

City of Coral Gables

405 Biltmore Way
Coral Gables, FL 33134
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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 13, 2025

8:00 AM

Youth Center - Conference Room

Parks and Recreation Advisory Board

Chairperson Carlos Hernandez
Vice Chairperson Jennifer Marques
Board Member Aron Eizenstat
Board Member Ellen C. Chasens
Board Member Antonio Gonzalez
Board Member Maite Halley
Board Member Erik Rodriguez
Board Member Yamilet Rodriguez

CALL TO ORDER

Began at 8:21 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Board member Antonio Gonzalez, Board member Maite Halley, and Board member Aaron Aizenstat, Board member Yamilet Rodriguez and Richard Smit

Excused: 3 - Board member Erik Rodriguez Vice-Chair Jennifer Marquez and Chair Carlos Hernandez

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FEBRUARY MINUTES MEETING WAS MADE BY ANTONIO GONZALEZ AND SECOND BY YAMILET RODRIGUEZ. ALL IN FAVOR; PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

a. General Updates

The board was informed of Deputy Director Carolina Vester's new position as Assistant City Manager by Director Fred Couceyro at the commencement of his report. He has indicated that he intends to develop an organizational chart with his team's information.

He continues his briefing by reviewing the most recent and forthcoming programs, membership, spring and summer camps, and pickle ball court at Biltmore Tennis updates.

b. Special Events

Director Couceyro proceeded to update the board on the forthcoming events for the month of March, City of Coral Gables Farmers Market – Saturday, March 8, 15, 22 & 29 at 8 a.m. and

Movies Under the Gables Moonlight – Friday, March 21 at 6 p.m., Bike and BBQ - March 16 at 9:30 a.m., Centennial Birthday Luncheon - Friday April 11th at 1p.m., Easter Egg Hunt - Saturday - April 19 at 10 a.m., Coral Gables Family Literacy Festival - Saturday, May 17 at 11 a.m. and Memorial Day Ceremony - Monday, May 26 at 9 a.m.

c. CIP Updates

Director Couceyro continued by providing an update on the Blue Road, Toledo and Alava initiatives. He then proceeded to elaborate on the concession for the Venetian Pool, Nellie B. Moore Park, and William & Leona Cooper Park. He also continued to finalize Phillips Park updates and continued forthcoming initiatives for the Biltmore Pickle Ball courts.

Director Couceyro proceeded to provide information regarding the forthcoming project to renovate the flooring of the indoor basketball courts at the youth center.

NEW BUSINESS

OLD BUSINESS

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY

Our next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 10 at 8:15 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:26 A.M. WAS MADE BY MAITE HALLEY AND WAS SECONDED BY RICHARD SMIT. ALL IN FAVOR; PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

NOTE

