

**City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting**  
**Agenda Item C – Public Comment**  
**November 9, 2022**  
**City Commission Chambers**  
**405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL**

**City Commission**

**Mayor Vince Lago**

**Vice Mayor Michael Mena**

**Commissioner Rhonda Anderson**

**Commissioner Jorge Fors**

**Commissioner Kirk Menendez**

**City Staff**

**City Attorney, Miriam Ramos**

**City Manager, Peter Iglesias**

**City Clerk, Billy Urquia**

**Public Speaker(s)**

**Maria Cruz**

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Mayor Lago: Moving onto Public Comment.

Commissioner Menendez: Mayor, I may have a pocket item requiring that Mark Trowbridge be in every one of our photos. Okay.

Mayor Lago: I can't second, or I'll pass the gavel.

City Clerk Urquia: Mr. Mayor, we only have one member of the public requesting to speak during Public Comment is Ms. Maria Cruz and she is through Zoom.

Mayor Lago: Okay. Ms. Cruz, good morning.

Ms. Cruz: Good morning. I apologize for not being there, but today I had a family health issue that I have to stay home. Maria Cruz, 1447 Miller Road, Coral Gables, FL I have two things; one, I  
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think some of you may find it interesting. The first one is, I wonder if we already have a date for the executive benefits Sunshine meeting that we were promised, because I haven't seen anything, I have no idea. So, I saw an item on the agenda, but its not about the Sunshine meeting, so that's why I'm asking. No need to answer now, but I'm curious to know. The second one is the one that I think some of you might find interesting. Our staff is becoming very creative. I'm really impressed with the fact that now we are going to be allowed to move our cardboard out of our homes ahead of the recycling people. The other day – and drop it at the Youth Center. You know, the Youth Center is going to have to either make it larger or move some stuff out, so we can start putting whatever we normally put next to the garbage cans or the recyclable cans, to take them there, but then I remember that I went by, I don't know if it was yesterday or the day before, on Biltmore Way and I saw that in front of the 427 Building, we have a container for batteries, the batteries that we want people to recycle, and that made by curiosity. Wouldn't it be a good idea if we had several containers. We could have one for the glass, one for paper, and you know the other stuff that we normally recycle, and if we get everybody into this, eventually we could eliminate the recycling employees and save some money. That's my interesting comments for the day. Thank you.

Mayor Lago: Thank you Ms. Cruz.

Ms. Cruz: You're welcome.

Mayor Lago: Have a wonderful, wonderful day.

Ms. Cruz: Oh no, there's more to come.

Mayor Lago: Perfect. Well, we are looking forward to it.

Ms. Cruz: Thank you.

Mayor Lago: We will close the public comment.