

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item I-2
February 23, 2016
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL

City Commission

Mayor Jim Cason
Commissioner Pat Keon
Commissioner Vince Lago
Vice Mayor Frank Quesada
Commissioner Jeannett Slesnick

City Staff

City Manager, Cathy Swanson-Rivenbark
City Attorney, Craig E. Leen
City Clerk, Walter J. Foeman
Deputy City Clerk, Billy Urquia

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item I-2 [1:30:52 p.m.]

Status report regarding request by Coral Gables for seat on the Metropolitan Planning Organization, if interdecennial census demonstrates a population of over 50,000.

Mayor Cason: I-2.

City Attorney Leen: I-2 is a status report regarding request by Coral Gables for seat on the Metropolitan Planning Organization, if interdecennial census demonstrates a population of over 50,000. What we have learned is that the MPO is going to be considering their own rule to allow cities if they are founded in a interdecennial census to have a population of over 50,000 that they'll be put on. So that would be a rule, there will be no debate. So all we are doing now is we are waiting for the interdecennial census estimate how much it would cost to come back, and then if the cost is not large the Manager can approve that administratively, and I can issue any opinions to that effect based on the Commission's will. If it's large, we'll bring it back to you.

Mayor Cason: One thought if we do that it would be nice to know if we have some extra questions of things we want to know about the Gables, rather than waiting for five more years, there may be some interesting questions that could be important for the North Gables and elsewhere that we could pop in at a low cost.

City Attorney Leen: So on I-1 and I-2, I do need to mention, I-2 there were several County Attorneys who were involved, who were very helpful in coming up with a solution, as well as Cori Lopez-Castro, our Special Counsel, so I'd just like to acknowledge them and the County Attorneys; and I-1, like you mentioned the County Attorneys were very helpful.

Commissioner Lago: Flexible.

City Attorney Leen: Very flexible, so I just want to thank them.

Commissioner Keon: Very good.

[End: 1:32:12 p.m.]