

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item F-4
September 25, 2018
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL

City Commission

Mayor Raul Valdes-Fauli
Vice Mayor Frank Quesada
Commissioner Pat Keon
Commissioner Vince Lago
Commissioner Michael Mena

City Staff

City Manager, Peter Iglesias
City Attorney, Miriam Ramos
City Clerk, Walter J. Foeman
Planning and Zoning Director, Ramon Trias

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item F-4 [10:44:37 a.m.]

An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida providing for a text amendment to the City of Coral Gables Zoning Code by amending Article 4, “Zoning Districts,” Division 3, “Nonresidential Districts,” Section 4-302, “Commercial District,” requiring conditional use review for schools located within a commercial zoning district; providing for a repealer provision; severability clause; codification and providing for an effective date (08-29-18 PZB recommended approval, Vote 5-0) (Allow schools as a conditional use in commercial zoned properties)

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Item F-4, Ordinance.

City Attorney Ramos: Item F-4 is an Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida providing for a text amendment to the City of Coral Gables Zoning Code by amending Article 4, “Zoning Districts,” Division 3, “Nonresidential Districts,” Section 4-302, “Commercial District,” requiring conditional use review for schools located within a commercial zoning district; providing for a repealer provision; severability clause; codification and providing for an effective date, Mr. Trias. This is a public hearing item.

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: Mayor very simple amendment; simply adding schools as a conditional use under (C) under Commercial District.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: This is just a Zoning Code, no specific...?

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: Yes – right. This is just the amendment to the Zoning Code. There is no project today. There may be some, at least one in the future.

Vice Mayor Quesada: What is the practical impact of this?

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: The practical impact is that you as a Commission get to decide and review the impacts. For example, traffic or anything like that and because it's a conditional use, you can add conditions if you choose to approve a school in the downtown, for example.

Vice Mayor Quesada: Are you saying that now we currently are not allowed to?

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: Right. Currently it is not allowed. Currently it's not allowed.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Deerborne School was where Mercedes Benz is and we had others and this is just an amendment to allow what used to be allowed.

Vice Mayor Quesada: Got it.

Commissioner Mena: So, it will still come to us when you change this?

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: Right. Its conditional use. It's not by-right, its conditional use.

Vice Mayor Quesada: Got it. So moved.

Commissioner Keon: Second.

City Attorney Ramos: It's a public hearing item.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Anyone wish to speak? Will you call the roll please?

Commissioner Keon: Yes

Commissioner Mena: Yes

Vice Mayor Quesada: Yes
Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes
(Vote: 4-0)
(Commissioner Lago: Absent)

[End: 10:46:11 a.m.]