

# City of Coral Gables

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CORAL GABLES  
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## Agenda

Tuesday, May 12, 2015

9:00 AM

City Hall, Commission Chambers

### City Commission

*Mayor Jim Cason*  
*Vice Mayor Frank C. Quesada*  
*Commissioner Patricia Keon*  
*Commissioner Vince Lago*  
*Commissioner Jeannett Slesnick*

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

**INVOCATION**

*Reverend Dr. Zachary E. Royal, Pastor  
St. Mary's First Missionary Baptist Church*

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROTOCOL ITEMS**

- A.-1. [15-3933](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring May 12, 2015 as "Yolande Davis Day" in Coral Gables.
- A.-2. [15-3922](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring May as "National Water Safety Month," and presentation of the "Platinum International Aquatic Award," to Venetian Pool and its dedicated lifeguard staff.
- A.-3. [15-3929](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring May 15, 2015 as "Police Officer Memorial Day" in Coral Gables.
- A.-4. [15-3945](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring May 17-23, 2015 as "Emergency Medical Services Week" in Coral Gables.
- A.-5. [15-3955](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring May 25, 2015 as "Memorial Day" in Coral Gables.
- A.-6. [15-3923](#) Presentation of 2015 Dade Heritage/Trust Award for the Alhambra Water Tower, for Outstanding Achievement in the restoration of a Historic Resource.
- A.-7. [15-3930](#) Congratulations to the recipients of the "Robert DeKorte Memorial Award:" Sergeant Antonio Aleman, recipient for 2012; Sergeant John Baublitz, recipient for 2013, and Officer Danny Smith, recipient for 2014.
- A.-8. [15-3928](#) Congratulations to Firefighter Carlo Milito, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Firefighter of the Month Award," for the month of May 2015.
- A.-9. [15-3953](#) Presentation of 20 year service pin to Augustus M. Black, Public Works Department/Public Service Division.
- A.-10. [15-3952](#) Congratulations to Chester Oms, Fire Department, recipient of the "Employee of The Month Award," for the month of May 2015.

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

None

**C. CONSENT AGENDA**

*All items listed within this section entitled "Consent Agenda" are considered to be self-explanatory and are not expected to require additional review or discussion, unless a member of the City Commission or a citizen so requests, in which case, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered along with the regular order of business. Hearing no objections to the items listed under the "Consent Agenda", a vote on the adoption of the Consent Agenda will be taken.*

**1. Presentation of Boards and/or Committees minutes requesting no action from the City Commission:**

- 1.-1. [15-3919](#) Cultural Development Board Meeting of February 25, 2015
- 1.-2. [15-3920](#) Arts Advisory Panel Meeting of March 17, 2015
- 1.-3. [15-3932](#) The Donald R. Hopkins and William A. Cooper Scholarship Committee Meeting of April 15, 2015
- 1.-4. [15-3935](#) Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting of March 20, 2015
- 1.-5. [15-3940](#) Traffic Advisory Board Meeting of March 25, 2015
- 1.-6. [15-3939](#) Coral Gables Merrick House Governing Board Meeting of April 6, 2015
- 1.-7. [15-3942](#) Budget/Audit Advisory Board Meeting of March 26, 2015

**D. PERSONAL APPEARANCES**

None

**E. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

*All Individuals desiring to give testimony shall be sworn in.*

*Anyone who wishes to address the City Commission on an item to be considered for public hearing must fill out a Speaker Card and turn it in to the City Clerk. Speaker Cards can be obtained on the credenza located outside the Office of the Mayor, during the day of the City Commission Meeting.*

**ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING**

- E.-1. [15-3656](#) Conditional Use Review for a Building Site Determination. An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida requesting Conditional Use Review for a Building Site Determination pursuant to Zoning Code Article 3, "Development Review", Section 3-206, "Building Site Determination" to create two (2) separate single-family building sites on property zoned Single-Family Residential (SFR) District; one (1) building site on Lot 30 and one (1) building site consisting of Lot 31 on the property legally described as Lots 30 and 31, Block A, Gables Estates No. 2 (20 Casuarina Concourse), Coral Gables, Florida; including required conditions; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date. (PZB Vote 3-2, No Recommendation). (First Reading continued from the March 10, 2015 meeting, passed on First Reading at the April 28, 2015 meeting)

**ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING**

- E.-2. [15-3927](#) An Ordinance of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to the provision of services, facilities and programs throughout the incorporated areas of Coral Gables, Florida; authorizing the imposition and collection of special assessments against property; providing certain definitions; providing for the creation of assessment areas; providing a procedure to impose special assessments; establishing procedures for notice and adoption of assessment rolls and for correction of errors and omissions; providing that assessments constitute a lien on assessed property upon adoption of the assessment rolls; providing for interim assessments; authorizing hardship assistance and certain exemptions; providing a procedure for collection of special assessments; providing a mechanism for the imposition of assessments on government property; repealing Ordinance No. 2009-37 concerning fire protection assessments; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification and providing for an effective date.

(This Master Services Assessment Ordinance provides the procedures for the establishment of services special assessments, such as the fire protection services and solid waste services assessments. It does not impose the actual assessment, nor does it obligate the Commission to proceed with the program).

**Items E-3 through E-5 are related**

- E.-3. [15-3924](#) Zoning Code Text Change. An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code, Article 4, "Zoning Districts", Division 2, "Overlay and Special Purpose Districts" Section 4-201, "Mixed Use District (MXD)," to allow for proposed mixed use projects located within a designated Mixed Use Overlay District (MXOD) with an underlying zoning designation of Industrial District (I), subject to City Commission approval, the following: 1) up to an additional twenty (20) feet of habitable building height above the one hundred (100) foot maximum permitted building height for the purposes of increased floor-to-ceiling height and aesthetics; and, 2) increase the maximum permitted height of non-habitable architectural features based on the aesthetics and design; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification and providing for an effective date. (PZB Vote: 7-0, recommended approval)
- E.-4. [15-3925](#) Alley Vacation. An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables requesting vacation of a public alleyway pursuant to Zoning Code Article 3, Division 12, "Abandonment and Vacations" and City Code Chapter 62, Article 8, "Vacation, Abandonment and Closure of Streets, Easements and Alleys by Private Owners and the City; Application Process," providing for the vacation of the thirty (30) foot wide alley which bisects the entire length of the block, and the dedication of a public cross-block easement on the property legally described as all of Block 3, Industrial Section, Coral Gables, Florida; providing for a severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date. (PZB Vote: 7-0, recommended approval)

**RESOLUTION**

- E.-5. [15-3926](#) The following resolution for mixed use site plan review is provided for reference and not for consideration at this time. This resolution shall be included with the above ordinances, E-3 through E-5, on Second Reading, if the ordinances are approved on First Reading:
- Mixed Use Site Plan Review. A Resolution of the City Commission of Coral Gables requesting mixed-use site plan review and conditional use review pursuant to Zoning Code Article 4, Division 2, "Mixed Use District (MXD)", for the construction of a mixed use project referred to as "The Collection Residences" on the property legally described as all of Block 3 and the public alleyway, Industrial Section (multiple street addresses), Coral Gables, Florida; including required conditions, and providing for an effective date. (PZB Vote: 7-0, recommended approval with conditions)

**F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS**

- F.-1. [15-3947](#) Guidance to City Attorney for settling special assessment liens, where hardship is present.  
Commissioner Lago
  
- F.-2. [15-3961](#) Discussion regarding process for residents to request new sidewalks, where there are no existing sidewalks.  
Commissioner Lago
  
- F.3. [15-3962](#) Update on the reduction of the citywide speed limit to 25 mph.  
Commissioner Lago

**G. BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS**

**None**

**H. CITY MANAGER ITEMS****Time Certain: 10:00 a.m.**

- H.-1. [15-3910](#) A Resolution approving the concept for a work of public art in conjunction with the mixed-use project at 2020 Salzedo Street, in fulfillment of the Art in Public Places requirement for public art in private development.

**Time Certain: 10:30 a.m.**

- H.-2. [15-3936](#) A Resolution authorizing issuance of an amended Request for Proposal for the City owned Garages 1 and 4 on Andalusia Avenue.
- H.-3. [15-3937](#) A Resolution authorizing entering into a settlement and release agreement with Azul and Company, Inc., Maria J. De Caires and Oscar Murphy with regard to City owned property at 4520 Ponce De Leon Blvd, Coral Gables, FL; and authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Annual Budget to reduce the rent revenue/contingencies budgets, and to transfer funds from Special Revenue Fund Balance and appropriate such funds to put toward the cost of the settlement. (This is the former DMV building. It is consistent with the FPL settlement agreement and will allow passport operations to relocate with ample off-street parking for customers.)
- H.-4. [15-3941](#) Discussion on approach to address neighborhood traffic concerns.
- H.-5. [15-3944](#) A Resolution in accordance with Section 2-26 of the City Code, entitled "Regular Meetings, Special Meetings," setting forth the meeting dates through August 2015, as follows: Tuesday, May 26, 2015 (9:00 a.m.); Budget Workshop Tuesday, May 26, 2015 (2:00 p.m.); Tuesday, June 16, 2015 (9:00 a.m.); Tuesday, July 7 (9:00 a.m.); Budget Workshop Wednesday, July 8, 2015, Budget Workshop (9:00 a.m.), and Tuesday, August 25, 2015 (9:00 a.m.).

**I. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS**

- I.-1. [15-3963](#) A Resolution creating a Charter Review Committee.

**J. CITY CLERK ITEMS**

None

**K. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

*This time is for informal discussion among the City Commissioners, the City Manager and the City Attorney*

**ADJOURNMENT**

**NOTE**

*Any person who acts as a lobbyist pursuant to the City of Coral Gables Ordinance No. 2006-11, must register with the City Clerk, prior to engaging in lobbying activities before city staff, boards, committees and/or the City Commission. A copy of the Ordinance is available in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall.*

*Any person, or persons, wishing to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, will require a verbatim record of the proceeding upon which the appeal is based. Interested persons should, therefore, take the necessary steps to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which contains the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.*

*Any person making impertinent or slanderous remarks or who become boisterous while addressing the Commission, shall be barred from further audience before the Commission by the Chair, unless permission to continue or again address the Commission is granted by the majority vote of the Commission Members present. Clapping, applauding, heckling or verbal outbursts or any remarks in support or opposition to a speaker shall be prohibited. Signs or placards shall not be permitted in Commission Chambers.*

*Any person requiring special accommodations for participation in the meeting should contact Glenn Kephart, Public Works Director, at 305-460-5001, with requests for auxiliary aids or services at least one business day before the meeting.*

**Walter J. Foeman  
City Clerk**