# City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting Agenda Item C January 28, 2025 Police and Fire Headquarters 2151 Salzedo Street, Coral Gables, FL

# **City Commission**

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Maria Cruz Jackson Holmes Lynne Bluestein

Agenda Item C [9:41 a.m.] Public Comment

Mayor Lago: Public Comment.

City Clerk Urquia: Mr. Mayor, first speaker this morning is Mrs. Maria Cruz.

Mrs. Cruz: Good morning. Mrs. Maria Cruz, 1447 Miller Road. This is a glorious day in the City of Coral Gables. This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it. It is a wonderful day. I would like to do something nice today. I would like to thank what is now called the Community Recreation Department that will always be Parks and Recreation to the old timers, because now that I know how to use social media, its wonderful how they keep us informed of what's going on. It was very, very interesting to see the progress of Venetian Pool. There is never ever something going on that is parks and recreation related that the community does not know about that they do not see how wonderful we are, and what good job they do. Its amazing, I think that department should be commended, because they do keep us informed and I still miss Coral City Commission Meeting

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Gables TV, because we do not get the same benefit from, I guess we still have a Communications Department, but we don't get the same. People keep asking me, what's going on with City Hall? When I was driving today, I saw construction tents. I saw things there. People want to know what's going on. Show me. Show me the progress, but we that we don't get to see because I guess we don't want to show. Thank you and have a wonderful time.

City Clerk Urquia: Jackson Holmes.

Mr. Holmes: Greetings. Thank you all so much. I learned a lesson here. People at home are on that camera and I have great additional news on free energy. I mean phenomenal news. Do you have the first video there, the short one.

City Clerk Urquia: Mr. Holmes, I'm not sure if it's the first or the second, but I can try sharing it.

Mr. Holmes: But it says – go ahead. That's it.

# [Video Presentation]

Mr. Holmes: Okay. So, this is a gamechanger. We have the United States Defense Department (DARPA) that they just sited there and that's on 60 Minutes, right. This changes the burden of proof on free energy. DARPA – there is nobody that compares with DARPA. These people are mindblowers, and they know what they are saying. They decided to release this and I think its like a cookie crumb for us to pick up and take to the touchdown. What can I say here. There is a second video – DARPA, I'm telling you, you at home, if you don't know about DARPA, study them. They invented the internet, they invented GPS, they even invented things that are just absolutely mind-blowing. So, the burden of proof now is on anyone who doubts the existence of free energy. I see I've got a few more seconds here. I have a second tape. Is it available?

City Clerk Urquia: Sure.

### [Video Presentation]

Mr. Holmes: Okay. So this is where a friend of my friend, John Hutchinson is levitating like a steel ball, you see it, and its almost amazing that DARPA's research, I mean these people are so advanced, if I said what DARPA has done, I would lose credibility, because you'd say its impossible, and yet, the friend of my friend, John Hutchinson, his experiments mirror, they are parallel. Take it to the bank. The burden of proof has changed. If DARPA tells us, which they just did, that there is free energy, then anyone who doubts it has to argue with the United States Government. Thanks.

Mayor Lago: Thank you.

City Clerk Urquia: Lynne Bluestein.

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Mayor Lago: Good morning.

Ms. Bluestein: Lynne Bluestein, 4330 S.W. 15<sup>th</sup> Street. First, I would like to wish everyone a healthy New Year. Its seems that the word to best describe the mood of both nationwide and local voters is change. The November 2024 election proved it is evident that citizens want change, and it is evident that the taxpaying residents of Coral Gables also want change. That change can manifest in a few different ways. In the August 20<sup>th</sup> election, a majority of Coral Gables taxpaying residents overwhelming voted no to the straw ballot question regarding the annexation of Little Gables. Meaning they do not want Little Gables to be annexed into Coral Gables. In November of 2023, it was estimated that the cost of annexing Little Gables would cos the city \$23,594,000 over just the first five years, with no guarantee of ever breaking even. Since I doubt that number has decreased, I'm sure your residents would like to know if it has increased, and if it has, what would the new amount be. The taxpaying residents of Coral Gables do not want to spend over \$24 million dollars on the annexation of Little Gables. They want the services they need, deserve and pay for to be delivered to them. If those of you who are up for re-election are re-elected to your present offices, would you proceed to apply for the annexation of Little Gables to Miami-Dade County. Do you intend to defy and overturn the will of your taxpaying citizens. I am sure that the voting residents of Coral Gables would like an answer to this question. So, I hope you will answer it now and thank you very much.

Mayor Lago: Mr. Clerk.

City Clerk Urquia: That's it, Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Lago: Thank you.