

City of Coral Gables

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

5:01 PM

First Budget Hearing

City Hall, Commission Chambers

City Commission

*Mayor Vince Lago
Vice Mayor Rhonda Anderson
Commissioner Melissa Castro
Commissioner Ariel Fernandez
Commissioner Kirk R. Menendez*

*Peter J. Iglesias, P.E., City Manager
Cristina M. Suárez, City Attorney
Billy Y. Urquia, City Clerk*

The City of Coral Gables will be holding its First Budget Hearing on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, commencing at 5:01 p.m.

Members of the public may participate in person, but are also able to participate via the Zoom

platform. Members of the public may join the meeting via Zoom at

(<https://zoom.us/j/3054466800>). In addition, a dedicated phone line will be available so that any

individual who does not wish (or is unable) to use Zoom may listen to and participate in the

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you can "Raise your Hand" by pressing *9.

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e-comment function which may be found on the City's website at:

(www.coralgables.com/commissionmeetings) once the meeting's agenda is published or by

sending an email to cityclerk@coralgables.com prior to the start of the meeting.

The Meeting will also be broadcasted live for members of the public to view on the City's

CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order at 5:45 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez and Mayor Lago

1. [23-6289](#) Second Budget Hearing 2023-2024 Presentation

Attachments: [FY24 Budget Presentation - 1ST Hearing 9-13-23 R](#)
[FY24 Budget Presentation - 2nd Hearing](#)

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 1

2. [23-6290](#) Public Hearing for obtaining comments relative to Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 2

3. [23-6291](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for the levy of taxes for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024; fixing the rate of such levy; providing for segregation and the application of the proceeds of such levy; providing for the separability of the provisions hereof; and providing that this ordinance shall become effective October 1, 2023.

Attachments: [FY24 Cover Letter - Adoption of Tax Levy - 1st Hearing](#)
[FY24 Ordinance for Levy of Taxes - 1st Hearing](#)
[R-2023-208 - Signed FY 24 Tentative Millage](#)
[FY24 Cover Letter - Adoption of Tax Levy - 2nd Hearing](#)
[FY24 Ordinance for Levy of Taxes - 2nd Hearing](#)
[R-2023-208 - Signed FY 24 Tentative Millage-2nd Budget Hearing](#)

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

Yeas : 4 - Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez and Commissioner Menendez

Nays : 1 - Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 3

4. [23-6292](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission adopting the Annual Budget of Estimated Revenues and Expenditures for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2023 and ending September 30, 2024; providing for separability of the provisions hereof; and providing that this ordinance shall become effective October 1, 2023.

Attachments: [FY24 Cover Letter - Adoption of Annual Budget - 1st Hearing](#)
[FY24 Ordinance to approve Annual Budget - 1st Hearing](#)
[FY24 Supporting Schedules for 1st Hearing](#)
[R-2023-208 - Signed FY 24 Tentative Millage](#)
[FY24 Cover Letter - Adoption of Annual Budget - 2nd Hearing](#)
[FY24 Ordinance to approve Annual Budget - 2nd Hearing](#)
[FY24 Supporting Schedules for 2nd Hearing](#)
[R-2023-208 - Signed FY 24 Tentative Millage-2nd Hearing](#)

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

Yeas : 3 - Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez and Commissioner Menendez

Nays : 2 - Commissioner Anderson and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 4

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for this meeting is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

ADJOURNMENT

[Note for the Record: There being no further business on the First Budget Hearing Agenda. The Commission of the City of Coral Gables adjourned its meeting at 8:15 p.m. The next Budget Hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, September 26, 2023, beginning 5:01 p.m.]

BILLY Y. URQUIA
CITY CLERK