

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item E-12
May 7, 2024
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL

City Commission

Mayor Vince Lago

Vice Mayor Rhonda Anderson

Commissioner Melissa Castro

Commissioner Ariel Fernandez

Commissioner Kirk Menendez

City Staff

City Attorney, Cristina Suárez

City Manager, Amos Rojas, Jr.

City Clerk, Billy Urquia

Asset Manager, Zeida Sardinas

Public Speaker(s)

Joe Jimenez

Agenda Item E-12 [2:45 p.m.]

A Resolution of the City Commission approving the Final Plat entitled “Arcana Subdivision” pursuant to Zoning Code Article 14, “Process,” Section 14-210, “Platting/Subdivision,” being a re-plat consisting of two existing lots which total 97,377 (ninety seven thousand three hundred seventy seven) square feet (2.24 acres) into a modified two lots on the property legally described as Lots 4 and 5, Palm Vista, together with that portion of the vacated 50-foot platted right-of-way lying between Lots 4 and 5, and dedication of 1,748 (one thousand seven hundred forty eight) square feet between (5400 and 5401 Banyan Trail), Coral Gables, Florida; including required conditions; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date. (LEGAL DESCRIPTION ON FILE) (04 04 23 PZB recommended approval, Vote 5-0) Lobbyist: Jose Jimenez

Mayor Lago: E-12.

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City Attorney Suarez: E-12 is A Resolution of the City Commission approving the Final Plat entitled “Arcana Subdivision” pursuant to Zoning Code Article 14, “Process,” Section 14-210, “Platting/Subdivision,” being a re-plat consisting of two existing lots which total 97,377 (ninety seven thousand three hundred seventy seven) square feet (2.24 acres) into a modified two lots on the property legally described as Lots 4 and 5, Palm Vista, together with that portion of the vacated 50-foot platted right-of-way lying between Lots 4 and 5, and dedication of 1,748 (one thousand seven hundred forty eight) square feet between (5400 and 5401 Banyan Trail), Coral Gables, Florida; including required conditions; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date. We should have a presentation. So, everyone who should be speaking on this item should be sworn in because it is quasi-judicial.

City Clerk Urquia: Please stand and raise your right hand. Do you swear or affirm that the testimony you’ll provide today will be the truth and nothing but the truth. Thank you.

City Attorney Suarez: So, the applicant.

Mayor Lago: The applicant always goes first.

City Attorney Suarez: My apologies, I confused the order.

Joe Jimenez: Thank you, Madam City Attorney. Joe Jimenez, address 2020 Salzedo Street, Suite 102. We’re back here, this is the second time this has been before you. To refresh your recollection, this was an old, platted right-of-way that’s sort of grown over. Nobody even knew it was there until we went to design a new home. A fence had been actually put up across, that fence will be removed now. The original cud-de-sac as it was platted, was platted so long ago, it wouldn’t even satisfy your current equipment. So, in vacating that, which you’ve already done, we then dedicated what is now a T-turn around for your garbage trucks, your fire trucks, and everything else and the essential move here is, while conforming to the minimum lot size, we are just moving the property line over a little bit, is essentially the only thing this plat is actually doing and finalizing the turnaround and everything else. So, I’m here to answer any questions.

Planning Official Garcia: Good afternoon, Jennifer Garcia, Planning Official, sorry. This is the last step in the replat process. You had seen a tentative plat and you approved it back in May 23 of last year and staff recommends approval.

Mayor Lago: Thank you. Mr. Clerk, do you have any public comment?

City Clerk Urquia: No, Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Lago: I’ll entertain a motion.

Commissioner Menendez: I’ll move it.

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Vice Mayor Anderson: Second.

Vice Mayor Anderson: Yes

Commissioner Castro: Yes

Commissioner Fernandez: Yes

Commissioner Menendez: Yes

Mayor Lago: Yes

(Vote: 5-0)