

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item F-8
January 27, 2026
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL

City Commission

Mayor Vince Lago

Vice Mayor Rhonda Anderson

Commissioner Melissa Castro (Absent)

Commissioner Ariel Fernandez

Commissioner Richard D. Lara

City Staff

City Attorney, Cristina Suárez

City Manager, Peter Iglesias

City Clerk, Billy Urquia

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item F-8 [Start: 2:43 p.m.]

A Resolution of the City Commission directing City Staff to promote internship placements within the Historic Resources and Cultural Arts Department to students with a demonstrated interest in Historic Preservation. (Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

Mayor Lago: Item F-8. Vice Mayor.

City Attorney Suarez: F-8 is a resolution of the City Commission directing city staff to promote internship placements within the Historic Resources and Cultural Arts Department to students with a demonstrated interest in historic preservation.

Vice Mayor Anderson: So, this is an item that's a little bit different than the PACE program and the other internship programs because it gives the City Manager and the department director the opportunity to not only reach out to high school students, but also college students that are interested in historic preservation and you get a hands-on approach. And I think staff will

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appreciate the extra hands to assist with the big projects that we have needing, you know, additional hours that these interns can help you out with. So, that's the spirit that this is brought with. And my colleagues have any comments on it?

Mayor Lago: I think it's great.

Interim Human Resources Director: I'd like to say that we'll work with the historical department. We'll work out kind of scope of what the internship will entail. We'll create some marketing materials, send it out to our contacts at the schools, maybe make some classroom visits to really get the notification out there.

Vice Mayor Anderson: And get it to the universities as well because that's where I think some people might be heading their careers in one direction or another. And this internship may help entice them to get into historic preservation as well. So, I'll move it.

Commissioner Fernandez: Second.

Mayor Lago: Mr. Clerk, any public comment?

City Clerk Urquia: No, Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Lago: All right.

Commissioner Fernandez: Yes.

Commissioner Lara: Yes.

Vice Mayor Anderson: Yes.

Mayor Lago: Yes.

Mayor Lago: Thank you very much.

Vice Mayor Anderson: Thank you.