

# City of Coral Gables

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## Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

9:00 AM

City Hall, Commission Chambers

### City Commission

*Mayor Vince Lago*  
*Vice Mayor Rhonda Anderson*  
*Commissioner Melissa Castro*  
*Commissioner Ariel Fernandez*  
*Commissioner Richard D. Lara*

*Peter J. Iglesias, P.E., City Manager*  
*Cristina M. Suárez, City Attorney*  
*Billy Y. Urquia, City Clerk*

The City of Coral Gables will be holding its Regular Meeting on February 10, 2026 commencing at 9:00 a.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. The public may comment on an item on the agenda using the City's already-established e-comment function which may be found on the City's website at: [www.coralgables.com/commissionmeetings](http://www.coralgables.com/commissionmeetings)) once the meeting's agenda is published or by sending an email to [cityclerk@coralgables.com](mailto: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](http://www.coralgables.com/cgtv)) as well as Channel 77 on Comcast.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 9:11 a.m.

**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**

The following minutes summary includes all presentations made, and actions taken which is supplemented by the following exhibits on file in the Office of the City Clerk, and which are hereby made a part of the record herein: (a) Ordinance(s) adopted (Ordinance No. 2026-06 and Ordinance No. 2026-07) (b) Resolution(s) adopted (Resolution No. 2026-34 through Resolution No. 2026-50); (c) Video; (d) Audio Recording; (e) Minutes Folder with Agenda and background information, including items which were submitted at the meeting.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**INVOCATION**

Father David Zallocco from Church of the Little Flower gave the Invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Sergeant Thomas Salcedo from the Coral Gables Police Department led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**MERRICK MOMENT**

Joanne Meagher presented the Merrick Moment.

**A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROTOCOL DOCUMENTS**

- A.-1.** [26-1004](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring February 10, 2026 as "Snows Jewelers Day" in Coral Gables.

The City Commission proclaimed February 10, 2026, as Snows Jewelers Day, honoring the family-owned business for over five decades of service on Miracle Mile. The proclamation highlighted Judy Snow's groundbreaking achievement as Florida's first female graduate gemologist in 1978 and the store's reputation for exceptional craftsmanship and customer service. Eddie Snow reflected on the business's resilience through economic downturns, recessions, and even an armed robbery, sharing anecdotes that illustrated the store's deep roots in Coral Gables. He announced plans to transition to a concierge jewelry service after the storefront closes in April 2026, ensuring continuity of service for loyal customers. Mayor Lago and commissioners praised the Snow family's contributions to the city's economic vitality and cultural identity, pledging to promote their new venture through city communications. Commissioners also recognized Judy Snow as a trailblazer for women in business and celebrated the family's multigenerational ties to Coral Gables.

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 1

- A.-2.** [26-1156](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring February 2026 as "Black History Month" in Coral Gables.

The City Commission proclaimed February 2026 as Black History Month in Coral Gables, honoring the historic contributions of Black residents to the city's development. The proclamation acknowledged the McFarland and Golden Gate neighborhoods, originally settled by Bahamian and Southern Black families who provided essential labor for George Merrick's vision of Coral Gables. Community representatives delivered a comprehensive historical narrative, citing milestones such as the founding of St. Mary's First Missionary Baptist Church in 1924, the creation of the Coral Gables Improvement Association in the 1940s, and the establishment of scholarships through the Lola B. Walker Homeowners Association. Mayor Lago announced plans for a sculpture honoring these communities to be installed prominently in front of City Hall in September 2026, symbolizing their central role in the city's history. Residents shared personal stories of multigenerational ties to Coral Gables, expressing pride in their heritage and gratitude for the city's efforts to preserve it. Commissioners reaffirmed their commitment to inclusivity and historical preservation, emphasizing that Coral Gables is one unified community.

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 2

- A.-3. [26-1157](#) Keep America Beautiful Declaration of Action for Greatest American Cleanup in honor of America's 250th Anniversary.

The City of Coral Gables formally committed to participating in Keep America Beautiful's Greatest American Cleanup as part of America's 250th anniversary celebrations. The declaration outlined plans for at least three community cleanups, two recycling or beautification events, and one celebration event between March and July 2026. Staff detailed upcoming initiatives, including a sustainability village at the farmers market, invasive species removal at Pinewood Cemetery, Earth Month activities, and a recycling drive-through on April 25. Vice Mayor Anderson announced the launch of a composting program at the Coral Gables Library and highlighted other environmental projects such as living seawalls and a micro-forest to improve air quality and reduce noise pollution. Mayor Lago pledged a \$500 prize for the individual collecting the most litter during cleanup events to encourage participation. The discussion underscored Coral Gables' leadership in sustainability and its commitment to civic engagement in environmental stewardship.

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 3

- A.-4. [25-1186](#) Congratulations to The Plaza Coral Gables on receiving the 2025 Commercial Beautification Award.

The Plaza Coral Gables received the 2025 Commercial Beautification Award for its exceptional landscaping, maintenance, and environmental leadership. The development achieved LEED certification across nine projects, setting a benchmark for sustainable construction in Coral Gables. Jose Antonio Perez accepted the award, emphasizing the project's role as a legacy for the city and its commitment to hosting community events and supporting philanthropic initiatives. Mayor Lago praised the Plaza for its meticulous upkeep, noting its impact on property values and quality of life. Jorge L. Arrizurieta, President and Chief Exec. Officer/Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce commended The Plaza for expanding the downtown footprint and creating a vibrant mixed-use environment that attracts residents and visitors. The award presentation highlighted the Plaza's role as a model for future development and its contributions to Coral Gables' reputation as a premier destination for business and leisure.

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 4

- A.-5. [26-1038](#) Congratulations to Division Chief Louie Fajardo, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Firefighter of the Month Award," for the month of February 2026.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo, FF of the Month, February 2026](#)  
[FF of the Month Letter- February 2026](#)

Division Chief Louis Fajardo was honored as Firefighter of the Month for his humanitarian efforts beyond city borders. After learning of a tragic accident in the Bahamas where victims could not be extricated due to lack of equipment, he coordinated donations of life-saving tools similar to the Jaws of Life and ensured their delivery to local first responders. His initiative reflects Coral Gables Fire Department's ethos of service and global responsibility. In conclusion he expressed gratitude to his colleagues and vendors who supported the effort, emphasizing his vision to extend training opportunities to neighboring cities. Mayor Lago commended him on his leadership and selflessness, noting that such acts strengthen regional safety and exemplify the city's values.

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 5

- A.-6. [26-1159](#) Congratulations to Emergency Dispatch Operator Monica Dinescu, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Operator of the Year," for 2025.

Emergency Dispatch Operator Monica Dinescu was recognized as Operator of the Year for 2025 for her professionalism and empathy during high-stress calls. One notable incident involved assisting a caller in severe emotional distress where Dinescu maintained composure, provided reassurance, and coordinated resources effectively. Her peers describe her as a standard-bearer of excellence, known for proactive communication and thorough research. Upon accepting the award, she thanked her supervisors and team for their support and pride in serving Coral Gables for nine years. The award presentation highlighted the critical role of dispatch operators in public safety and their ability to manage crises with compassion and precision.

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 6

- A.-7. [26-1158](#) Congratulations to Officer Thiago Falcao, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Officer of the Year," for 2025.

**Attachments:** [Falcao Officer of the Month Redacted](#)

Officer Falcao received the Officer of the Year Award for 2025 for his investigative work in solving a complex hit-and-run case that left two residents seriously injured. His efforts included leveraging advanced technology such as ALPR systems, securing cell site warrants, and coordinating with multiple jurisdictions, ultimately leading to the suspect's arrest and recovery of the vehicle. The investigation also resulted in the seizure of narcotics, removing additional threats from the community. He credited teamwork and expressed humility, noting that the case's success was a collective effort. Mayor Lago praised his dedication, emphasizing the importance of persistence and attention to detail in law enforcement and reaffirmed Coral Gables' commitment to maintaining one of the safest cities in the nation through proactive policing and technological innovation.

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 7

## B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- B.-1. [26-1169](#) Regular City Commission Meeting of January 13, 2026.

**Attachments:** [Meeting Minutes](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item C - Public Comment](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item D-5 - Resolution expressing its desire to reacti](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item E-3 - Ordinance granting approval of proposec](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item E-4 - Ordinance amending Chapter 74-Traffic ;](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item E-5 - Ordinance providing for text amendment;](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item E-6 - Ordinance amending Chapter 2-Administ](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item F-3 - Resolution amending Resolution No. 202](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item F-4 - Resolution amending Resolution No. 202](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item F-5 - Resolution amending Resolution No. 202](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item F-6 - Resolution amending Resolution No. 202](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item F-2 - Resolution making permanent the Reside](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item F-8 - Resolution amending Resolution No. 202](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item F-9 - Resolution amending Resolution No. 202](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item F-10 - Resolution accepting a donation from F](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Items F-1 and F-11 - Resolution rescinding Resolut](#)

[CCMtg Jan 13 2026 - Agenda Item F-7 - Resolution amending Resolution No. 202](#)

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Lara, that this motion be approved . The motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Mayor Lago, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro and Commissioner Lara

**Absent :** 1 - Commissioner Fernandez

City Clerk Item No. 8

**C. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

City Clerk Item No. 9

**D. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Passed the Consent Agenda**

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Castro to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Lara and Mayor Lago

**Absent :** 1 - Commissioner Fernandez

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-40**

**D.-1. 26-1130**

A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing the execution of an agreement for sewer connection for property located outside the City’s sewer district at 1231 Dickinson Drive, Coral Gables, Florida into the City of Coral Gables wastewater collection / transmission system, subject to the requirements of the Public Works Department, as provided under Chapters 62 and 78 of the City Code, Ordinance Nos. 2007-29 and 2009-39 and Resolution No. 2008-07; and provided that the executed agreement be made part of this resolution.

- Attachments:** [City Code 78-106](#)  
[Letter or Agreement](#)  
[Ordinance No. 2007-29](#)  
[Ordinance No. 2009-39](#)  
[Resolution No. 2008-07](#)  
[1231 Dickinson Dr - UM Outside Sewer Connection- RESOL](#)  
[1231 Dickinson Dr -UM Outside Sewer Connection- COVER](#)  
[R-2026-40 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR SEWER CONNECTION FOR PROPERTY LOCATED OUTSIDE THE CITY’S SEWER DISTRICT AT 1231 DICKINSON DRIVE, MIAMI, FLORIDA INTO THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES WASTEWATER COLLECTION / TRANSMISSION SYSTEM, SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, AS PROVIDED UNDER CHAPTERS 62 AND 78 OF THE CITY CODE, ORDINANCE NOS. 2007-29 AND 2009-39 AND RESOLUTION NO. 2008-07; AND PROVIDED THAT THE EXECUTED AGREEMENT BE MADE PART OF THIS RESOLUTION.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2026-40 BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 10

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-41**

- D.-2. [26-1139](#) A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing an encroachment into the public right-of-way for the installation of a fence with concrete columns and aluminum pickets at 905 Hardee Road, subject to requirements of the Public Works Department.

**Attachments:** [Boundary Survey Picture](#)  
[905 Hardee Rd Fence ROW Encroachment - COVER](#)  
[905 Hardee Rd Fence ROW Encroachment - RESOL R-2026-41 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING AN ENCROACHMENT INTO THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A FENCE WITH CONCRETE COLUMNS AND ALUMINUM PICKETS AT 905 HARDEE ROAD, SUBJECT TO REQUIREMENTS OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2026-41 BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 11

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-42**

- D.-3. [26-1149](#) A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to award RFP 2025-042 Youth Golf Program Services to Golf Academy of South Florida, LLC, the recommended responsive and responsible proposer, pursuant to Section 2-763 of the Procurement Code entitled "Contract Award" and request for Proposal (RFP) 2025-042.

Lobbyist: N/A

**Attachments:** [Resolution - RFP 2025-042.docx](#)  
[RFP 2025-042 Youth Golf Program Services .pdf](#)  
[Evaluation Composite Totals Scores.pdf](#)  
[GASFLA Response Package RFP - CITY OF CORAL GABLES.pdf](#)  
[City Manager Award Recommendation Memo - RFP 2025-042 Youth Golf Program Youth Golf Cover Memo - Edited](#)  
[R-2026-42 Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO AWARD RFP 2025-042 FOR YOUTH GOLF PROGRAM SERVICES TO GOLF ACADEMY OF SOUTH FLORIDA, LLC, THE RECOMMENDED RESPONSIVE RESPONSIBLE PROPOSER, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-763 OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE ENTITLED "CONTRACT AWARD".

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2026-42 BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 12

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-43**

- D.-4. [26-1165](#) A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation to waive the competitive bid process of the Procurement Code and contract with Gavarrete Inc. for the construction of the Mobility Hub Interim FPL Vault Buildings, located at the alley west of Garage 1, at 245 Andalusia Avenue, in an estimated amount Of \$113,950.00 or not to exceed the available budget, pursuant to Section 2-691 of the Procurement Code, titled "Special Procurements/Bid Waiver."

Lobbyist: N/A

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo](#)  
[Bid Waiver RESOL](#)  
[Bid Waiver Authorization Form](#)  
[R-2026-43 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION TO WAIVE THE COMPETITIVE BID PROCESS OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE AND CONTRACT WITH GAVARRETE INC. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MOBILITY HUB INTERIM FPL VAULT BUILDINGS, LOCATED AT THE ALLEY WEST OF GARAGE 1, AT 245 ANDALUSIA AVENUE, IN AN ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$113,950.00 OR NOT TO EXCEED THE AVAILABLE BUDGET, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-691 OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE, TITLED "SPECIAL PROCUREMENTS/BID WAIVER."

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2026-43 BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 13

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

- 1.-1. [26-1146](#) Code Enforcement Board Meeting of January 14, 2026.

**Attachments:** [FINAL - MEETING MINUTES - JANUARY CEB HEARING](#)

**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 14

- 1.-2. [26-1147](#) Country Club Board Meeting of December 10, 2025.

**Attachments:** [Country Club Board Meeting Minutes 12-10-2025](#)

**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 15

- 1.-3. [25-1256](#) Cultural Development Board Meeting of December 16, 2025.

**Attachments:** [CDB Minutes December 16, 2025 Draft](#)

**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 16

- 1.-4. [26-1137](#) Parks and Recreation Youth Advisory Board Meeting of January 7, 2026.

**Attachments:** [Youth Minutes 1.07.26](#)

**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 17

- 1.-5. [26-1155](#) Senior Citizen Advisory Board Meeting of January 8, 2026.

**Attachments:** [Senior Minutes 1.08.26](#)  
[Costume budget AAC 1.08.26](#)  
[Inhance study findings 1.08.26](#)

**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 18

## E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

### APPEALS

#### Time Certain 2:00pm (Agenda Item E-1)

- E.-1. [26-1140](#) An Appeal to the City Commission of the Board of Architects Special Masters decision on January 13, 2026, affirming the Board of Architects October 19, 2023 design approval for property located at 110 Phoenetia Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida 33134 .

Lobbyist: Jorge Navarro

**Attachments:** [Certified Transcript](#)  
[01-07-26 - Letter - Expert Witness Notification](#)  
[01-13-2026 - Further Comments - 110 Phoenetia Ave](#)  
[1st Batch of Comments](#)  
[2nd Batch of Comments](#)  
[3rd Batch of Comments](#)  
[4th Batch of Comments](#)  
[12-2-25 - Materials -Special Masters Hearing - 110 Phoenetia Avenue](#)  
[110 Phoenetia - Letters of Support \(1\)](#)  
[110 Phoenetia - Letters of Support \(2\)](#)  
[110 Phoenetia - Letters of Support \(3\)](#)  
[110 Phoenetia - Letters of Support \(4\)](#)  
[110 Phoenetia - Letters of Support \(5\)](#)  
[110 Phoenetia - Letters of Support \(6\)](#)  
[110 Phoenetia - Letters of Support \(7\)](#)  
[110 Phoenetia Staff Report](#)  
[110Phoenetia](#)  
[Appeal - Letters Received Regarding 110 Phoenetia Avenue - 2nd Batch](#)  
[Order of Board of Architects Special Master - 110 Phoenetia Avenue - January 13](#)  
[Procedural Order - 110 Phoenetia - BOA Special Master Panel](#)  
[Public Notice- Special Master Hearing - 110 Phoenetia Avenue Coral Gables FL](#)  
[Public Notice- City Commission - 110 Phoenetia Avenue Coral Gables FL 33134](#)  
[Procedural Order - 110 Phoenetia - BOA Special Master appeal](#)  
[Affidavit for Appeal Fee Waiver Signed](#)  
[Application for Appeal](#)  
[Copy of Mailing Labels](#)  
[R-2026-50 - Signed](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Castro, seconded by Commissioner Fernandez, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2026-50. The motion failed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 2 - Commissioner Castro and Commissioner Fernandez

**Nays :** 3 - Commissioner Lara, Vice Mayor Anderson and Mayor Lago

**Attachments:** [Certified Transcript](#)  
[01-07-26 - Letter - Expert Witness Notification](#)  
[01-13-2026 - Further Comments - 110 Phoenetia Ave](#)  
[1st Batch of Comments](#)  
[2nd Batch of Comments](#)  
[3rd Batch of Comments](#)  
[4th Batch of Comments](#)  
[12-2-25 - Materials -Special Masters Hearing - 110 Phoenetia Avenue](#)  
[110 Phoenetia - Letters of Support \(1\)](#)  
[110 Phoenetia - Letters of Support \(2\)](#)  
[110 Phoenetia - Letters of Support \(3\)](#)  
[110 Phoenetia - Letters of Support \(4\)](#)  
[110 Phoenetia - Letters of Support \(5\)](#)  
[110 Phoenetia - Letters of Support \(6\)](#)  
[110 Phoenetia - Letters of Support \(7\)](#)  
[110 Phoenetia Staff Report](#)  
[110Phoenetia](#)  
[Appeal - Letters Received Regarding 110 Phoenetia Avenue - 2nd Batch](#)  
[Order of Board of Architects Special Master - 110 Phoenetia Avenue - January 13](#)  
[Procedural Order - 110 Phoenetia - BOA Special Master Panel](#)  
[Public Notice- Special Master Hearing - 110 Phoenetia Avenue Coral Gables FL](#)  
[Public Notice- City Commission - 110 Phoenetia Avenue Coral Gables FL 33134](#)  
[Procedural Order - 110 Phoenetia - BOA Special Master appeal](#)  
[Affidavit for Appeal Fee Waiver Signed](#)  
[Application for Appeal](#)  
[Copy of Mailing labels](#)  
[R-2026-50 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION DENYING THE APPEAL OF THE DECISION OF THE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS SPECIAL MASTERS ON JANUARY 13, 2026 AFFIRMING THE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS OCTOBER 19, 2023 DESIGN APPROVAL FOR A PROPERTY LOCATED AT 110 PHOENETIA AVENUE, CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA AND AFFIRMING THE DECISION OF THE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS SPECIAL MASTERS.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Lara, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2026-50. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 3 - Commissioner Lara, Vice Mayor Anderson and Mayor Lago

**Nays :** 2 - Commissioner Fernandez and Commissioner Castro

City Clerk Item No. 31

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-49****Non  
Agenda  
Item** [26-1183](#)

A Resolution of the City Commission finding that Commissioner Fernandez had an extraordinary circumstance that did not allow him to attend the City Commission Meeting of February 10, 2026 in person, and allowing him to fully participate in said meeting via Zoom, while there was a physical quorum in the room.

**Attachments:** [R-2026-49 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION FINDING THAT COMMISSIONER FERNANDEZ HAD AN EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCE THAT DID NOT ALLOW HIM TO ATTEND THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING FEBRUARY 10, 2026 IN PERSON, AND ALLOWING HIM TO FULLY PARTICIPATE IN SAID MEETING VIA ZOOM, WHILE THERE WAS A PHYSICAL QUORUM IN THE ROOM.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Castro, that this motion be adopted by Resolution Number 2026-49. The motion passed by unanimous vote.**

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

City Clerk Item No. 30

**ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING****ORDINANCE NO. 2026-06****E.-2.** [26-1082](#)

An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Chapter 2, "Administration," Article VII, "Finance," Division 1, "Generally", to create Section 2-353 of the City Code to formally establish ongoing priority capital projects and capital matrices funding programs; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.

(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo-First Reading Ordinance finance policies First Reading Ordinance-finance policies-1-22](#)  
[Cover Memo-Second Reading Ordinance finance policies Second Reading Ordinance-finance policies-2-3](#)  
[O-2026-06 - Signed](#)

AN ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 2, "ADMINISTRATION," ARTICLE VII, "FINANCE", DIVISION 1, "GENERALLY," TO CREATE SECTION 2-353 OF THE CITY CODE TO FORMALLY ESTABLISH ONGOING PRIORITY CAPITAL PROJECTS AND CAPITAL MARTRICES FUNDING PROGRAMS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, REPEALER PROVISION, CODIFICATION, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Lara, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2026-06. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Lara and Mayor Lago

**Absent :** 1 - Commissioner Fernandez

City Clerk Item No. 20

### **ORDINANCE NO. 2026-07**

**E.-3. [26-1104](#)**

An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Chapter 74, "Traffic and Vehicles," Article I "In General," Section 74-3 "Riding of Bicycles Upon Pedestrian Sidewalks Generally" and Chapter 74 "Traffic and Vehicles," Article IV "Bicycles, Skateboards, Scooters, Shared Mobility Devices, and Other Similar Devices," Section 74-239 "Definitions" to amend the City Code to add a definition of electric bicycles and prohibit the riding Of electric bicycles on city sidewalks; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.  
(Sponsored By Vice Mayor Anderson)

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo- First Reading Ordinance- EBikes- January 2026](#)  
[EBike Ordinance January 2026- Exhibit A](#)  
[First Reading Ordinance Ebikes January 2026](#)  
[Cover Memo-Second Reading Ordinance- EBikes- February 10 2026](#)  
[EBike Ordinance February 10 2026- Exhibit A](#)  
[Second Reading Ordinance Ebikes February 10 2026](#)  
[O-2026-07 - Signed](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 74, "TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES," ARTICLE I "IN GENERAL," SECTION 74-3 "RIDING OF BICYCLES UPON PEDESTRIAN SIDEWALKS GENERALLY" AND CHAPTER 74 "TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES," ARTICLE IV "BICYCLES, SKATEBOARDS, SCOOTERS, SHARED MOBILITY DEVICES, AND OTHER SIMILAR DEVICES," SECTION 74-239 "DEFINITIONS" TO AMEND THE CITY CODE TO ADD A DEFINITION OF ELECTRIC BICYCLES AND PROHIBIT THE RIDING OF ELECTRIC BICYCLES ON CITY SIDEWALKS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Castro, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2026-07. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Lara, Vice Mayor Anderson and Mayor Lago

**Absent :** 1 - Commissioner Fernandez

City Clerk Item No. 21

**ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING****ORDINANCE NO. 2026-08**

- E.-4.**    [26-1138](#)    An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Chapter 105, "Buildings and Building Regulations," of the Code of the City of Coral Gables by amending Section 105-30, "Construction Staging Plans," to modify construction fencing requirements; requiring visual displays in multi-family, mixed-use, and Special Use and Preservation zoned districts; establishing standards for temporary storefront barricades; and by creating Section 105-33, "Demolition Standards," to establish requirements for demolition activities; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

**Attachments:**    [2 10 26 CC - Visual Display & Demolition 1st Reading](#)  
[Final Draft Ordinance - Sec. 105-30 and Sec. 105-33 v9](#)  
[02 24 26 Exhibit A - Draft Ordinance - City Code Construction](#)  
[02 24 26 CC - Visual Display & Demolition - 2nd Reading](#)  
[O-2026-08 Signed](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-4 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Lara, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Lara and Mayor Lago

**Absent :** 1 - Commissioner Fernandez

City Clerk Item No. 22

**F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS****RESOLUTION NO. 2026-44**

- F.-1. [26-1148](#)** A Resolution of the City Commission expressing solidarity with the Iranian people in their pursuit for freedom, human rights, and economic justice.  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo- Resolution- Support of Iranian Protesters](#)  
[Resolution in support of Iranian protesters](#)  
[R-2026-44 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA EXPRESSING SOLIDARITY WITH THE IRANIAN PEOPLE IN THEIR PURSUIT FOR FREEDOM, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND ECONOMIC JUSTICE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Mayor Lago, seconded by Vice Mayor Anderson, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2026-44. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 3 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Lara and Mayor Lago

**Nays :** 1 - Commissioner Castro

**Absent :** 1 - Commissioner Fernandez

City Clerk Item No. 23

- F.-2. [25-1261](#)** Discussion regarding tree protection, construction fences, and silt barriers at construction sites.  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

**Attachments:** [Tree Protection Presentation 1 12 26](#)  
[Tree Protection, Construction Fences and Silt Barriers F-2](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 24

- F.-3. [26-1168](#) Discussion regarding state law and the city's ability to regulate leaf blowers.  
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 25

**G. BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-45**

- G.-1. [26-1163](#) A Resolution of the City Commission confirming the appointments of Carlos J. Castillo and Alex Sueiro (nominated by Commission As A Whole) to serve as members of the Firefighters Pension Trust Fund, for a two (2) year term that began on June 1, 2025 and continues through May 31, 2027.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo - FF Pension Trust Fund- Commission As A Whole Appointment](#)  
[Draft Resolution - FF Pension Trust Fund - Commission As A Whole Appointment R-2026-45 Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENTS OF CARLOS J. CASTILLO AND ALEX SUEIRO (NOMINATED BY COMMISSION AS A WHOLE) TO SERVE AS MEMBERS OF THE FIREFIGHTERS PENSION TRUST FUND, FOR A TWO (2) YEAR TERM THAT BEGAN ON JUNE 1, 2025 AND CONTINUES THROUGH MAY 31, 2027.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Castro, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2026-45. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Lara, Vice Mayor Anderson and Mayor Lago

**Absent :** 1 - Commissioner Fernandez

City Clerk Item No. 26

**H. CITY MANAGER ITEMS****RESOLUTION NO. 2026-46**

- H.-1. [26-1162](#) A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Annual Budget to recognize a transfer of \$3,000,000 from the Parking Fund reserves and \$2,500,000 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development grant for the Mobility Hub Project and appropriating the funds for cost for the Mobility Hub Capital Project.

**Attachments:** [Cover - FY26 Budget Amendment Mobility Hub](#)  
[Resolution - FY26 Budget Amendment Mobility Hub](#)  
[R- 2026-46 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 ANNUAL BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE A TRANSFER OF \$3,000,000 FROM THE PARKING FUND RESERVES AND \$2,500,000 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT GRANT FOR THE MOBILITY HUB PROJECT AND APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS FOR COST FOR THE MOBILITY HUB CAPITAL PROJECT.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Lara, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2026-46. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Commissioner Lara, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro and Mayor Lago

**Absent :** 1 - Commissioner Fernandez

City Clerk Item No. 27

**Time Certain 11:00am (Agenda Item H-2)**

- H.-2. [26-1076](#) Update regarding Development Services Study.

**Attachments:** [Development Services Improvements H-2](#)  
[Coral Gables Building Division Assessment Presentation \(Commission\) 2.10.26](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 19

**I. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS**

None

City Clerk Item No. 32

**J. CITY CLERK ITEMS**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-47**

J.-1. 26-1160

A Resolution of the City Commission granting permission to the City Clerk to proceed with preparation of the Municipal Election Order Form in conjunction with Miami-Dade County Elections Department for services, materials and support to be rendered, in connection with the Coral Gables Special Mail Ballot Election of April 21, 2026, to procure the necessary ballots and other forms, to assist in all aspects of the Special Mail Ballot Election and canvass of returns from our designated precincts within the City of Coral Gables.

**Attachments:** [R-2026-000 - Proceed with preparation of Election Order Cover Memo - Proceed with preparation of Election Order](#)  
[R-2026-47 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION GRANTING PERMISSION TO THE CITY CLERK TO PROCEED WITH PREPARATION OF THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION ORDER FORM IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE MIAMI DADE COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS FOR SERVICES, MATERIALS AND SUPPORT TO BE RENDERED, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CORAL GABLES SPECIAL MAIL BALLOT ELECTION OF APRIL 21, 2026, TO PROCURE THE NECESSARY BALLOTS AND OTHER FORMS, TO ASSIST IN ALL ASPECTS OF THE SPECIAL MAIL BALLOT ELECTION AND CANVASS OF RETURNS FROM OUR DESIGNATED PRECINCTS WITHIN THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Lara, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2026-47. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Commissioner Lara, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro and Mayor Lago

**Absent :** 1 - Commissioner Fernandez

City Clerk Item No. 28

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-48**

- J.-2. [26-1161](#) A Resolution of the City Commission making provisions for holding a Special Mail Ballot Election on April 21, 2026, for the consideration of certain questions amending the City Charter; further designating and appointing the City Clerk as the official representative of the City Commission, with respect to the Supervision of said Special Mail Ballot Election.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo - Election](#)  
[Draft R-2026 - 000](#)  
[R-2026-48 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION MAKING PROVISIONS FOR HOLDING A SPECIAL MAIL BALLOT ELECTION ON APRIL 21, 2026, FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN QUESTIONS AMENDING THE CITY CHARTER; FURTHER DESIGNATING AND APPOINTING THE CITY CLERK AS THE OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CITY COMMISSION, WITH RESPECT TO THE SAID SPECIAL MAIL BALLOT ELECTION.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Lara, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2026-48. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Lara and Mayor Lago

**Absent :** 1 - Commissioner Fernandez

City Clerk Item No. 29

**K. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

City Clerk Item No. 33

**ADJOURNMENT**

[Note for the Record: There being no further business on the Regular City Commission Meeting Agenda. The Commission of the City of Coral Gables adjourned its meeting at 5:20 p.m. The next Regular Meeting of the City Commission has been scheduled for Tuesday, February 24, 2026, beginning 9 a.m.]

**Billy Y. Urquia**  
**City Clerk**