

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item D-3
August 25, 2020
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL

City Commission

Mayor Raul Valdes-Fauli
Vice Mayor Vince Lago
Commissioner Jorge Fors, Jr.
Commissioner Pat Keon
Commissioner Michael Mena

City Staff

City Manager, Peter Iglesias
Assistant City Manager, Ed Santamaria
City Attorney, Miriam Ramos
City Clerk, Billy Urquia
Parks and Recreation Director, Fred Couceyro
Assistant Finance Director, Celeste Walker

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item D-3 [10:04 a.m.]

A Resolution authorizing the extension of the current Fitness Professional Services Contract with The Fitness Center, Inc. pursuant to Section 2-764 (b) of the Procurement Code on a month-to-month on an as-needed basis until such time as a new contract is executed for the provision of Fitness Professional Services.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: D-3.

Vice Mayor Lago: D-3 is the same...

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City Manager Iglesias: D-3, we are doing the same thing.

Vice Mayor Lago: Yes, sir.

City Manager Iglesias: And it'll be done in January, Vice Mayor.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Will you make a motion?

Vice Mayor Lago: So moved. Fred, if you have something to say, I apologize. I cut you off.

Parks and Recreation Director Couceyro: No, no. That RFP is further along. It's just about out. I think we're in the cone of silence right now.

Vice Mayor Lago: Perfect. By the way...

Assistant Finance Director Walker: That's not correct...

Vice Mayor Lago: And I want...

Assistant Finance Director Walker: Fred.

Vice Mayor Lago: And I want to be clear.

Assistant Finance Director Walker: That's not accurate.

Vice Mayor Lago: And I want to be clear because -- and I want to be very clear for people who are watching. I have the utmost faith not only in the City Manager, ACM, Fred, Fred's right hand, which escapes my mind right now -- I apologize -- who does a wonderful job, our entire

Procurement Department. I want to give you the tools to offer the best service. If we can take some of that -- some of those savings -- we're having \$30,000 in savings in our insurance, and we can apply that, I don't know, buy new mats, you know, clean up areas of the Youth Center that you feel appropriate or add new services. We can do that and not have to go into the general fund if we find some savings in these contracts. People are being very competitive right now as a result of the economy. So, let's go out there. Let's use this opportunity, which is again, a very tough time in everyone's life, but let's use this opportunity to really drill down and get the best services at the best value.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Alright.

Vice Mayor Lago: So, I just wanted to put that out there. I wanted to put that out there because I don't want to -- you know, we don't weigh in that much into procurement issues except for sometimes with construction. This is...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Let's take...

Vice Mayor Lago: I'm sorry?

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Commissioner, you've made your point, and it is a good point.

Vice Mayor Lago: Yeah, but you -- and I just wanted -- let me just finish one second.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yeah.

Vice Mayor Lago: So -- this is important, you know, and I don't want staff to later, you know, say, listen, I picked on them for three items. This has nothing to do with staff. This has to do with the fact -- I mean, and I know that the Commission agrees on providing the best services. So, I just wanted to make sure because staff does a wonderful job. Thank you.

City Manager Iglesias: And Vice Mayor...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Okay, D-3...

City Manager Iglesias: The same thing applies as D-2 on this.

Vice Mayor Lago: Yeah.

City Manager Iglesias: We're working with Procurement, and the idea is to get, again, the best bid possible. And we'll be -- this will be in effect on or prior to January.

Vice Mayor Lago: So moved.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Okay. Do I hear a motion on D-3?

Vice Mayor Lago: So moved.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Second?

Commissioner Mena: Second.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Will you call the roll, please?

City Clerk Urquia: Vice Mayor Lago: Yes.

City Clerk Urquia: Commissioner Mena: Yes.

City Clerk Urquia: Commissioner Fors: Yes.

City Clerk Urquia: Commissioner Keon?

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Absent, I guess.

City Clerk Urquia: No, she's there. Commissioner Keon?

Commissioner Mena: On mute?

Commissioner Keon: Yes. I was muted, sorry.

Commissioner Mena: Mayor Lago -- I'm sorry, Mayor Valdes-Fauli?

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes.

(Vote: 5-0)