

City of Coral Gables

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CORAL GABLES
THE CITY BEAUTIFUL

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 16, 2015

9:00 AM

REVISED AGENDA

**Additional Items B-3 and C-5
City Hall, Commission Chambers**

City Commission

*Mayor Jim Cason
Vice Mayor Frank C. Quesada
Commissioner Patricia Keon
Commissioner Vince Lago
Commissioner Jeannett Slesnick*

*Cathy Swanson-Rivenbark, City Manager
Craig E. Leen, City Attorney
Walter J. Foeman, City Clerk*

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jim Cason at 9:07 am.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Mayor Cason, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Commissioner Slesnick

INVOCATION

Dr. Lawrence Boudon, Pastor at St. James Evangelical Lutheran Church gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Vince Lago led the Pledge of Allegiance.

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

The following minutes summary includes all presentations made, and actions taken which information is supplemented by the following exhibits on file in the Office of the City Clerk, and which are by reference made a part of the record herein: (a) Ordinance(s) adopted (Ordinance No. 2015-17); (b) Resolution(s) adopted (Resolution No. 2015-91 through Resolution No. 2015-104); (c) Video; (d) Audio Recording; (e) Minutes Folder with Agenda and background information, including items which were submitted at the meeting.

A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROTOCOL ITEMS**A.-1. [15-3986](#)**

Presentation of the Mercedes Benz Corporate Run Medals where the City of Coral Gables proudly swept all first place team medals in every City category (Men's, Women's, and CoEd), despite heavy competition from other Miami-Dade Cities.

[Note for the Record: Agenda Item A-1: Following the reading of the title to Agenda Item A-1, Mayor Cason stated that the Coral Gables Team proudly creamed all other teams in the Men's, Women's and Co-Ed Divisions while competing in the Mercedes Corporate Run, finishing in first place in every municipal category.

Following the acknowledgement, Mayor Cason turned the Corporate Run presentation over to City Attorney Craig Leen, who was one of the top runners, who informed the public on said event against the background music so reminiscent of the ancient Greek games. Attorney Leen added a philosophical note stating that there comes a time in every race where the runner or walker must reach deep within to find the wherewithal to complete the race. The victor doesn't necessarily accrue to the swiftest nor strongest, but to the most dedicated. The City Attorney further acknowledged those 12 dedicated runners who represented the City and who finished the event, beginning with our Team Captain, namely Christina Veliz, as well as our fastest runner, namely Brook Dannemiller (20:38.8) who defeated the City Attorney by 17 seconds (20:55). Other individuals who received medals in the Male Category were Carlos Pichardo (21:031) and Alain Gracia (21:260), Joel Hitchman (25:23) and Ernesto Bermudez (27:15.2) in the Co-Ed Category. In the Female Category, Sarah Espino (25.00.9), Christina Veliz (26.46), Carmen Olazabal (30.00), Ana Muniz Leen (City Attorney, who did not receive a medal because she was not registered with the City, Grethel Salas(31.00.2) and Carolina Vester (32.33).

City Attorney requested of the Mayor and the Commission to do the presentation of the medals].

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 1

A.-2. [15-3996](#)

Congratulations to Firefighter Joe Fantigrassi, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Firefighter of the Month Award," for the month of June 2015.

Attachments: [Cover Memo - FF OF THE MONTH, June 2015](#)
[Notification Letter, FF of the Month, June 2015](#)

[Note for the Record: Agenda Item A-2: Following the introduction of the title to Agenda Item A-2 by the Mayor, City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark requested of Fire Chief Stolzenberg to present Firefighter Joe Fantigrassi as the recipient of the City of Coral Gables Firefighter of the Month for the month of June, 2015. Chief Stolzenberg prefaced his remarks by stating that Joe was hired in 2007, and for the past 6 years, he has continued to grow and enhance his own knowledge in firefighting, as well as improve the Fire Department-thereby becoming a certified paramedic, fire line safety inspector, a remarkable craftsman, as well as becoming a remarkable smoker/ chef; further pointing out that Joe's attention to detail and craftsmanship is the driving force for this nomination, added Chief Stolzenberg. Recently, the City celebrated "Take Your Child to Work Day." The Chief further noted that judging by the Fire Department's participation in that day's activities, by all accounts this event was a huge success-a lot of the success is attributable to Joe's initiative. For example, the Chief noted that Joe build a house that enabled kids to put out a live fire with 1 of the fire hoses. He constructed the structure, put it together, put it on a trailer, and the department still uses it today. He also took the initiative of creating the forcible entry property for firefighters to simulate breaking into a locked door. This allows the Fire Department to simulate breaking into a locked door and repeat the training over and over again. Aside from being handy with tools, Firefighter Fantigrassi is an amazing cook. He recently volunteered to provide lunch for the City Manager's very first morale committee meeting, and for the past several years has provided his culinary skills at the department's annual picnic.

In accepting this accolade Firefighter Fantigrassi thanked the Chief for this accolade for the Firefighter of the Month recognition].

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 2

A.-3. [15-3998](#)

Congratulations to Brenda Delgado, Information Technology Department, recipient of the "Employee of the Month Award," for the month of June 2015.

Attachments: [Cover Memorandum - EOM June 2015](#)
[EOM Notification Ltr.](#)

[Note for the Record: Agenda Item A-3: Following the reading of Agenda Item A-3 into the public record by Mayor Cason, City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark requested of Human Resources Director Elsa Jaramillo-Velez to join Chief Information Officer Gee Chow in presenting Brenda Delgado as the June 2015 Employee of the Month. Mrs. Jaramillo-Velez stated that Brenda was being recognized for her professionalism, for always being a pleasant person, along with her great customer service skills; adding that it speaks wonders for a person who has only been in the City's employ for a little more than a year and is always being recognized for her outstanding work.

During the videotaped segment of the presentation, Mr. Chow thanked the organization for the opportunity to recognize and introduce an outstanding employee. Mr. Chow further noted that Brenda began her career as an IT Specialist for the Service Desk; she later moved to the Systems Group within the department. Since her tenure with the City, Brenda has shown great personal and technical skill. She is very productive and has shown a great desire to learn and grow professionally. She has been a key player in various Fire Department systems upgrades. She has provided support for systems improvements for the Police Department Dispatch and 9117 System. On a daily basis Brenda provides technical support to department users, as well as to our citizenry-from simple PC problems, to complex systems issues, Brenda has been very dependable, responsible and courteous, and always willing to go the extra mile to provide technical solutions for our City added Mr. Chow. Concluding by stating that she is a tremendous asset to our City, congratulating Brenda in making their department very proud of her accomplishments.

In accepting this recognition Brenda thanked Mr. Chow and the City, and expressed her desire to keep working with her great team].

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 3

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- B.-1.** [15-4025](#) City Commission Investiture Ceremony of April 17, 2015

Attachments: [Investiture Ceremony of April 17, 2015](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, that this matter be approved. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada,
 Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 4

- B.-2.** [15-4024](#) City Commission Special Meeting of April 24, 2015

Attachments: [Special Meeting of April 24, 2015](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Vice Mayor Quesada, that this matter be approved. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick,
 Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 5

- B.-3.** [15-4027](#) City Commission Meeting of April 28, 2015

Attachments: [City Commission Meeting of April 28, 2016](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be approved. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon,
 Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 6

C. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed within this section entitled "Consent Agenda" are considered to be self-explanatory and are not expected to require additional review or discussion, unless a member of the City Commission or a citizen so requests, in which case, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered along with the regular order of business. Hearing no objections to the items listed under the "Consent Agenda", a vote on the adoption of the Consent Agenda will be taken.

Passed the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Vice Mayor Quesada, to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Mayor Cason

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-91**C.-1. [15-4003](#)**

A Resolution approving a recommendation from the Historic Preservation Board that a bronze memorial plaque dedicated to Sarah Sikes Anderson be placed on a coral rock, at the northeast corner of the intersection of Granada Boulevard and Coral Way.

Attachments: [Sarah Anderson Plaque - Draft Resolution - Word](#)
[Location Map](#)
[HPB MinutesMar.21.2013MinuteExcerptsJohnAnderson](#)
[Photographs of proposed location](#)
[C-1 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD THAT A BRONZE MEMORIAL PLAQUE DEDICATED TO SARAH SIKES ANDERSON BE PLACED ON A CORAL ROCK AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF GRANADA BOULEVARD AND CORAL WAY.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-91 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 7

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-92**C.-2. [15-4001](#)**

A Resolution authorizing encroachments into the public right-of-way at Old Cutler Road/SW 57th Avenue, consisting of the construction of a new CBS wall, replacing a portion of the existing aluminum fence adjacent to Gulliver Academy, 12595 Red Road, Coral Gables, Florida.

Attachments: [Gulliver letter of request](#)
[Proposed Plans](#)
[Ordinance 2011-06](#)
[Gulliver Resolution](#)
[C-2 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENCROACHMENTS INTO THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY OF OLD CUTLER ROAD/SW 57TH AVENUE, CONSISTING OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW CBS WALL, REPLACING A PORTION OF THE EXISTING ALUMINUM FENCE ADJACENT TO GULLIVER ACADEMY, 12595 RED ROAD, CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-92 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 8

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-93**C.-3. [15-3999](#)**

A Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer, to authorize a contract for the purchase and installation of multi-space pay stations with a central management system under the Miami Parking Authority (MPA) contract with Parkeon, Inc., in the amount of \$662,850, pursuant to Section 2-978, Use Of Other Governmental Unit Contracts ("piggyback") of the Procurement Code.

Attachments: [Parking Meter Study by Tim Haahs & Associates](#)
[Parkeon Strada Pay Station Quote for CG](#)
[MPA and Parkeon Inc. Contract](#)
[Resolution for Contract with Parkeon, Inc.](#)
[C-3 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO AUTHORIZE A CONTRACT FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF MULTI-SPACE PAY STATIONS WITH A CENTRAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM UNDER THE MIAMI PARKING AUTHORITY (MPA) CONTRACT WITH PARKEON, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$662,850, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-978, USE OF OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNIT CONTRACTS ("PIGGYBACK") OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-93 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 9

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-94**C.-4. [15-3997](#)**

A Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to award The Fitness Center, Inc., a contract to provide fitness professional services at the Coral Gables War Memorial Youth Center, pursuant to Section 2-828 entitled "Contract Award" of the Procurement Code and Request for Proposal (RFP) 2015.02.20

Attachments: [Evaluation Committee Scores](#)
[Fitness Center RFP Submittal](#)
[Tabulation Sheet](#)
[Resolution for contract with The Fitness Center, Inc.](#)
[C-4 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO AWARD THE FITNESS CENTER, INC., A CONTRACT TO PROVIDE FITNESS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AT THE CORAL GABLES WAR MEMORIAL YOUTH CENTER, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-828 ENTITLED "CONTRACT AWARD" OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) 2015.02.20.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-94 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 10

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-95**C.-5. [15-4006](#)**

A Resolution authorizing ratification of an amendment to the settlement agreement with Azul and Company, Inc., Maria J. De Caires and Oscar Murphy with regard to city-owned property at 4520 Ponce De Leon Blvd, Coral Gables, FL. (Passport relocation office)

Attachments: [Resolution - 6.16.15 \(Azul First Amendment to Settlement Agreement\)](#)
[First Amendment to Settlement and Release Agreement](#)
[C-5 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RATIFICATION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH AZUL AND COMPANY, INC., MARIA J. DE CAIRES AND OSCAR MURPHY WITH REGARD TO CITY-OWNED PROPERTY AT 4520 PONCE DE LEON BLVD, CORAL GABLES, FL. (PASSPORT RELOCATION OFFICE)

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-95 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 11

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

- 1.-1. [15-4007](#) Budget/Audit Advisory Board Meeting of April 29, 2015

Attachments: [Agenda - Budget Audit Board meeting of April 29, 2015](#)
[Budget Audit Advisory Board Meeting Minutes of 4-29-15](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 12

- 1.-2. [15-4009](#) Landscape Beautification Advisory Board Meeting of May 7, 2015

Attachments: [61615-Cover Memo CC Minutes50715](#)
[Signed Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 13

- 1.-3. [15-4010](#) Retirement Board Meeting of May 14, 2015

Attachments: [CC.06-16-2015.May 14, 2015](#)
[Minutes.05-14-2015](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 14

- 1.-4. [15-4018](#) Communications Committee Meeting of March 31, 2015

Attachments: [Agendaitemjune2015](#)
[CC Minutes 3-31-15](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 15

- 1.-5. [15-4021](#) Budget/Audit Advisory Board Meeting of May 21, 2015

Attachments: [Budget Audit Adv. 5-21-15 Cover Memo](#)
[Budget Audit Adv. 5-21-15 Minutes](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 16

D. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

None

City Clerk Item No. 18

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS**ORDINANCE ON SECOND READING****ORDINANCE NO. 2015-17**

- E.-1. [15-3954](#)** Fee Schedule. An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida, establishing and restating fees for various licenses, permits, services, and penalties by the City of Coral Gables; amending Article IX "Impact Fees," to move the Impact Fees to the Fee Schedule; amending Division 4 "Sanitary Sewer Capacity Fees" of Article III "Sanitary Sewer System," to move the Sewer Capacity Fees to the Fee Schedule; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date. (Passed on First Reading May 26, 2015)

Attachments: [E-11 Signed Cover Memo 5-26-15](#)
[Exhibit A Fee Schedule 2015](#)
[Exhibit B Fee Ordinance 2015](#)
[Exhibit C SB 466](#)
[Exhibit D Green Fee Comparison for South Florida Area Golf Courses](#)
[E-1 Signed Cover Memo 6-16-15](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA ESTABLISHING AND RESTATING FEES FOR VARIOUS LICENSES, PERMITS, SERVICES, AND PENALTIES BY THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES; AMENDING ARTICLE IX "IMPACT FEES" TO MOVE THE IMPACT FEES TO THE FEE SCHEDULE; AMENDING DIVISION 4 "SANITARY SEWER CAPACITY FEES" OF ARTICLE III "SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM" TO MOVE THE SEWER CAPACITY FEES TO THE FEE SCHEDULE; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER PROVISION, SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[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 Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2015-17. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 19

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING**ORDINANCE NO. 2015-19****E.-2. 15-4008**

An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Official Code, Chapter 6, "Alcoholic Beverages," Section 6-12, "Retail package store," by amending provisions providing for the hours of operation of retail package liquor stores; and providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

Attachments:

[Exhibit A Ordinance](#)

[E-2 Signed Cover Memo - First Reading](#)

[CC 070715 Cover Memo Alcoholic Beverag](#)

[CC 070715 Exh A Ordinance Municipal Code Ch 6 Alcoholic Beverages](#)

[CC 070715 Exh B Ordinance Municipal Code Ch 6 Alcoholic Beverages CLEAN](#)

[E-2 Signed Cover Memo - Second Reading.pdf](#)

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

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

Yeas : 5 - Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 20

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-20**E.-3. 15-4016**

An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2010-11, renaming the Green Task Force, decreasing membership, membership qualifications, broadening the purpose; and providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

Attachments:

[Ordinance 2010-11](#)

[GTF Amendment to Sustainability Advisory Board - ORD](#)

[E-3 Signed Cover Memo](#)

[Cover Memo - Agenda Item E-3 - Second Reading](#)

[Ordinance 2010-12](#)

[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 Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 21

RESOLUTIONS**RESOLUTION NO. 2015-96****E.-4. [15-3989](#)**

A Resolution of the City Of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to the collection and disposal of solid waste in the City of Coral Gables, Florida; describing the method of assessing solid waste costs against assessed residential property located in the City; determining the solid waste cost and the initial solid waste service assessments; directing the preparation of an assessment roll; authorizing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice thereof; and providing for an effective date.

Attachments: [E-4 Signed Cover Memo](#)
[Solid Waste Assessment Resolution](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE COLLECTOIN AND DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE IN THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA; DESCRIBING THE METHOD OF ASSESSING SOLID WASTE COSTS AGAINST ASSESSED RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE CITY; DETERMINING THE SOLID WASTE COST AND THE INITIAL SOLID WASTE SERVICE ASSESSMENTS; DIRECTING THE PREPARATION OF AN ASSESSMENT ROLL; AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING AND DIRECTING THE PROVISION OF NOTICE THEREOF; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[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 Commissioner Lago, seconded by Vice Mayor Quesada, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-96. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 22

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-97**E.-5. [15-3990](#)**

A Resolution relating to the provision of fire protection services, facilities and programs in the City of Coral Gables, Florida; establishing the estimated assessment rate for fire protection assessments for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2015; directing the preparation of an assessment roll; authorizing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice thereof; and providing for an effective date.

Attachments: [Fire Fee preliminary assessment resolution 6-16-15](#)
[E-5 Signed Cover Memo](#)

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES, FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS IN THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA; ESTABLISHING THE ESTIMATED ASSESSMENT RATE FOR FIRE PROTECTION ASSESSMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2015; DIRECTING THE PREPARATION OF AN ASSESSMENT ROLL; AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING AND DIRECTING THE PROVISION OF NOTICE THEREOF; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-5 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Vice Mayor Quesada, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-97. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 23

F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

None

City Clerk Item No. 24

G. BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS**RESOLUTION NO. 2015-101****G.-1. [15-4005](#)**

A Resolution amending Resolution No. 30149, renaming the Traffic Advisory Board, decreasing membership, and broadening the Board's purpose to include various transportation modes; and providing for an effective date.

Attachments: [Amending Traffic Advisory Board -RESOL](#)
[Resolution 30149](#)
[Resolution 2005-17](#)
[Resolution 2014-123](#)
[G-1 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 30149, RENAMING THE TRAFFIC ADVISORY BOARD, DECREASING MEMBERSHIP, AND BROADENING THE BOARD'S PURPOSE TO INCLUDE VARIOUS TRANSPORTATION MODES; THAT THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE UPON THE DATE OF ITS ADOPTION.

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

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-101. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 32

**Non 15-4185
Agenda**

Motion to defer all board appointments until the July 7th, 2015 City Commission Meeting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Vice Mayor Quesada, that this matter be approved. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 17

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-144**G.-2. [15-4011](#)**

A Resolution granting approval of a residential waiver (by a four-fifths vote of the City Commission) for Lourdes Cuzan (Nominated by Mayor Cason), in accordance with Section 2-59(b)(2) of the City Code, to serve as a member of the International Affairs Coordinating Council for a two (2) year term, which began on June 1, 2015 and continues through May 31, 2017.

Attachments: [R-2015-Draft- Residential Waiver - Lourdes Cuzan - IACC](#)
[G-2 Signed Cover Memo](#)
[07 07 15 - Signed Cover Memo - G-1](#)
[R-2015-Draft- Residential Waiver - Lourdes Cuzan - IACC - 07-07-2015](#)
[Cover Memo- Residential Waiver - Lourdes Cuzan - IACC - 07-07-2015](#)

This Resolution was Deferred

City Clerk Item No. 28

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-145**G.-3. [15-4012](#)**

A Resolution granting approval of a residential waiver (by a four-fifths vote of the City Commission) for Marshall Bellin (Nominated by Commissioner Lago), in accordance with Section 2-59(b)(2) of the City Code, to serve as a member of the Planning and Zoning Board for a two (2) year term, which began on June 1, 2015 and continues through May 31, 2017.

Attachments: [R-2015-Draft- Residential Waiver - Marshall Bellin - Planning and Zoning](#)
[G-3 Signed Cover Memo](#)
[07 07 15 - Signed Cover Memo](#)
[R-2015-Draft- Residential Waiver - Marshall Bellin - Planning and Zoning - 07-07-2015](#)
[Cover Memo- Residential Waiver - Marshall Bellin - Planning and Zoning - 07-07-2015](#)

This Resolution was Deferred

City Clerk Item No. 29

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-146**G.-4. [15-4013](#)**

A Resolution granting approval to Jeffrey Flanagan (Nominated by Commissioner Keon) for an extension of time in accordance with Section 2-60(d) of the City Code, to fulfill the remainder of his term, to coincide with the remainder of the appointing Commissioner's term of office, upon approval of a four-fifths vote by the City Commission, to serve as a member of the Planning and Zoning Board for a two (2) year term, which began on June 1, 2015 and continues through May 31, 2017.

Attachments: [R-2015 - Draft -Jeffrey Flanagan - Planning and Zoning Board - Extension of Time](#)
[G-4 Signed Cover Memo](#)
[07 07 15 - Signed Cover Memo - G-3](#)
[R-2015 - Draft -Jeffrey Flanagan - Planning and Zoning Board - Extension of Time](#)
[Cover Memo - Jeffrey Flanagan - Planning and Zoning Board - Extension of Term](#)

This Resolution was Deferred

City Clerk Item No. 30

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-147**G.-5. [15-4019](#)**

A Resolution granting approval to Carolina Rendeiro (Nominated by Commissioner Keon) for an extension of time in accordance with Section 2-60(d) of the City Code, to fulfill the remainder of her term, to coincide with the remainder of the appointing Commissioner's term of office, upon approval of a four-fifths vote by the City Commission, to serve as a member of the International Affairs Coordinating Council for a two (2) year term, which began on June 1, 2015 and continues through May 31, 2017.

Attachments: [R-2015 - Draft -Carolina Rendeiro - IACC - Extension of Time](#)
[G-5 Signed Cover Memo](#)
[07 07 15 - Signed Cover Memo - G-4](#)

This Resolution was Deferred

City Clerk Item No. 31

H. CITY MANAGER ITEMS**RESOLUTION NO. 2015-102****H.-1. [15-4015](#)**

A Resolution authorizing staff to study the options for addressing the public safety building at 2801 Salzedo Street.

Attachments: [PSB - Assesment - Draft - StantecFGSS - Executive Summary - 11-12-2014](#)
[Public Safety Appraisal 2015 \(Waronker & Rosen\)](#)
[Resolution - 6.16.15 \(Public Safety Building\)](#)
[H-1 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STAFF TO STUDY THE OPTIONS FOR ADDRESSING THE PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING AT 2801 SALZEDO STREET.

[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 Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-102. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 33

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-103**H.-2. [15-4000](#)**

A Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to award the Fire Station No. 3 Renovation Project to GEC Associates in the amount of \$1,130,503, pursuant to Section 2-828 of the Procurement Code entitled "Contract Award" and Request for Proposals (RFP) 2015.04.08; further authorizing the City Manager to negotiate an amendment to the contract for the installation of new doors for an amount not to exceed GEC's deductive alternate amount of \$269,370; and authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Annual Budget, to recognize as revenue a transfer from Capital Improvement fund balance, and to appropriate such funds to put toward the cost of the project.

Attachments: [Fire Station No. 3 Draft Resolution](#)
[RFP Tabulation Sheet](#)
[RFP Response](#)
[H-2 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO AWARD THE FIRE STATION NO. 3 RENOVATION PROJECT TO GEC ASSOCIATES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,130,503, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-828 OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE ENTITLED "CONTRACT AWARD" AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) 2015.04.08; FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT FOR THE INSTALLATION OF NEW DOORS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED GEC'S DEDUCTIVE ALTERNATE AMOUNT OF \$269,370; AND AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 ANNUAL BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE AS REVENUE A TRANSFER FROM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND BALANCE AND TO APPROPRIATE SUCH FUNDS TO PUT TOWARD THE COST OF THE PROJECT.

[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].

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-103. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 34

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-104**H.-3. [15-3972](#)**

A Resolution authorizing the use of the Art Acquisition Fund for incorporation of public art into the Miracle Mile Streetscape Project; and authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Annual Budget, to recognize as revenue a transfer from the Art Acquisition Fund, and to appropriate such funds to put toward the cost of the project.

Attachments: [CDB Minutes January 28 2015](#)
[AAP Minutes March 17 2015](#)
[AAP Minutes April 17 2015](#)
[Art Acquisition Fund Resolution](#)
[H-3 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE ART ACQUISITION FUND FOR INCORPORATION OF PUBLIC ART INTO THE MIRACLE MILE STREETSCAPE PROJECT; AND AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 ANNUAL BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE AS REVENUE A TRANSFER FROM THE ART ACQUISITION FUND AND APPROPRIATE SUCH FUNDS TO PUT TOWARD THE COST OF THE PROJECT.

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

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-104. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 35

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-99**H.-4. [15-3993](#)**

A Resolution approving (i) an Agreement for Release of Condominium Unit between the Palace Management Group, LLC ("Palace") and the City, (ii) a Declaration of Condominium, (iii) a Fourth Amendment to Parking Garage Lease and Development Agreement between the Palace and the City; and (iv) all other ancillary documents necessary for the creation of a condominium at 2 Andalusia Avenue and for the release by the Palace of its long term leasehold interest on the ground floor retail space, at 2 Andalusia Avenue, so that same may be used by the City as an Adult Activity Center.

Attachments: [FINAL LOI 1.8.14](#)
[Agreement for Release](#)
[Limited Use Agreement](#)
[Limited Parking Agreement](#)
[Declaration of Condominium](#)
[Fourth Amendment to Garage Lease](#)
[City Attorney Opinion Interpretation and Ruling Regarding the Adult Activity Center](#)
[Adult Activity Center Resolution](#)
[H-4 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING (I) AN AGREEMENT FOR RELEASE OF CONDOMINIUM UNIT BETWEEN THE PALACE MANAGEMENT GROUP, LLC ("PALACE") AND THE CITY; (II) A DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM; (III) A FOURTH AMENDMENT TO PARKING GARAGE LEASE AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PALACE AND THE CITY; AND (IV) ALL OTHER ANCILLARY DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THE CREATION OF A CONDOMINIUM AT 2 ANDALUSIA AVENUE AND FOR THE RELEASE BY THE PALACE OF ITS LONG TERM LEASEHOLD INTEREST ON THE GROUND FLOOR RETAIL SPACE AT 2 ANDALUSIA AVENUE SO THAT SAME MAY BE USED BY THE CITY AS AN ADULT ACTIVITY CENTER.

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

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-99. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 26

Time Certain: 10:15 a.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-98

H.-5. [15-4022](#) Discussion Item - Paseo de la Riviera Peer Review (US1 Corridor Area)

Attachments: [H-5 Signed Cover Memo](#)
[Exhibit A](#)
[Exhibit B - A Vision for Development Along the US No. 1 Corridor 06.10.15 \(Paseo](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-5 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-98. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 25

I. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

I.-1. [15-4014](#) Litigation Report

Attachments: [I-1 Litigation Report](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item I-1 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. 36

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-100**I.-2. [15-4023](#)**

Discussion and/or action related to enforcement of historic preservation regulations and the Coral Gables Elementary building local historic landmark.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING INITIATION OF STATUTORY GOVERNMENTAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCEDURES OVER THE CORAL GABLES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION AND WINDOW REPLACEMENT PROJECT, AND EMERGENCY LITIGATION.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-100. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 27

J. CITY CLERK ITEMS

None

K. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mayor Cason: We'll start with Commissioner Keon and the Discussion items.

Commissioner Keon: I want to write two items. One is ...we're starting to get estimates on the street scape project. You know, the budget seems a significant budget- but there is quite a bit of infrastructure that also needs to be done that we spent a lot of money on and we won't see the benefit of, and so I have no idea where we are with the costs. We're doing the sidewalk designs, and everything and the street designs and all of those elements. And then we still need street furniture and lighting and whatever. So, I'm wondering when we are going to start getting some cost estimates.

Mayor Cason: And one thing that I saw on email a few months ago, we got \$200,000 from Tallahassee for drainage on streetscape. What does that allow us to do more or do we just cut the amount...?

Mr. Glenn Kephart: No, no I think that allows us- we wouldn't do more drainage; we

are doing to do the drainage that we need to do. That allows us to supplement the budget with that additional \$200,000.

Commissioner Lago: Going off of what Commissioner Keon said, I remember there was a discussion, but maybe I am wrong, but we had discussed that potentially we would have the money to pass a camera, a special camera, through the existing pipes- is that included in our budget?

Mr. Glenn Kephart: Well, we have already done that. We have analyzed the pipes, we are working with designers right now to determine the extent of existing pipes that we keep in use and new pipes that we put in. We are getting some recommendations from our Coastal Engineering, who is our civil firm on this still doing the drainage and maybe more economical, and better in the long-run, just to put in a new pipe. It's not the excavations, but we are still analyzing that issue currently. We have a meeting actually tomorrow with the civil to work on that particular issue. In fact, if you would like me to address Commissioner Keon's specific question about the budget and where we are at, and I'll say that in this project there are really four major phases. First being the schematic design, which we brought to you, really that's what we brought to you in May and discussed. At that level, there was also a schematic design estimate, which we didn't talk about in great detail, but I can tell you this; the schematic design estimate showed that the hard actual construction costs were predicted to be in alignment with the proposed budget. Now, a schematic design you also have huge contingencies you throw in there because things aren't defined that well. The next level is Design Development Phase, which is one step before you get into your construction drawings. Right now, they are finalizing the design development, which is predicted to be projected to be completed by July 2nd, and the estimates will come shortly thereafter on the Design Development Phase. At this phase also, we're working with our construction Manager At Risk, which we are at the final stages of negotiating a contract with them, but they have corporately volunteered to become a part of our team and have been coming to the steering committee meetings and have been working with us cooperatively to move the project forward so that we can do that. So, about the middle of July we should have the design development estimate and then the next phase are construction drawings, and the construction drawings at the point are projected to be completed by September 25th. That's about three weeks of slippage of our original schedule between the schematic design and the design development, we've been working on some things, we're doing what we can to make up for that. Some things that will be happening, and are currently happening in the short-term is, our next steering committee is scheduled for about July 9th. We are confirming that

date currently, and then we would like to have another open house, and this would be midway through the construction drawings and schematic designs. An open house in which we would...similar to what we did the last time. That open house, we are hoping to have some painting pallets that we can put out so that people can see what it would really look like. Cooper Robertson has been working very hard on trying to nail down the stone, which is one of the major things that until we do that the estimate is somewhat influx because we've got to know what those costs are and the installation for the special arrangement of pavers that we are talking about. Probably the biggest in our next steering committee we will be specifically working on what are the specifics light poles. We're pretty much on board with concepts, specific light poles and the specific trees. We would like to, after that meeting, start identifying sources for the trees. It's time to go out and find the trees in different nurseries. It's not too early to tag them and I suspect that...that an item that we may be able to bring to the Commission early on to lock-in the purchase of the trees once we find the right ones. To that issue, currently we are looking at preserving 36 of the best trees and in their existing location, and then the proposal is that it's really the condition of the other trees and have the landscape architect come and talk to you about the condition of the other trees, and to move them and the risk of moving them. It's probably not worth it and we would be removing those trees and putting in new ones in their place. But what we would like to do is find those trees, tag them and look to purchase them early. Also, we will be negotiating a contract in the near future with the Construction Manager at Risk to do the root pruning that needs to happen, so that we can rebuild the infrastructure around the these trees at the grade and levels that it needs to be done. That is something that right now we are looking at, that can happen by early September. It's really an early stage of construction, and then we are also working to, and the details of this are not worked out yet, as far as the drainage systems that we put in, there is work that we'd like to do on that this fall, and then as much as we can get done this fall from September through probably mid-November, and the thinking is that we would clean the place up pretty nice for the holidays and then hit construction hard right after early January, with a schedule that would take us from January until mid-November of next year to substantial completion so that we stay away from the next holiday season, also. That's kind of a long windowed answer to your question, and I apologize for how...

Mayor Cason: Is the focus going to be to do Miracle Mile before Giralda, or both at the same time?

Mr. Glenn Kephart: Well, the discussion right now is probably both at the same time although, the early construction that we can do this fall, would need to be on the Mile

because, Giralda because it's so short and so small, doesn't really lend itself to doing in pieces, once you get in there and start picking up Giralda, it's hard to do isolated areas as well. So, I think the Miracle Mile lends itself better for early construction this fall and the Giralda and Miracle Mile would go together next year, starting after January.

Commissioner Lago: Just a quick question. When will be...when do you foresee in the schedule that you will be presenting to the Commission the finished schedule? The rocks, the limestone that may be used, the type of color stone, the colors, when do you foresee that?

Mr. Glenn Kephart: That would be around the open house, around August 3rd, and if it's possible, and I know that your August commission meeting isn't until later in August, but if there is any way to have a special meeting to bring in Cooper Robertson to go over that stuff. Our schedule would show that we would be ready to have that discussion in early August.

Mayor Cason: We're trying to propose a date early on because a lot of people are making summer plans and we'd hate to be in Italy or something and find that...

Commissioner Lago: I won't be here the 1st week of August so...

Mayor Cason: Try to send some potential dates so that we can a consensus.

Commissioner Keon: Did we make a decision with regard to whether it's curb or curb-less,-? Is that still under discussion by the committee or...?

Mr. Glenn Kephart: Mr. Mayor, Commissioner, thank you for asking that. We, staff the issue of and spent a lot of time evaluating whether the street could be curb-less or traditional. Originally, it was concepted as a curb design and probably spent more time on that issue, than any other singular issue on this project. The steering commission initially, said "yeah, it sounds really good. Let's pursue it". So we pursued it, from an ADA issue as to what has to happen on the edge of the street to notify the visually impaired as to, your changing from a pedestrian environment to a street environment, and we talked to numerous people including the County officials, State officials, and the ADA Access Board on the federal level. We got sort of the general you can sort of do it, but it's not like clearly defined anywhere, so we got kind of a general OK, that as long as we show that we have some sort of delineation on the texture of the surface

and so forth that we could do that. Another thing that was required as part of the curb-less was; you need to have bollards, about every feet to separate the cars who are parking from the pedestrian environment, and those bollards set back two feet from the curb line and then, we're looking at a design that would allow them to also be seating. But it creates a vertical line on the mount instead of our width of sidewalk is 23 feet, it creates a vertical line at about 19 ½ feet. The thinking was, where you have cafes and tables, they integrate with that, so it works fine where you don't have cafes and tables. It does create, in my opinion, a little bit of a restriction and then the other issue that we look very hard at was, the drainage and it was the issue that I was most concerned about, because the esthetic issues are a choice you make, the drainage issues are something that we have to get right. Our civil engineers at Coastal, came up with a system that we're very comfortable with for a curb-less design that they felt was right and staff struggled with that, as this is a project on that is, aside from being project management of this, we have to also be the City's permitting authority on this that we in the end, didn't quite get a comfort level with and we had a special steering committee last Friday to notify them that staff isn't comfortable with the curb-less design and we're directing our consultants to move forward with the curb, because we can't do both. We already have lost some time over this issue, and also the Construction Manager at Risk being delayed and we need to make a decision and move forward. The primary rational for that was from the drainage standpoint, both systems will work fine. We know the traditional system with the curb and the other flow line at a curb. With the curb-less system, that flow line happens on the outside of the parked cars between the parked cars and the travel way and it creates the valley gutter that you see at some places in the city, and in that valley gutter the drainage consultants were recommending to put a grate that catches the water. The challenge is, and the thing that I became uncomfortable with is, when you, first thing you encounter with when you step out of your car, you are parked parallel, is that grate. So, that grate needs to be ADA heel-proof, very small openings, less than three-eighths or an inch.

Commissioner Keon: They kill your high heels.

Glenn Kephart: In your high heels, yes.

Commissioner Keon: They kill them.

(Laughter)

Mr. Glenn Kephart: Our landscape consultant and numerous people including staff, were concerned that at the time we are getting our heavy rains, also coincide with the time when our oak leaves are falling, and when you have grates that small, we are concerned that we'll be committed to sweeping the street every day, but there could be times when it becomes partially clogged and there could be times when it becomes uber-loaded because we just get one of those ten inch rains, and when that happens, the storage capacity with that system is significantly reduced over the surface storage capacity, over having a traditional curb. In addition, with the traditional curb, the water that is backed up on the surface, is backed up underneath the parked cars and with the curb-less option, the water is backed up out onto the street which is really, really undesirable and to me, probably the most concerned because now, a car driving in the travel line is going to be going through water that is going to be spraying onto the parked cars and also causing movement of the water on the surface, that has nothing to stop it as it hits the sidewalk.

Mayor Cason: Then you get out of the car, the driver; you are going to step on the water...

Mr. Glenn Kephart: Yes, if the system fails. Is it going to happen very often? - No, it's not going to happen very often and most of the time it will be fine. You still do have that grate there that you're going to encounter if you have heels and it would be designed to do that. In the end, it is my recommendation that both systems work most of the time, but the curb system has a higher level of safety for those times when it's not working as effectively as it should and in addition, going back to the estimate, there is an added cost to the curb-less, because in order to do curb-less that makes sense, you would extend the pavers out underneath the parked cars. Which again, my recommendation to you is that, that's not where I would spend the money on this project because whenever there are people on the Mile, the parking spaces are parked up with cars and I just, there is disagreement on this. I mean, the steering committee liked the curb-less, but in the end I think they also, other than a couple of members that felt very strong, the rest of them where we have to get the drainage right. I had a side discussion with Chuck Bole about it and he was concerned about the line of bollards that was going to restrict the sidewalk, with a little bit more that it needs to. So at this point and I am grateful that I have had the opportunity to have this discussion with you, because the staff has directed Cooper Robertson to proceed with the curb design as this stage.

Commissioner Keon: What about Giralda though? I thought Giraldo was planned to be

curb-less?

Mr. Glenn Kephart: Giralda is planned to be curb-less. There are a couple of differences with Giralda. One of the major differences is the width and with a lot of research on curb-less streets and I couldn't find any that had two lanes and a turning lane in one direction. They are all smaller, more residential streets, the character of Giralda; and Giralda will flow to the center and should work out very well. There are a couple of issues with Giralda that we are working on resolving. As you would imagine, if you use the traditional Florida Green Book on Highway Design, and having the curb-less option creates some challenges. And we have a meeting scheduled later this week, a second or third meeting that we've been having with the County on how to best address these issues, because in the traditional design, it would be drawn as curb-less, but the center section because the space between trees would require some sort of curb or protection around one set of those trees. The steering committee has said very strongly that they believe Giralda needs to be curb-less no matter what. One of the options that we are going to be discussing with the County is, in order to... somebody suggested it kind of works like a parking lot and when you enter Giralda, if you remember it had heavy tree cover, parking on the sides. That could make the highway standards and work pretty well. When you get to the center section, that's where it becomes a problem with the trees and the middle of the trees on the side and what we are suggesting and wanted to discuss with the County is, perhaps we call that Giralda Plaza and it becomes a place that is a plaza, that you are allowed to drive through. Traffic continues through the day, and we can close it down as it always was envisioned, whenever we choose to close it down for events, but we are still working on that issue. We also looked at are there opportunities to have some sort of retractable or temporary system that meets the criteria to provide curb when the cars are there, but could be modified when it's a pedestrian plaza. So, we're still working on that issue.

Commissioner Keon: What about the grease traps? I know that there was a big discussion about putting in grease traps in the allies to serve the amount of restaurants that you would anticipate coming in. Is that still part of the project or it's not part of the project?

Mr. Glenn Kephart: It's not actually part of this project, but we did put forth the CIP request to study that issue because we're not exactly sure at this point what that looks like from the design standpoint. So, we're asking for authority to spend some money to bring in a specialist, somebody who designs grease traps to tell us the best way to

do that. I would also add to that, that we also, as part of that we are talking to Cooper Robertson about moving forward to the next phases of this project, which include, originally they were contracted to do concept design for Merrick Park and they also have done some pretty significant concept designs for what I'm calling Lot 25, at the end of Giralda, across from the park and when we come back to you in late July or early August or whenever that time frame is, we would like to bring forth a contract that would move forward those pieces into the final design phase. We're also talking about...I asked them if they have ideas on what we could do with the alleys and the connections to consider that, so that we could have discussion as to whether we also integrate that design piece into the contract because currently we have in the CIP, a re-doing of the alleys and the pavement surfaces and certainly, we would do that and we would do power washing where we would make them look a lot better, but we need to talk about whether we do some other things in that alley so that when you come out of the ...the concept sort of is that, if you come out of the garage, say, behind John Martins, its real apparent where the place is, and you are drawn to those places which then take you to the next step to the Mile. So, I've asked Cooper Robertson to think about that, give us some ideas that could then be transferred into a proposal that we could talk about and consider.

Commissioner Keon: OK, so that's not currently part of the funding scope of the project. That would be an additional project that would still have to be funded?

Mr. Glenn Kephart: It is currently not part of the funded scope of the project.

Commissioner Keon: OK.

Mayor Cason: Any other - Commissioner Lago?

Commissioner Lago: Just two items.

Commissioner Slesnick: Before Glenn leaves, don't forget the Junior Orange Bowl Parade is Thanksgiving weekend. We need the last two blocks of Miracle Mile to the West.

Mr. Glenn Kephart: Thank you for reminding me of that and that's part of the reason that we want to clean this thing up before the holidays so that we can continue to have those events. So, thank you for that.

Commissioner Keon: I had a question with regards to Board and Committees, as long as we're going to put it off until the next meeting or whatever. Some of the Boards, I know that there is two of the boards, Code Enforcement and, I'm sorry, Board of Adjustment and the Construction Regulation Board, don't have term limits on them or whatever else they don't. You know, all of them don't sort of follow the....

City Attorney Leen: There is three, but it is not the Board of Adjustment. Board of Adjustment is term limited. It's Code Enforcement and Constructure Regulation and Pension Board.

Commissioner Keon: ... and Pension Board. If you can look at whether or not there, should be a uniformity among the Boards, or does it not make any difference?

Commissioner Slesnick: I think that there should be uniformity among the Boards but also, I noticed some of the Board reports were getting back two and three months later. If we could get them in a more updated fashion, and also, some of the Boards, I read all of the Board reports, they don't always have quorums because some of the appointees don't show up and I really think we should. Some of them have, the guideline all across the top of when the people are meeting and when they are not meeting, and when the Boards are not summoned. I think that should be on every report coming back, so we can see if our appointee's area attending the meetings or not attending the meetings without actually waiting.

Mayor Cason: Yeah, I think the most recent meeting Board of Adjustment did not have the attendance on it. It's always good. Code Enforcement as well. We used to get the transcripts as well as whether people are showing up. So, I think it's always good because, under the regulations if you miss three A's on there, you're automatically out without a discussion. But, we have a lot of E's on there as well. Some of the Boards, you have people absent half of the time for one reason or another.

Vice Mayor Quesada: But we always get, at least when the minutes are ready, they make it into our agenda and then typically, the top line says the attendance. Are you saying it doesn't say the attendance?

Commissioner Slesnick: No, like the charts that show the past history of your attendance?

Vice Mayor Quesada: Yeah, Yeah.

Commissioner Slesnick: It's on half of them. And they should be uniform. As well as the term limits too, because I would like to appoint somebody to Code Enforcement, who is very interested in Code Enforcement and I would like to be able to make that appointment, and I understand that's a three year term.

Commissioner Keon: Code Enforcement...

City Attorney Leen: The Clerk and I will be issuing an opinion on that. But it's a three year term, but there's a provision in the Code, which says that you are tied to the Commissioner that nominates you, too. So we have to read that together and determine how to proceed.

Vice-Mayor Quesada: That's a little strange...That it would be a three year term like that...

City Attorney Leen: It is an anomaly.

Mayor Cason: And the Retirement Board is obviously... an extremely complex subject and it takes a long time.

Commissioner Keon: ... that may be a different thing. But even, most of the Boards are eight years. You can serve on the Board for eight years.

Vice-Mayor Quesada: Well, technically it's two year terms.

Commissioner Keon: For a maximum of up to eight years. But Code Enforcement has no maximum and neither does the Construction Regulation Board, is that right? I don't think the Pension Board does either. The Pension Board is a different....but I think there should be some...

City Attorney Leen: The Code does say for Code Enforcement, three year term limit. But you know, we read those in conjunction with... Mr. Clerk, I didn't mean to interrupt.

City Clerk Foeman: I was just going to say that Code Enforcement is statutorily created and it specifies in the statute, three years.

Craig Leen: It says that it is required to be three years?

City Clerk Foeman: No, it mentions the term...

City Attorney Leen: Why don't I take a look at that.

Commissioner Keon: OK, but it's how many three year terms?

City Clerk Foeman: It doesn't specify.

Vice-Mayor Quesada: It doesn't say...There's no term limits.

Commissioner Keon: It doesn't... OK, all of our Boards it's a maximum of eight years. So that's why I'm asking if...

Vice Mayor Quesada: Do you want to change it?

Mayor Cason: City Attorney, if you could come back with some recommendations?

Commissioner Keon: If you could look at those...just look at them and come back with some recommendations, you know, whether it's appropriate or it's not.

City Clerk Foeman: Same thing for Health Facilities Authority.

Mayor Cason: Commissioner Lago.

Commissioner Lago: Just two quick points. I got a few phone calls in reference to the tree succession plan. I spoke to Brook Dannemiller in reference to when it will commence. We're expected to start next week. That is my understanding. If any of the residents have any questions in regards to when will trees be planted, or when will trees be removed from their streets, they can go to coralgables.com and they find out because that will be updated on a continual basis and it will tell you exactly what streets they're on.

Mayor Cason: And if you see a stake in front of your house with a piece of paper on it, don't touch it. That means the tree is going there.

Commissioner Lago: That's exactly what I wanted to also mention, that Brook had mentioned to me. So, you know, I wanted to congratulate staff for finally, you know, close to three thousand (3,000) trees will be planted over the next year under the City of Coral Gables. So, that's a great thing. Second thing is, that I wanted to make sure that all the residents were aware, tonight I'll be hosting a Town Hall meeting, along with anyone in this Commission who would like to attend, at 4.

Vice-Mayor Quesada: Would that be a Sunshine...?

Commissioner Lago: Mr. Attorney...Vice Mayor...Come on. Have faith in our "crack" staff here. You know, we looked under every stone. OK, so what I was saying was tonight, I will be hosting, along with my colleagues here, a Town Hall meeting at 405 University Drive, which is the Coral Gables Youth Center, from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. It's very informal. We're basically going to introduce the City Manager, introduce some of our staff, which will be discussing certain points and ongoing projects in our City, but the real meat of the meeting is to really discuss and listen to the residents and what they're needs are, in our efforts to make our City better. So, I will look forward to seeing you. Everyone is welcome. We'll have some beverages and hopefully some cookies if Frank doesn't eat them all, and everyone is welcome.

(Laughter)

Vice-Mayor Quesada: There won't be any cookies...

Commissioner Lago: No alcohol. Even though it's now allowed to be sold on Sundays now, but we'll have some beverages and cookies, so please come out.

Mayor Cason: I just have two things. I would like to see if Code Enforcement could take a good look again at this question we have been raising over and over again about, you know like in my neighborhood they pick up the green stuff on Friday and then Saturday, you see the green stuff out filled with cardboard boxes and so on...

Vice Mayor Quesada: Maybe foliage.

Mayor Cason: But also you see people started throwing boxes and plastic containers for the plants. In other words, it's there for another whole week. But, then you go by and put some warnings to people because sure, you put the green out but all the rest of

that stuff, it just sits there...

Commissioner Lago: And again, I'm sorry for interrupting you Mayor. Every individual should know by now, we have mentioned it several times in this Commission, that cardboard boxes, initiative pushed by Commissioner Keon, are recyclable.

Mayor Cason: And I put that down on the letter to all the new residents...

Commissioner Lago: ...Are recyclable. There should be no cardboard boxes in the trash bins. It just takes a moment to break it down and it'll be picked up.

Vice Mayor Quesada: I think what we need to do is, and I think that the Mayor is correct, is that we need to have Code Enforcement be more vigilant of that out there, because if we are not citing the people or at least warning the people, we're encouraging the behavior of leaving the rubbish out two, three, four days before they pick up the actual...

Commissioner Lago: The problem you encounter, Vice Mayor, is the issue for example, in my street; our trash bin is used by four, five different residents that abut that trash bin. So, are you going to start knocking on doors, and questioning, and then what ends up happening...

Vice Mayor Quesada: I think they give a warning to all the front homes...

Commissioner Lago: But also, you're going to also encounter, which is something that has happened in our neighborhood, where people just dump on the trash pit that are not in that area.

Mayor Cason: OK, you know in my neighborhood that happened once, and Code Enforcement looked at the address on the box and found out it was from Coconut Grove and gave them a fine in Coconut Groove.

Vice Mayor Quesada: That's good.

Mayor Cason: So, there are ways to get it... the other thing, in conjunction with that too, is I'm finding a lot of cars parking, especially on the weekend, on the sidewalks. We just replaced the sidewalks and you see people come in and just block the whole side walk...they need Code Enforcement to take a look at that because we're fixing

them and not charging the neighbors but they break because somebody parks on them. And the third thing is, reading some of the history of George Merrick when he talked about not having walls around our homes, but if you look carefully, there are areas in the City that have 20 foot high hedges around the houses. They are basically walls...trees, but generally they are hedges that have grown up the wall past, I think the Code says 6 feet, you know the wall can only go up a certain amount but there are enormous foliage blocking the view of the home. So, we need to take a look at that. Are we going to change the Code?- or are we going to enforce it?

City Attorney Leen: I mean that, you may want to hear from staff on that, maybe at a future meeting, because that also involves our tree ordinance and our ordinance related to... because sometimes there you Eureka Palms. I've had this issue, They've come to my office, where someone has said well, there's a hole, basically a hedge of Eureka Palms, it was not a hedge but just a lot of trees and it was blocking their light, and we looked at it and I was told by Planning and Zoning that, and my own review, I agreed with them, that there wasn't anything that we could prevent them from doing that. We would have to pass a law, but if there was a law that might affect the trees because...

Mayor Cason: I'm more concerned about the hedges because, you have to be very careful about when you build a wall, because I've built one in my house, but the hedges are just over the years, taller and taller so you end up with 20 foot high hedges in some places.

Commissioner Keon: Are you talking in front of the houses?

Mayor Cason: In front of the houses, yeah. Not on the sides but in the front, that basically you go from you can see the house, and you wonder what's behind it, and it's not in George Merrick's vision of what we should have.

Vice Mayor Quesada: I don't know how I feel about that one.

Mayor Cason: We'll discuss it later.

City Attorney Leen: Why don't we come back to it, and we'll tell you whether that's restricted or not. If it's not, you can decide whether to do that.

Vice Mayor Quesada: Yes, some clarification.

Commissioner Keon: [Inaudible]

Vice Mayor Quesada: I know, that's what came to mind.

Commissioner Keon: So, yeah. I don't know that one either.

Mayor Cason: We have to adjust the Code. But basically I think the Code is not in conformance with reality on this.

Vice Mayor Quesada: Two things. I can't be the only one that is getting these emails. The metal roofs emails are starting to come in. I've been getting quite a few of them and I know that... ..Yeah, they're getting organized. So, I guess my question was, I mean, I think I stated in the last meeting where I stand on it, but if we're going to have a conversation related to it, I guess let me know. Last time Commissioner Lago, you brought it up.

Commissioner Lago: I brought it up in the last Commission meeting and we requested from staff to just do a simple study, in reference to the Code and...

Vice Mayor Quesada: OK, that's it. You answered my question.

Commissioner Lago:...in the previous Commission meetings I think that my understanding is that, and the City Manager can clarify, I think that we're supposed to maybe hear an answer if not in the next Commission meeting...?

City Manager: Well, I'll get what the schedule is but staff is working on that.

Vice Mayor Quesada: OK, whenever it is. OK. I just forgot that we had asked staff to look into that. And then, in a future meeting, obviously when staff has time to get to it, no rush, the West Lab conversation. So, if we could just have that conversation.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: We can have that on the next agenda.

Vice Mayor Quesada: Well, whenever you want. Whenever you are ready to have that conversation, because I know that there was still some items pending related to that. I know that we are still very early on the process. But I want to make sure that we have a lot of time to discuss it on this dais before we go back to the School Board because we had some time sensitive issues that we were really...

Mayor Cason: And when was...

Commissioner Keon: Yeah, when did the School Board meet?

Vice Mayor Quesada: There's a meeting tomorrow related to controlled choice, or related to everything. It's sort of the last meeting to finalize everything with the School Board.

Mayor Cason: I have something to say down there.

City Attorney Leen: I plan to go.

Vice Mayor Quesada: As you may recall, we were looking at the scheduling, Commissioner Slesnick, I guess you weren't here at the time, but you'll see there's a very tight schedule that lasts about almost ten months. So even though it is ending right now, if we're going to be at the forefront of this for West Lab for next year, we really need to be at least having the conversation, know where we all stand moving forward, so we can all have a consistent, unified front moving forward and obviously involvement with the neighbors and all those kinds of things need to happen..

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: But just so that you know, the School Board, or the School Board staff has a meeting in July and we have another meeting that is happening with University of Miami, with Baptist, with school staff and our office. So, originally they had said, they'll run it a very aggressive schedule, but now, based on when those meetings are, I think they have shifted that schedule.

Vice Mayor Quesada: OK

Mayor Cason: OK, Commissioner Slesnick?

Commissioner Slesnick: Just two short items. I am really proud of one of our residents. He moved here two years ago; Mark Hatfield who took over the Miami International Airport for the TSA and he was appointed a couple of weeks ago, about a week and a half ago, to be Interim Director in Washington for the TSA. So, I hope he gets a full-fledged assignment down the line, but he is, I am really proud of Mark Hatfield who wants to maintain his home here in the Gables, because he can fly in anywhere he wants to. Secondly, I stayed up until 1:30 this morning watching the World Series baseball game and I am very pleased that University of Miami, our home town team,

has made it as far as they have and they won last night. And also the University of Florida, they did not win last night, they lost to the University of Virginia but they're going on too so let's wish...

Vice Mayor Quesada: They play each other now, tomorrow...

Commissioner Slesnick: Tomorrow. So, everybody watch tomorrow night and see the University of Florida. So shout out to the Gators but also, congratulations to the University of Miami.

Vice Mayor Quesada: And if Mark is watching, I hope the University of Miami beats the University of Florida.

(Laughter)

Mayor Cason: And with that, we're adjourned.

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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 1:33 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Commission has been scheduled for July 7, 2015, beginning 9 a.m.]

JIM CASON
MAYOR

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CITY CLERK