



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
February 15, 2022**

ITEM TITLE:

Congratulations to Officer Lakaevia Tyler, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Officer of the Month Award," for the month of November 2021.

BRIEF HISTORY:

I would like to nominate Officer Lakaevia Tyler for the "Officer of the Month" award. On Friday, November 12, 2021, at approximately 08:46 hours, an in-progress theft of a bicycle from 1171 Campo Sano Avenue was dispatched. Multiple units responded to the area in reference to the BOLO of a black male wearing a black hoodie and black pants on a blue mountain bicycle, last seen heading northbound through the Riviera Golf Course toward Blue Road. Officer Lakaevia Tyler responded to the area and saw a black male fitting the description on the 900-Blk. of Roderigo Avenue. Officer Tyler advised dispatch she was behind the possible subject and was instructed to provide updates as she followed him. Officer Tyler kept updating dispatch of her location as she followed the subject. The subject proceeded to head south on Durango Street and then northbound on Granada Boulevard. Officer Tyler waited for her back up to detain the subject and he was eventually blocked in at the 3900-Blk. of Granada Boulevard by Officer Tyler and Officer James Coleman.

A show-up was conducted on scene with the victim of the bicycle theft, who positively identified her stolen bicycle and positively identified the male subject who had entered her yard to steal the bicycle. The subject had just fled from the security guard at Baptist Hospital after he had contacted the Coral Gables Police Department to issue him a Trespass Warning (21-006473). The subject was seen in the parking garage acting suspicious and was unable to deter the security's guard concern after he approached him. The subject left another bicycle behind in the parking garage after fleeing from the security guard. The bicycle left behind by the subject was impounded to the Coral Gables Police Department after an NCIC/FCIC check came back with negative results. Officer Tyler's great observation skills removed another subject off the street, preventing any further thefts in the city. In the last month the City of Coral Gables has had an uptick of bicycle thefts and Officer Tyler's intervention and arrest (21-006472) of the subject will contribute to curtail the increase in bicycle thefts we have had in the city. Officer Tyler is deserving of this award.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. **Nomination memo**