



City of Coral Gables  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
January 12, 2021

**ITEM TITLE:**

**Ordinance on First Reading.** An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida amending the Code of Ordinances, Chapter 54, "Solid Waste" to include Article IV "Recycling Program for Commercial Establishments and Multi-Family Residential Establishments" and Article V "Disposal of Cardboard"; providing for immunity, a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date. (Sponsored by Vice Mayor Lago)

**BRIEF HISTORY:**

The City Commission finds that recycling, and its positive impact on the environment, is in the best interest of the City residents as it will help decrease the carbon footprint associated with the production, use, and disposal of materials.

The City is subject to the County's Recycling Ordinance, Sections 15-2.2-15-2.4 of the Miami-Dade County Code of Ordinances, which permits the City to enact a more stringent recycling ordinance.

The City Commission desires to amend Chapter 54 to make it unlawful to dispose of cardboard boxes without breaking them down and establish a City-wide recycling program for commercial and multi-family residential properties that provides standards that are equivalent to or exceed the minimum recycling requirements of Miami-Dade County and which will permit the City to enforce these important regulations within its boundaries.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

1. Draft Ordinance