



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
July 26, 2016**

ITEM TITLE:

Ordinance on Second Reading. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES CODE BY AMENDING: (I) CHAPTER 38 "OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS," ARTICLE I "IN GENERAL," SECTION 38.7 "BEGGING AND SOLICITING ALMS"; AND (II) ARTICLES VI AND VII OF CHAPTER 62 "STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES," TO CLARIFY AND IMPROVE THE CITY'S EXISTING SCHEME FOR THE REGULATION AND PERMITTING OF SPECIAL EVENTS, PARADES, AND PUBLIC ASSEMBLIES HELD IN PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BRIEF HISTORY:

The City wishes to make changes to the City Code in order to clarify and improve the City's existing scheme for the regulation and permitting of public assemblies, special events, and parades held in public places in the City. The changes proposed by the Ordinance seek to promote the City's interests in protecting the health, safety, and welfare of the general public and of the participants in special events, parades, and public assemblies; in protecting municipal and private property in the City; in minimizing the obstruction of vehicular and pedestrian traffic in the City; in minimizing the disruption of City services and business activities in the City; and in protecting residents' right to the quiet and peaceful enjoyment of their homes and neighborhoods in the City. In order to accomplish these goals, the Ordinance makes extensive changes to Article VI "Parades and Public Assemblies" and Article VII "Special Events" of Chapter 62 "Streets, Sidewalks, and Other Public Places," as well as minor conforming changes to Section 38.7 "Begging and Soliciting Alms" of Article I "In General" of Chapter 38 "Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions."

No changes to the Ordinance were requested at First Reading, and the Ordinance is unchanged from that prior version.

REVIEWED BY:

City Attorney	Assistant City Manager	City Manager
		

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Draft Ordinance – City Code