

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item G-2
May 30, 2017
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL

City Commission

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

City Staff

City Manager, Cathy Swanson-Rivenbark
City Attorney, Craig E. Leen
City Clerk, Walter J. Foeman
Deputy City Clerk, Billy Urquia

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item G-2 [12:21:15 p.m.]

Discussion regarding Bike Move Over Law
(Sponsored by Commissioner Quesada)

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: The next item is Item G-2, Bike Move Over Law, Commissioner Quesada.

Commissioner Quesada: So, this is just a quick item. I just want to make sure we have a lot of cyclists in the City and I've spoken to Jessica Keller about this, because she has more experience when it comes to this topic than the rest of us do, but she is a little bit backed up, but at a future Commission meeting I'm going to be bringing up a resolution, we don't have a bike move over law in the City. There are state stature requirements and I just want to make sure we adopt that, and if there is any way we can maybe strengthen it, I think that's beneficial. So again, nothing to vote on today just because she was a little backed up and I was a little backed up, so we won't be able to get prepared, but the point is when you are driving a car you hate cyclists and when you are on a bicycle you hate cars; and it's a difficult goal to achieve and I know we've got our Bike Master Plan, and I know that we've been working on it, we've been setting monies aside, so I just want to make sure that in the interim period, do we have that built out?- I just want to make

sure that we have a clear delineated law in the City if we had to deal with that situation. In a future meeting I'll bring it up in detail.

Vice Mayor Keon: Can we also have a law that bicyclists have to ride single file?

Commissioner Quesada: Yes.

[Laughter]

Vice Mayor Keon: We do need to move over for bicyclists, you also can't have them riding three and four across.

Commissioner Quesada: What I recommend is, speak to Jessica Keller, she is drafting something for me to bring it before a future Commission meeting, so thoughts like that, discuss it with her and implement it into the regulation before she brings it before us.

Vice Mayor Keon: We had had a request from Deborah Spain to have an update on the Bike Master Plan, I think she sent us all a memo, I mean an e-mail on it. I had asked Jessica when she would be able, considering her workload and what she is doing, what would be a good time to be able to do that. She said that the June 14th meeting she was going to come back and do that as requested by Deborah Spain and the Committee. Could you notify them that it's going to be on the 14th, will you please? Thank you – and so, maybe these two items can be addressed at the same time.

Commissioner Quesada: If she's ready that's great.

Vice Mayor Keon: Thank you.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you.

[End: 12:23:38 p.m.]