

September 1, 2023

City Manager 405 Biltmore Way Coral Gables, FL 33134

Mr. Peter Iglesias

The members of the Coral Gables Firefighters Benevolent Association respectfully request permission to sell Christmas trees in the City of Coral Gables. The proposed location is 5501 Granada Blvd. The Coral Gables Baptist Church property.

We have had our annual Christmas tree sale in the Gables since 1957, and as in past years, all rules and regulations will be adhered to. We have demonstrated our dedication for public safety in all of our previous years, and we will continue with the high standards. Keeping safety in mind we are asking permission to erect a temporary chain link fence around the lot perimeter. In the spirit of the season we would also like permission to use an inflatable Santa Claus as a display. No advertising would be affixed to the Santa.

Sales will begin on or about November 18, and will end Christmas Eve. We are looking forward to this yearly event and assure you it will go as smoothly, and maintain the standards of year's past.

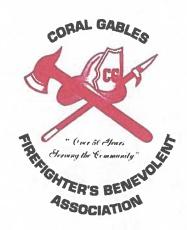
Thank you for your consideration concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

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Capt. Paul W. Boutin (Retiered) Firefighters Christmas Trees Inc.

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Mr. City Manager

Enclosed please find the documents required to fulfill the request for a variance. I hope these satisfy your needs and that we may be placed on the City Commission agenda on the earliest date possible. This early request is due to the unusual situation that we are all experiencing. With your help we can continue with this yearly holiday endevour.

**Enclosures:** 

- 1) Lot lease from lot owner.
- 2) Insurance coverage equal to or exceeding (\$2,000,000.) Two million dollars liability with the City of Coral Gables as additional insured.
- 3) Lot sketch.
- 4) Refundable deposit check in the amount of \$400.00 covering a clean up fee for the lot.
- 5) A list of the philanthropic involvement by the Benevolent Association in the community during the 2022-2023 tax year.

Please notify me if any additions will be required. As lot manager for the Firefighters Benevolent Christmas tree lot, I respectfully request that any notices concerning this issue be forwarded to my office. This will ensure a prompt response to your communications.

Sincerely,

Captain Paul W. Boutin (Ret.)

(305) 757-7777

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September 1, 2023 To Whom it May Concern:

The following is a list of some of the many philanthropic activities that the Coral Gables Firefighters Benevolent members have proudly participated in 2022-2023

We have made monetary donations to:

2022 Christmas tree donations of \$20,200.00

Charlee Homes for Children

Charlee House/ Gladestone Center

Children's Home Society

City of Coral Gables Merrick House

City of Coral Gables Police Department

City of Coral Gables Motor Pool Division

City of South Miami Children's Community Group

City of Miami Community Affairs

City of Miami Police Department Children's Holiday Celebration

Coral Gables Senior High School

Dade County School Chamber of Commerce Club

Dade County Joseph Caleb Center

Dade County School "Christmas Around the World"

George Washington Carver Middle School

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Miami

J.R.E. Lee Opportunity School

Lee Park Cooperative

Martin Luther King Economic Group

Merrick Educational Center

Miami Behavioral Health Center

Miami Springs Senior High

Neighbors for Neighbors Program

Ponce de Leon Middle School

Princor Service Corp.

South Florida Food Recovery Program

Sunrise Opportunity Residential Program

The Learning Experience School Barry University Inter Cultural Center

United Way Families

Universal Life Church

Whole World Christian Academy

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## Lease Agreement

THIS LEASE AGREEMENT, made this 4 day of MARZH, 2021 by and between Coral Gables Baptist Church, hereafter known as LANDLORD, whose address is 5501 Granada Blvd., Coral Gables, Fl and Firefighters Christmas Trees, hereafter known as TENANT, whose address is:

303 Sugar Top Drive Unit 3632 Sugar Mountain, NC 28604

hereafter called TENANT.

In consideration of the agreements and stipulations hereinafter mentioned to be kept and performed by the TENANT, Landlord hereby leases to TENANT and TENANT hereby leases from LANDLORD, for retail Christmas tree sales only, that certain parcel described as 5501 Granada Blvd. Coral Gables, Dade, Florida.

To have and to hold from the first day of November to the 29th day of December, 2021-2022-2023-2024-

The rental paid under said Lease by TENANT and accepted by LANDLORD as rental under the terms of this Lease is the sum \$ 5,000.00 five thousand dollars per lease period. An additional \$ 1,000.00 one thousand dollars will be due upon acceptance.

TENANT agrees:

- 1) To make no unlawful, improper, or offensive use of the premises and permit LANDLORD to enter upon said land to inspect, and for any and all lawful purposes arising from LANDLORDS rights, so long as it does not interfere with the rights of the TENANT, as provided in this Lease.
- 2) To permit the premises to be used for retail Christmas tree sales only.
- 3) To keep LANDLORD from any liability and claim for damages by reason of any injury to TENANT and TENANTS agents, servants, employees, or any and all persons or for damage to any for any cause whatsoever while in or about the premises or in any way, directly or indirectly connected with or arising out of this agreement, and agrees to take out and keep in force during the term of this Lease, public liability insurance to be not less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.) for any one person injured, or One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.) for any one accident and a copy of said insurance to be delivered to the LANLORD.
- 4) To abide by all laws of Florida, and ordinances and rules of Coral Gables and Dade County, Florida.

  5) To take care of said premises, and maintain in a careful and prudent manner and return the property in as

good condition at the end of said term in as good condition as said premises are now, ordinary wear and tear the only exception.

TENANT covenants that should any of the agreements of this Lease be violated then TENANT shall become Tenant at Sufferance, hereby waiving all rights of notice, and LANDLORD shall be entitled immediately to re-enter and re-take possession of the demised premises.

Witness of hands this

th day of MARUH

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Coral Gables Baptist Church

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Paul W Boutin

Firefighters Christmas Trees Inc.

PRESIDENT

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