



City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
December 12, 2023

ITEM TITLE:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION GRANTING EASEMENTS TO FLORIDA POWER AND LIGHT ON CITY OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4920 WASHINGTON DRIVE, 202 JEFFERSON DRIVE AND 200 GRAND AVENUE, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE FUTURE EASEMENT REQUESTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE STORM SECURE UNDERGROUND PROGRAM.

BRIEF HISTORY:

On August 24, 2022, the City Commission adopted Resolution No. 2022-197, accepting FPL's plan to place overhead utilities underground via the Storm Secure Underground Pilot Program (SSUPP). FPL's plans under its SSUPP, now called the Storm Secure Underground Program (SSUP), eliminated the need for the City to lead an undergrounding project, for a voter referendum, for general bond issuance, and for the imposition of the cost of undergrounding on City residents and businesses.

In connection with the SSUP, FPL has begun the process of designing and converting certain overhead electric distribution facilities located within the City of Coral Gables' boundaries to underground facilities, including transformers, switch cabinets and other appurtenant facilities some of which may be installed above ground (collectively, the "Underground Facilities");

As a part of the conversions being undertaken by FPL, FPL seeks to install and place the Underground Facilities within and on certain streets and rights-of-way and in limited instances on City-owned properties within the incorporated limits of the City.

It is a priority of the City to continue to work with FPL to decide on mutually agreeable locations for the installation of Underground Facilities, which may from time to time require the granting of easements on City property. In an effort to facilitate the implementation of the SSUP, this resolution approves the granting of easements at 4390 Washington Drive, 202 Jefferson Drive and 200 Grand Avenue, and authorizes the City Manager to approve future easement requests in connection with the SSUP.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Draft Resolution
2. Draft Easement for 4920 Washington Drive
3. Draft Easement for 202 Jefferson Drive

4. Draft Easement for 200 Grand Avenue