



**CITY OF CORAL GABLES
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
October 26, 2010**

ITEM TITLE:

An Ordinance of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables creating Chapter 34, Article VI, entitled "Lawn Maintenance Equipment" of the Code of The City of Coral Gables, Florida and regulating debris produced and coming from all lawn maintenance equipment; amending Article V by changing the hours of operation for power tools and landscaping equipment Under Chapter 34; providing for restrictions on the use of motorized leaf blowers, providing for exemptions; providing for enforcement and penalties; providing for severability, repealer, codification and an effective date.

DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:

Approval.

BRIEF HISTORY:

Attached hereto is a copy of the proposed amendments to the Nuisance Ordinance of the City Code, requested by City Commissioners and specifically Commissioner Ralph Cabrera, which amends the times in which lawn equipment may be utilized and creates a section prohibiting the continuous disruption of the residents by the use of landscape equipment's ability to broadcast debris into the air and onto nearby properties, creates a section restricting the use of motorized leaf blowers. The equipment to be regulated is lawn mowers, lawn-edgers, weed trimmers, blowers and chippers used to maintain lawns. Those maintaining lawns will be required to gather and dispose of the debris in appropriate manners. Otherwise, the property owner and/or landscaper will be issued a written warning and, thereafter, will be issued a violation.

APPROVED BY:

City Attorney	City Manager

Attachments

1. Ordinance