

CITY OF CORAL GABLES
LANDSCAPE BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY BOARD

Draft Minutes of Meeting, April 1, 2010
War Memorial Youth Center, Conference Room

MEMBERS	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	APPOINTED BY
Barbara Katzen	P	P	E	-	E	P	P	-	P	P	P	P	Mayor Donald D. Slesnick II
Jack Elmore	P	P	P	-	P	P	P	-	E	E	P	P	Vice-Mayor William H. Kerdyk, Jr.
Maricris Longo	P	P	P	-	P	P	P	-	P	P	E	P	Comm. Maria Anderson
Carlos Perea								-	P	P	P	P	Comm. Rafael "Ralph" Cabrera, Jr.
Linda Lawrence	E	P	P	-	E	P	P	-	E	P	E	P	Comm. Wayne "Chip" Withers
Paul Zamek								-	P	P	P	P	Board-As-A-Whole
Robert Parsley	P	P	P	-	P	A	P	-	P	P	P	E	City Manager

STAFF:

Dan Keys, Public Service Director

A = Absent

P = Present

E = Excused

GUESTS:

Suzy Amerkan, Coral Gables Garden Club President

Kathy Gaubatz, Coral Gables Garden Club Arbor Day Chairman

RECORDING SECRETARY:

Janet Carrasquillo, Public Service

Chairman, Maricris Longo opened the meeting at 9:15 a.m., the roll was taken and a quorum was present. A motion was made to "Approve the minutes from the March 4, 2010 meeting as written." The motion was seconded, voted upon and adopted unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

TRAFFIC CIRCLES: Dan Keys reported that Royal Poinciana trees were being installed in the Blue Road traffic circles.

SEGOVIA STREET UPDATE: Dan Keys reported that the request for bids has been put out for the Segovia Street median. He noted that additional tree options had been placed on the bid.

GIRALDA & RESTAURANT ROW/MIRACLE MILE UPDATE: No new activity.

ARBOR DAY: Paul Zamek reported that he asked Arva Moore Parks to be the guest speaker for Arbor Day, but she could not. Instead, Joanna Lombard has agreed to speak this year and will focus on making the event more of a learning experience for the children who attend. Discussion was held regarding the Arbor Day program and sequence of events. It was decided to have a Junior Arbor Day Program beginning at 9:30 a.m. for the youngest children attending, which will serve to bring the events of Arbor Day to a level they will understand and enjoy. Members agreed it would be best to hold the next meeting at the Merrick House starting at 9 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

Kathy Gaubatz thanked Dan Keys for having planted so many specimen trees throughout the City of Coral Gables over the past several years. Members agreed that the many specimen trees around our city are a valuable asset.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

APPROVED:

Maricris Longo, Chairman

ATTEST:

Daniel Keys, Secretary

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD
THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2010, 9:00 a.m.
The Merrick House, 907 Coral Way, Coral Gables, Florida