

**City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item I-1
February 23, 2021
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL**

City Commission

**Mayor Raul Valdes-Fauli
Vice Mayor Vince Lago
Commissioner Pat Keon
Commissioner Michael Mena
Commissioner Jorge Fors**

City Staff

**City Manager, Peter Iglesias
City Attorney, Miriam Ramos
City Clerk, Billy Urquia
Economic Development Director, Julian Perez**

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item I-1[Start: 12:06 p.m.]
Floodplain Management Plan Progress Report

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Floodplain, I-1.

Assistant City Manager Santamaria: Coming up to the podium is Julian Perez.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: What?

Assistant City Manager Santamaria: Coming up to the podium would be Julian Perez, he'll be making a presentation on that item.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Okay.

Director Perez: Good morning Mayor, members of the Commission, Julian Perez, the Economic Development Director for the City and I have here with me Suramy, the Director of Development
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Services. The item before you this morning is one of fourteen activities that were reviewed under the CRS Program, that's the Community Rating System Program that provides a certain rating to our floodplain management program. And the item before you, again, is a report that we have to put out or bring to the Commission annually explaining to you the status of the projects that we have identified under the local mitigation program strategy. So, it's just a transmittal of a document to put you up to date on the number of projects that specifically Public Works is doing and to also meet the requirements of the Community Rating System. At this time if you have any questions, either the department of Public Works, I would be more than happy to address those questions.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Any questions?

Commissioner Mena: Thank you so much.

City Manager Iglesias: The Community Rating System, you've all heard about having things to FEMA elevations and so forth, and it deals with our ability to obtain flood insurance. So, if we do not go into the system we cannot obtain flood insurance, which means that you cannot obtain financing and so its very important for us to follow these procedures, have the right ordinances, and certainly we will be providing an ordinance soon that will update our current ordinance and I think they've done a fantastic job in keeping our rating low and providing the city with the ability to obtain flood insurance at a reasonable price.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Alright.