



City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
November 9, 2021

ITEM TITLE:

ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES CODE BY CREATING CHAPTER 2 “ADMINISTRATION”, ARTICLE III “BOARDS AND COMMITTEES”, DIVISION 7 “LANDMARKS ADVISORY BOARD” PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER PROVISION, SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Sponsored by Commissioner Anderson) (Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

BRIEF HISTORY:

The City of Coral Gables is home to various entrances, landmarks and historic features; and, presently the City has boards and committees in place which assist City staff in the oversight and maintenance of City infrastructure.

There may be a gap in City board and committee oversight as it relates to the City-owned and/or maintained entrances, plazas, fountains, historically significant poles and lights, historic markers and other historically significant landmarks or item. As such, the City Commission believes that the addition of a Landmarks Advisory Board would provide resident oversight of the extensive landmarks throughout the City and allow a structure for residents and board members to review the condition of entryways and landmarks and bring maintenance issues to the City’s attention in a timely manner to avoid deterioration. The board would also be tasked with identifying and proposing new landmarks, entrances, and entrance features and identifying parcels to be acquired for same. The board would meet quarterly and hold an annual joint meeting with the historic preservation board.

The board would consist of seven members, residents of the City, with a demonstrated passion for preservation of Coral Gables landmarks, and the City’s historical resources department would serve as primary administrative support staff for the board. This item was approved on first reading by the City Commission on September 14, 2021.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Draft Ordinance