

City of Coral Gables

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

5:01 PM

Second Budget Hearing

City Hall, Commission Chambers

City Commission

*Mayor Vince Lago
Vice Mayor Rhonda Anderson
Commissioner Melissa Castro
Commissioner Ariel Fernandez
Commissioner Kirk R. Menendez*

*Amos Rojas, Jr., City Manager
Cristina M. Suárez, City Attorney
Billy Y. Urquia, City Clerk*

The City of Coral Gables will be holding its Second Budget Hearing on Tuesday, September 24, 2024,

commencing at 5:01 p.m.

Members of the public may participate in person, but are also able to participate via the Zoom

platform. Members of the public may join the meeting via Zoom at

(<https://zoom.us/j/3054466800>). In addition, a dedicated phone line will be available so that any

individual who does not wish (or is unable) to use Zoom may listen to and participate in the

meeting by dialing: (305) 461-6769 Meeting ID: 3054466800. To speak prior to the City

Commission taking action on an Agenda Item, please "Raise your Hand" or send a message to

one of the meeting hosts using the Zoom Platform. If you joined the meeting via telephone,

you can "Raise your Hand" by pressing *9.

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e-comment function which may be found on the City's website at:

(www.coralgables.com/commissionmeetings) once the meeting's agenda is published or by

sending an email to cityclerk@coralgables.com prior to the start of the meeting.

The Meeting will also be broadcasted live for members of the public to view on the City's

website (www.coralgables.com/cgtv) as well as Channel 77 on Comcast.

CALL TO ORDER

The Second Budget Hearing was called to Order at 5:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez and Mayor Lago

1. [24-8093](#) Second Budget Hearing 2024-2025 Presentation

Attachments: [FY25 Budget Presentation - 2nd Budget Hearing 9-24-2024](#)

This Resolution was Presented and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 1

2. [24-8094](#) Public Hearing for obtaining comments relative to Budget for Fiscal Year 2024-2025.

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 2

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-32

3. [24-7973](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for the levy of taxes for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2024 and ending September 30, 2025; fixing the rate of such levy; providing for segregation and the application of the proceeds of such levy; providing for the separability of the provisions hereof; and providing that this ordinance shall become effective October 1, 2024.

Attachments: [FY25 Cover Letter - Adoption of Tax Levy - 1st Hearing](#)
[FY25 Ordinance for Levy of Taxes - 1st Hearing](#)
[FY25 Cover Letter - Adoption of Tax Levy - 2nd Hearing](#)
[FY25 Ordinance for Levy of Taxes - 2nd Hearing](#)
[R-2024-161 Signed](#)
[O-2024-32-Signed](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION PROVIDING FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025; FIXING THE RATE OF SUCH LEVY; PROVIDING FOR THE SEGREGATION AND THE APPLICATION OF THE PROCEEDS OF SUCH LEVY; PROVIDING FOR THE SEPARABILITY OF THE PROVISIONS HEREOF; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fernandez, seconded by Commissioner Menendez, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2024-32. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 4 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez and Commissioner Menendez

Nays : 1 - Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 3

ORDINANCE NO. 2024-33 (As Amended)

- 4. [24-7974](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission adopting the Annual Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2024 and ending September 30, 2025; providing for separability of the provisions hereof; and providing that this ordinance shall become effective October 1, 2024.

Attachments: [FY25 Cover Letter - Adoption of Annual Budget - 1st Hearing](#)
[FY25 Ordinance to approve Annual Budget - 1st Hearing](#)
[R-2024-161 Signed](#)
[Supporting Schedules - 1st Hearing 9-12-24](#)
[FY25 Cover Letter - Adoption of Annual Budget - 2nd Hearing](#)
[FY25 Ordinance to approve Annual Budget - 2nd Hearing](#)
[R-2024-161 Signed](#)
[Supporting Schedules - 2nd Hearing 9-24-24](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF ESTIMATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2025; PROVIDING FOR THE SEPARABILITY OF THE PROVISIONS HEREOF; AND PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2024.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fernandez, seconded by Commissioner Menendez, that this matter be adopted as amended by Ordinance Number 2024-33 . The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 3 - Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez and Commissioner Castro

Nays : 2 - Vice Mayor Anderson and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 4

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-235

5. [24-8095](#) A Resolution of the City Commission adopting the Capital Improvement Program for the five fiscal years from 2025 to 2029.

Attachments: [FY25 Cover Letter - Capital Improvement Program](#)
[FY25 Resolution to approve FY25-29 Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan](#)
[FY25-29 Capital Improvement Plan.](#)
[R-2024-235-Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION ADOPTING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE FIVE FISCAL YEARS FROM 2025 TO 2029.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fernandez, seconded by Mayor Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2024-235. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 5

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for this meeting is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

ADJOURNMENT

[Note for the Record: There being no further business on the First Budget Hearing Agenda. The Commission of the City of Coral Gables adjourned its meeting at 6:51 p.m.]

BILLY Y. URQUIA
CITY CLERK