



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
January 14, 2025**

ITEM TITLE:

Ordinance on First Reading. Vacation and Abandonment.

An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida, approving the vacation of a public right-of-way pursuant to Zoning Code Article 14, "Process," Section 14-211, "Abandonment and Vacations" and City Code Chapter 62, Article 8 "Vacation, abandonment and closure of streets, easements and alleys by private owners and the city; application process," providing for the vacation of the remaining portion of Kenmare Street lying east of Harlano Street, Coral Gables, Florida; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date. (Legal description on file).

DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:

Approval.

PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD RECOMMENDATION:

At the December 17, 2024 meeting, the Planning and Zoning Board recommended approval (vote: 7-0).

BRIEF HISTORY:

The City of Coral Gables Public Works Department submitted an Application for consideration to vacate the remaining portion of Kenmare Street lying east of Harlano Street. Kenmare Street is platted to dead-end into the rear of single-family residential homes facing Riviera Drive and only accessible from Harlano Street. It is not serving a purpose as a right-of-way and is currently being used only for parking by neighboring residents. This segment of Kenmare Street was originally platted and planned on January 19, 1921, within Coconut Grove Terrace, which was not incorporated into Coral Gables until later. The west segment of Kenmare Street was eventually vacated by Ordinance No. 1075. This vacation would solely release the City's original dedication of the area as a public road, without determining ownership or control of the underlying property.

Planning & Zoning Board

At the December 17, 2024 meeting, the vacation and abandonment request was clarified that approval would simply release the City's original dedication of the area as a public road, without deciding ownership or control of the underlying property.

The application package submitted is provided as Exhibit A. The draft Ordinance for the vacation is provided as Exhibit B.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION:

Date:	Resolution/Ordinance No.	Comments

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION(S):

Date	Form of Notification
10.15.24	Mailed Notification for Neighborhood Meeting.
12.04.24	Mailed Notification for Planning & Zoning Board Meeting.
12.06.24	Property Posting.
12.04.24	Legal advertisement for Planning & Zoning Board.
12.12.24	Planning and Zoning Board meeting agenda and staff report on City web page/City Hall.
12.30.24	Mailed Notification for City Commission.
01.07.25	City Commission meeting agenda posted on City webpage.

EXHIBIT(S):

- A. Application Submittal Package.
- B. Draft Ordinance.
- C. 12 17 24 PZB Staff Report with Attachments.
- D. Excerpt of 12 17 24 PZB Meeting Minutes.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

No.	Amount	Account No.	Source of Funds
1.	\$0		
2.	\$0		
Total:	\$0		
Fiscal Impact: The approval of the vacation will not have a direct fiscal impact on the City.			