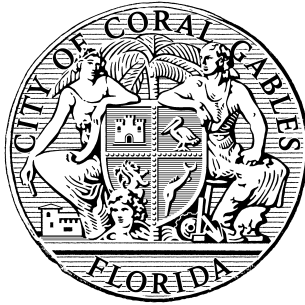


# **City of Coral Gables**

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## **Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, April 8, 2014**

**9:00 AM**

**City Hall, Commission Chambers**

### **City Commission**

*Mayor Jim Cason  
Vice Mayor William H. Kerdyk, Jr.  
Commissioner Patricia Keon  
Commissioner Vince Lago  
Commissioner Frank C. Quesada*

*Patrick G. Salerno, City Manager  
Craig E. Leen, City Attorney  
Walter J. Foeman, City Clerk*

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 5 - Mayor Cason, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk Jr., Commissioner Lago and Commissioner Quesada

**INVOCATION**

[Note for the Record: Mayor Cason informed the viewing public to start the City Commission off this morning, that he was happy to introduce Reverend Durwood Foshee, a fourth generation Floridian who serves as Senior Pastor, First United Methodist Church of Coral Gables, who was in attendance to deliver the invocation; further noting that prior to moving to Coral Gables in July, 2011, he and his wife Anne had served churches in Palm Beach Gardens, Palm Coast and Marco Island, respectively].

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Cason led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**

The following minutes summary includes all presentations made, and actions taken which information is supplemented by the following exhibits on file in the Office of the City Clerk, and which are by reference made a part of the record herein: (a) Ordinance(s) adopted (Ordinance No. 2014-07); (b) Resolution(s) adopted (Resolution No. 2014-54 through Resolution No. 2014-74); (c) Video; (d) Audio Recording; (e) Minutes Folder with Agenda and background information, including items which were submitted at the meeting.

**A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

- A.-1. 14-2947** Presentation of a Proclamation declaring April 11, 2014 as Arbor Day in Coral Gables.

[Note for the Record: Following Mayor Cason's reading of the title to Agenda Item A-1 into the public record, he acknowledged the presence of Ana Martin-Lavielle, board member of the Landscape Advisory Beautification Advisory Board, to receive proclamation, thereby reading the protocol document into the public record proclaiming April 6th-12, 2014 as "Arbor Day in Coral Gables."

Mayor Cason requested of Commissioner Lago to present this proclamation. In presenting the proclamation, Commissioner Lago thanked the City Commission for allowing him to present this protocol document; further noting that we are known as the City Beautiful, citing that wherever we go there are green initiatives; further reaffirming that one of his priorities since he has been elected is to continue along the path of sustainability; further inviting the viewing public to come out on Friday April 11th, 2014 and celebrate Arbor Day-something that is important to us and our kids.

Ms. Martin- Lavielle noted that the Arbor Day event is going to be held at the Coral Bay Park, beginning at 11 am on Friday; noting that they are expecting a large crowd this year-the bigger, the better; finally thanking the members of the Landscape Beautification Advisory Board for the work that they do on a constant basis].

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 2

- A.-2. 14-2955** Presentation of a Proclamation declaring April 2014 as Paralyzed Veterans of America Awareness Month in Coral Gables.

[Note for the Record: After reading the title to Agenda Item A-2 into the public record, Mayor Cason informed the viewing public because no one was present to receive the protocol document, he read same into the public record, thereby declaring April, 2014 as Paralyzed Veterans of America Awareness Month in Coral Gables].

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 3

**A.-3. 14-2954**

Presentation of a proclamation declaring April 6-12, 2014 as National Crime Victim's Week in Coral Gables.

[Note for the Record: After reading the title to Agenda Item A-3, Mayor Cason read the proclamation into the public record, thereby proclaiming the week of April 8th through 12, 2014 as "Crime Victims" Rights Week in Coral Gables. Mayor Cason requested of Commissioner Lago to read the proclamation, wherein he prefaced his remarks by stating that it appears to be a packed house. He thanked everyone for being present; further stating that he recently had the opportunity to attend something he had not done in his first 11 months in office, which was to attend a lunch which was held at the Coral Gables Country Club.

Commissioner Lago also mentioned that he had the opportunity to join the individual who heads up the Victims' Rights organization, namely Ms. Castellanos; further elaborating that he had the opportunity to meet (2) families who had recently lost loved ones, and it is incredibly impactful to see the labor of love put forth by these individuals to meet the needs of the victims in the community; adding that a lot of people mentioned by the family members are forgotten during the time of the court process, wherein the assailants who committed the crime receives their justice. This organization steps in and provides a beacon of hope.

Commissioner Lago acknowledged that Mayor Cason gave an eloquent speech. He later provides comments on the Victims' Rights Advocate and what her organization does, and how they really benefit our community. She responded by stating that she represents the Victims' Crime Unit of the Coral Gables Police Department, and that she is grateful for the opportunity that the Police Department gave she and her organization to assist crime victims every day; further referring to the people who have been impacted by crime, we do not see their faces, hear their voices every day, adding that what they were able to do during the luncheon is to bring victims to speak and to let you know what the aftermath of crime is, after someone gets the news that the member of a family has been killed. Ms. Castellanos noted that the City had 2 young lives taken that were attributable to murders-saying that families were there, her organizations heard their stories, and that they also honored those who seek justice for the victims. Ms. Castellanos concluded by stating that she is proud to work in Coral Gables, an organization who respects victims' rights and who allows us to be assisting and giving up our service].

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 1

**A.-4. 14-2963**

Presentation of a Proclamation declaring the week of April 13, 2014 as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week in Coral Gables.

[Note for the Record: Following the reading of Agenda Item A-4 into the public record, Mayor Cason called up Coral Gables Police Chief Dennis Weiner, Major Scott Masington and Telecommunications Operator Sofia Broja, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Communications of the Year Award" for 2013 to receive this proclamation; whereupon he read said protocol document into the public record, thereby declaring the week of April 13, 2014 as "National Public Safety Telecommunications Week." Commissioner Lago was asked by the Mayor to present said protocol document.

Commissioner Lago prefaced his remarks to the viewing public by stating that it is indeed an honor to have the pleasure of presenting three proclamations in one day; further pointing out that a lot of people take for granted that the job that Ms. Sofia Broja does and her colleagues, however there is that moment when an emergency arises, that moment when one has a small child that falls, or something occurs to a family member, or a neighbor and we need that immediate assistance; further pointing out that it is easier to be here today because the City is honoring someone who has dedicated their life serving the City of Coral Gables, comprising more than 47,000 residents who live in the City; further explaining that no matter whether one votes or does not vote, when one picks up the phone and dials for assistance, that the telecommunications individual is the one who assists you; prior to the policeman and firemen arriving at one's home, these individuals are the ones who assist you in meeting your needs during the interim; adding that is indeed an honor to be here on this occasion and provide Ms. Broja with this proclamation as a small token of our appreciation from our City.

In accepting this accolade, Ms. Sofia Broja stated that when she was given this award, she did not expect it; nevertheless, she is very humbled by it; adding that there are a lot of people that she has worked with, said number represents a group of dedicated individuals-pointing out that she is only as good as those people that she is surrounded by who are dedicated to the type of work that she does.

Finally adding that her biggest inspiration is her daughter, and that she loves her very much; noting that she can only hope to be as good of a person like her; finally adding that she loves her Coral Gables family from the bottom of her heart, and that she is very touched by this award, and that she thanks everyone, totally].

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 4

- A.-5. 14-2957** Congratulations to Communications Operator Sofia Broja, recipient of the City of Coral Gables Communications Operator of the Year Award for 2013.

**Attachments:** [COMMISSION COVER MEMO - OPERATOR OF THE YEAR 2013.pdf](#)  
[NOMINATION - OPERATOR OF THE YEAR 2013.pdf](#)

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 5

- A.-6. 14-2958** Congratulations to Detective Velier Zaccheo, recipient of the City of Coral Gables Officer of the Month Award, for the month of February 2014.

**Attachments:** [COMMISSION COVER MEMO - OFFICER OF THE MONTH - FEBRUARY.pdf](#)  
[NOMINATION - OFFICER OF THE MONTH - FEBRUARY.pdf](#)

[Note for the Record: Following the reading of the title to Agenda Item A-6 into the public record, City Manager Salerno called upon Coral Gables Police Chief Weiner to present the recipient of the January 2014 Officer of the Month recognition, namely Detective Velier Zaccheo. Chief Weiner further stated that Detective Zaccheo had performed excellent work on four (4) cases and that he wanted to comment on two (2) of them.

First of all, he mentioned that on December 27, 2013 the Uniformed Patrol Division Officers had arrested a subject, namely Mariano Payo for loitering and prowling and resisting arrest without violence. Detective Zaccheo had immediately recognized the named defendant as being the same individual that he had arrested in 2011 for burglary of an occupied structure, voyeurism and stalking; adding that said arrest had alerted Detective Zaccheo as to the possibility that this individual may have engaged in an act of voyeurism in the residential area where said arrest took place. Detective Zaccheo initiated an investigation and discovered that the complainant did in fact advise that the subject (i.e. Mr. Payo) was looking into a window at the apartment building adjacent to the arrest location. Detective Zaccheo was concerned that the suspect may have been involved with other related cases, since Payo's 2011 arrest and release, which may not have been linked to him, due to the manner in which the incidents were documented and/or reported. Ultimately, Detective Zaccheo identified three (3) cases in which the complainants described a suspect matching the description of Mr. Payo.

Chief Weiner continued, stating that Detective Zaccheo arrested Mr. Payo and charged him with three counts of voyeurism and one count of stalking. As a result of Detective Zaccheo's actions, Mr. Payo's house arrest status was terminated and he is currently being incarcerated and awaiting trial.

Secondly, on January 13, 2014, Detective Zaccheo was tasked with investigating an armed robbery, which took place on the roadside of the 100 block of San Lorenzo Avenue. The robbery suspect took the victims' property, which included an iPhone. Detective Zaccheo immediately attempted to utilize the iPhone's online Find My

iPhone application to attempt to locate the cellular phone. Using investigative databases, Detective Zaccheo discovered a potential suspect which matched the description of the subject provided by the victim. Later a photo lineup was presented to the victim, whereby the victim positively identified Mr. Kelsey Ware, as the subject that committed the armed robbery. On January 9, 2014 Mr. Ware was arrested and charged with one count of armed robbery with a firearm.

In summary, Chief Weiner pointed out that after being a 17-year veteran law enforcement officer, that Detective Zaccheo continues to have the drive and determination of a newly hired officer, who has served his department with distinction and continues to do so today, always driven, self-motivated and willing to assist his fellow investigators, adding that because of his number of cases and arrests, this is why he believes that Detective Zaccheo is deserving of receiving the Officer of the Month Award for January, 2014].

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 6

**A.-7. 14-2965**

Congratulations to Lt. Eddie Dunn, recipient of the City of Coral Gables Firefighter of the Month Award, for the month of April 2014.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo, FF of the Month, April 2014](#)  
[Notification Letter, FF of the Month, April 2014](#)

[Note for the Record (Agenda Item A-7): Following Mayor Cason's reading of the title to Agenda Item A-7 into the public record, Fire Chief Stolzenberg presented Lieutenant Eddie Dunn as the Firefighter of the Month for the Month of April, 2014, pointing out that Lieutenant Dunn was selected as April's Firefighter of the month for his excellence in conduct as evidenced by his responsibility, dependability and positive attitude-adding that Lieutenant Dunn has provided the City with 32 years of outstanding service, and that 22 of those years he was assigned as a Rescue Lieutenant; further pointing out that quite often the stress level on the fire truck can be quite taxing, and given Eddies' critical thinking and his decision making are excellent, is of great benefit to the crew-further pointing out that he road on the fire truck with Eddie 20 years ago and that his consistency and quality of patient care are quite exemplary; adding that his peers enjoy working with Eddie and they are confident when he responds to calls.

Chief Stolzenberg states that Eddie is encouraged to mentor the upcoming paramedics as well as the paramedic students-adding that his vast experience is priceless and his calm demeanor during the most stressful situations is one of his strongest attributes; finally stating that Lt. Dunn is a shining example for others to follow].

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 7

**A.-8. 14-2977**

Congratulations to Christine Matteucci, Community Services Department, recipient of the City of Coral Gables Employee of the Month Award, for the month of April 2014.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo](#) [EOM April 2014](#)  
[EOM Notification Ltr.](#)

[Note for the Record: Following Mayor Cason's reading of the title to Agenda Item A-8, Human Resources Director Elsa Jaramillo-Velez introduced said item, thereby recognizing the Employee of the Month for the Month of April 2014, namely Christine Matteucci, Youth Center Supervisor, Community Services Department.

During the videotaped segment of the presentation, Fred Couceyro, Division Director stated the following:

"Chris Matteucci has served as an Assistant Youth Supervisor since May 2011. In that time, she has demonstrated that she will go above and beyond to make sure that the operations of the Youth Center run smoothly. It is not uncommon to see Chris at the Youth Center. She will work tirelessly to get the job done, and even if it requires her to work more hours or to come in extra days, she will do it. Her enthusiasm for her job is instantly noticeable and has proven to be infectious with her employees as she has been able to work with them to form a cohesive team.

With the departure of the former Youth Center Supervisor in November, Chris stepped in as the Interim Supervisor, and continued to exhibit the values and work ethic that marked her tenure as the Assistant Supervisor. As the recently promoted Youth Center Supervisor, she does not show any signs of slowing down. There is no doubt that she will be a shining star for years to come."

During the live segment of the presentation, Community Services Director Jessica Keller stated that she was very proud of Christine and informed the viewing public that if they had not noticed it, that the last couple of months both Letty Ellis (i.e. Employee of the Month for the Month of March) and Carolina Vester, Employee of the Year, all were from the Department of Community Services/Parks and Recreation Division.

Ms. Keller further explained that Chris has only been Supervisor of the Youth Center since March 24th, 2014, and in that short period of time, she says that she has seen some positive changes-further pointing out that Chris quickly instituted a more formalized dress code in order to develop and promote a more professional image to the public. Ms. Keller also noted that last week Chris launched a waste production program entitled "'Recycle Today for a Better Tomorrow.'" Said program demonstrates her commitment toward saving our natural resources and in preserving our environment.

Ms. Keller also explained that Coral Gables had quite the representation for a "Bike 305 Back to Work Day" event; further stating that her staff has fully embraced

Carolina as a leader and that she sees new energy in Carolina going forward.

In accepting this accolade, Carolina commented that she was unsure as to whether she deserves all of these commendations, adding that she is honored to be present on this occasion and equally honored to represent the Coral Gables Youth Center].

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 8

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**B.-1. 14-3000** Regular City Commission Meeting of March 11, 2014.

**Attachments:** [Meeting Minutes](#)

[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item E-1 - Abandoned Real Property](#)

[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item E-2 - Conditional Use with Site Plan Review - T](#)

[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item E-3 and E-4 are related Transfer Development](#)

[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item E-5 - Ordinance relating to capital improvemen](#)

[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item F-1 - Follow up re Commssion Aide Position](#)

[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item H-1 - Reso authorizing grant to Coral Gables M](#)

[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item H-2 - Resolution agreement with Fairchild Trop](#)

[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item I-1 - Discussion of Interpretation re calculation](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Commissioner Quesada, that this matter be approved. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 9

**C. CONSENT AGENDA**

All items listed within this section entitled "Consent Agenda" are considered to be self-explanatory and are not expected to require additional review or discussion, unless a member of the City Commission or a citizen so requests, in which case, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered along with the regular order of business. Hearing no objections to the items listed under the "Consent Agenda", a vote on the adoption of the Consent Agenda will be taken.

**Passed the Consent Agenda**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-54****C.-1. 14-2944**

Resolution ratifying a one-day permit to the United Way of Miami-Dade to sell alcoholic beverages on Thursday, April 10, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. at the Village of Merrick Park on San Lorenzo Avenue during the Miami Wine and Food Festival, subject to Florida Department of Professional Regulation requirements.

**Attachments:** [Special Events Application and Permit](#)  
[United Way of Miami Dade Draft Resolution](#)  
[C-1 Signed Cover Memo](#)

RESOLUTION GRANTING A ONE-DAY PERMIT TO THE UNITED WAY OF MIAMI-DADE TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2014, FROM 6:00 P.M. TO 9:30 P.M. AT THE VILLAGE OF MERRICK PARK ON SAN LORENZO AVENUE DURING THE MIAMI WINE AND FOOD FESTIVAL, SUBJECT TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION REQUIREMENTS.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2014-54 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 10

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-55**

- C.-2. 14-2953** Resolution authorizing the acceptance and execution of a \$10,000 grant from the 2014 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program; and authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Annual Budget to recognize the grant as revenue, and to appropriate such funds to cover the grant expenditures.

**Attachments:** [JAG 2014 Signed Contract](#)  
[C-2 Signed Cover Memo](#)  
[Byrne Grant Resolution](#)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE AND EXECUTION OF A \$10,000 GRANT FROM THE 2014 EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM TO FUND THE PURCHASE OF NIGHT VISION OPTICS FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT; AND AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014 ANNUAL BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE THE GRANT AS REVENUE, AND TO APPROPRIATE SUCH FUNDS TO COVER THE COST OF THE GRANT EXPENDITURES.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2014-55 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 11

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-56**

- C.-3. 14-2956** Resolution appointing Janet Miller Nostro (Nominated by Commissioner Lago) to serve as a member of the Pinewood Cemetery Advisory Board, for the remainder of a two-year term, beginning June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2015.

**Attachments:** [R-2014-Draft- Janet Miller Nostro - Pinewood Cemetery Advisory Board](#)  
[C-3 Signed Cover Memo](#)

RESOLUTION APPOINTING JANET MILLER NOSTRO (NOMINATED BY COMMISSIONER LAGO) TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE PINWOOD CEMETERY ADVISORY BOARD, FOR THE REMAINDER OF A TWO-YEAR TERM, BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2013 THROUGH MAY 31, 2015.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2014-56 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 12

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-57**

- C.-4. 14-2961** Resolution authorizing the waiving of the cost of the facility rental fee for the usage of the Venetian Pool for the Historic Preservation Association of Coral Gables Spring Social and Fundraiser on Saturday, April 26, 2014.

**Attachments:** [Facility Rental Application](#)  
[Resolution for Historic Preservation](#)  
[C-4 Signed Cover Memo](#)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVING OF THE COST OF THE FACILITY RENTAL FEE FOR THE USAGE OF THE VENETIAN POOL FOR THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION OF CORAL GABLES SPRING SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISER ON SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2014.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2014-57 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 13

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-58**

- C.-6. 14-2971** Resolution authorizing entering into renewal leases with Dr. James C. Cosmides and Dr. Stuart H. Savedoff with regard to City owned property at 427 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, Florida for a period of five (5) years.

**Attachments:** [Resolution - 4.8.14 \(427 Biltmore Way\)](#)  
[3-19-14 PAB excerpt minutes \(Doctor's leases\)](#)  
[427 Leases \(Cosmides\) 2014- Signed](#)  
[427 Leases \(Savedoff\) 2014- Signed](#)  
[C-6 Signed Cover Memo](#)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENTERING INTO RENEWAL LEASES WITH DR. JAMES C. COSMIDES AND DR. STUART H. SAVEDOFF WITH REGARD TO CITY OWNED PROPERTY AT 427 BILTMORE WAY, CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2014-58 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 14

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-59**

- C.-7. 14-2990 Resolution authorizing two economic development sponsorship opportunities.

**Attachments:** [Resolution -4.8.14 \(Sponsorship Opportunities\)](#)  
[C-7 Signed Cover Memo](#)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TWO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2014-59 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 15

**Presentation of Boards and/or Committees minutes requesting no action from the  
City Commission:**

- C.-9. 14-2945 Landscape Beautification Advisory Board Meeting of March 6, 2014

**Attachments:** [BC Cover Sheet 3-6-14](#)  
[Minutes BC 3-6-14](#)  
[LBAB Signed Minutes 3-6-14](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 16

- C.-10. 14-2949 Communications Committee Meeting of February 21, 2014

**Attachments:** [Agendaitemapril2013](#)  
[minutes february 2014](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 17

- C.-11. 14-2950 Coral Gables Merrick House Governing Board Meeting of March 3, 2014

**Attachments:** [Merrick House March 3 2014](#)  
[3.3.14MinutesforCC4.8.14](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 18

- C.-12. 14-2951** Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting of February 28, 2014

**Attachments:** [Cover Sheet.Minutes 02-28-14](#)  
[Minutes 02-28-14 draft](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 19

- C.-13. 14-2952** Senior Citizens Advisory Board Meeting of February 3, 2014

**Attachments:** [Cover Sheet Minutes 02-03-14](#)  
[Min 02-03-2014](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 20

- C.-14. 14-2959** School and Community Relations Committee Meeting of November 12, 2013

**Attachments:** [COMMISSION COVER MEMO - SCRC MEETING 11-12-13.pdf](#)  
[MINUTES OF 11-12-13 - SCRC.pdf](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 21

- C.-15. 14-2960** Historic Preservation Board Meeting of February 20, 2014

**Attachments:** [HPB Minutes February 20 2014](#)  
[HPB.02.20.14MinutesforCC04.08.14](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 22

- C.-16. 14-2970** Budget/Audit Advisory Board Meeting of February 26, 2014

**Attachments:** [Budget Audit 2-26-14 Minutes](#)  
[Budget-Audit 2-26-14 Cover Memo](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 23

- C.-17. 14-2972** Disability Affairs Board Meeting of February 5, 2014

**Attachments:** [Disability Affairs 2-5-14 Minutes COVER](#)  
[2-5-14 minutes with attach.](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 24

C.-18. 14-2980 Parking Advisory Board Meeting of January 23, 2014

**Attachments:** [CoverMemo Parking 03202014](#)  
[PAB Minutes 01-23-2014](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 25

C.-19. 14-2981 Insurance Advisory Committee Meeting of March 20, 2014

**Attachments:** [CoverMemo IACMtg 03202014](#)  
[IAC Mtg. Minutes 03202014](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 26

C.-20. 14-2982 Insurance Advisory Committee Meeting of March 25, 2014

**Attachments:** [CoverMemo IACMtg 03252014](#)  
[Signed Mtg. Min. - 03202014](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 27

C.-21. 14-2985 Cultural Development Board Meeting of February 26, 2014

**Attachments:** [CDB Commission cover 4-08-14](#)  
[CDB Minutes February 26 2014](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 28

C.-22. 14-2986 Economic Development Board Meeting February 5, 2014

**Attachments:** [EDB. 4.08.14 Commission cover](#)  
[EDB Minutes 2-05-14](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 29

C.-23. 14-2987 Property Advisory Board Meeting of February 19, 2014

**Attachments:** [PAB 4-08-14 Commission cover](#)  
[2-19-14 PAB minutes](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 30

- C.-24. 14-2993 Disability Affairs Board Meeting of March 5, 2014

**Attachments:** [Disability Affairs 3-5-14 Minutes COVER](#)  
[3-5-14 Disability Affairs MINUTES](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 31

**Pulled from Consent Agenda**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-60**

- C.-5. 14-2967 Resolution entering into a renewal lease with Plumer Management, L.L.C., for 11 parking spaces on City property behind 5915 Ponce De Leon Boulevard, Coral Gables, FL, for a period of three (3) years with a one (1) year option.

**Attachments:** [Plumer Lease 3-20-14 Ins Update-Tenant Signed](#)  
[3-19-14 PAB excerpt minutes \(Plumer lease\)](#)  
[Resolution - 4.8.14 \(Plumer\)](#)  
[C-5 Signed Cover Memo](#)

RESOLUTION ENTERING INTO A RENEWAL LEASE WITH PLUMER MANAGEMENT, L.L.C., FOR 11 PARKING SPACES ON CITY PROPERTY BEHIND 5915 PONCE DE LEON BOULEVARD, CORAL GABLES, FL, FOR A PERIOD OF THREE (3) YEARS WITH A ONE (1) YEAR OPTION.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Commissioner Quesada, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-60. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr. and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 32

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-61****C.-8. 14-2991**

Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to authorize contract negotiations with Reynolds, Smith & Hills, Inc. (RS&H) and if necessary, with other short-listed consulting firms for the development of a Sustainability Master Plan pursuant to Florida Statute 287.055, known as the "Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act" and Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 2013.11.27.

**Attachments:** [Draft Reso.](#)  
[RS&H RFQ 2013.11.27](#)  
[C-8 Signed Cover Memo](#)

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO AUTHORIZE CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH REYNOLDS, SMITH & HILLS, INC. (RS&H) AND IF NECESSARY, WITH OTHER SHORT-LISTED CONSULTING FIRMS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SUSTAINABILITY MASTER PLAN PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 287.055, KNOWN AS THE "CONSULTANTS COMPETITIVE NEGOTIATION ACT" AND REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) 2013.11.27.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Quesada, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-61. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr. and Mayor Cason

**Abstentions :** 1 - Commissioner Lago

City Clerk Item No. 33

**Non Agenda Items****RESOLUTION NO. 2014-62****Non 14-3029  
Agenda**

Resolution appointing Chris Morrison (nominated by Vice Mayor Kerdyk) to serve as a member of the Citywide Traffic Advisory Board - Zone 5, for the remainder of a two-year term, beginning June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2015.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF CHRIS MORRISON TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE CITYWIDE TRAFFIC ADVISORY BOARD -ZONE 5 (NOMINATED BY VICE MAYOR KERDYK) FOR A TWO (2) YEAR TERM, WHICH BEGAN ON JUNE 1, 2013 AND CONTINUES THROUGH MAY 31, 2015.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-62. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 34

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-63**

**Non 14-3030  
Agenda**

Resolution appointing Rafael de la Grana (Nominated by Commissioner Quesada) to serve as a member of the Citywide Traffic Advisory Board - Zone 4, for the remainder of a two-year term, beginning June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2015.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF RAFAEL DE LA GRANA TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE CITYWIDE TRAFFIC ADVISORY BOARD -ZONE 4 (NOMINATED BY COMMISSIONER QUESADA) FOR A TWO (2) YEAR TERM, WHICH BEGAN ON JUNE 1, 2013 AND CONTINUES THROUGH MAY 31, 2015.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-63. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr. and Mayor Cason

**Absent :** 1 - Commissioner Keon

City Clerk Item No. 35

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-64**

**Non 14-3031  
Agenda**

Resolution accepting the resignation of City Manager Patrick Salerno.

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF CITY MANAGER AND PROVIDING FOR TRANSITION.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-64. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon and Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr.

**Nays :** 1 - Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 36

**D. PERSONAL APPEARANCES**

**None**

City Clerk Item No. 37

**E. PUBLIC HEARINGS****ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING**

Anyone who wishes to address the City Commission on an item to be considered for public hearing must fill out a Speaker Card and turn it in to the City Clerk. Speaker Cards can be obtained on the credenza located outside the Office of the Mayor, during the day of the City Commission Meeting.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2014-07****E.-1. 14-2935**

An Ordinance of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to capital improvements and related services providing a special benefit to local areas within the city; authorizing the imposition and collection of special assessments to fund the cost of capital improvements and related services providing a special benefit to local areas within the city; providing certain definitions; providing for the creation of assessment areas; providing a procedure to impose special assessments; establishing procedures for notice and adoption of assessment rolls and for correction of errors and omissions; providing that assessments constitute a lien on assessed property upon adoption of the assessment rolls; authorizing hardship assistance and certain exemptions; providing a procedure for voluntary assessment programs; providing a procedure for collection of special assessments; providing a mechanism for the imposition of assessments on government property; repealing sections 58-19, 58-20, 58-22 through 58-49 and 58-53 of the City of Coral Gables Code of Ordinances; providing for severability; and providing an effective date. (Passed on First Reading March 11, 2014)

**Attachments:** [CapitalAssessmentOrdinance FINAL 03 05 14](#)  
[E-5 Signed Cover Memo 3-11-14](#)  
[CapitalAssessmentOrdinance FINAL 2nd Reading](#)  
[E-1 Signed Cover Memo 4-8-14](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED SERVICES PROVIDING A SPECIAL BENEFIT TO LOCAL AREAS WITHIN THE CITY; AUTHORIZING THE IMPOSITION AND COLLECTION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS TO FUND THE COST OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND RELATED SERVICES PROVIDING A SPECIAL BENEFIT TO LOCAL AREAS WITHIN THE CITY; PROVIDING CERTAIN DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE CREATION OF ASSESSMENT AREAS; PROVIDING A PROCEDURE TO IMPOSE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; ESTABLISHING PROCEDURES FOR NOTICE AND ADOPTION OF ASSESSMENT ROLLS AND FOR CORRECTION OF ERRORS AND OMISSIONS; PROVIDING THAT ASSESSMENTS CONSTITUTE A LIEN ON ASSESSED PROPERTY UPON ADOPTION OF THE ASSESSMENT ROLLS; AUTHORIZING HARDSHIP ASSISTANCE AND CERTAIN EXEMPTIONS; PROVIDING A PROCEDURE FOR VOLUNTARY ASSESSMENT PROGRAMS; PROVIDING A PROCEDURE FOR COLLECTION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS; PROVIDING A MECHANISM FOR THE IMPOSITION OF ASSESSMENTS ON GOVERNMENT PROPERTY; REPEALING SECTIONS 58-19, 58-20, 58-22 THROUGH 58-49 AND 58-53 OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2014-07. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 45

#### **ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING**

- E.-2. 14-2999** An Ordinance of the City Commission amending the Code of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, to move the function of preparation of the Commission Meeting Agenda from the City Manager to the City Clerk, and moving the Agenda Coordinator position and budgeted funds from under the Office of City Manager to under the Office of City Clerk, and providing for severability, repealer, codification, and an effective date.

**Attachments:** [E-2 Ordinance - Agenda Coordination](#)  
[Agenda Function Survey](#)

**This Ordinance was Deferred**

City Clerk Item No. 53

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 2014-08**

- E.-3. 14-2962** Zoning Code Text Amendment. An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida providing for a text amendment to Article III "Development Review" of the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code to modify existing procedures and create new procedures to resolve disputes and provide relief from the application of the Zoning Code; providing for severability, repealer, codification, and an effective date. (Passed on First Reading April 8, 2014)

**Attachments:** [04 08 14 Exhibit B 03 12 14 PZB Staff Report](#)  
[04 08 14 Exhibit C 03 12 14 Excerpts of PZB Meeting Minutes](#)  
[Exhibit A Draft Ordinance](#)  
[E-3 Signed Cover Memo 4-8-14](#)  
[E-1 Signed Cover Memo 4-22-14](#)  
[Zoning Relief Ordinance - Second Reading](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 42

**F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS**

- F.-1. 14-2995** Discussion and/or action as to the role of city staff regarding the placement of matters on the agenda for consideration by the Board of Architects.  
Commissioner Vince Lago

**This Agenda Item was Deferred**

City Clerk Item No. 54

- F.-2. 14-2996** Discussion and/or action related to directors attending commission meetings.  
Commissioner Vince Lago

**This Agenda Item was Deferred**

City Clerk Item No. 55

- F.-3. 14-2997** Discussion and/or action related to commission inquiries for information to city staff.  
Commissioner Vince Lago

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 56

**G. BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS****RESOLUTION NO. 2014-71**

- G.-1. 14-2942** Resolution of the City Commission confirming the appointment of the following individuals to serve as members of the Green Task Force, for a two (2) year term, which began on June 1, 2013 and continues through May 31, 2015. (Deferred from the March 11, 2014, Meeting)

Landscape Architect (1): \_\_\_\_\_

Professional Planner (1): \_\_\_\_\_

Interest in Historic Preservation (1): \_\_\_\_\_

Engineer (1): \_\_\_\_\_

LEED Architect (1): \_\_\_\_\_

University of Miami (1): Humberto Speziani

Chamber of Commerce (1): Anabella Smith

Garden Club (1): Sharon V. Trbovich

Coral Gables Residents (3): \_\_\_\_\_

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**Attachments:** [R-2014-Draft- Green Task Force - 04-08-2014](#)  
[Membership Categories and Resumes - 03-31-2014](#)  
[G-1 Signed Cover Memo](#)

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENTS OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS TO SERVE AS MEMBERS OF THE GREEN TASK FORCE, FOR A TWO (2) YEAR TERM, WHICH BEGAN ON JUNE 1, 2013 AND CONTINUES THROUGH MAY 31, 2015.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item G-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-71. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 46

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-72****G.-2. 14-2946**

Resolution appointing Joan Valdes (nominated by Board-As-A-Whole) to serve as a member of the Senior Citizens Advisory Board, for the remainder of a two-year term, beginning June 1, 2013 through May 31, 2013.

**Attachments:** [Resolution Joan Valdes \(Board-As-A-Whole\)](#)  
[Joan Valdes Resume](#)  
[G-2 Signed Cover Memo](#)

RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOAN VALDES (NOMINATED BY BOARD-AS-A-WHOLE) TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE SENIOR CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD, FOR THE REMAINDER OF A TWO-YEAR TERM, BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2013 THROUGH MAY 31, 2013.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item G-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-72. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr. and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 47

**H. CITY MANAGER ITEMS****RESOLUTION NO. 2014-68**

- H.-1. 14-2983** Resolution authorizing the renewal of the medical insurance plan with Humana as outlined in the presentation to the Insurance Advisory Committee for an additional one-year term, effective July 1, 2014; further authorizing the renewal of the Florida Combined Life dental plan for an additional one-year term, effective July 1, 2014; and the Standard Insurance Company Life/AD&D plan for an additional two-year term, effective July 1, 2014.

**Attachments:** [Humana Renewal Resolution 2014 -RJS](#)  
[Shafer Attachment](#)  
[H-1 Signed Cover Memo](#)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF THE MEDICAL INSURANCE PLAN WITH HUMANA AS OUTLINED IN THE PRESENTATION TO THE INSURANCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE, FOR AN ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR TERM, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014; FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF THE FLORIDA COMBINED LIFE DENTAL PLAN FOR AN ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR TERM, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF THE STANDARD INSURANCE LIFE/AD&D PLAN FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO-YEAR TERM, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-68. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 41

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-67****Non 14-3032  
Agenda**

Resolution of the City of Coral Gables directing City staff to look into creating a wellness program.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES COMMISSION, INSTRUCTING THE CITY MANAGER TO DIRECT DESIGNATED STAFF WITHIN THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO ESTABLISH A WELLNESS PROGRAM FOR CITY EMPLOYEES.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-67. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr. and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 40

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-65****H.-2. 14-2984**

Resolution authorizing the renewal of the property and casualty insurance program which include, but are not limited to, property, general liability, automobile liability, public officials errors & omissions, workers compensation, other ancillary lines of insurance coverage and insurance broker fees through Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services, Inc., in the amount of \$ 2,279,174 for the policy period of May 1, 2014 to May 1, 2015.

**Attachments:** [2014-2015 Property Insurance RESO Executive Summary 2014](#)  
[Siver Ltr. 2014](#)  
[H-2 Signed Cover Memo](#)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RENEWAL OF THE PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE PROGRAM WHICH INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, PROPERTY, GENERAL LIABILITY, AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY, PUBLIC OFFICIALS ERRORS AND OMISSIONS, WORKERS COMPENSATION, OTHER ANCILLARY LINES OF INSURANCE COVERAGE AND INSURANCE BROKER FEES THROUGH ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 2,279,174 FOR THE POLICY PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2014 TO MAY 1, 2015.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-65. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Quesada and Mayor Cason

**Absent :** 1 - Commissioner Lago

City Clerk Item No. 38

**H.-3. 14-2994**

Presentation regarding efforts to address deficiencies in City leases and collection practices.

**Attachments:** [Presentation Regarding City Leases](#)  
[H-3 Signed Cover Memo](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

City Clerk Item No. 48

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-66****H.-4. 14-2998**

Resolution accepting the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013 by McGladrey, LLP, Certified Public Accountants.

**Attachments:** [FY2013 Coral Gables CAFR with Compliance Report](#)  
[SAS 114 Coral Gables 2013](#)  
[Resolution Accepting CAFR 2013](#)  
[H-4 Signed Cover Memo](#)

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2013 BY MCGLADREY, LLP, CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-4 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-66. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 39

**I. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS****RESOLUTION NO. 2014-70**

- I.-1. 14-2974** Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to the Retirement System for City Employees; authorizing the City Attorney to take legal action on behalf of the City and the Retirement Board against The Nyhart Company and Stanley Holcombe & Associates, as actuaries for the Retirement System, to recover damages caused by the actions of The Nyhart Company and Stanley Holcombe & Associates relating to application of the maximum limits on retirement benefits contained in Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code, and any other claims the City and Board may have; authorizing the City Attorney to engage outside legal counsel to assist in taking such necessary legal action; providing for full force and effectiveness; providing for repeal of conflicting Resolutions; and providing an effective date.

**Attachments:** [I-1 Signed Cover Memo](#)  
[Legal Action Against Actuary Resolution](#)

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR CITY EMPLOYEES; AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO TAKE LEGAL ACTION ON BEHALF OF THE CITY AND RETIREMENT BOARD AGAINST THE NYHART COMPANY AND STANLEY HOLCOMBE & ASSOCIATES, AS ACTUARIES FOR THE RETIREMENT SYSTEM, TO RECOVER DAMAGES CAUSED BY THE ACTIONS OF THE NYHART COMPANY AND STANLEY HOLCOMBE & ASSOCIATES RELATING TO APPLICATION OF THE MAXIMUM LIMITS ON RETIREMENT BENEFITS CONTAINED IN SECTION 415 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE; AUTHORIZING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO ENGAGE OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL TO ASSIST IN TAKING SUCH NECESSARY LEGAL ACTION; PROVIDING FOR FULL FORCE AND EFFECTIVENESS; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING RESOLUTIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item I-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-70. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 44

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-69**

- I.-2. 14-2975** Presentation relating to PACE Program and residential properties.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES COMMISSION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2012-105 TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES TO EXTEND ITS PARTICIPATION IN THE GREEN CORRIDOR PROPERTY ASSESSMENT CLEAN ENERGY DISTRICT (PACE DISTRICT) TO RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item I-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-69. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 43

- I.-3. 14-2976** Update regarding Abandoned Property Ordinance and vacant properties.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item I-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 49

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-73**

- I.-4. 14-2989** Resolution amending previous Resolution No. 2011-46, approving salary and benefit package, as set forth herein.

**Attachments:** [Resolution 2011-46](#)  
[Resolution Amending Resolution 2011-46](#)  
[I-4 Signed Cover Memo](#)

RESOLUTION AMENDING PREVIOUS RESOLUTION NO. 2011-46,  
APPROVING SALARY AND BENEFIT PACKAGE, AS SET FORTH HEREIN.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item I-4 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-73. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr.,  
Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 50

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-74**

- Non 14-3034** Resolution of the City of Coral Gables Commission accepting Title VI Program Plan  
**Agenda** approved by the City Attorney.

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES COMMISSION ACCEPTING  
TITLE VI PROGRAM PLAN APPROVED BY THE CITY ATTORNEY.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-74. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago,  
Commissioner Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 51

**J. CITY CLERK ITEMS**

- J.-1. 14-2973** Update of Virtual Historic City Project.

**This Agenda Item was Deferred**

City Clerk Item No. 52

**K. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Mayor Cason: Does anybody under Discussion have something...

Commissioner Keon: I have two very quick items that I would like to...one, I'm glad that the Chief is here because it also involves crime and it's something I want to talk about and I'd like him to come back to us on it. I know that in the month of March we had four armed robberies in our City and I think one was a resident, two residents; the others I think were driveway robberies and whatever else. I know that in the City of Pinecrest that the police in Pinecrest when there are significant incidences in their city, they as they are driving around they'll stop in neighborhoods and they will say to them, this occurred in the neighborhood, this is what we are looking for, this is what we're looking at, if you see anybody matching this description, if you see this happening please call the police. So I think that - I don't know if there is intentional for our City to not talk about crime, but I think we need to start to talk about crime in order to allow our police and our Chief to talk to us about ways to educate the public with regard to crime and really help us, one, to reduce the amount of crime and to address the crime as it occurs in our City. That is one issue I really would like for the police to look into and I know that the Chief actually has talked about that...

Mayor Cason: Yesterday.

Commissioner Keon:...but I'd like to formalize that.

Police Chief Weiner: We have been engaging through very specific channels with the community and those specifically take place at Crime Watch meetings, and those have been extremely beneficial, I think, to the people that actually attend, but also to us because it allows for a feedback on our performance and services; and so I am much, much in favor of a much more comprehensive strategic communications plan with regard to getting information out to the community in a timely manner that is relevant and focused on the issues that we are currently dealing with. To do that I think there is plenty of technology available, social media that I think will enable us to engage people. What I see now is a lot of e-mail traffic that go through certain loops and groups and that e-mail traffic tends to get exaggerated as it goes through because people add instances sometimes redundantly about what they've experienced and there is no mechanism currently for the Police Department to engage in that loop to provide facts and fact check and productive feedback on those issues. So, I would certainly be in favor of a comprehensive strategic communications plan multi-tiered

through very different mechanisms to get a unified message out to the community. We do at any opportunity, yesterday we focused on business group and spoke extensively about crime issues and actually how well we are performing in relationships with the rest of the county, and that's a message that we are challenged to get out because right now what I find is we're trying to beat our own very good numbers and should we miss those numbers by a little bit it looks like things are out of control, but the reality of it is that when you look at the entire county we are consistently performing at a very high level and the crime consistently at a very low level in Coral Gables.

Commissioner Keon: But we also know that there are periods or there can be a period within a year that all of a sudden there is an increase in the number of burglaries in a particular area that you have the ability and are expected to work with the residents in those areas in a very open fashion and have the ability to communicate. So, I would really like to see us have that strategic communication effort. I don't know how we do that, I don't know if we ask for it or what do we do?

Commissioner Quesada: That's something I had been working on to create a Tweeter page or Tweeter feed for the Police Department, which is essentially you can send out any kind of alerts or any kind of notices. For example, if you sign up for the Coral Gables E-NEWS e-mails, which we get copied on for the bulletins, sometimes it's be on the lookout or there is a big arrest that's made, we get those occasionally. We're not the only ones that get those, also whoever signs up for it. Essentially that same list of announcements would be done through the Tweeter feed and that's something an idea that we discussed at several Crime Watch meetings and I was speaking about it with the previous Manager.

Commissioner Keon: Could we do, I mean could we ask or would we want to ask the Chief to put together a comprehensive communications strategy?

Mayor Cason: Not only a communications strategy, but also what kind of investment in technology you think would give us the biggest bang for the buck in the sense that there are all kinds of....

Commissioner Quesada: Tweeter basically...

Mayor Cason: No, I don't mean that, other than the strategic, in terms of equipment like surveillance cameras and other kinds of equipment that you may not have right now that you think would help to be deployed with your strategic, your initiative teams

and others, your undercover and your overt officers when there is a gang that comes in and you guys are following that might help you make the cases, because as we've discussed a lot of the times the problem is you catch them, but the citizens don't go to court and they release them and they are back on the street. So you catch them over and over and over again, it's a lot more complicated than it seems. You're the guys that are best able to tell us what do you think would really help your department make more arrests and make them stick?

Commissioner Keon: But I'm also concerned with this communications issue.

City Attorney Leen: I was wondering since the Chief is here, he might tell you about our Justice Advocate Program, that's something that we've been doing with this office, it addresses what you are talking about.

Commissioner Quesada: Before we get into that, Commissioner Keon's issue hasn't been addressed yet, are you requesting staff to go back?

Commissioner Keon: I am. I'm asking to get that done what do we need to do?- do I need to make a motion to do that?- and ask for a vote?- or do we just ask, how does that work?

City Attorney Leen: You can make a motion to have him come back with a communications plan.

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: Or you just ask him.

Commissioner Keon: You will let us know when you have it together and you're ready and you'll present it.

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: Communication is very, very important. I'm 100 percent with you there. I'm finding sometimes with the residents when the Police Officers go out to the residents they are also talking about things like, we don't have enough Police Officers on staff or whatever it is, that to me is a damning problem. If that's the issue then we need to solve the issue as far as staffing on the street. If that's not the issue then they should be making communications like that, because you're right, communication on both levels the positives and the negatives could be viewed differently. So again, from my perspective if that's a problem with staffing then we need to deal with the staff, but I certainly don't want my Police Officers saying that to

the residents if that's not the issue, so...

Police Chief Weiner: What I'm finding here Vice Mayor, is that without a strategic communications plan what's happening is that other influences are filling the void...the information being provided to the public from the leadership of the department, we're finding is personal opinions are being put out there as fact, and I can tell you that we are not hurting in terms of resources. We have the second highest number of sworn officers per population in Miami-Dade County with population over 18,000, and we did that study just recently and it goes back to we are beating ourselves up trying to figure out how to do it better when in actuality we have the second highest number of officers on the street per thousand and we have the second lowest number of robberies in Miami-Dade on the same measurement, and so we perform really well, it's just that we are not getting the information out there. I can certainly put together a strategic communications plan that the overt - give me a little time to work that up.

Commissioner Keon: You tell me when do you think you could come back with that to us.

Police Chief Weiner: I'll have to see internally - a lot of our support staff are out...

Mayor Cason: Tell us next meeting, next time so you have a chance to think about your priorities.

Commissioner Keon: Like it could be May, it could be June; it doesn't need to be...

Police Chief Weiner: I think May is reasonable.

Commissioner Keon: OK. So we are going to say tentatively May, but you'll let us know.

Police Chief Weiner: Thank you - perfect.

Mayor Cason: And secondly, please brief us if you think there is some specific items that would help you do your job better, that we can consider as a Commission.

Police Chief Weiner: I can tell you right here and today, yes there are, and we've been doing preliminary work on very many technology initiatives waiting for an opportunity to take some of them forward, so I think we can work toward that in very short order.

Mayor Cason: When you're ready come back to us.

City Attorney Leen: Mr. Mayor, in answer to one of your questions. We do have a communications outreach we do with victims and my office funds through Izzy Reyes and the Chief actually came up with a pilot program, which is really interesting, I think you may want to hear about it. He does it in conjunction with my office, it's very interesting.

Police Chief Weiner: It's a great partnership with the City Attorney's office and our outside counsel. What we realized back last summer is that the public didn't think we were doing a good job of catching people, but the reality of it was that we were doing a very good job of catching people, we weren't doing such a good job of keeping them in, in the criminal justice system. So we identified as an opportunity was to develop what we call a Justice Advocate position and what that does is it's a person in Judge Reyes' firm that actually represents the interest of the Police Department, the City, and the citizens of Coral Gables in the criminal justice process, not so much the people of the State of Florida, which is the focus for the State Prosecutor's office, so by having someone appear at hearings that have our best interest at heart, we are making real good in-roads with judges, with the prosecutors, with the...

Commissioner Quesada: What's basically the role?- for that individual to remind the judge that this is not the first offence?

Police Chief Weiner: The way the system works right now is when we catch them on the streets of Coral Gables we do an internal assessment of what's the likelihood that this person is going to present a future risk to the citizens of Coral Gables. If that person rates high enough on that ranking, then they get put into the Justice Advocate Program where their cases then at that point follow through the entire system, every hearing, if it goes to trial, if it goes to a plea deal that we are involved in that discussion, and we've had some really significant successes where historically we've had different burglars back out on the street in two to three weeks, after serving time. We just had one recently took a plea for 18 months, because we had a very strong case against him because we made the Judge aware of the situation and they were given a very high sentence. Another example of a residential burglar who had a \$10,000 bond, we had that bond increased through our Justice Advocate program to \$90,000 with a... hearing requirement...which requires that person to show where the \$90,000 comes from, if they move it forward, so we know it's not illicit funds that he got through acts

of crime, and so we've been very successful in those instances to keep the criminals off the street which allows us some breathing room to go after other subjects.

Mayor Cason: OK. Thank you very much.

Commissioner Keon: Thank you. The other item that I have is with regard to the Budget Advisory Board. In speaking to the individual that I appointed, I don't want people to feel that they are serving on a Board and it serves no purpose. So what they have asked for and I would like that it be provided at the next meeting to the Budget Advisory Board is we now have six months, we are mid-year in our Budget and what they have asked for and have not been provided, is my understanding, is the Actuals to Budget by line item; and we'd like some forecasting for the next - the ability to forecast for the next six months as to where we are with regard to Budget. I know now we are already beginning to prepare the next Budget, but the Budget Committee in order for them to advise us, I think they need that level of information that has not been provided to them in the past. If you'd please in the purposes of transparency and openness in our government if we could provide them with all of the information that they request so that they can actually advise on the Budget.

Assistant City Manager Olazabal: I'll request that Diana provides it.

Commissioner Keon: Thank you very much.

Commissioner Lago: I also from my appointment, Mr. Menendez, also had the same issue. He being a CPA and attorney he was requesting the same documentation and he's been requesting it for about a month now, so hopefully in the next meeting we can get that information so I can receive good information from a CPA.

Mayor Cason: A lot of good information was in today's financial report, very good data in there.

Commissioner Keon: Well in the financials that's post, that's what was done a year ago after our financials are closed out. I think what we would like to be able to look at is the Budget Advisory Board is, particularly at mid-year, it could be quarterly, or it could be at mid-year that there is actual, a real Budget review with actual according to budget and it be done by line item, so it's not just this sort of...

Mayor Cason: Plus our quarterly reports that Diana...that would be great.

Commissioner Keon: We don't get that information, the information hasn't been provided to the Budget Advisory Committee in order for them to be able to look at that. So this is another one of these items that I don't know if we just ask for it or if there is just a unanimous approval of that be given.

Mayor Cason: We ask for it.

Commissioner Keon: Alright. Thank you very, very much. I think the next meeting is the end of - the 22nd of this month, of April, so I would ask that that information be made available to them for that April meeting please. Thank you. That's all I have.

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: Just three very quick things. First of all, we've always traditionally put in \$500, \$700 for a Corporate Run, so I just ask the Commission to go ahead and do that again this year for our people that are going to run.

City Attorney Leen: Commissioner Keon is on our team, please come out.

Commissioner Keon: I already paid mine...is on your team and I already paid it. I'm walking.

City Attorney Leen: Arturo Centurion is our Captain and I'm the Co-Captain and we welcome you. We have a history of winning that race a couple of times, we have very, very fast...

Commissioner Quesada: Who are you running against Craig?

City Attorney Leen: We run against every city in the county that signs up.

Commissioner Lago: What age group?

City Attorney Leen: Age group?

(Laughter)

Mayor Cason: Bill you have anything else?

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: Two other things. One is, I was walking the sidewalks on

Galliano and our parking garage on Galliano and Merrick Way, can we just clean the sidewalks in front of there please, it looks pretty bad.

Assistant City Manager Olazabal: Galliano and sorry?

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: Merrick Way our parking garage there.

Assistant City Manager Olazabal: Merrick Way.

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: And then finally, the RFP for the garages, speaking of garages, I'd like to get those out as soon as possible, I also want to make sure that they come in front of the City Commission so that we can talk about those ourselves, amongst ourselves so we can make any changes. I know that the City Manager was talking about meeting with each one of us, but I didn't know if he collectively was going to come back to the Commission or he was just going to incorporate our changes at that point, but I think we should have a discussion for these, and we should get it done as soon as possible. I've been talking about this before you were sitting here, for the last three or four years because I always thought that this needed to be done before the Miracle Mile and this just continues to labor out there, so we really need to expedite that.

Commissioner Lago: Can we have an Executive Session to discuss it?- or we can just do it...?

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: I think we can do it...

Commissioner Keon: I think you bring up - those are some very significant policy issues is to how you phase in the redevelopment of the Mile and whether you do the garages and the sequence and the order and everything in which it goes, whether we retain property or we sell property in order to build it. Those are big policy issues that really should be presented to this Commission and a decision by this Commission to be made....

Mayor Cason: Do you know when more likely to have something on the garage where it stands now?

Assistant City Manager Olazabal: I'll get back to you.

Commissioner Lago: Thank you. Just one small item. First of all, I'll like to, I don't want to steal the thunder from Commissioner Keon, but I'd like to notify - I'm going to anyways, we should be proud of this, the Commission through the help of the County, our esteemed attorney we were given today \$600,000 by the County Commission to help the residents in the MacFarlane-Homestead District to help the historic properties that are a little bit of a blight currently with the City, so that \$600,000 is going to go a long way to help the residents of MacFarlane-Homestead District. So we should be proud today as a Commission that we really did something spectacular. I don't know if it's ever been done in the Commission here in the City of Coral Gables, so that's great.

Commissioner Keon: It's a great thing. Thank you for letting us all know. We knew it was on the agenda today, the money will go to the City, I think there'll probably be an agreement that we'll sign, it will go the City. It's going to go to our Historic Preservation Department, who will administer that program. So it's great - and you know when you talked about when you were in China and they looked at all of the different elements of how we help our citizens. We sort of don't think that we have pockets of low income people and what we do for them, and you know what?- this is what we do, we do help everybody.

Commissioner Lago: And if I could just say one last thing. You know you really have to commend Commissioner Suarez and Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa, who represent us here in the Gables for really facilitating these monies.

Commissioner Keon: Absolutely.

Commissioner Lago: They came to bat and they came big.

Commissioner Keon: Yes. Thank you very much to the County.

Commissioner Quesada: One last thing, I guess housekeeping item. I gave Carmen a list of some of the bigger issues that are going on in the City now. Sort of obviously we are going to be in a sort of transitional period and we want to discuss it more at the next meeting, or maybe there will be a special meeting called to discuss it, but I just want to keep everyone in mind, I've given her a list of some of the bigger items that I was working on with the City Manager.

Mayor Cason: I think we can all do that.

Commissioner Quesada:...maybe you guys do the same as long as Pat's retirement is effective so that she can be fully briefed on those issues.

Mayor Cason: Why don't you reach out to each of us based on your timing because you've got a lot of things on your plate now and see if you can get some time with us to...

Commissioner Quesada: There might be individual issues that we were dealing with staff that she needs to be aware of, so I just want to remind you of that. That would be a good idea.

City Attorney Leen: Mr. Mayor two requests. First I'd like to ask for the Commission's advice in the Executive Session on the trolley building litigation and I'd also like to ask for the Commission's advice on the FPL matter. We'll set the schedule with your schedules and with Carmen's.

Mayor Cason: Put them back-to-back so we can...

City Attorney Leen: They may actually be at the next meeting; and the other thing is, this is for purposes of the Charter visa vie Carmen. She is exercising authority under the City Manager right now as Acting City Manager, if there is a gap in between meetings when you take this up again, either at your next Commission Meeting or a Special Meeting. I just want to be clear that she has the authority to act for the City as the Acting City Manager even if the Manager, even after the date that the Manager's resignation becomes effective until you decide otherwise. Obviously, you have to decide what you're going to do, but there can't be a gap that's all I'm saying legally there can't be a gap and our Charter doesn't provide for that.

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: Why don't we talk about that at the next Commission Meeting? Put that as a separate item of how we are going to deal with the City Manager.

Mayor Cason: Selection process.

Commissioner Keon: Will we have a Commission Meeting before the 18th?

Mayor Cason: No, we have it on the 22nd.

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: Extend her to the 22nd.

City Attorney Leen: It just needs to be an understanding; she has that authority that would be my legal interpretation.

Commissioner Keon: There needs to be an item then as to how we proceed.

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: That's something for us all to think about over the next two weeks. I will just tell you, they've done it two ways here before. We've hired a consultant, we just go out and hire a consultant, consultants run the whole thing, the other way is that they've had where each Commissioner has appointed one person and two ways there; one is they just handled the process themselves one time internally themselves, meaning the individual appointments, and then recommend it; and the other one was they hired the consultant and then they still came up with 4 names and then they handed it to the Commission from that perspective.

Commissioner Keon: I sat on one of those. I sat on the City Manager Selection Committee where they hired an outside firm who received all of the applications after the City had determined the strengths and whatever that you were looking for, qualifications of the candidates, they went through and did the initial weeded them out and then came back to that appointed board with. I think it was either 5 to 6 names; they came back with 5 or 6 names and then there was an interview process for those 5 or 6 names and each person was appointed on that board was appointed by one of the Commissioners. So it was a five member board, it was a very, very good board. It really was and it was a very good experience. It just so happened that the Commission at the time gave one individual a pass that didn't have to go through the application process and so it was a little different, but without that it was an exceedingly good process.

Mayor Cason: Craig, you have a second?

City Attorney Leen: With that understanding, I understand and note, we are fine with proceeding.

Mayor Cason: It's been a long day - adjourned.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

[Note for the Record: There being no further business on the Regular City Commission Meeting Agenda. The Commission of the City of Coral Gables adjourned its meeting on April 8, 2014. The next regular meeting of the City Commission has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 22, 2014, beginning 9 a.m.]

JIM CASON  
MAYOR

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