

ITEM TITLE:

Resolution. A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida directing staff to implement a process to allow the public to provide written input on projects during an established comment period prior to Development Review Committee and Board of Architects meetings. (Sponsored by Commissioner Anderson)

BRIEF HISTORY:

Pursuant to Section 14-108 of the Zoning Code, certain development projects must be reviewed by the Development Review Committee ("DRC"), a single administrative staff committee at which applicants can be provided input, advice, and comments regarding all applicable provisions and regulations applicable to the development applications, projects, or similar reviews before the projects are presented to the City Commission and/or the various development review boards of the City. While DRC meetings are open to the public, no decision is made at the meeting and public comment is not intended to be solicited.

As set forth in Sec. 14-103 of the Zoning Code, the Board of Architects ("BOA") "is a design administrative review board created to ensure that the City's architecture meets the design review standards of the Zoning Code, is consistent with the City's regulations and to preserve the traditional aesthetic character of the community."

The proposed resolution would direct staff to implement a process so the public can provide its written input, via a dedicated email address and by a cut-off of close-of-business the day prior to the meeting, on proposed projects reviewed by the DRC and those projects reviewed by the BOA that required review by DRC. Such written public input would be made available to the public on the website for the respective board and would be provided to the board members.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Draft Resolution