

City of Coral Gables



Agenda - Final

Tuesday, May 19, 2026

9:00 AM

2151 Salzedo Street, Coral Gables, FL 33134

Police and Fire Headquarters, Community Meeting Room

City Commission

Mayor Vince Lago

Vice Mayor Rhonda Anderson

Commissioner Melissa Castro

Commissioner Ariel Fernandez

Commissioner Richard D. Lara

Peter J. Iglesias, P.E., City Manager

Cristina M. Suárez, City Attorney

Billy Y. Urquia, City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER**INVOCATION****PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Coral Gables Resident - Dr. Hal Silberman

Dr. Hal Silberman is a 101-year-old World War II veteran and longtime Coral Gables resident who served in the Pacific Theater during World War II. A proud member of "The Greatest Generation," Dr. Silberman shares the same birth year as the City of Coral Gables.

AMERICA'S SEMIQUINCENTENNIAL MOMENT

Coral Gables Senior High Student Eli Levin Essay "Volunteerism in America."

A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROTOCOL DOCUMENTS

- A.-1. [26-1337](#) Presentation and special recognition of the Rookie and Teachers of the Year.
- A.-2. [26-1335](#) Congratulations to our Medical Director, Dr. Fred Keroff on being recognized with the Raymond H. Alexander- EMS Medical Direction Award by the Florida Department of Health, Emergency Medical Services Bureau.
- A.-3. [26-1541](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring May 17 - May 23, 2026 as "Emergency Medical Services Week" in Coral Gables.
- A.-4. [26-1584](#) Recognition of Medical Excellence Celebrating EMS Professionals
- A.-5. [26-1558](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring May 24, 206 as "Christ Journey Church Day" in Coral Gables.
- A.-6. [26-1463](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring May 2026 as "Water Safety Month" in Coral Gables.
- A.-7. [26-1571](#) Congratulations to Officer Julio Gonzalez, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Officer of the Month Award," for the month of March 2026.
- A.-8. [26-1572](#) Congratulations to Detective Miguel Baserva, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Detective of the 1st Quarter Award," for the month of March 2026.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

During this portion of the meeting, an individual may address the City Commission on an item that is on the agenda or on a matter which is not on the agenda, but within the scope of the City Commission's jurisdiction. If the individual wishes to address the City Commission on an item that is on the agenda, the individual shall not be given an opportunity to speak again once the item is called. An individual who wishes to speak during a public hearing where the City Commission is sitting in a quasi-judicial capacity, must speak during the public hearing for that item.

Individuals who speak during the open public comment portion of the meeting shall be given three (3) minutes during which to address the City Commission. At the conclusion of one (1) hour, if the open public comment section of the meeting has not ended, it shall end automatically, in order to proceed with the rest of the agenda.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed within this section entitled "Consent Agenda" are considered to be self-explanatory and are not expected to require additional review or discussion, unless a member of the City Commission or a citizen, if approved by the chairperson, so requests, in which case, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered along with the regular order of business. Items placed on the Consent Agenda shall conform to the limitations of Section 2-79 of the City Code. Hearing no objections to the items listed under the "Consent Agenda", a vote on the adoption of the Consent Agenda will be taken.

D.-1. [26-1513](#) A Resolution of the City Commission confirming the appointment of Andres Murai (nominated by Mayor Lago), Armando Bucelo (nominated by Mayor Lago), Wayne "Chip" Withers (nominated by Vice Mayor Anderson), Maria Cruz (nominated by Commissioner Castro), Andres Correa (nominated by Commissioner Fernandez), and Jeffrey Flanagan (nominated by Commissioner Lara) to serve as members of the Code Enforcement Board, for a three (3) year term which begins on June 1, 2026 and continues through May 31, 2029.

D.-2. [26-1594](#) A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation of the Police Department to authorize the purchase of enhancements from Mark43. as a "Sole Source Procurement," in an estimated amount of \$265,000.00 pursuant to Section 2-689 of the City's Procurement Code.

Lobbyist: N/A

1. Presentation of Boards and/or Committees minutes requesting no action from the City Commission:

- 1.-1. [26-1360](#) Advisory Board on Disability Affairs Meeting of March 4, 2026.
- 1.-2. [26-1304](#) Arts Advisory Panel Meeting of March 4, 2026.
- 1.-3. [26-1585](#) Code Enforcement Board Meeting of April 15, 2026.
- 1.-4. [26-1305](#) Cultural Development Board Meeting of February 17, 2026.
- 1.-5. [26-1587](#) Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting of April 17, 2026.
- 1.-6. [26-1567](#) Senior Citizen Advisory Board Meeting of April 16, 2026.

2. Presentation of Boards and/or Committees draft/final minutes requesting action from the City Commission [Note: A vote to accept the minutes does not mean approval of the substance within the minutes]:

Agenda Items 2-1 and G-3 are related

- 2.-1. [26-1603](#) A Resolution of the Transportation Advisory Board requesting that the City Commission approve the appointment of the Board As A Whole Member.

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

All Individuals testifying in a quasi-judicial proceeding shall be sworn in.

Presentations made to the City Commission are subject to the City's False Claims Ordinance, Ch. 39 of the City of Coral Gables Code.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

- E.-1. [26-1515](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Chapter 2 "Administration", Article I- "In General" to create Section 2-6 "Registered Agent" in order to codify the Mayor's designation of the City Attorney as the City's Registered Agent for Service of Process for purposes of Chapter 48, Florida Statutes; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

- E.-2. [26-1132](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code by amending Article 5, "Architecture," Section 5-500, "Roofs," to clarify roof design standards including the intent to incorporate a combination of pitched and flat roof forms and to establish that roof designs proposed as entirely flat require review and approval by the Full Board of Architects; to remove Sections 5-503 and 5-504 and renumber subsequent sections; to delete outdated parapet height provisions in flood hazard districts; and providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

- E.-3. [26-1557](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending the City Code, Chapter 2, Entitled "Administration", Article VIII entitled "Procurement Code", Section 2-685, Competitive Sealed Bidding (formal bid); Section 2-688 Small Purchases; Section 2-689 Sole Sources Procurement; Section 2-690 Sole Source Procurement; Section 2-691 Special Procurement/Bid Waiver; Section 2-763 Contract Award; Section 2-764 Approval of Change Order and Contract Modifications; and Section 2-910 Resolution of Protested Solicitations and Awards - Formal and providing for a repealer provision, severability cause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

- E.-4. [26-1608](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Chapter 58 "Special Assessments", Article III - "Repair or Construction of Streets and Sidewalks" to amend Section 58-48 "Duty of Abutting Property Owners to Repair" in order to amend the code to clarify that abutting property owners are not responsible for defective sidewalks where such defects are a result of City trees and the City has been notified of those defects; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

- F.-1. [26-1595](#) Discussion regarding Underline Maintenance Funding.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-2. [26-1596](#) Discussion Underline Maintenance at City Boundaries.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-3. [26-1597](#) Discussion regarding Ponce Circle Park proposed improvements.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-4. [26-1598](#) Discussion regarding Pelican Harbor Seabird Station.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-5. [26-1599](#) Discussion regarding the Inspector General.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

- F.-6. [26-1600](#) Pisano Avenue Street Improvement Project Update.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-7. [26-1601](#) Discussion item regarding the Swale Package Decorative Rock.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-8. [26-1602](#) Discussion regarding the Black Olive Tree Injection Program.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-9. [26-1606](#) Discussion regarding Motor Vehicle Noise Limits and Enforcement.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)
- F.-10. [26-1607](#) Discussion and up-date regarding May 8, 2026 meeting with FDOT, Senator Ileana Garcia and The Underline and requirements for earlier mandatory submission of traffic studies to FDOT.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

G. BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS

- G.-1. [26-1593](#) A Resolution of the City Commission appointing _____
(incumbent: George Kakouris) (nominated by the Commission As A Whole) to serve as a member of the Code Enforcement Board, for a three (3) year term which begins on June 1, 2026, and continues through May 31, 2029.
- G.-2. [26-1604](#) A Resolution of the City Commission appointing _____ to serve to serve on the auditor selection committee pursuant to Florida statutes 218.391(b) and appointing Commissioner _____ to serve as the alternative governing body member on the auditor selection committee for RFP 2026-013 External Auditing Services.

Agenda Items 2-1 and G-3 are related

- G.-3. [26-1605](#) A Resolution of the City Commission confirming the appointment of Carlos Musso (Zone 6) (nominated by the Board As A Whole) to serve as a member of the Transportation Advisory Board, for a two (2) year term which began on June 1, 2025 and continues through May 31, 2027.

H. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

Agenda Items H-1 and H-2 are related

- H.-1. [26-1482](#) A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing Satchmo Blues Bar and Grill, Inc. d/b/a Fritz & Franz Bierhaus to utilize the public space and maintain a temporary Soccer Watch Party set-up at the plaza located at 60 Merrick Way from June 28, 2026 through July 19, 2026, in connection with the 2026 FIFA World Cup.

- H.-2. [26-1591](#) Satchmo Blues Bar and Grill, Inc. d/b/a Fritz & Franz Bierhaus presentation update regarding the proposed 2026 FIFA World Cup Soccer Watch Party event.
- H.-3. [26-1516](#) A Resolution of the City Commission relating to the provision of fire protection services, facilities, and programs in the City of Coral Gables, Florida; providing authority, purpose, and definitions; providing legislative findings; establishing the method of apportionment; determining the estimated fire protection assessed cost; determining the estimated fire protection assessments for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2026; directing the preparation of an assessment roll; authorizing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice thereof; providing for hardship assistance; providing the method of collection and application of assessment proceeds; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.
- H.-4. [26-1517](#) A Resolution of the City Commission relating to the collection and disposal of solid waste in the city of Coral Gables, Florida; providing authority, purpose, and definitions; providing legislative findings; determining the estimated solid waste cost and the solid waste service assessments for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2026; directing the preparation of an assessment roll; authorizing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice thereof; providing the method of collection and application of assessment proceeds; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.
- H.-5. [26-1518](#) A Resolution of the City Commission relating to security services assessments within the Sunrise Harbour security guard special taxing district; estimating the cost of the security services to be assessed for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2026; directing the Finance Director to prepare an updated security services assessment roll; establishing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice in connection thereof; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.
- H.-6. [26-1519](#) A Resolution of the City Commission relating to security services assessments within the Snapper Creek Lakes security guard special taxing district; estimating the cost of the security services to be assessed for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2026; directing the Finance Director to prepare an updated security services assessment roll; establishing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice in connection thereof; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.
- H.-7. [26-1521](#) A Resolution of the City Commission relating to security services assessments within the Pine Bay Estates security guard special taxing district; estimating the cost of the security services to be assessed for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2026; directing the Finance Director to prepare an updated security services assessment roll; establishing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice in connection thereof; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.

- H.-8. [26-1520](#) A Resolution of the City Commission relating to security services assessments within the Old Cutler Bay security guard special taxing district; estimating the cost of the security services to be assessed for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2026; directing the Finance Director to prepare an updated security services assessment roll; establishing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice in connection thereof; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.
- H.-9. [26-1522](#) A Resolution of the City Commission relating to security services assessments within the Kings Bay amended security guard special taxing district; estimating the cost of the security services to be assessed for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2026; directing the Finance Director to prepare an updated security services assessment roll; establishing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice in connection thereof; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.
- H.-10. [26-1523](#) A Resolution of the City Commission relating to security services assessments within the Hammock Oaks Harbor security guard special taxing district; estimating the cost of the security services to be assessed for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2026; directing the Finance Director to prepare an updated security services assessment roll; establishing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice in connection thereof; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.
- H.-11. [26-1525](#) A Resolution of the City Commission relating to security services assessments within the Hammock Lake Banyan security guard special taxing district; estimating the cost of the security services to be assessed for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2026; directing the Finance Director to prepare an updated security services assessment roll; establishing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice in connection thereof; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.
- H.-12. [26-1526](#) A Resolution of the City Commission relating to security services assessments within the Banyan Drive security guard special taxing district; estimating the cost of the security services to be assessed for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2026; directing the Finance Director to prepare an updated security services assessment roll; establishing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice in connection thereof; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.
- H.-13. [26-1524](#) A Resolution of the City Commission relating to security services assessments within the Hammock Lakes security guard special taxing district; estimating the cost of the security services to be assessed for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2026; directing the Finance Director to prepare an updated security services assessment roll; establishing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice in connection thereof; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.

- H.-14. [26-1527](#) A Resolution of the City Commission relating to security services assessments within the Cocoplum Phase I security guard special taxing district; estimating the cost of the security services to be assessed for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2026; directing the Finance Director to prepare an updated security services assessment roll; establishing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice in connection thereof; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.
- H.-15. [26-1528](#) A Resolution of the City Commission relating to the provision of street lighting services, facilities, and programs within the Cocoplum Phase I street lighting special taxing district; estimating the cost of street lighting services, facilities, and programs to be assessed for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2026; directing the Finance Director to prepare an updated street lighting assessment roll; authorizing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice in connection thereof; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.
- H.-16. [26-1529](#) A Resolution of the City Commission relating to security services assessments within the Gables By The Sea-Coral Gables security guard special taxing district; estimating the cost of the security services to be assessed for the Fiscal Year commencing October 1, 2026; directing the Finance Director to prepare an updated security services assessment roll; establishing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice in connection thereof; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.
- H.-17. [26-1588](#) A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation of the Community Recreation Department to waive the competitive bid process of the procurement code as a "Special Procurement/Bid Waiver" with Joy By, LLC. for the Holiday Park, in an estimated amount of \$1,604,160.00 for a five-year term pursuant to Section 2-691 of the City's Procurement Code.

Lobbyist: N/A

Agenda Items H-18 and H-19 are related

- H.-18. [26-1592](#) Presentation regarding the 2026 Holiday Park design.
- H.-19. [26-1562](#) Update regarding Live Local Act application located at 3808 SW 8th Street referred to as "Ponce 8."

Time Certain 12:00pm (Agenda Item H-20)

- H.-20. [26-1574](#) Comprehensive Citywide Septic to Sewer Master Plan Presentation.

Time Certain 11:00am (Agenda Item H-21)

H.-21. [26-1590](#) Coral Gables Street Lighting Infrastructure Update and FPL Lighting Catalog.

I. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

None

J. CITY CLERK ITEMS

None

K. DISCUSSION ITEMS

This time is for informal discussion among the City Commissioners, the City Manager and the City Attorney

ADJOURNMENT

NOTE

Any person who acts as a lobbyist pursuant to the City of Coral Gables Ordinance No. 2006-11, must register with the City Clerk, prior to engaging in lobbying activities before city staff, boards, committees and/or the City Commission. A copy of the Ordinance is available in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall.

Any person, or persons, wishing to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, will require a verbatim record of the proceeding upon which the appeal is based. Interested persons should, therefore, take the necessary steps to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which contains the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

Any person making impertinent or slanderous remarks or who become boisterous while addressing the Commission, shall be barred from further audience before the Commission by the Chair, unless permission to continue or again address the Commission is granted by the majority vote of the Commission Members present. Clapping, applauding, heckling or verbal outbursts or any remarks in support or opposition to a speaker shall be prohibited. Signs or placards shall not be permitted in Commission Chambers.

Any person with a disability requiring communication assistance (such as a sign language interpreter or other auxiliary aide or service) in order to attend or participate in the meeting should contact the City's ADA Coordinator, Clifford R. Friedman, Director of Human Resources & Risk Management (E-mail: cfriedman@coralgables.com, Telephone: 305-722-8686, TTY/TDD: 305-442-1600), at least three (3) business days before the meeting.

Any person who needs assistance in another language in order to speak during the public hearing or public comment portion of the meeting should contact the City's ADA Coordinator, Clifford R. Friedman, Director of Human Resources & Risk Management (E-mail: cfriedman@coralgables.com, Telephone: 305-722-8686, TTY/TDD: 305-442-1600), at least three (3) business days before the meeting.