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City of Coral Gables  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
September 26, 2023

**ITEM TITLE:**

A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables Commission directing the City Manager to develop a Best Practices Guide for code violations related to the City's Tree Protection Provisions. (Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

**BRIEF HISTORY:**

The City of Coral Gables places a high value on its urban forest and is committed to the preservation and protection of trees as an essential component of our community's environmental sustainability and aesthetic appeal.

The City Code includes provisions for the protection of trees, which are crucial for maintaining the quality of life, property values, and the overall well-being of our resident and it is essential to ensure that the tree protection provisions of the City Code are consistently and effectively enforced.

The City Commission believes there is a need to provide guidance to property owners, developers, and residents regarding best practices for compliance with tree protection provisions, including recommendations for fines and penalties based on the size and importance of the trees involved.

The City Commission believes a best practices guide for tree protection code violations will help streamline the enforcement process, provide clarity to stakeholders, and promote a proactive approach to tree preservation within our community.

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION:**

No.	Amount	Account No.	Source of Funds
1.	None	N/A/	N/A
Total:			
<b>Fiscal Impact: None.</b>			

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

1. Draft Resolution