

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item E-8
May 20, 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

Acting City Manager, Joe L. Gomez

City Attorney, Cristina Suárez

City Clerk, Billy Urquia

Assistant City Attorney, Cliff Friedman

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item E-8 [3:28 p.m.]

An Ordinance of the City Commission amending the Code of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, Chapter 2, entitled “Administration,” Article III “Boards, Commissions, Committees,” Division 1 “Generally” by amending Section 2-52 “Qualification and Appointment of Members” in order to offer members of City boards access to pickleball facilities at the Biltmore and Salvadore Park Tennis Centers free of charge; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date. (Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

Mayor Lago: E-8.

City Attorney Suarez: E-8 is an Ordinance of the City Commission amending the Code of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, Chapter 2, entitled “Administration,” Article III “Boards, Commissions, Committees,” Division 1 “Generally” by amending Section 2-52 “Qualification and Appointment of Members” in order to offer members of City boards access to pickleball facilities at the Biltmore

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and Salvadore Park Tennis Centers free of charge; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date. Mr. Friedman, please present the item.

Mayor Lago: Sir.

Assistant City Attorney Friedman: Good afternoon, Mayor, Vice Mayor and Commissioners, Cliff Friedman, Assistant City Attorney. This item simply amends the city's past policy for members of boards and committees to add pickleball, as an acceptable use of their core benefit. So this would make eligible board members, board members spouse or domestic partner and immediate family members who are 17 years of age or younger and are registered as part of the board member's household, eligible for Biltmore and Salvadore Tennis and Pickleball, Monday through Sunday, including holidays at no charge.

Vice Mayor Anderson: Great piece.

Mayor Lago: Can I have a motion.

Vice Mayor Anderson: I'll move it.

Commissioner Castro: I'll second.

Mayor Lago: Mr. Clerk, do we have any public comment.

City Clerk Urquia: No, Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Lago: Alright. Close the public comment. Any comment from the Commission.

Vice Mayor Anderson: Great piece.

Commissioner Fernandez: Yes.

Mayor Lago: Why I brought this forward, I thought it was a good idea as a result of all the new facilities we are going to be having now in regards to pickleball, so some of our board members can get to use this great new amenity here in the city. So we have a motion and a second. Mr. Clerk, please call the roll.

Commissioner Lara: Yes

Vice Mayor Anderson: Yes

Commissioner Castro: Yes

Commissioner Fernandez: Yes

Mayor Lago: Yes

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