

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item I-3
February 25, 2020
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL

City Commission

Mayor Raul Valdes-Fauli
Vice Mayor Vince Lago
Commissioner Pat Keon
Commissioner Michael Mena
Commissioner Jorge Fors, Jr.

City Staff

City Manager, Peter Iglesias
City Attorney, Miriam Ramos
City Clerk, Billy Urquia
Planning and Zoning Director, Ramon Trias

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item I-3 [9:21:19 a.m.]

A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, authorizing a non-restaurant facility, Galiano Cigar Room to add open air seating on private property, provided that the open air seating complies with the standards, criteria, and conditions for outdoor seating set forth in Section 4-206 of the Zoning Code and any other state and local regulations, any conditions imposed by the City Commission and administrative permitting process, on property legally described as Coral Gables Section L, lots 25 through 28, Block 33 (2320 Galiano Street), Coral Gables, Florida, and providing for an effective date.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: We will take out of order again item I-3.

City Attorney Ramos: I-3 is a Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, authorizing a non-restaurant facility, Galiano Cigar Room to add open air seating on private property, provided that the open air seating complies with the standards, criteria, and conditions for outdoor seating set forth in Section 4-206 of the Zoning Code and any other state and local regulations, any conditions

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imposed by the City Commission and administrative permitting process, on property legally described as Coral Gables Section L, lots 25 through 28, Block 33 (2320 Galiano Street), Coral Gables, Florida, and providing for an effective date. This is a public hearing item. This is traveling under the new legislation that was adopted last month for these types of approvals.

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: Mayor the applicant is here, if you have any questions. I also can answer any questions you may have.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Parking – how is the parking, is the parking going to be removed?

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: Yes, that's correct. There is a parking space being removed and there were six parking spaces approved when this project was approved a long time ago and its 15,000 square feet. So, it was non-conforming to begin with. So, if you believe this is an appropriate way to enhance the sidewalk area, it doesn't really have any significant impact on the parking.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Anybody have any questions?

Commissioner Mena: I'm assuming from the design that I saw, they are putting like planters of some kind, to kind of define the area.

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: Yes sir.

Commissioner Mena: I'm assuming that sort of the distance from those planters to the adjacent building across the alley leaves the appropriate, sort of amount of space in the alley. I don't know if I said that very articulately.

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: They are not building in the alley, they are building in the property, so the alley remains clear.

City Manager Iglesias: We are not encroaching any right-of-way...

Commissioner Keon: Is it being built where there were parking spaces? – how many parking spaces?

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: I believe its four, maybe the applicant can be more precise than that, but that's the way I understand it.

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Commissioner Keon: Four?

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: Yes.

Commissioner Keon: And there were like six?

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: Yes. It was minimal parking access in the alley.

Commissioner Keon: I imagine it's for staff.

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: Yes.

Commissioner Keon: OK.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Any other comments?

City Attorney Ramos: Mr. Clerk are there any speaker cards?

City Clerk Urquia: No ma'am.

Commissioner Mena: I'll move it.

Vice Mayor Lago: Second.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Will you call the roll please.

Vice Mayor Lago: Yes

Commissioner Mena: Yes

Commissioner Fors: Yes

Commissioner Keon: Yes

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes

(Vote: 5-0)

[End: 9:24:08 a.m.]