

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item F-4
September 25, 2025
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL

City Commission

Mayor Vince Lago
Vice Mayor Rhonda Anderson
Commissioner Melissa Castro
Commissioner Ariel Fernandez
Commissioner Richard D. Lara

City Staff

City Attorney, Cristina Suárez
City Manager, Peter Iglesias
City Clerk, Billy Urquia
Assistant Director Public Works, Melissa DeZayas

Public Speaker(s)

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Update regarding FDOT projects in response to April 21, 2025 requests.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

Mayor Lago: Item F-4, Madam Vice Mayor.

Vice Mayor Anderson: I attach to item F-4, it's an update regarding the letter that I sent to the FDOT with the participation of the Underline and our Senator Garcia and our wonderful staff in making suggestions on additional improvements that we need in our city. I included, in addition to the items that the Underline wanted, all the intersections throughout the Underline, because if you're going to be riding the Underline, you're going to be encountering all the intersections, whether you're in Coral Gables or outside of Coral Gables, for public safety reasons. And there were other intersections that were added to this as well. So, I really just attach this so that you know what is going on and what can happen when we collaborate with other stakeholders, such as folks like the Underline and our Senators, to push items forward. So, we have gotten the audible signals. We have gotten a number of improvements. There's no right-hand turns that have already been put into place when pedestrians are crossing on US-1 in certain areas. And if you go down to

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17th and 27th, you'll see an example of what I foresee coming after they finish their study process. And they've offered to come down and do a meeting.

So, we'll do a meeting on site there. And Madam Director, would you like to add something to what we've added, for instance, on Bird Road, the University crosswalk there? There was a couple other areas that you touched upon.

Assistant Director Public Works: Okay, so Melissa DeZayas, Assistant Director for Public Works. I did speak to DOT about their intersection improvement on Granada and Bird Road and anticipate they'll be starting construction there next year. They're finishing up the design right now.

Vice Mayor Anderson: Yeah, that's a very challenging intersection with all the various inputs. And just to the public, you know, if anyone's listening now on Granada and Coral Way, I think the estimate is now that we're going to be done with that intersection by the end of the year, correct?

Assistant Director Public Works: Yes.

Vice Mayor Anderson: Okay.

Assistant Director Public Works: So that one should be completed. By the end of the year, we're going to be milling and resurfacing, potentially next week. But construction should be completed within the next two months.

Vice Mayor Anderson: Okay. Well, we'll all be looking forward to it, especially those who live closest to it. Notice the smile down there. That's it. You have anything else to add?

Assistant Director Public Works: That's it.

Vice Mayor Anderson: Thank you.