



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
January 26, 2016**

ITEM TITLE:

Ordinance on First Reading. An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida, prohibiting a resident or business from removing a sewer cap during a backup; providing for enforcement; providing for severability, repealer, codification, and an effective date.

BRIEF HISTORY:

The City of Coral Gables wishes to insure that residents and visitors to the City are not exposed to raw sewage caused by the removal of sewer caps during a backup. The presence of raw sewage causes a significant public safety concern as it is known to contain bacteria viruses and parasites that are harmful to humans.

The City therefore wishes to deter residents and business owners from removing sewer caps. In the event that a resident or business does so, the ordinance allows the City to assess fines and to seek other legal remedies.

REVIEWED BY:

City Attorney	City Manager

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Draft Ordinance