanic community and various stakeholders, facilitating communication and collaboration.

REQUESTING DEPARTMENTS:

City Manager's Office

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

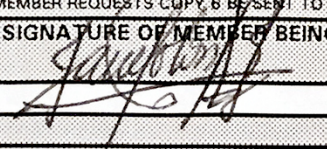

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Motion to approve Javier Molinares as a nominee for the City Council Flag Program.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. DD Form 214

CERTIFICATE OF RELEASE OR DISCHARGE FROM ACTIVE DUTY

1. NAME (Last, First, Middle) MOLINARES, JAVIER ENRIQUE		2. DEPARTMENT, COMPONENT AND BRANCH ARMY/RA		3. SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 590 11 5915	
4.a GRADE, RATE, OR RANK SPC	4.b PAY GRADE E4	5. DATE OF BIRTH (YYYYMMDD) 19720903		6. RESERVE OBLIG. TERM. DATE Year 0000 Month 00 Day 00	
7.a PLACE OF ENTRY INTO ACTIVE DUTY MIAMI, FL		7.b HOME OF RECORD AT TIME OF ENTRY (City and state, or complete address if known) 5660 SW 149TH AVENUE MIAMI, FL 33193			
8.a LAST DUTY ASSIGNMENT AND MAJOR COMMAND MED HOLD CO FC		8.b STATION WHERE SEPARATED FORT BRAGG, NC 28310-5000			
9. COMMAND TO WHICH TRANSFERRED USAR CRTLGP (RET) ARPERCEN, 9700 PAGE BLVD, ST LOUIS, MO 63132				10. SGLI COVERAGE <input type="checkbox"/> None Amount: \$ 200,000.00	
11. PRIMARY SPECIALTY (List number, title and years and months in specialty. List additional specialty numbers and titles involving periods of one or more years.) 11B1P C2 INFANTRYMAN--3 YRS-3 MOS//NOTHING FOLLOWS		12. RECORD OF SERVICE		Year(s)	Month(s)
		a. Date entered AD This Period		1995	09
		b. Separation Date This Period		1999	08
		c. Net Active Service This Period		0003	10
		d. Total Prior Active Service		0000	00
		e. Total Prior Inactive Service		0000	00
		f. Foreign Service		0000	00
		g. Sea Service		0000	00
h. Effective Date of Pay Grade		1997	10	01	
13. DECORATIONS, MEDALS, BADGES, CITATIONS AND CAMPAIGN RIBBONS AWARDED OR AUTHORIZED (All periods of service) ARMY SERVICE RIBBON//PARACHUTIST BADGE//NOTHING FOLLOWS					
14. MILITARY EDUCATION (Course title, number of weeks and month and year completed) NONE//NOTHING FOLLOWS					
15.a MEMBER CONTRIBUTED TO POST-VIETNAM ERA VETERAN'S EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	15.b HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE OR EQUIVALENT	
				Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
16. DAYS ACCRUED LEAVE PAID 24					
17. MEMBER WAS PROVIDED A COMPLETE DENTAL EXAM AND ALL APPROPRIATE DENTAL SERVICES AND TREATMENT WITHIN 90 DAYS PRIOR TO SEPARATION					
Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>					
18. REMARKS DATA HEREIN SUBJECT TO COMPUTER MATCHING WITHIN DOD OR WITH OTHER AGENCIES FOR VERIFICATION PURPOSES AND DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY OR COMPLIANCE FOR FEDERAL BENEFITS//SUBJECT TO ACTIVE DUTY RECALL BY THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY//BLOCK 6, PERIOD OF DELAYED ENTRY PROGRAM: 19950509-19950910//MEMBER HAS COMPLETED FIRST FULL TERM OF SERVICE//NOTHING FOLLOWS					
19.a MAILING ADDRESS AFTER SEPARATION (Include Zip Code) 5000 WOODLAKE DRIVE NE #202 PALM BAY, FL 32905			19.b NEAREST RELATIVE (Name and address - include Zip Code) CONSTANZA MOLINARES 5000 WOODLAKE DRIVE NE #202 PALM BAY, FL 32905		
20. MEMBER REQUESTS COPY 6 BE SENT TO <u>FL</u> DIR OF VET. AFFAIRS			X Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
21. SIGNATURE OF MEMBER BEING SEPARATED 			22. OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO SIGN (Typed name, grade, title and signature) JEFFREY T. TROTTER, SFC, USA, NCOIC, TRANS SV		
SPECIAL ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (For use by authorized agencies only)					
23. TYPE OF SEPARATION RETIREMENT			24. CHARACTER OF SERVICE (Include upgrades) HONORABLE		
25. SEPARATION AUTHORITY AR 635-40, PARA 4-24B(2)			26. SEPARATION CODE SPK		27. REENTRY CODE 4
28. NARRATIVE REASON FOR SEPARATION DISABILITY, TEMPORARY					
29. DATES OF TIME LOST DURING THIS PERIOD NONE					30. MEMBER REQUESTS COPY 4  Initials