

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item I-1
October 8, 2019
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL

City Commission

Mayor Raul Valdes-Fauli
Vice Mayor Vince Lago
Commissioner Jorge Fors, Jr.
Commissioner Pat Keon
Commissioner Michael Mena

City Staff

City Manager, Peter Iglesias
City Attorney, Miriam Ramos
City Clerk, Billy Urquia

Public Speaker(s)

Alex Villoch, CEO, Baptist Health Foundation

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Update regarding Doctor's Hospital Lot

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Last item before lunch is update on Doctor's Hospital Lot, Mr. City Manager.

City Manager Iglesias: Yes Mayor. I think we've been working with a new team with Doctor's Hospital. They've provided a good faith offer and I do believe that we are working forward on this.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Beautiful. Get an important welcome and we had a great positive meeting the other day on what you are doing.

Ms. Alex Villoch: I'm Alex Villoch, I'm a 35-year resident of the City of Coral Gables. I thank you for the opportunity to speak. I am also the new CEO of the Baptist Health Foundation, but I've also been tasked separately with also leading our government and community relations efforts and team across all the municipalities that we serve the state in at the federal level. I look forward

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very much to working with all of you. At Baptist Health we take our work very seriously, a compassionate health care provider for the City of Coral Gables, taking care of our patients at Doctor's Hospital and at the four outpatient sites that we operate throughout the City. We are also very proud to be headquartered at the City of Coral Gables and are proud of our longstanding commitment to the Coral Gables community, supporting organizations that are near and dear to our hearts, such as the Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce, the Coral Gables Community Foundation and the Actor's Playhouse. We want to work together with the City to ensure that we have a parking solution at Doctor's Hospital that allows the community's continued access to Doctor's Hospital so that the community members that we serve have access very easily to life-saving services, world class doctors and to visit their loved ones easily. We appreciate the opportunity to work with the City Manager, with Mr. Peter Iglesias, and to find a positive resolution on this matter. We are committed to working with the City to move this matter forward very quickly and we would like to request that this matter be deferred to the November 12th meeting in order to allow us time to meet with the Manager and with each of you to find a solution that is in the best interest of the patients we serve that are also your constituents and the residents of our City. Thank you very much.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you very, very much.

City Manager Iglesias: And Mr. Mayor, I have no issue with that November 12th.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: What?

City Manager Iglesias: I have no issue with November 12th.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you very much Alex.

City Attorney Ramos: I need a motion continuing their deadline to November.

Commissioner Keon: I'd like to make a motion to continue the deadline to the November 12th.

Vice Mayor Lago: Second.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: OK. Will you call the roll please?

Commissioner Keon: Yes

Vice Mayor Lago: Yes

Commissioner Mena: Yes

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes

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(Vote: 4-0)
(Commissioner Fors: Absent)

[End: 1:09:43 p.m.]