

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES
BUDGET/AUDIT ADVISORY BOARD**

Meeting Minutes: Wednesday, June 05, 2019

Conference Room First Floor , City Hall, 405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, Florida

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John Holian	-	P	P	-	P	-	-	-	P	P	-	-	Commissioner Frank C. Quesada
Francisco Paredes	-	P	P	-	E	-	-	-	P	P	-	P	Commissioner Mena
Rosa Bravo	-	A	E	-	P	-	-	-	A	P	-	P	Mayor Valdes-Fauli
Carmen Sabater			P	-	P	-	-	-	P	P	-	P	Commissioner Pat Keon
Carmen Olazabal [^]												P	Commissioner Fors

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[^]- New Member

#- Special meeting

** - Resigned Member

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TRANSCRIPT
CORAL GABLES CITY HALL
405 BILTMORE WAY, FIRST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2019, COMMENCING AT 8:07 A.M.

Board Members Present:

Frank Paredes
Carmen Olazabal
Carmen Sabater
Rosa Bravo

City Staff and Consultants:

Keith Kleiman, Assistant Finance Director for Management
and Budget
Diana M. Gomez, Finance Director
Sally Ola Ola, Assistant Finance Director
Mitranand Bhagarathis, Senior Management and
Budget Analyst

1 THEREUPON:

2 (The following proceedings were held.)

3 MS. GOMEZ: We'll call the meeting to order
4 at 8:07.

5 Roll Call. Alex is not here today.

6 Carmen Olazabal?

7 MS. OLAZABAL: Here.

8 MS. GOMEZ: Carmen Sabater?

9 MS. SABATER: Here.

10 MS. GOMEZ: Frank Paredes?

11 MR. PAREDES: Here.

12 MS. GOMEZ: Rosa Bravo?

13 MS. BRAVO: Here.

14 MS. GOMEZ: All right. So, I guess, first
15 introductions. We have a new member. Carmen
16 Olazabal, right?

17 MS. OLAZABAL: Olazabal. It's supposed to
18 have an accent on the second "A," but in
19 English you don't write it. It's okay.

20 MS. GOMEZ: Welcome.

21 MS. OLAZABAL: I'm used to Carmen O.

22 MS. GOMEZ: When you're here, you're just
23 Carmen, so it's easier for us. Obviously, we
24 know Carmen because she's been here to the
25 City, but welcome to the Board.

1 MS. OLAZABAL: Thank you.

2 MS. GOMEZ: For the most part, we meet
3 monthly, except for a couple of months
4 throughout the year, and we start at 8:00, and
5 it's usually about an hour of the meeting. It
6 depends. If we have a lot of items, sometimes
7 it goes a little bit longer. And Yvette is our
8 liaison, who will be the one contacting you for
9 any information that you may need.

10 Okay. So the first item is the Approval of
11 the April 16, 2019 minutes. Are there any
12 comments?

13 MR. PAREDES: I've got one. On Page 21,
14 Line 13, I think -- this says, "Through us" --
15 it says, "Us through," instead of "Through us."
16 Other than that, that's all I've got.

17 MS. GOMEZ: Okay.

18 MR. PAREDES: And the other question I had
19 is, on this Schedule of Attendees, why do we
20 still have Tony Rivas, Erin Knight and Cheryl
21 Goldstein? All of those guys have moved on.
22 Could we just maybe update that?

23 MS. GOMEZ: It's because, in the year -- we
24 have to do it for the whole year or a 12-month
25 period. So they will fall off --

1 MR. PAREDES: I got you. I got you.

2 MS. GOMEZ: They'll fall off in a couple of
3 months. Sorry.

4 Okay. So with that correction, are there
5 any other corrections?

6 MS. SABATER: I just sent you these two.

7 MS. GOMEZ: Okay. So, for the record, it's
8 Page 6, Line 17, changing "Auditing" to
9 "Audit."

10 Line 21 on Page 6 -- it may be an
11 arrangement letter. Sometimes they call it an
12 arrangement letter or an engagement letter.

13 MS. SABATER: Okay.

14 MS. GOMEZ: That's it? Okay.

15 Any other comments or changes?

16 So do we have a motion?

17 MR. PAREDES: I move.

18 MS. BRAVO: Second.

19 MS. GOMEZ: Okay. All in favor?

20 MR. PAREDES: Aye.

21 MS. SABATER: Aye.

22 MS. BRAVO: Aye.

23 MS. GOMEZ: Any opposed? No? Okay. So
24 the Minutes pass.

25 Okay. The Quarterly Financial Statements

1 is the next item. So this is the Quarterly
2 Financial Statements for the three months
3 ended -- for the six months ending March 31st,
4 2019, which is the second quarter of the fiscal
5 year -- of the current fiscal year that we are
6 in.

7 We've seen this report before. It just
8 records whether or not, as of each quarter, we
9 are on track with the budget. It is on a cash
10 basis. So it means, if we receive the cash in,
11 it will be reflected. If we haven't, and if we
12 expend it as of the date, it will be reflected.

13 MR. PAREDES: Why is the first column
14 called Revised Annual Budget? Has that
15 actually been revised?

16 MS. GOMEZ: Yes. We adopt the budget at
17 the end of September. At any point in time
18 after that, we may have budget amendments,
19 various budget amendments, throughout the year,
20 that will affect the budget. So instead of
21 using the Adopted Budget, that has most likely
22 changed, it would be a revised budget.

23 So some of the standard things that we -- I
24 mean, if you want to mention --

25 MR. KLEIMAN: Yeah. Actually, we have

1 budget transfers that just go from one account
2 to another. We also have budget amendments,
3 which increase the budget or decrease the
4 budget, depending on what it is, like a grant
5 coming in or a donation or taking something out
6 of fund balance. Usually we anticipate that at
7 the beginning of the year, but it's almost --
8 like the City Clerk just took 75,000 out of his
9 reserve, that we did a budget amendment for
10 that.

11 Typically, the word is "Amended Budget."
12 That's how you'll see it in the City's budget
13 document, but it's anything that's changed the
14 budget from the adopted condition, which was on
15 October 1st.

16 MR. PAREDES: But they've all been adopted
17 by the Commission?

18 MS. GOMEZ: Yes.

19 MR. KLEIMAN: Oh, absolutely, yes.

20 MR. PAREDES: They don't come here
21 necessarily?

22 MS. GOMEZ: No. No. All of the budget
23 transfers -- some budget transfers, we have
24 authority to just do within line items, because
25 the adopted budget or Budget Ordinance gives us

1 that sort of housekeeping authority. And,
2 then, ones that affect revenue or
3 expenditures --

4 MR. KLEIMAN: Or come from fund balance.

5 MS. GOMEZ: -- will go to the Commission as
6 a regular Commission item, a Resolution.

7 MS. OLAZABAL: So what triggers it having
8 to go to Commission would be --

9 MS. GOMEZ: The type. So if we're touching
10 anything in reserves and fund balance, it would
11 go. If it was something that was a brand new
12 revenue, something that was not contemplated or
13 an expenditure that is above the authority --

14 MR. KLEIMAN: Right.

15 MS. GOMEZ: -- of either myself or the City
16 Manager, that would then -- or if we don't have
17 -- yeah, because in between funds or -- within
18 like a department, if I'm moving from my office
19 supplies to my travel, that does not need to go
20 in front of the Commission. We have authority
21 to do that.

22 MR. KLEIMAN: Right.

23 MS. OLAZABAL: Regardless of amount?

24 MS. GOMEZ: Regardless of amount. Because
25 the way that the budgets are done here, each

1 department has a set amount. Let's just say, a
2 million dollar of a budget, so as long as they
3 don't exceed that million dollars, nothing has
4 to --

5 MS. SABATER: So maybe it would just be
6 good to understand what the original budget
7 was, in terms of revenue. Was it approximately
8 still 82 million, just different categories,
9 versus the amended budget?

10 MR. KLEIMAN: The major change, honestly,
11 for us, because we don't do that many budget
12 amendments, the major changes are
13 reappropriations from the previous year. So, I
14 mean, it could be -- like for the Capital
15 Improvement fund, it could be 80 million
16 dollars.

17 MS. SABATER: I guess, in particular to
18 this one.

19 MS. GOMEZ: Right. So we could maybe add
20 an Original Adopted Budget column, if that
21 would help.

22 MS. SABATER: On a separate page.

23 MS. GOMEZ: On a separate page? On a
24 separate page, yeah, that's fine.

25 MR. KLEIMAN: But then you wouldn't be able

1 to --

2 MS. GOMEZ: -- compare it.

3 MS. SABATER: Just the two.

4 MS. OLAZABAL: Just the Adopted and the
5 Amended.

6 MR. KLEIMAN: Okay.

7 MS. GOMEZ: Okay. Budget to budget, right.

8 MR. PAREDES: But from a perspective, this
9 year to last year, we're doing better. We've
10 collected 76 percent more --

11 MS. BRAVO: Yeah, there's the 10 million --

12 MR. PAREDES: We've got 10 million from the
13 land. But still, 10 million on 140 is --

14 MS. SABATER: So excluding those items,
15 we're at 69 percent versus 70 percent last
16 year. I guess, from a trend perspective, the
17 permits were significantly less than what -- or
18 they're trending at 47 percent versus the 80
19 percent last year.

20 Is there a concern that construction is
21 just not going to pace?

22 MS. GOMEZ: No. It's just really the
23 timing of the activity and what projects are
24 this year versus last year. And so
25 sometimes -- so when there is a one time item,

1 we don't budget for it. So we're not expecting
2 something that may be very large, even if we
3 know it's coming, we don't use it in the
4 budget, because it's not recurring -- we're not
5 going to get it every single year.

6 There's a big project. It's going to
7 generate a million dollars in extra permits.
8 Fine. That will go towards one time needs that
9 we have in the current or subsequent year.
10 Usually the subsequent year, right? We don't
11 usually spend it in the same year, unless
12 there's a major need.

13 MR. KLEIMAN: Uh-huh.

14 MS. GOMEZ: So we only budget based on
15 trends in the permitting, so we know that --
16 that's why we're confident that we will make
17 our budget, even though some timing of things,
18 compared to last year, is different.

19 MS. OLAZABAL: If anything, it seems like
20 last year we had a good permit. Something big
21 came, that was bigger than projected.

22 MS. GOMEZ: That is correct.

23 MS. OLAZABAL: And that this year we're
24 close to 50 percent.

25 MS. GOMEZ: Correct.

1 MS. OLAZABAL: Because we're at 50 percent
2 of the year.

3 MS. GOMEZ: Correct.

4 MR. KLEIMAN: Correct.

5 MS. OLAZABAL: So it's a little low, but
6 it's close to what was projected.

7 MS. GOMEZ: Correct. Exactly.

8 MS. OLAZABAL: So last year was a good
9 year.

10 MS. GOMEZ: Right, because we had -- by
11 this time last year, we had other projects that
12 maybe threw us over.

13 MR. KLEIMAN: Probably the Agave permits.

14 MS. OLAZABAL: The Agave Ponce.

15 MR. KLEIMAN: Uh-huh. The first tower, I
16 think, went in.

17 MS. GOMEZ: Right.

18 MS. SABATER: So nothing concerning?

19 MS. GOMEZ: So there's nothing concerning
20 on the revenue side. Property taxes are where
21 we believe they should be at this point.

22 MS. BRAVO: What about the Franchise Taxes
23 for the Electrical that's only at 30 percent
24 and the Utility Service Taxes -- so we should
25 be at 50 and those are --

1 MR. KLEIMAN: They're behind.

2 MS. GOMEZ: They're behind in collections.
3 So, as of March, we have only received up
4 through January, because they don't remit it --
5 they will remit it, so at the end of the year,
6 we will accrue for the months that we don't
7 get, that we know we're going to get. So, as
8 of right now, this is only reporting as of
9 January for the Electric Franchise, and as of
10 February -- in the Utility Service Taxes, it's
11 through February. So we're a month shy,
12 because we don't do accruals on this report.
13 We just do it cash basis.

14 MS. SABATER: I guess, percentage-wise,
15 against budget, they're pretty consistent.

16 MS. GOMEZ: Exactly. There's nothing of
17 significant note. As we went through preparing
18 the report and talking it through, there's
19 nothing in the revenue side or even on the
20 expenditure side that gives us any kind of
21 pause or concern at this point in the year.

22 It's still kind of early, but we're on
23 track with where we would expect ourselves to
24 be.

25 MS. BRAVO: And the Environment Fees are

1 also back ended?

2 MS. GOMEZ: Environment Fees?

3 MS. BRAVO: Physical Environment Fees.

4 MS. GOMEZ: Hold on. Let me get there.

5 MS. BRAVO: Like Solid Waste.

6 MS. GOMEZ: Right. So Solid Waste, I mean,
7 we have collected almost everything.

8 MS. BRAVO: Yes. It's the other two.

9 MS. GOMEZ: Yes. So Sanitary Sewer, up to
10 December, we've received. They're usually two
11 to three months behind, but we do get it. It
12 just takes time.

13 MS. BRAVO: Okay.

14 MS. SABATER: I guess, on the topic of
15 receiving, have we received any FEMA
16 reimbursement? Is there a plan to accelerate
17 that?

18 MS. GOMEZ: Okay. So we have received,
19 what was the number, like \$84,000 at this
20 point. There's a good amount, I want to say,
21 close to two million, in an obligated status,
22 meaning like it's at the final step in FEMA.
23 Knock on wood, right, because we never know.

24 MS. OLAZABAL: How much was it?

25 MS. GOMEZ: That's two million that right

1 now is like kind of in the pipeline to be paid
2 hopefully soon.

3 MS. OLAZABAL: Okay.

4 MS. GOMEZ: We had total claims or total
5 expenditures of about 22 million dollars. Of
6 that amount, I want to say, 13 million have to
7 do -- somewhere between 11 and 13 million have
8 to do with the debris and the emergency
9 protective measures, which we should get a
10 significant portion of that from FEMA, maybe
11 13, 14 million, actually, and then another six
12 million or so has to do with property damage,
13 facilities and things like that that were
14 damaged.

15 For the property damage items, FEMA is only
16 going to reimburse us or pay us for our
17 deductible, right, and then we have to go after
18 insurance for the balance. So they'll pay us
19 our deductible, and maybe, if they approve
20 mitigation to certain pump stations or
21 something like that, they will give us money
22 sufficient to harden it, perhaps, if it was
23 approved for mitigation, and the balance of it
24 we hope to get from insurance. We are insured
25 and --

1 MS. SABATER: It was two years ago.

2 MS. OLAZABAL: All cities are seeing --

3 MS. GOMEZ: Yeah, all cities -- we are not
4 in any worse shape than any other city. I have
5 talked to counterparts and they have not
6 received much, if any, reimbursements. It is a
7 process that -- it's amazing. So go back to
8 Wilma, Katrina, I believe it was like four
9 years before we received final payment. And in
10 those storms, FEMA and the State physically
11 came out here and assisted each city, sat side
12 by side to create all of the worksheets, all of
13 the claims, so that way, when you submit them,
14 they are done correctly.

15 MS. BRAVO: The way they want them.

16 MS. GOMEZ: The way they want them.

17 This storm, they were not here. In the
18 beginning, it sounded like they were going to
19 come and be here, and they really weren't. We
20 had a project manager, who assisted, but our
21 project manager switched three times over, and
22 so we were kind of on our own with a new system
23 that they're using and putting together
24 information.

25 So we have been doing everything that we

1 need to do and modifying things as they ask us
2 to. You know, they tell us, "Do it this way,"
3 and they did some switch and said, "Well, no,
4 now we need it this way." So there's been some
5 of that re-work, but at the same time, we had
6 some delays, in terms of just getting all of
7 the paperwork together to submit it, right,
8 because it was a brand new process.

9 So, yes, it's a long process. I don't
10 think that we're being treated any differently
11 than anyone else. I think that we are doing
12 everything we need to do and it's just going
13 through the process, because there is a FEMA
14 review, which is very lengthy, and then it goes
15 off to the State, and the State, it appears,
16 has been reviewing a hundred percent of
17 everything, as well. As opposed to, in the
18 past, it wasn't like that. It was just, FEMA
19 would approve it and then it would go through
20 payment, but, then, I think, there's been a lot
21 of talk that, you know, the State got into
22 trouble for some of the other storms that they
23 paid too much and they didn't do enough due
24 diligence, so now they're very cautious, and so
25 that the State review process is just as long,

1 if not longer than the FEMA initial process.

2 There was some discussion to say that,
3 after a certain date, and I don't have that
4 date, if there was a new submission that was
5 making it into the State, that they would
6 automatically pay you like 30 percent and then
7 they'll do their work or something like that,
8 like 50 percent, but I think ours were already
9 in the mix before that date, right, because it
10 was not too long ago. It was just a couple of
11 months ago.

12 MR. PAREDES: From a fund balance, we
13 funded everything related to the previous
14 storm, but we're now into a new season.

15 MS. GOMEZ: Correct.

16 MR. PAREDES: I don't know if you've
17 noticed that. But do we have enough fund
18 balance?

19 MS. GOMEZ: Well, what's enough, right? It
20 depends. Is it a similar storm to this one?
21 20 million dollars? Yes, because we have
22 enough, because we have 35 million dollars of
23 fund balance. If it knocks everything out,
24 probably not, right. So it really depends on
25 what kind of storm.

1 MS. SABATER: That's why I think it's
2 important that we stay on top of it and I don't
3 know if that's the Mayor's responsibility or --

4 MS. GOMEZ: There's nothing really to do.
5 The fact that it's taking a long time at FEMA
6 and the State level, I think everybody knows
7 it --

8 MR. KLEIMAN: There's nothing extraordinary
9 to do.

10 MS. GOMEZ: Exactly.

11 MS. OLAZABAL: I work with other cities,
12 too, and they're all following up, because
13 they're seeing the new hurricane season. They
14 see their reserves are not what they were on
15 the previous storm. They don't get a specific
16 date as to when that money is going to be
17 available. So, of course, you have to follow
18 up, because it can't hurt, but other than
19 that -- I haven't seen them pay some cities and
20 not others because of paperwork.

21 MS. GOMEZ: Sure. It is a daily
22 communication. Elsie, in our office, is our
23 grants liaison and she and Yvette, actually,
24 because Yvette is doing one part of it as well,
25 daily they're dealing with this. This really

1 has been everything -- almost their whole job
2 for the past year and a half, two years,
3 dealing with the back and forth and making sure
4 that they get everything that they need.

5 So that we are on top of them, we are on
6 top of them. We are on top of it. It's
7 just -- you know, they need this information,
8 and then they need that information, and it
9 just takes time to communicate in between the
10 City and departments to get the information
11 that we need in order to submit it back. And
12 then once we submit it, then it has to go
13 through the review.

14 So that we're doing what we need to be
15 doing? Yes. I don't know that there's
16 anything more that could happen to expedite it,
17 frankly.

18 MR. KLEIMAN: The good thing is, we had the
19 reserves to do this. Other cities had to take
20 out lines of credits, because they don't
21 have --

22 MS. BRAVO: Probably the big concern is
23 that we're on hurricane season again, and it
24 wasn't a big storm.

25 MS. GOMEZ: Right.

1 MS. BRAVO: And it was 20 million dollars.
2 If we get a real storm, we might be sitting in
3 that same situation next year.

4 MR. KLEIMAN: Right.

5 MS. OLAZABAL: Do we have a line of credit?

6 MS. GOMEZ: We don't have a line of credit,
7 but we have the ability to get a line of credit
8 easily. We have, in the past, been approached
9 and we've talked to our bank, and it's not a
10 question as to whether we can get one, it's
11 whether we need one.

12 I haven't wanted to take out a line of
13 credit, because then we're paying fees for
14 something that we don't need yet. And so with
15 that, just as a side note, the City has a
16 portion of the 20, 21 million dollar, we have a
17 portion that's going to be our responsibility,
18 right, roughly 12 and a half percent for most
19 of the categories. We've already been funding
20 our portion at the close of each year.

21 So, for instance, in fiscal '17, because
22 the storm happened in September '17, those 30
23 days through 9/30, maybe we had half a million
24 dollars that was going to be our
25 responsibility, because FEMA only pays you a

1 certain amount, and we funded it at the close
2 of that fiscal year.

3 This past year, there was about three and a
4 half million dollars that was our
5 responsibility, that we knew was going to be
6 our responsibility. So we've already funded
7 that piece of it, right. So the 20 million, 22
8 million has been reduced by the portions that
9 we've already paid. So we're just not waiting
10 on 20 million. It's a portion of that 20
11 million, right, because we've already paid
12 about four million in total.

13 MS. OLAZABAL: So you're saying we should
14 be getting the 22 million minus the 12 percent?

15 MS. GOMEZ: Correct. It's not exactly 12
16 and a half percent, because there's one
17 category that they're paying a hundred percent,
18 there's another category they're paying 90
19 percent for one month, so there's a lot of
20 different categories, but, more or less, 12 and
21 a half percent, but we've been paying our
22 portion.

23 And then, also, on the insurance, we did
24 receive an insurance advance of \$750,000, that
25 the insurance has advanced us, because they

1 have acknowledged that they will have claims.
2 So some of the money --

3 MS. SABATER: No, but at the end of the
4 day, haven't we come out of pocket 20 million
5 dollars?

6 MS. GOMEZ: We came out of pocket 20, 21
7 million dollars, that's correct, and then we
8 funded our portion of it. So, now, we're still
9 waiting to be reimbursed somewhere around 16
10 million. 16 to 17 million is what we're
11 waiting to be reimbursed from FEMA and the
12 State.

13 So it's still a lot of money. I don't want
14 to make it seem like that I'm not --

15 MS. BRAVO: The two million that you think
16 we're going to get, when do you think --

17 MS. GOMEZ: So the first claim that we put
18 was a simple claim. It was for \$8,000. From
19 the time when they told us, it's obligated, it
20 was months before we got the money. It was
21 \$8,000, but it was the most simple claim.
22 There's no way to tell, and I'd be lying if I'd
23 try to tell you.

24 MS. SABATER: Have we hired an advisor to
25 help put the claim together?

1 MS. GOMEZ: So part of our debris
2 monitoring contract is the grants management
3 portion of it. So the consultants, we've been
4 doing Little Brian (phonetic), they were our
5 consultants and our monitors for the Irma
6 storm, and, yes, they have been hand in hand
7 with us and guiding us the whole way and
8 answering any questions we have.

9 MS. SABATER: Can they give us like a
10 status report for the next meeting?

11 MS. GOMEZ: I mean, we can give you a
12 status report. We can put together a status
13 report. I don't know how much information it's
14 going to tell you, except for just a listing of
15 the claims and pending, because nobody knows --
16 I mean, I guess we can tell you --

17 MS. SABATER: By law, the government is not
18 required to respond by a certain amount of
19 time, similar to insurance companies have to
20 respond within a --

21 MS. OLAZABAL: That would be a good law.

22 MS. GOMEZ: It would be a good law, but,
23 no. That would be a law against themselves.
24 So, no.

25 And there's another piece of it, too, that

1 you have to also -- you know, it's one of those
2 things where -- and I say this, you know,
3 respectfully, but do we want to start a fight
4 with the Feds or the State when they're holding
5 all the cards?

6 MS. SABATER: No. So I'm not saying to
7 start a fight. I'm just saying -- I'm not a
8 hundred percent sure that we've followed
9 protocol, and then that there's a protocol on
10 their side to respond. I don't have enough
11 information, based on what you're saying --

12 MS. GOMEZ: Sure. I see what you're
13 saying.

14 MS. SABATER: -- and so I'm just trying to
15 understand what the process is, and if the
16 process is open-ended, never ending, then
17 that's what it is, but I would think that they
18 have a duty to respond after you file a claim
19 of so many days.

20 MS. GOMEZ: And they have been. As I said,
21 it's a constant communication. They use the
22 grants portal and they document there where
23 it's at. We can ask Valerie to come to the
24 next meeting and give us kind of like a -- in
25 terms of a status update, we can show our

1 claims and kind of where they are in the flow.

2 MS. OLAZABAL: Right. And, I guess, tell
3 us what the flow is. So first it's reviewed by
4 this department and that department. We won't
5 know how much time, but at least we'll know
6 it's at three and it's five steps.

7 MS. GOMEZ: I don't think it's going to be
8 that straight forward, but, yes. So it won't
9 be at the next meeting, which is just the
10 budget review before the budget estimate, it
11 would be probably the next regular meeting,
12 because I don't want to make it too long of a
13 meeting.

14 MS. OLAZABAL: So I have a question. So we
15 have 32 million in reserves, and when all is
16 said and done from FEMA, when we get all of
17 that money, we're supposed to get 16.5.

18 MS. GOMEZ: Uh-huh.

19 MS. OLAZABAL: So are we expecting our
20 reserves to go up by that amount?

21 MS. GOMEZ: So our reserves, the 25 is,
22 what, 44 million.

23 MS. OLAZABAL: The what percent?

24 MS. GOMEZ: Okay. So we maintain a 25
25 percent reserve of our operating expenditures.

1 MS. OLAZABAL: Right.

2 MS. GOMEZ: The budget operating
3 expenditures.

4 MR. KLEIMAN: Uh-huh.

5 MS. OLAZABAL: And that amount, this past
6 year, is about 44 million dollars. So,
7 theoretically, our reserves would be 44 million
8 dollars.

9 MS. OLAZABAL: So your target is to get to
10 44 million.

11 MS. GOMEZ: Right. Any leftover funds are
12 used for capital. They're used for other
13 expenditures or whatever.

14 So our reserves at 44 million dollars, as
15 of 9/30/18, right, so whatever our fund
16 balance is -- and I'm sorry, I don't have the
17 financial statements in front of me -- whatever
18 our fund balance is there, the unassigned, the
19 difference between that number and 44 million
20 is the amount that we are expecting as of
21 9/30/18 to come from FEMA.

22 Now, remember, some of the permanent work
23 the property damages, we haven't expended it
24 yet. We haven't spent the money yet, because
25 we haven't fixed the pump station yet. So

1 there's no expenditure yet.

2 So some of that money --

3 MS. OLAZABAL: We'll get it before --

4 MS. GOMEZ: Right. So we'll get an advance
5 before we actually spend the money. So the
6 bottom line is that 44 million dollars is where
7 our fund balance target is for 9/30/18, and
8 then whatever the difference is, that's
9 reported there as unassigned, is what, right as
10 of 9/30, we are pending from reimbursement.

11 Okay. Again, on the Quarterly, there's
12 really nothing of note. If you have any other
13 questions or anything? Departments are
14 trending at or below the 50 percent. There may
15 be some higher, some lower, depending, because
16 some things are seasonal.

17 MS. SABATER: I guess the question that I
18 had, like on the infrastructure projects for
19 the Stormwater Utility Fund, the budget is
20 almost seven million dollars and we've only
21 spent 62. Is any deferral affecting services
22 to the City? Why so little progress against
23 the 6.6 million dollar annual budget?

24 MR. KLEIMAN: Is this just the fund itself?
25 Does that include capital in the fund?

1 MS. OLA OLA: This is only fund.

2 MR. KLEIMAN: Right, but that includes
3 capital?

4 MS. OLA OLA: Yes.

5 MR. KLEIMAN: Right. That's just capital
6 projects that are pending.

7 MS. SABATER: Right, but, I mean, we
8 thought we would do 6.6 million --

9 MR. KLEIMAN: No.

10 MS. GOMEZ: No. Capital is a five-year
11 program, so it's whatever monies we have --

12 MR. KLEIMAN: It's more than just that.
13 Going back two years ago, we implemented a
14 Stormwater Sea Level Rise reserve, and it's
15 going to be building up a hundred million
16 dollars by the year 2040. So that is an
17 obligated project. It's appropriated. So it's
18 rolling from year to year.

19 So, like in FY19, I believe it's like two
20 million dollars. That's a big chunk right
21 there that's not going to be spent. That money
22 is going to be collected over the years, until
23 2040, when the City will know, at that point,
24 what it's really facing, because it really
25 doesn't know at this point.

1 MS. SABATER: But these are expenses.
2 These are budgeted expenses that we haven't --

3 MR. KLEIMAN: Right. It's budgeted. It's
4 appropriated. It's been reappropriated from
5 prior years, as well, slow every year.

6 MS. GOMEZ: We roll it, and we show it in
7 the infrastructure projects, because eventually
8 we'll have infrastructure projects to help for
9 sea level rise. It's not annual. It's not
10 this year's fund.

11 MR. KLEIMAN: It's not planned to be
12 spent --

13 MS. SABATER: So we're rolling revenue?

14 MS. GOMEZ: We're rolling budget, yes.

15 MR. KLEIMAN: Yes. Well, it goes into
16 reserve at the end of the year, into fund
17 balance, and we take it out of fund balance and
18 re-appropriate it at the start of the next
19 fiscal year. So you'll see it, in the CAFR, it
20 will be always there, rolling up, and you'll
21 start seeing it getting very, very big, you
22 know, a few years from now, because we'll start
23 collecting five million a year -- that's the
24 ultimate goal -- to build up to a hundred
25 million dollars.

1 MS. OLAZABAL: I am confused, too, because
2 it says, "Operating expenses."

3 MR. KLEIMAN: It's by fund.

4 MS. OLAZABAL: Okay.

5 MS. GOMEZ: So it just includes the capital
6 in there, and it will eventually be an
7 operating --

8 MS. OLAZABAL: Where does it say,
9 "Stormwater Utility"?

10 MS. GOMEZ: At the top.

11 MS. OLAZABAL: Okay. So Stormwater
12 Utility.

13 MS. GOMEZ: Right.

14 MS. OLAZABAL: So I guess it's an
15 enterprise fund, so you put the capital with it
16 that's funded by stormwater --

17 MS. GOMEZ: We put everything together,
18 right. It's not the current year expected to
19 be spent budget.

20 MS. OLAZABAL: So you see it here, and you
21 see it on the five-year capital?

22 MR. KLEIMAN: Yes.

23 MS. OLAZABAL: And in the five-year
24 capital, you have multiple funding sources?

25 MS. GOMEZ: Right.

1 MS. OLAZABAL: So the idea is that that
2 money is to be spent --

3 MS. GOMEZ: -- at some point in the future.

4 MR. KLEIMAN: There are current capital
5 projects, but stormwater is not quite the same
6 as sanitary sewer, where you have all of this
7 money going to pump stations. We do have a
8 similar program for FY19, but that money is
9 going to be spent now. That's to remediate the
10 pump stations, to lift them up. We don't want
11 to wait until 2040. Stormwater is a whole
12 different thing. That's true sea level rise,
13 and what is the City going to have to do to
14 raise up its land, whatever it has to do at
15 that point, and that really has not been
16 determined, because we have so much limestone.

17 MS. GOMEZ: So we're just kind of trying to
18 build up the money.

19 MR. KLEIMAN: And the money will be used
20 possibly for seed money. We'll be in a much
21 better place than any other city, because we're
22 going to have 100 million dollars set aside to
23 put toward this, where other cities are going
24 out for debt now, like Miami Beach. They're
25 raising up some levels right now. It's in

1 anticipation of something that's -- you know,
2 50 years from now, that 400 million is going to
3 be wasted money.

4 MS. SABATER: So is it possible to get a
5 list of the capital projects and like the funds
6 that they're included in, and then just say,
7 "Deferred," you know, something like that, just
8 because it gives you a sense that we should
9 have been spending seven million dollars and we
10 haven't, and so is the infrastructure of the
11 City suffering?

12 The answer is, no, but on the surface, you
13 feel like, "Oh, gosh, we had budgeted to invest
14 in the City seven million dollars and we
15 haven't."

16 MS. GOMEZ: So we do have a capital plan
17 book, so everything has to be kind of like
18 combined and looking at all together, not
19 just -- yes, I can see what you're saying here.
20 So I don't know, do we change the way we
21 present this? But then it's not true to the
22 fund where it actually is.

23 (Simultaneous speaking.)

24 MR. KLEIMAN: A separate one for sea level
25 rise, because you have infrastructure projects

1 that exist, 6.6 million dollars, pull out the
2 sea level rise, so at least you know the rest
3 are current capital projects.

4 MS. OLAZABAL: Yeah, divide it in two. The
5 ones that are current, because you need to
6 continue to maintain your stormwater system,
7 and the ones that are being separated for sea
8 level rise, and then put an asterisk on the sea
9 level rise that corresponds to the capital
10 ones, the kind of future projects, I think
11 makes it easier to read it.

12 MR. KLEIMAN: It's just that one line.
13 Construction projects will be broken out. Your
14 regular operating is in the line above, the
15 other charges and expenditures? Do you see
16 that?

17 MS. OLAZABAL: That's your regular
18 operating.

19 MR. PAREDES: Diana, on the sanitary sewer
20 system, the regular customers have only paid 30
21 percent. Is that a timing issue?

22 MS. GOMEZ: Yeah. We get it through
23 Miami-Dade County, and it's only through
24 December at this point.

25 MR. PAREDES: So you're behind?

1 MS. GOMEZ: Yes.

2 MS. OLAZABAL: Yes, it's with your water
3 and sewer bill, which is every three months.
4 And it probably takes time.

5 MS. GOMEZ: And so the County takes some
6 time to get it to us, exactly.

7 MR. PAREDES: And most of these Enterprise
8 Funds are funds that are operating at a loss.
9 Is there anything to be looked at? Venetian
10 Swimming Pool 118,000 loss for the year so
11 far --

12 MS. GOMEZ: Right. But, remember, these
13 are the summer months now. They're going to
14 get super busy now. So, in the winter, they're
15 really not that busy.

16 MR. PAREDES: Granada --

17 MS. GOMEZ: Granada --

18 MR. PAREDES: Biltmore --

19 MS. GOMEZ: They will actually normally
20 operate at a loss.

21 MR. KLEIMAN: Actually, for the most part,
22 parks revenues are -- they're extra for us.
23 Parks is not a moneymaker. The fees reimburse
24 the City as much as they can, but Parks is
25 typically just the responsibility of the City

1 to offer services for the community coming out
2 of your taxes. We charge a fee, obviously,
3 because we can't absorb everything through the
4 taxes, but it's never known to make money.

5 We're lucky, actually, the pool, it was run
6 so well by Carolina Vester, that for the first
7 time, starting three years ago, we started
8 actually being in the black. We never expected
9 that.

10 MS. GOMEZ: And these were funds that used
11 to be separated out when they were making their
12 own, you know, at least breaking even, but many
13 years ago, they just hadn't been, year after
14 year. So we consolidated them all into the
15 General Fund.

16 So if you look in the CAFR, the annual
17 financial statements, they're not shown as
18 individual funds. We show them this way, just
19 because they kind of used to be, and so we
20 just --

21 MS. OLAZABAL: When was that change made?

22 MS. GOMEZ: A long time ago.

23 MS. OLA OLA: 2002.

24 MS. GOMEZ: 2002?

25 MR. KLEIMAN: Before our time.

1 MS. GOMEZ: Any other questions, on any
2 other -- you may have some questions on
3 parking?

4 MS. SABATER: Yeah. On parking, I guess
5 they had an excess and there's no transfer to
6 the general fund. We had one last year, but
7 none this year. Is that just a timing issue or
8 is there a requirement?

9 MS. GOMEZ: No. We will do the transfers.
10 It hasn't been done yet, as of this point.

11 MS. BRAVO: Because you expect a loss for
12 the year?

13 MS. GOMEZ: No. No.

14 MS. BRAVO: Sorry. I looked at the wrong
15 line.

16 MS. GOMEZ: The budgeted transfers will be
17 used in the General Fund. We count on that
18 eight million dollars to fund everything in the
19 general, but we just haven't done the actual
20 transfer.

21 MS. SABATER: Okay. And the motor pool
22 fund, what is the source of revenue for that?

23 MR. KLEIMAN: All of the other funds.

24 MS. GOMEZ: So all of the departments pay
25 into the motor pool fund for their

1 proportionate share of the use of vehicles.

2 MR. KLEIMAN: It's an internal service
3 fund, so it gets complete funding. Other than
4 some interest income, it gets funded from all
5 of the other departments.

6 MS. SABATER: Okay.

7 MS. GOMEZ: And it doesn't show as a
8 budgeted fund. If you look in the budget,
9 you'll see a budget page, just to know its
10 operation, but if you look in the other
11 documents, it's not the separate fund that we
12 budget for.

13 MS. GOMEZ: And that's the same with Public
14 Facilities Fund, the insurance fund --

15 MR. KLEIMAN: Right.

16 MS. SABATER: Back to Parking, where would
17 we show the Pay By Phone revenue?

18 MS. OLA OLA: It's already broken up by
19 location.

20 MS. GOMEZ: So in each of the locations
21 revenue, it's there. We don't separate it.

22 MR. KLEIMAN: It used to be, a while ago,
23 but we couldn't track it then.

24 MS. GOMEZ: Right.

25 MS. SABATER: And that service works well?

1 MS. GOMEZ: Very well, yeah.

2 MR. KLEIMAN: I think it's up to, 70
3 percent now, of people are using Pay By Phone.
4 So, actually, over the next few years, we're
5 going to start eliminating parking meters.
6 Right now we're still replacing parking meters,
7 but we're going to start actually reducing that
8 expense.

9 MR. PAREDES: That is a fantastic process.

10 MS. SABATER: So if you use the Pay By
11 Phone, you'll eliminate, let's call it, the
12 expense in each parking lot, meaning the
13 attendant?

14 MR. KLEIMAN: No. Right now there are
15 major meters. Like there are two or three on a
16 block, and you have to go with a credit card
17 and things like that, but they're being used
18 less and less. And, also, the regular standard
19 meters, the regular ones, those are really
20 getting outdated. We still have some.

21 MS. GOMEZ: Like, for instance, in the
22 parking garage, we still do need to have
23 attendants, because if the machine breaks or
24 something. So there's usually like a
25 maintenance person. So there is somebody

1 there, a customer service type of attendant.

2 MR. KLEIMAN: And there's always someone
3 who is putting their credit card in upside
4 down --

5 MS. SABATER: Right. I'm guilty of that.

6 MS. GOMEZ: And then we have the expenses
7 related to --

8 MR. KLEIMAN: Or lost their card.

9 MS. GOMEZ: -- any type of maintenance.

10 MR. KLEIMAN: Our ACM, Assistant City
11 Manager, lost his card, and there was a lineup
12 in the garage. Remember, two weeks ago?

13 MS. GOMEZ: Uh-huh.

14 MR. KLEIMAN: He wasn't very popular at
15 that moment.

16 MS. OLAZABAL: I'm sure he wasn't.

17 So the expenses also includes the
18 maintenance of the garage --

19 MS. GOMEZ: Sure. Yes.

20 MS. OLAZABAL: -- and all of that?

21 MS. GOMEZ: Uh-huh.

22 And so there's probably more information in
23 the actual budget book as to the detailed line
24 items for each of the expenditures. So, again,
25 I mean, if you wanted more detail, you would

1 refer to your budget book and you would see
2 that, okay -- because each garbage, at least,
3 is its own --

4 MR. KLEIMAN: Oh, yeah, for the expense,
5 though. You won't see it on the revenue side.

6 MS. GOMEZ: Not on the revenue side, but,
7 right, on the expense side, you will see that
8 for each lot, it's a division, and then you can
9 just see what types of expenditures and how
10 many personnel versus --

11 MR. KLEIMAN: Right.

12 MS. BRAVO: Does the City pay for the
13 freebie service? Who covers that cost of the
14 freebie, the City?

15 MR. KLEIMAN: Yeah, the parking fund.

16 MS. BRAVO: The parking?

17 MS. GOMEZ: The parking fund is paying it.

18 MR. KLEIMAN: And then advertising goes to
19 reduce the cost.

20 MS. SABATER: It's a great service.

21 MS. OLAZABAL: You don't use any PTP funds
22 for it or -- no?

23 MR. KLEIMAN: On freebie, right now, it's
24 being switched over. It depends on how much we
25 get, because right now most of the CITT fund is

1 going for the trolley.

2 MS. GOMEZ: It's trolley, right.

3 MS. OLAZABAL: So we don't have extra?

4 MS. GOMEZ: There's no extra. If there is
5 extra, we could, because there is --

6 MR. KLEIMAN: We're hoping that we do,
7 but --

8 MS. GOMEZ: And then any extra, they
9 usually would like to maybe -- they're thinking
10 of expanding services on the trolley.

11 MS. BRAVO: Both of those are amazing
12 services.

13 MS. OLAZABAL: Yes. Hopefully they are
14 reducing trips.

15 MS. GOMEZ: Right. Freebie, for sure.

16 MR. KLEIMAN: They like us, because we're
17 using the vast majority of our money for actual
18 transportation, as opposed to transportation
19 projects. We're offering transportation
20 options.

21 MS. OLAZABAL: Right, because you can use
22 some of it for sidewalks.

23 MR. KLEIMAN: Sometimes we use the fund
24 balance for it, because that's one time money.

25 MS. GOMEZ: That's all I have, unless you

1 have any other questions on the Quarterlies.

2 No? Yes? Maybe?

3 There's no need for a motion or anything to
4 approve it. Typically, after presenting here,
5 then I send it to the City Commission via memo,
6 the Executive Summary, and advise them that it
7 has come through this Committee, and if they
8 have any questions, I'm sure they'll reach out
9 to their respective appointee.

10 MR. PAREDES: I think, on that summary
11 memo, you might want to include some of the
12 FEMA discussions that were had earlier, because
13 I think that should be highlighted.

14 Normal operations are okay, but the FEMA
15 would certainly help, and if they can put a
16 little pressure or lobby or whoever they talk
17 to --

18 MS. GOMEZ: The next item on the agenda is,
19 there was a request to have a quick demo of our
20 transparency portal. It's just information
21 that we make available to everyone on our
22 website, having to do with expenditures and
23 revenues and budget and all of that, in a bit
24 of a more user friendly kind of way, instead of
25 just sending the budget book and saying, figure

1 it out.

2 So Mitranand, from our Budget Division,
3 will go through that presentation.

4 A couple of housekeeping, because I do have
5 another meeting that I have to leave shortly
6 after 9:00, but Keith can continue the meeting,
7 and the next meeting -- we do have a meeting
8 we're trying to schedule for the end of June,
9 early July, for review of the budget estimate.

10 MR. PAREDES: That's for the budget for
11 next year?

12 MS. GOMEZ: For next year's budget. It's
13 the estimate.

14 MR. PAREDES: Not this year's budget?

15 MS. GOMEZ: No. This year's budget is
16 done. So it's the budget estimate. Yvette has
17 been sending out the dates. I'm not sure if
18 she has a quorum on any of the dates yet. So
19 it's just, we will provide you with a budget
20 book, a budget estimate book, and that is just,
21 again, an estimate. It's not the final. We
22 will be presenting to the City Commission on
23 July 9th, at five o'clock or 5:01. We're doing
24 a budget workshop where we will go over the
25 estimate with them.

1 At that meeting, they usually give us some
2 feedback of some things that they want to see.
3 You know, we give a presentation and they give
4 us some feedback as to maybe what they would
5 like to see to make sure we're going in the
6 right direction, if there's any other direction
7 that they may want to direct the budget to go.
8 And, then, at that point, we start working the
9 budget to finalize it for the September budget
10 hearings, which would be September 12th --

11 MR. KLEIMAN: The 12th and the 20th.

12 MS. GOMEZ: Those are the budget hearing
13 dates, and those are at 5:01 p.m.

14 MS. BRAVO: September 12th and?

15 MR. KLEIMAN: And Friday, the 20th.

16 MS. GOMEZ: Those are public hearings, so
17 the public can speak and ask --

18 MR. KLEIMAN: Right. The workshop is not.

19 MS. GOMEZ: The workshop is not. People
20 can just attend. It's an internal and I think
21 we televise it.

22 So Yvette is working on getting those dates
23 done. The proposed regularly scheduled meeting
24 would be August 7th. I don't know if that
25 would work for everyone tentatively now? I

1 mean, she will always send the pull out, but I
2 mean --

3 MS. BRAVO: August 7th is fine.

4 MS. OLAZABAL: What is the date in the end
5 of June?

6 MS. GOMEZ: Yvette is working that e-mail.
7 I'm not sure what that --

8 MS. BRAVO: She sent it out.

9 MS. OLAZABAL: Yes, she did.

10 MS. GOMEZ: So I'm not sure which date has
11 a quorum. So I don't have that information
12 yet. But she'll confirm that date. But that
13 is for the budget estimate, and we may have a
14 couple of internal audit --

15 MR. KLEIMAN: For that meeting, you think?

16 MS. GOMEZ: I don't know. If not, it won't
17 be until August.

18 MR. PAREDES: We haven't had internal audit
19 in a long time.

20 MR. KLEIMAN: We have three completed
21 audits to go over.

22 MS. GOMEZ: Right. So we may do that at
23 that meeting.

24 MR. KLEIMAN: We just have to get the
25 timing.

1 MS. GOMEZ: If not, then it would have to
2 be the August 7th meeting.

3 MS. SABATER: Any issues on the completed
4 audits?

5 MR. KLEIMAN: Nothing, I mean, that's earth
6 shattering, because, again, depending on the
7 audit -- I think the really interesting one
8 will be Development Services, the Building
9 Department and Planning and Zoning. So that
10 was very good, and the Director was really very
11 happy to be working with the internal auditors
12 on that, because all of the things that she saw
13 that needed help, were now, by an independent
14 company, highlighted. So it worked out very,
15 very well.

16 So there's Development Services,
17 Procurement and Parks and Recreation.

18 MS. GOMEZ: Before the presentation, are
19 there any other discussion items or concerns?
20 Any concerns that I can address, because I'm
21 going to be leaving probably in 10 minutes or
22 so. So I just wanted to make sure -- because
23 Keith can handle the Open Gov presentation.

24 Okay. All right.

25 So maybe shut one of the lights, so we can

1 see it a little bit better. Take it away.

2 MR. BHAGARATHI: Mitranand Bhagarathi, by
3 the way, for those who don't know me, Senior
4 Management and Budget Analyst within the
5 Finance Department.

6 MR. KLEIMAN: Just before we start, I'd
7 like to give Mitranand some credit, because he
8 worked with our IT and this company, Open Gov,
9 to set this up. He worked very hard to get it
10 going, and, you know, we've complained about
11 our current financial system. Just keeping it
12 in line is just a major job, just getting the
13 right information in there. We can't wait to
14 replace it, and it's coming soon, but it's
15 always like, one minute you have a number in
16 there, and the next minute, the numbers are
17 wrong, and it's really a pain in the neck.
18 Because the problem with Eden is, it's so old,
19 and the way it was designed, there are files
20 that are all very, very similar within it, and
21 with IT, at times, they're not sure which file
22 is the one that has the full amount of
23 information. There's just no way of telling.
24 I mean, it's just absolutely amazing. Not
25 until the thing is up there can we see that the

1 numbers aren't correct, because we'll have a
2 better idea.

3 So I've got to give kudos to Mitranand for
4 being on top of this and keeping this thing
5 going. It's with Scotch tape and glue that it
6 keeps going for the time being.

7 The new portal will come with the new ERP.
8 It will be seamless. You set it up like you
9 would set up an app on your phone.

10 MR. PAREDES: And that will include all of
11 the databases in the Clouds and all of the
12 stuff that they talk about today?

13 MR. KLEIMAN: Yes.

14 MR. BHAGARATHI: Right now they're doing
15 quarterly updates. Again, it's not seamless.

16 So many cities across the nation are moving
17 towards greater transparency and specifically
18 financial transparency, and financial
19 transparency is one of our core values here in
20 Coral Gables. Many of you guys know the
21 acronym Gables, where the G stands for
22 governance with integrity, where financial
23 transparency is a critical component of that.

24 We partnered with Open Gov, a company that
25 has hundreds, if not thousands, of

1 municipalities as clients, that display
2 financial transparency platforms. And we
3 wanted to develop something that would allow
4 the residents and other, you know, major
5 stakeholders to access the City's finances, you
6 know, in an interactive fashion, a dynamic
7 manner, which you'll be able to manipulate data
8 in many different ways.

9 So let me go into it. This is our landing
10 page here at CoralGables.com. You go into
11 Government, Finance, and it's the first link
12 there, Financial Transparency, and it takes you
13 to our landing page.

14 So we have a little paragraph about the
15 importance of financial transparency and what
16 it's designed to do. So we looked at other
17 high performing cities. The three cities that
18 made Buldrige award in the last couple of
19 years, Coral Springs, cities across the nation
20 that we know that were high performing, and
21 looked at how they displayed their data and
22 what key takeaways we can get from that.

23 And we came up with some frequently asked
24 questions, that we saw, that was consistent
25 among those cities, and tried to tailor that to

1 what our residents would ask. So some of the
2 major questions, that are frequently asked
3 questions, were very simple ones. You know,
4 what is the City's budget? How much is spent
5 on public safety? How much revenue is coming
6 from the general -- where does the general fund
7 revenue come from, and so on and so forth,
8 overtime, total full-time salaries, capital
9 improvement plan, additional funding for that,
10 the different types of tax revenue and
11 departmental expenses of the general fund.

12 So if you click on "What is the City's
13 Budget," it will take you to the Open Gov
14 platform, where it displays the budget broken
15 out by personnel, capital, operating expenses,
16 other uses, debt service, grants and aids, and
17 at the bottom, there is a slide rule here,
18 where you can move it along fiscal years. So
19 that's 2018. This is the 2019 budget. And you
20 can go back and forth to, you know, many years.
21 We go back as far as fiscal year 2015. It has
22 budget and it has actual information.

23 In 2019, this was just uploaded recently,
24 so this is just year to date information as of
25 the last upload, which I believe was last week.

1 MR. PAREDES: So this still requires
2 uploading? Eventually what Keith was talking
3 about would be a live --

4 MR. KLEIMAN: Correct.

5 MR. BHAGARATHI: And you can actually drill
6 down further, on one of the categories. If you
7 go to personnel services, you click down, it
8 breaks it up by regular employees, by part-time
9 employees, by retirement costs, anything
10 related to personnel, and you can actually sort
11 this in many different ways.

12 We'll just close out of this one and go to
13 one that's very important, Public Safety, how
14 much you spend on Public Safety. So it gives
15 you our Police Department cost, Fire Department
16 cost and there's a small sliver of Public
17 Safety that's related to parking. So you can
18 see that. And if you want to, again, break it
19 down further, the Police Department is made up
20 of different divisions, as well, Uniform
21 Patrol, Criminal Investigations, Technical
22 Services, so on and so forth. So you can get
23 that level of detail if you want.

24 I don't know if you guys are interested in
25 going into any other ones, but, I mean, I can

1 go through each one, but it's basically the
2 same level of detail you can get.

3 Then, we also have supplemental information
4 at the bottom, which is, you can get additional
5 information, our five-year capital improvement
6 plan, which lists -- let's try that again.
7 There we go.

8 Coral Gables properties by type is
9 something that is directly from our budget
10 book, that we chose to display here in the
11 platform, where it displays the properties,
12 homesteaded residential, non-homesteaded
13 residential, and, again, the slide rule allows
14 you to go back fiscal years and see how these
15 percentages change as you go through the years.

16 MR. PAREDES: The non-homesteaded --

17 MS. OLAZABAL: Yeah, it's going up,
18 interestingly enough.

19 MR. BHAGARATHI: Yeah, and this allows you
20 to see trends and so on and so forth.

21 MS. BRAVO: As the number of apartments are
22 going up in the City.

23 MS. GOMEZ: You don't have to see it as a
24 pie chart. You can see it in other formats.
25 So not every report works with every format,

1 but you can find the one that works best for
2 you.

3 MR. BHAGARATHI: We just think pies are
4 probably easier on the eyes, but you can
5 customize it and view it in any number of ways
6 you would like.

7 MS. GOMEZ: Can you show the capital
8 projects detail?

9 MR. BHAGARATHI: Yes.

10 MS. BRAVO: Does it track how many visitors
11 you get to this?

12 MS. GOMEZ: IT might.

13 MR. KLEIMAN: What is that?

14 MS. GOMEZ: How many visitors actually go
15 use this?

16 MR. KLEIMAN: IT might have that.

17 MR. BHAGARATHI: We have the data.

18 MR. KLEIMAN: Are people using it?

19 MR. BHAGARATHI: Yes. Since I'm an admin,
20 I can go on there and see how many views we've
21 gotten, and it's broken out monthly -- as a
22 matter of fact, daily.

23 MR. PAREDES: Go to 7, Pension Plan --

24 MS. GOMEZ: Is it updated? It should be
25 63.6.

1 MR. BHAGARATHI: There's one that was
2 giving me some issues earlier. Usually, if I
3 go to annual pension contributions --

4 MR. PAREDES: Where is the transparency,
5 Diana? Where is the transparency around here?

6 MR. BHAGARATHI: When I go back to that
7 one, it will work. This is the annual pension
8 contributions, the annual required
9 contribution, the extra payment, and then the
10 401 piece.

11 If I go back here, it works. There's a
12 little trick. This report is giving me some
13 issues. No, that's it, there you go.

14 MS. GOMEZ: 63.6. It's been updated.

15 MS. BRAVO: Don't mess with Diana.

16 MR. BHAGARATHI: And this is really a great
17 one to use the slide rule, because you can see
18 over the years how the percentages have
19 changed. I mean, I think this goes back all of
20 the way to 1988, '89.

21 MS. OLAZABAL: Oh, the circle increases
22 too.

23 MS. GOMEZ: Yes.

24 MS. OLAZABAL: Oh, I love this.

25 MR. BHAGARATHI: This is a great tool. It

1 was really stalling between 2002 and I believe
2 2003. Look at that one year. It went from a
3 93 percent --

4 MS. GOMEZ: It's the market crash, and a
5 bunch of other things.

6 MR. BHAGARATHI: Yeah. It's really a very
7 interactive tool, and it's great.

8 MS. BRAVO: So how have we gone in the last
9 three years, up, right?

10 MS. GOMEZ: Yes, we've gone up.

11 MR. BHAGARATHI: Yeah, consistently, 63,
12 61, 60. So we went from 60.83 to --

13 MS. GOMEZ: Like for the past five years or
14 so, we've been going up.

15 MR. BHAGARATHI: So that's pretty much it.

16 You know, this is another great tool here
17 that's directly from our budget presentation.
18 This is the amount of cents spent per tax
19 dollar. So you can see that 28.62 -- it's
20 viewed as a percentage, but 28.62 cents of
21 every dollar goes to the City of Coral Gables,
22 and then we sort of dictate that up here.

23 MR. KLEIMAN: We're actually giving the
24 vast majority of services to our community.

25 MR. BHAGARATHI: Right. So this is the

1 last for FY19. It's 30 cents now. It's a
2 little over 30 cents per dollar now. So, you
3 know, there's all different sorts of
4 information you can glean from this.

5 MS. GOMEZ: Does the capital project by map
6 work?

7 MR. BHAGARATHI: Where is that?

8 MR. KLEIMAN: Number 3.

9 MR. BHAGARATHI: The data is a little
10 outdated, we were having some issues, but this
11 is the map. The map is still working. So this
12 map, it plots some selected capital projects,
13 obviously projects that are City-wide. We
14 can't pinpoint to a certain location. These
15 are projects that we can tie to a location.
16 The circles are determined by the size of the
17 project.

18 So there's the map and there's some
19 underlying data below the map that rolls up to
20 the map. So if you click on a circle, it
21 should give you a pop-up and give you some more
22 information about that circle. Here it is.

23 So that's the Fire Station Trolley 2
24 project. This is old information. The new
25 information, we're having some data issues with

1 Open Gov, that hasn't been able to upload
2 properly, but this is the functionality you
3 would be able to get. You would get the total
4 amount that's funded for the project, the
5 project status, and, if it's in construction,
6 the percentage of construction.

7 MR. PAREDES: When is the new ERP coming
8 onboard?

9 MS. GOMEZ: We haven't selected it yet.
10 We're in the selection process now.

11 MR. PAREDES: Oh, you're still in the
12 selection process.

13 MS. GOMEZ: Yes. A couple of years.

14 MR. KLEIMAN: Well, there were two more
15 products that came out that we had a demo. So
16 that put a delay on it.

17 MR. PAREDES: If you wait for the perfect
18 solution --

19 MS. GOMEZ: No. We demoed three products,
20 and we finished all of the demos and now it's a
21 matter of -- we narrowed it down, I think, to
22 two. So now the Steering Committee has to go
23 through the procurement and all of that of
24 figuring out how we're going to --

25 MR. KLEIMAN: We could have the IT director

1 actually come to one of the meetings, if you'd
2 like, and give you a status.

3 MR. BHAGARATHI: Again, this is one of our
4 larger projects, The vehicle replacement
5 program that we fund annually. As you can see,
6 the project status is ongoing. It's very
7 large, 25 million, as of last year.

8 So all of this information is also
9 contained in an underlying table that's below,
10 and it has all of that information you see
11 there, plus some more. It gives you the
12 project status, the funding, and the percent of
13 construction. So there's lots and lots of
14 information on there.

15 Like Keith said, this is stuff that we had
16 to upload manually, so it's a bit of a pain
17 right now, but, you know, we can see the light
18 at the end of the tunnel, when we get that
19 seamless transition.

20 MS. BRAVO: That's very good information.

21 MS. OLAZABAL: Is it on the Finance --

22 MR. KLEIMAN: Finance, Financial
23 Transparency.

24 MS. OLAZABAL: It's very nice.

25 MR. BHAGARATHI: If there are any other

1 questions --

2 MR. PAREDES: No. Congratulations. Thank
3 you.

4 MS. SABATER: Thank you very much.

5 MR. PAREDES: The world is moving faster
6 than all of us.

7 MS. GOMEZ: If there's nothing else, then
8 is there a motion to adjourn the meeting?

9 MR. PAREDES: Moved.

10 MS. BRAVO: Second.

11 MS. OLAZABAL: Aye.

12 MS. GOMEZ: Meeting adjourned at 9:06.

13 (Thereupon, the meeting was adjourned at
14 9:06 a.m.)

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