

# City of Coral Gables

*City of Coral Gables  
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## Agenda

**Tuesday, October 28, 2008**

**9:00 AM**

**City Hall, Commission Chambers**

### **City Commission**

*Mayor Donald D. Slesnick, II  
Vice Mayor William H. Kerdyk, Jr.  
Commissioner Maria Anderson  
Commissioner Rafael "Ralph" Cabrera, Jr.  
Commissioner Wayne "Chip" Withers*

*David L. Brown, City Manager  
Elizabeth M. Hernandez, City Attorney  
Walter J. Foeman, City Clerk*

**INVOCATION**

*Reverend Cathy Felber, 1st United Church of South Miami*

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

- A.-1. [08-0713](#) Recognition of CoralGables@Home, a membership organization operated by the non-profit Coral Gables Community Foundation
- A.-2. [08-0693](#) Congratulations to Dayron Garcia, Building and Zoning Department, recipient of the City of Coral Gables Employee of the Month Award, for the month of November 2008
- A.-3. [08-0695](#) Presentation of 20 year service pin to Sebrina Brown, Building and Zoning Department

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- B.-1. [08-0699](#) Regular City Commission Meeting of October 14, 2008

**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.*

- C.-1. [08-0716](#) A Resolution granting temporary encroachments into the right-of-way from November 1, 2008 through January 31, 2009, for the placement of holiday decoration planters along Giralda Avenue and Andalusia Avenue, in accordance with the holiday decoration plan and coordinated by the Business Improvement District and the City of Coral Gables.

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

- C.-2. [08-0697](#) Public Safety Committee Meeting of September 16, 2008
- C.-3. [08-0698](#) Board of Adjustment Meeting of October 6, 2008
- C.-4. [08-0704](#) Communications Committee Meeting of October 16, 2008
- C.-5. [08-0705](#) Coral Gables Advisory Board on Disability Affairs Meeting of September 3, 2008
- C.-6. [08-0709](#) Library Advisory Board Meeting of October 8, 2008
- C.-7. [08-0711](#) Historic Preservation Board Meeting of September 18, 2008
- C.-8. [08-0712](#) Coral Gables Merrick House Governing Board Meeting of September 15, 2008

**D. PERSONAL APPEARANCES**

- D.-1. [08-0715](#) Lee Davidson, General Manager of the Village of Merrick Park, to provide a status report on the Village of Merrick Park
- D.-2. [08-0719](#) Natalie Salas, on behalf of the Homestead-Miami Speedway, to request permission to place temporary banners from November 9-16, 2008 on existing poles and brackets along Ponce de Leon Blvd. related to the upcoming Nascar Championships.

**E. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

*All Individuals desiring to give testimony shall be sworn in.*

**Time Certain: 10:00 a.m.**

**E.-1. 08-0700** Board of Adjustment Appeal - Application No. 8677-Z

F.W. Zeke Guilford, Esquire; Applicant, has filed an appeal to the Coral Gables City Commission from a decision of the Board of Adjustment at its regular meeting September 8, 2008, wherein it approved an application for a variance pursuant to Ordinance No. 1525, as amended and known as the "Zoning Code." (Board of Adjustment approval vote: 4-1)

**SUMMARY OF APPEAL:**

The Applicant is appealing the Board of Adjustment approval in regard to the proposed standing seam metal roof for the proposed single-family residence.

Consider a variance request for a standing seam metal roof for the existing single-family residence located at 360 Solano Prado, Coral Gables, FL.

**ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING**

**E.-2. 08-0677** An Ordinance of the City of Coral Gables, Florida Amending the City Code, Chapter 2, entitled "Administration", Article VIII, entitled "Procurement Code", by correcting scrivener's errors; amending the definitions and application sections to conform with language requirements of the City Code, Florida Laws and Federal Laws and Federal Laws and Regulations; implementing a contract manager system; amending the section of the City Attorney's duties by adding a section on Appeals of City Attorney decisions; amending the section on protests of solicitations and awards to strengthen the notice requirements and contents for protests; amending the section on performance and payment bonds to reflect the mandatory requirements of bonds for all construction contracts; amending the language for the purchase, sale or lease of city-owned property to provide more stringent analysis for such actions; amending the construction manager-at-risk selection and negotiation process to conform with the requirements of Florida law; update the City's insurance section to conform with new City requirements; changing all Public Works Department's responsibilities for procurement to the Procurement Division of the Finance Department; providing for severability, repealer, codification, and an effective date. (Passed on First Reading October 14, 2008. Vote: 5-0)

**F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS**

- F.-1. [08-0718](#) Discussion related to the Waste Collection Fee  
Commissioner Maria Anderson

**G. BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS**

None

**H. CITY MANAGER ITEMS**

- H.-1. [08-0702](#) A Resolution accepting the bid of T&G Constructors, as the lowest and most responsive bid, in the base bid amount of \$309,134.00, plus two alternates, for a total amount of \$314,234.00 for the improvements to the Venetian Pool Building, Coral Gables, Florida.
- H.-2. [08-0703](#) A Resolution accepting the bid of Wilco Electric, LLC, in the amount of \$72,592.00, the lowest and most responsive bid, for the upgrading of the electrical service at Salvadore Park Tennis Center.
- H.-3. [08-0710](#) A Resolution accepting the bid of Bay Plumbing Co., in the amount of \$39,440.00, as the lowest and most responsive bid, for the domestic water pump project at the Coral Gables Police Headquarters, Project PWD #A-08-012.

**I. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS**

- I.-1. [08-0707](#) A Resolution directing the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance amending the City Charter to delete Section 22, entitled "Authority over officers and employees; removal, suspension, reduction; requests for cause and hearing; trial board."; and further authorizing the holding of a special municipal referendum election on the issue at the general biennial election to be held on April 14, 2009, for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Coral Gables.
- I.-2. [08-0708](#) A resolution directing the City Attorney to prepare an Ordinance amending Section 54 of the City Charter, entitled "Public works - Bidding contracts.", to change the threshold amount above which all contracts for execution of any public work or improvement must be approved by the City Commission, from \$25,000 to \$100,000, and further authorizing the holding of a special municipal referendum election on the issue at the general biennial election to be held on April 14, 2009, for the submission to the qualified electors of the City of Coral Gables.
- I.-3. **08-0706** Pending Litigation Report

**J. CITY CLERK ITEMS**

None

**K. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

*This time is for informal discussion among the City Commissioners, the City Manager and the City Attorney*

**ADJOURNMENT****NOTE**

*Any person who acts as a lobbyist pursuant to the City of Coral Gables Ordinance No. 2006-11, must register with the City Clerk, prior to engaging in lobbying activities before city staff, boards, committees and/or the City Commission. A copy of the Ordinance is available in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall.*

*Any person, or persons, wishing to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, will require a verbatim record of the proceeding upon which the appeal is based. Interested persons should, therefore, take the necessary steps to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which contains the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.*

*Any person making impertinent or slanderous remarks or who become boisterous while addressing the Commission, shall be barred from further audience before the Commission by the Chair, unless permission to continue or again address the Commission is granted by the majority vote of the Commission Members present. Clapping, applauding, heckling or verbal outbursts or any remarks in support or opposition to a speaker shall be prohibited. Signs or placards shall not be permitted in Commission Chambers.*

*Any person requiring special accommodations for participation in the meeting should contact R. Alberto Delgado, Public Works Director, at 305-460-5001, with requests for auxiliary aids or services at least one business day before the meeting.*

**David L. Brown**  
**City Manager**