

**City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting**  
**Agenda Item F-5**  
**January 13, 2026**  
**City Commission Chambers**  
**405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL**

**City Commission**

**Mayor Vince Lago**  
**Vice Mayor Rhonda Anderson**  
**Commissioner Melissa Castro**  
**Commissioner Ariel Fernandez**  
**Commissioner Richard D. Lara**

**City Staff**

**City Attorney, Cristina Suárez**  
**City Manager, Peter Iglesias**  
**City Clerk, Billy Urquia**  
**Deputy City Attorney, Stephanie Throckmorton**

**Public Speaker(s)**

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A Resolution of the City Commission amending Resolution No. 2025-211 to change the date of the Special Election and calling for a Special Election on the proposed ballot question and City Charter Amendment to be held on April 21, 2026; providing for submission to the electors for approval or disapproval of a ballot question asking if the Charter should be amended to allow the appointing Commissioner or Appointed Official to remove a board member from that position prior to the expiration of their term; providing for mail ballot; providing for notice; providing for inclusion in the City Charter; providing for related matters; and providing for an effective date. (Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

Mayor Lago: Moving on to F-5.

City Attorney Christina Suarez: F-5 is the resolution of the City Commission amending Resolution number 2025-211 to change the date of the Special Election and calling for a Special Election on the proposed ballot question and City Charter Amendment to be held on April 21st,

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2026, providing for submission to the electors for approval or disapproval of a ballot question asking if the Charter should be amended to allow the appointing Commissioner or appointed official to remove a board member from that position prior to the expiration of their term, providing for mail ballot, providing for notice, providing for inclusion in the City Charter, providing for related matters, and providing for an effective date.

Deputy City Attorney Throckmorton: Hello again. This is the question regarding removal of board members prior to the expiration of their term. There have been no substantive changes to the question or the title. There may have been one or two words moved around to comply with the state statute requirements. Mainly, as I mentioned before, this moves the election for this question from the November 2026 General Election to the Special Mail Ballot being held April 21, 2026, and provides for mail ballot, canvassing of the votes, etc., all in compliance with state law regarding mail ballots.

Mayor Lago: Thank you. May I have a motion?

Vice Mayor Anderson: I'll move it.

Commissioner Fernandez: I'll second.

Mayor Lago: Mr. Clerk, any public comment?

City Clerk Urquia: No, Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Lago: Close the public comment. Commissioner Castro.

Commissioner Castro: I disagree with this.

Mayor Lago: Commissioner Fernandez.

Commissioner Fernandez: Ready to vote.

Mayor Lago: Commissioner Lara.

Commissioner Lara: Ready to vote.

Mayor Lago: Vice Mayor.

Vice Mayor Anderson: Ready to vote.

Mayor Lago: Perfect. Thank you very much. Mr. Clerk, call the roll.

Commissioner Castro: No.

Commissioner Fernandez: Yes.

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Commissioner Lara: Yes.

Vice Mayor Anderson: Yes.

Mayor Lago: Yes.