

# **City of Coral Gables**

*405 Biltmore Way  
Coral Gables, FL 33134  
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## **Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, December 12, 2023**

**9:00 AM**

**City Hall, Commission Chambers**

### **City Commission**

*Mayor Vince Lago  
Vice Mayor Rhonda Anderson  
Commissioner Melissa Castro  
Commissioner Ariel Fernandez  
Commissioner Kirk R. Menendez*

*Peter J. Iglesias, P.E., City Manager  
Cristina M. Suárez, City Attorney  
Billy Y. Urquia, City Clerk*

The City of Coral Gables will be holding its Regular Meeting on Tuesday, December 12, 2023, commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Members of the public may participate in person, but are also able to participate via the Zoom platform. Members of the public may join the meeting via Zoom at (<https://zoom.us/j/3054466800>). In addition, a dedicated phone line will be available so that any individual who does not wish (or is unable) to use Zoom may listen to and participate in the meeting by dialing: (305) 461-6769 Meeting ID: 3054466800. To speak prior to the City Commission taking action on an Agenda Item, please "Raise your Hand" or send a message to one of the meeting hosts using the Zoom Platform. If you joined the meeting via telephone, you can "Raise your Hand" by pressing \*9.

The public may comment on an item on the agenda using the City's already-established e-comment function which may be found on the City's website at: [www.coralgables.com/commissionmeetings](http://www.coralgables.com/commissionmeetings)) once the meeting's agenda is published or by sending an email to [cityclerk@coralgables.com](mailto:cityclerk@coralgables.com) prior to the start of the meeting.

The Meeting will also be broadcasted live for members of the public to view on the City's website [www.coralgables.com/cgtv](http://www.coralgables.com/cgtv)) as well as Channel 77 on Comcast.

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 5 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez and Mayor Lago

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

**INVOCATION**

Deacon Jose S. Chirinos from St. Augustine Catholic Church gave the Invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Castro led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**

The following minutes summary includes all presentations made, and actions taken which is supplemented by the following exhibits on file in the Office of the City Clerk, and which are hereby made a part of the record herein: (a) Ordinance(s) adopted (Ordinance No. 2023-36 and Ordinance No. 2023-37) (b) Resolution(s) adopted (Resolution No. 2023-346 through Resolution No. 2023-366); (c) Video; (d) Audio Recording; (e) Minutes Folder with Agenda and background information, including items which were submitted at the meeting.

**A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROTOCOL DOCUMENTS**

**A.-1.** [23-6744](#) Recognition of the life of long-time Coral Gables resident George Volsky.

Mayor Lago introduced Agenda Item A-1 Recognition of the life of long-time Coral Gables resident George Volsky. He then welcomed former Mayor Jim Cason who gave an outstanding tribute of the adventurous and fascinating life of his friend George Volsky, who encouraged him to run for political office. He had numerous achievements, interests, a great career, adventurous travels, married the love of his life, his wife Mercedes Rovira Volsky (deceased), and his love for his family. A video was then shown of an interview with Mr. Volsky where he described arriving in Miami in 1947 and how he ended up residing in the City Coral Gables for most of his life. At the end of the video Mayor Lago read the Resolution of Condolence. Mr. Volsky's son (same name, George Volsky) emotionally in addressing the Mayor and City Commission thanked them for the recognition and remembrance of his father. He stated that his father was a resident of the city for over 50 years who dedicated his life in making the city a better place to live for all its residents through ensuring good governance and having its elected officials act in a transparent and responsible way and always in the best interest of the city and its residents and hopes that it prevails. Dr. Alexander Volsky, grandson of the late George Volsky, stated that while

his grandfather was a watchdog in making sure that people did their jobs appropriately with respect and passion, he (tearfully) remembers his grandfather as someone who taught him how to drive, take him to soccer practice when he was little, teach him about the arts, play classical music and make him figure out whether it was Mozart, Beethoven and Stratus all of the famous composers, instilled the desire to ask questions, constantly learn to be the best version of himself, and he speaks on behalf of his brothers and thanked them all, his seven great-grandchildren and they will miss him deeply. The City Commission expressed their interaction with Mr. Volsky as well as their sentiments when a loved one has passed on that they leave cherished memories to help deal with the loss and Mr. Volsky will be sorely missed.

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 1

- A.-2. [23-6764](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring December 16, 2023 as "Coral Gables Congregational United Church of Christ Day".

**Attachments:** [Proclamation](#)

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Deferred**

- A.-3. [23-6696](#) Congratulations to Firefighter David Diaz a recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Firefighter of the Month Award," for the month of December 2023.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo, FF of the Month, December 2023](#)  
[December 2023 FF of Month Letter](#)

Mayor Lago introduced Agenda Item A-3 Congratulations to Firefighter David Diaz a recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Firefighter of the Month Award," for the month of December 2023 and Fire Chief de la Rosa made the presentation. He stated that Firefighter paramedic Diaz is a SWAT paramedic who was a member of Rescue 2 when they responded to a victim choking at one of the residents when a male in his 60s choked during his dinner. His son attempted to do the Heimlich maneuver and was unsuccessful and attempted with the assistance of a bystander to do CPR until paramedics arrived. Firefighter Paramedic Diaz was assigned to manage the airways of this individual using specialized equipment to dislodge a large piece of meat from the patient's airways who was conscious and alert upon arriving at the hospital. It is for his competence and expertise, ability to work under pressure he was nominated by his peers for this award.

SWAT Firefighter Paramedic Diaz thanked the Mayor and City Commission, Fire Chief de la Rosa, responding crew and his command staff for their support and training required for stressful situations and anyone on duty at the time could have done what he did because they all have the same expertise and training, it was just happened to be his role on that day. He then thanked his family who accompanied him to share in this achievement on his special day. Mayor Lago thanked him and said he had the pleasure of meeting his parents who are extremely proud of him and

thanked him for his hard work and his department.

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 2

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

B.-1. [23-6672](#) Regular City Commission Meeting of October 24, 2023.

**Attachments:** [CCMTG Oct 24 2023 - Agenda Item F-1 - Discussion regarding businesses on Gir](#)  
[CCMTG Oct 24 2023 - Agenda Item F-3 - Update on White Way Lights](#)  
[CCMTG Oct 24 2023 - Agenda Item G-1 - Resolution approving the concept and cc](#)  
[CCMTG Oct 24 2023 - Agenda Item K - Discussion Items](#)  
[CCMtg Oct 24 2023 - Agenda Items E-2 and E-3 are related - Ordinances granting](#)  
[CCMtg Oct 24 2023 - Agenda Items E-4 and E-5 are related - Resolutions of the C](#)  
[CCMtg Oct 24 2023 - Agenda Items F-5 and F-6 are related - Resolutions of the C](#)  
[CCMTG Oct 24 2023 - Agenda Item 2-1 - Resolution of Cultural Development Boe](#)  
[CCMTG Oct 24 2023 - Agenda Item C - Public Comment](#)  
[CCMtg Oct 24 2023 - Agenda Item F-8 - Updated on 140 Arvida Parkway. Alfred E](#)  
[Meeting Minutes](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Menendez, that this motion be approved . The motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 3

**C. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

City Clerk Item No. 4

**D. CONSENT AGENDA****Passed the Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Fernandez to Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro and Mayor Lago

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-348****D.-1. [23-6692](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission appointing Ramona Busot (Nominated by City Manager Iglesias) to serve as a member of the Landmarks Advisory Board, for the remainder of an unexpired term, which began on June 1, 2023 and continues through May 31, 2025.

**Attachments:** [Draft Resolution - Ramona Busot - Landmarks Board](#)  
[Cover Memo - Ramona Busot - Landmarks Board](#)  
[R-2023-348 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION APPOINTING RAMON BUSOT (NOMINATED BY CITY MANAGER IGLESIAS) TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE LANDMARKS ADVISORY BOARD, FOR THE REMAINDER OF AN UNEXPIRED TERM, WHICH BEGAN ON JUNE 1, 2023 AND CONTINUES THROUGH MAY 31, 2025.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2023-348 BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 12

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-349****D.-2. [23-6729](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing the Bay 13 Brewery, LLC to sell alcoholic beverages from 12:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 27, 2024, on 65 Alhambra Plaza as part of the Woop Woop 2024, subject to Florida Department of Professional Regulation Requirements.

**Attachments:** [Bay 13 Brewery - Woop Woop 2024 Cover letter 2024 -2](#)  
[Bay 13 Brewery - Woop Woop 2024 Special Event permit](#)  
[Bay 13 Brewery LLC - WOOP WOOP 2024 Resolution 2024](#)  
[R-2023-349 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING BAY 13 BREWERY, LLC TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BEGINNING AT 12:00 NOON UNTIL 11:00 P.M. ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2024, ON 65 ALHAMBRA PLAZA AS PART OF THE "WOOP WOOP 2024". SUBJECT TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION REQUIREMENTS.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2023-349 BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 13

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-350****D.-3. [23-6730](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing the Kiwanis Club of Little Havana to sell alcoholic beverages from 10:00 a.m. to midnight on Saturday, March 2, 2024, and from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 3, 2024 on Miracle Mile from Douglas Road to Le Jeune Road as part of the Carnaval on the Mile, subject to Florida Department of Professional Regulation Requirements.

**Attachments:** [Carnaval on the Mile Cover letter 2024 \(1\)](#)  
[Kiwanis of Little Havana -Carnaval on the Mile 2024 Special Event permit](#)  
[Carnaval on the Mile Resolution](#)  
[R-2023-350 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE KIWANIS CLUB OF LITTLE HAVANA TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BEGINNING AT 10:00 A.M. UNTIL MIDNIGHT ON SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 2024, AND 10:00 A.M. UNTIL 10:00 P.M. ON SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024 ON MIRACLE MILE FROM DOUGLAS TO LEJEUNE AS PART OF THE "CARNAVAL ON THE MILE", SUBJECT TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION REQUIREMENTS.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2023-350 BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 14

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-351****D.-4. [23-6698](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to award the Tree Planting Citywide contract to Treasures, LLC, the most responsive and responsible bidder, in the amount of \$177,578.15, pursuant to Section 2-763 of the Procurement Code entitled "Contract Award" and Invitation for Bids (IFB) 2023-028.

**Attachments:** [City Manager Award Recommendation Memo - Signed](#)  
[Resolution IFB 2023-028](#)  
[Agenda Cover Memo IFB 2023-028](#)  
[Bid Tabulation IFB 2023-028](#)  
[Treasures Bid Response](#)  
[R-2023-351 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO AWARD TREE PLANTING CITYWIDE TO TREASURES, LLC, THE MOST RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, PURSUANT TO INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB) 2023-028 AND SECTION 2-763 OF THE CITY'S PROCUREMENT CODE ENTITLED "CONTRACT AWARD".

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2023-351 BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 15

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-352****D.-5. [23-6736](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission confirming the reappointment of Christopher Challenger, who ran unopposed to the City of Coral Gables Retirement Board, At-Large Participating Regular Full-Time Employee Representative Seat and Joshua Nunez, who ran unopposed for the Police Officer Representative Seat, both for a two-year term beginning January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025.

**Attachments:** [R-2023-000 - Re-appointment of Christopher Challenger and Joshua Nunez - Retirement Cover Memo](#)  
[Christopher Challenger Nominating Petition and Acceptance letter](#)  
[Nominating Petition - Joshua Nunez - submitted 11-17-2023](#)  
[Joshua Nunez Acceptance](#)  
[R-2023-352 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF CHRISTOPHER CHALLENGER, WHO RAN UNOPPOSED FOR THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES RETIREMENT BOARD, AT-LARGE PARTICIPATING REGULAR FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVE SEAT AND JOSHUA NUNEZ, WHO RAN UNOPPOSED FOR THE POLICE OFFICER REPRESENTATIVE SEAT, BOTH FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2025.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2023-352 BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 16

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-353****D.-7. [23-6767](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing the acceptance of a State of Florida Department of Transportation Litter Control and Prevention Grant in the amount of \$15,000 to be put towards the "Keep Coral Gables Beautiful" initiative; authorizing execution of the grant contract; and authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Annual Budget to recognize the \$15,000 grant as revenue and to appropriate such funds to put toward the cost of the program.

**Attachments:** [23.24 Affiliate CORAL GABLES Contract \(002\)](#)  
[Resolution-Keep Coral Gables Beautiful FDOT Grant \(2023\)](#)  
[Funding Request Form](#)  
[Cover Memo \(1\).doc](#)  
[R-2023-353-Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION LITTER CONTROL & PREVENTION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000 TO BE PUT TOWARDS THE "KEEP CORAL GABLES BEAUTIFUL" INITIATIVE; AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE GRANT CONTRACT; AND AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 ANNUAL BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE THE \$15,000 GRANT AS REVENUE AND TO APPROPRIATE SUCH FUNDS TO PUT TOWARD THE COST OF THE PROGRAM.



**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2023-353 BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 17

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-354**

D.-8. [23-6772](#)

A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing the ratification of an emergency authorization of a critical resurfacing project needed to get the clay tennis courts back to safe playing conditions at the Salvadore Park Tennis Center located at 1120 Andalusia Ave. following the storm on Nov. 15, 2023, pursuant to Section 2-690 Emergency Procurement, in the amount of \$200,000.

**Attachments:** [Emergency Procurement Authorization Form - Fast Dry Courts - Slavadore Tennis Salvadore Park #19096 RS 13 Har-Tru - 210 tons - Line tapes - repaint posts - ref Salvadore Tennis Resurfacing EMER - Reso](#)  
[Salvadore Tennis Resurfacing EMER](#)  
[R-2023-354 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE RATIFICATION OF AN EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATION OF A CRITICAL RESURFACING PROJECT NEEDED TO GET THE CLAY TENNIS COURTS BACK TO SAFE PLAYING CONDITIONS AT THE SALVADORE PARK TENNIS CENTER LOCATED AT 1120 ANDALUSIA AVENUE, FOLLOWING THE STORM ON NOV. 15, 2023, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-690 EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$200,000.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2023-354 BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 18

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-355**

D.-10. [23-6782](#)

A Resolution of the City Commission granting easements to Florida Power and Light on City owned property located at 4920 Washington Drive, 202 Jefferson Drive, and 200 Grand Avenue, and authorizing the City Manager to approve future easement requests in connection with the storm secure underground program.

**Attachments:** [200 Grand Av](#)  
[202 Jefferson Dr](#)  
[4920 Washington Dr](#)  
[Cover Memo resolution granting FPL easements](#)  
[Resolution granting easements for FPL equipment on city property](#)  
[R-2023-355 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION GRANTING EASEMENTS TO FLORIDA POWER AND LIGHT ON CITY OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4920 WASHINGTON DRIVE, 202 JEFFERSON DRIVE AND 200 GRAND AVENUE, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE FUTURE EASEMENT REQUESTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE STORM SECURE UNDERGROUND PROGRAM.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2023-355 BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 19

1. **Presentation of Boards and/or Committees minutes requesting no action from the City Commission:**

- 1.-1. [23-6694](#) Advisory Board on Disability Affairs November 1, 2023 Meeting Minutes

**Attachments:** [11 01 23 Meeting Mins](#)  
[11 01 23 CITY CLERK OFC Attendance Form](#)

**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 20

- 1.-2. [23-6780](#) Budget Audit Advisory Board Meeting of November 29, 2023.

**Attachments:** [Budget Audit Board Minutes - PENDING Board Approval - 11.29.23 FINAL](#)

**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 21

- 1.-3. [23-6781](#) Communications Committee Meeting of November 8, 2023.

**Attachments:** [Nov. 8 Meeting Minutes](#)

**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 22

- 1.-4. [23-6703](#) Economic Development Board Meeting of November 1, 2023.

**Attachments:** [11-1-23 EDB Meeting Minutes DRAFT](#)

**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 23

- 1.-5. [23-6695](#) International Affairs Coordinating Council Meeting of October 23, 2023.

**Attachments:** [IACC Minutes 10-23-23](#)

**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 24

- 1.-6. [23-6728](#) Landscape Advisory Board Meeting of November 9, 2023.

**Attachments:** [110923-LBAB Minutes - 23-6728](#)

**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 25

- 1.-7. [23-6247](#) Planning and Zoning Board Meeting of July 12, 2023.  
**Attachments:** [07 12 23 PZB MINUTES](#)  
**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**  
City Clerk Item No. 26
- 1.-8. [23-6392](#) Planning and Zoning Board Meeting of September 21, 2023.  
**Attachments:** [09 21 23 ARCH OPEN SPACE CALCULATION AND ZONING DATA RE 4242 AL](#)  
[09 21 23 EMAILS AND PETITION IN SUPPORT RE 4241 AURORA](#)  
[09 21 23 PZB MINUTES](#)  
**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**  
City Clerk Item No. 27
- 1.-9. [23-6544](#) Planning and Zoning Board Meeting of October 11, 2023.  
**Attachments:** [10 11 23 PZB MINUTES](#)  
**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**  
City Clerk Item No. 28
- 1.-10. [23-6676](#) Retirement Board Meeting of October 12, 2023.  
**Attachments:** [CC.10-12-2023 December 12, 2023](#)  
[Minutes 10-12-2023](#)  
**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**  
City Clerk Item No. 29
- 1.-11. [23-6665](#) School Community Relations Committee Meeting of September 15, 2023.  
**Attachments:** [Cover Memo](#)  
[SCRC Sept. 15 - Draft Minutes](#)  
**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**  
City Clerk Item No. 30
- 1.-12. [23-6682](#) Sustainability Advisory Board Meeting of September 27, 2023.  
**Attachments:** [SAB Meeting Minutes](#)  
[SAB Minutes Cover](#)  
**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**  
City Clerk Item No. 31

- 1.-13. [23-6697](#) Waterway Advisory Board Meeting of November 1, 2023.

**Attachments:** [WAB Cover Memo Template - 11-1-2023](#)  
[11-1-23 Minutes ys](#)

**This Matter was approved BY VOICE VOTE**

City Clerk Item No. 32

**Pulled from Consent Agenda**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-356**

- D.-6. [23-6743](#) A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation of the City Manager to request additional spending authority in the amount of \$150,000 for a contract awarded to John Bell Construction, Inc., pursuant to Section 2-764 of the Procurement Code entitled "approval of change orders and contract modifications".

**Attachments:** [Agenda Reso - Modification - Granada Diner](#)  
[Agenda Cover Memo - Mod - Granada Diner.doc](#)  
[Speaker Cards D-6](#)  
[R-2023-356 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY MANAGER TO REQUEST ADDITIONAL SPENDING AUTHORITY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150,000 FOR A CONTRACT AWARDED TO JOHN BELL CONSTRUCTION, INC., PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-764 OF THE CITY'S PROCUREMENT CODE ENTITLED "APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDERS AND CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS".

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item D-6 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Menendez, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2023-356. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 33

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-357**

- D.-9. [23-6774](#) A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing the Junior Orange Bowl to sell alcoholic beverages from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday, December 10, 2023, on 405 Biltmore Way; Rose Garden as part of the Jr. Orange Bowl Parade, subject to Florida Department of Professional Regulation Requirements.

**Attachments:** [2023 DBPR App](#)  
[JOB - Parade 2023 Cover letter 2023](#)  
[JOB Jr. Orange Bowl Parade 2023 Resolution 2023](#)  
[Speaker Cards D-9](#)  
[R-2023-357 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING JUNIOR ORANGE BOWL COMMITTEE, INC TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES BEGINNING AT 3:00 P.M. UNTIL 7:00 P.M. ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2023, ON 405 BILTMORE WAY AS PART OF THE JUNIOR. ORANGE BOWL PARADE, SUBJECT TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION REQUIREMENTS.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Menendez, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2023-357. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 34

2. **Presentation of Boards and/or Committees draft/final minutes requesting action from the City Commission [Note: A vote to accept the minutes does not mean approval of the substance within the minutes]:**

**Time Certain 10:00am (Agenda Item 2-1)**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2023-347**

- 2.-1. [23-6752](#)

A Resolution of the School Community Relations Committee requesting that the City Commission direct staff to conduct a statistically representative survey of Coral Gables residents regarding education and public schools and include education in the 2026-2029 Coral Gables Strategic Plan.

**Attachments:** [SCRC Resolution Re-Education Strategic Plan Survey](#)  
[Cover Memo Resolution on Educational Survey and Strategic Plan Inclusion](#)  
[SCRC Workshop Minutes - Oct. 13](#)  
[Draft SCRC Minutes - Nov. 17 | Item E-1](#)  
[Speaker Cards 2-1](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE REQUESTING THAT THE CITY COMMISSION DIRECT STAFF TO CONDUCT A STATISTICALLY REPRESENTATIVE SURVEY OF CORAL GABLES RESIDENTS REGARDING EDUCATION AND PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND INCLUDE EDUCATION IN THE 2026-2029 CORAL GABLES STRATEGIC PLAN.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item 2-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Mayor Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2023-347. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 11

**E. PUBLIC HEARINGS****ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING****ORDINANCE NO. 2023-36**

- E.-1. [23-6473](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code pursuant to Zoning Code Article 14, "Process," Section 14-212, "Zoning Code Text and Map Amendments," to create carbon concrete requirements, a review procedure, and an appeal process that reduce greenhouse gas emissions, providing for repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date. (11 08 23 PZB recommended approval; Vote 7-0)  
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

**Attachments:** [10 10 23 CC - Carbon Concrete Exhibit A - Carbon Reduction Draft Zoning Code Text Amendment](#)  
[11 08 23 - PZB Staff Report w attachments](#)  
[12 12 23 CC Cover Memo - Carbon Concrete - 2nd Reading](#)  
[12 12 23 Exhibit A - Carbon Reduction Draft Zoning Code Text Amendment](#)  
[12 12 23 Exhibit B - 11 08 23 - PZB Staff Report with Attachments](#)  
[12 12 23 Exhibit C - 11 08 23 PZB MINUTES](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION PROVIDING FOR TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES OFFICIAL ZONING CODE PURSUANT TO ZONING CODE ARTICLE 14, "PROCESS," SECTION 14-212, "ZONING CODE TEXT AND MAP AMENDMENTS," TO CREATE CARBON CONCRETE REQUIREMENTS, A REVIEW PROCEDURE, AND AN APPEAL PROCESS THAT REDUCE GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS, PROVIDING FOR REPEALER PROVISION, SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, CODIFICATION, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Fernandez, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2023-36. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 5

**E.-2. [23-6359](#)**

An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables official Zoning Code, Article 6, "Landscape," by amending the utilization of artificial turf on open joints of pavement; and Article 10, "Parking and Access," by providing review of materials in pavement joints; and providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date. (10 11 23 PZB recommended denial, Vote 4-3)  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

**Attachments:** [10 11 23 PZB Staff Report - Driveways w attachment](#)  
[11 14 23 Exhibit A - Draft Ordinance - Driveways](#)  
[11 14 23 Exhibit B - 10 11 23 PZB Staff Report - Driveways w attachment](#)  
[11 14 23 Exhibit C - Excerpts of 10 11 23 PZB Meeting Minutes](#)  
[11 14 23 CC Cover Memo - Driveway Pavement- 2nd Reading](#)  
[Speaker Cards E-1](#)  
[12 12 23 Exhibit A - Draft Ordinance - Driveways](#)  
[12 12 23 CC Cover Memo - Driveway Pavement- 2nd Reading](#)  
[Speaker Cards E-2](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Mayor Lago, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that this matter be adopted. The motion failed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 2 - Vice Mayor Anderson and Mayor Lago

**Nays :** 3 - Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez and Commissioner Menendez

City Clerk Item No. 6

### **ORDINANCE NO. 2023-37**

**E.-3. [23-5816](#)**

An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for a text amendment to Article 2 "Zoning Districts," Section 2-405 "Residential Infill Regulations Overlay District (RIR)" of the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code to provide a maximum building length of three hundred feet for all properties seeking approval pursuant to the Residential Infill Regulations; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.(06 06 23, 07 12 23 and 09 21 23 deferred by PZB) (10 11 23 PZB recommended Approval, Vote 6-1)  
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

**Attachments:** [06 06 23 PZB Staff Report - RIR w attachments](#)  
[11 14 23 Exhibit A - Draft Zoning Code Text Amendment - RIR building length ma:](#)  
[11 14 23 Exhibit B - 06 06 23 PZB Staff Report - RIR w attachments](#)  
[11 14 23 Exhibit C - Excerpt from 06 06 23 PZB Meeting Minutes](#)  
[11 14 23 Exhibit D - Excerpt from 07 12 23 PZB Meeting Minutes](#)  
[11 14 23 Exhibit E - Excerpt from 10 11 23 PZB Meeting Minutes](#)  
[11 14 23 CC Cover Memo - RIR - 1st Reading](#)  
[Speaker Cards E-2](#)  
[12 12 23 CC Cover Memo - RIR - 2nd Reading](#)  
[12 12 23 Exhibit A - Draft Zoning Code Text Amendment - RIR building length ma:](#)  
[O-2023-37 -Signed](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION PROVIDING FOR A TEXT

AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 2 "ZONING DISTRICTS," SECTION 2-405 "RESIDENTIAL INFILL REGULATIONS OVERLAY DISTRICT (RIR)" OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES OFFICIAL ZONING CODE TO PROVIDE A MAXIMUM BUILDING LENGTH OF THREE HUNDRED FEET FOR ALL PROPERTIES SEEKING APPROVAL PURSUANT TO THE RESIDENTIAL INFILL REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Fernandez, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2023-37. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 7

#### ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

- E.-4.**     [23-6580](#)     An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Article 9 "Art in Public Space" of the City Zoning Code in order to amend certain procedures related to the Art in Public Places waiver process and options; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, enforceability, and providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:**   [01 10 24 - PZB Staff Report - AIPP w attachment](#)

**A motion was made by Mayor Lago, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 8

- E.-5.**     [23-6723](#)     An Ordinance of the City Commission amending the Cocoplum Phase 1 Security Guard District, as created by Miami-Dade County pursuant to County Ordinance 95-214, to expand the scope of services to include additional security measures including but not limited to security cameras.

[Sponsored by Commissioner Menendez]

**Attachments:**   [Ordinance - Cocoplum Phase One Security Guard District Amendment](#)  
[Cover memo - Resolution - Cocoplum Phase 1 Roving Security Special Taxing District](#)  
[Special Taxing District Petition - Cocoplum Phase 1 Security Guard District Amendment](#)  
[Cover memo - Ordinance on 2nd - Cocoplum Phase 1 Roving Security Special Taxing District](#)  
[Ordinance - Cocoplum Phase One Security Guard District Amendment - 2nd Reading](#)  
[Resolution - 2023-166 - Approving Petition Language to Expand Cocoplum Roving Security Guard District](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Fernandez, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 9



- E.-6.**     [23-6727](#)     An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Section 14-103.3. "Meeting; Panel Review; Full by Full Board; Conflict Resolution Meeting; Special Master Quasi-Judicial Hearing" in order to amend certain procedures related to the conflict resolution and Special Master Quasi-Judicial Process for appeals of decisions by the Board of Architects; providing for repealer provision, severability clause, codification, enforceability, and providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:**   [01 10 24 - PZB Staff Report - BOA Appeals w attachments](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-6 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Castro, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 10

- E.-7.**     **23-6732**     An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for text amendments to Article 2, "Zoning Districts," Section 2-201, "Mixed Use 1, 2 and 3 (MX1, MX2 and MX3) Districts" and Article 3, "Uses," Section 3-209, "Live work minimum requirements," of the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code to allow a reduction of storefront transparency on frontages facing single-family and multi-family uses, providing for repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:**   [01 10 24 - PZB Staff Report - Transparency w attachment](#)  
[01 23 24 Exhibit B - 01 10 24 - PZB Staff Report - Transparency w attachment](#)  
[01 23 24 Exhibit A - Draft Ordinance - transparency](#)  
[01 23 24 Exhibit C - Excerpt of 01 10 24 PZB Meeting Minutes](#)  
[01 23 24 CC Cover Memo - Transparency - 2nd Reading](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Fernandez, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 35

- E.-8. [23-6733](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida, providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code pursuant to Zoning Code Article 15, "Notices," Section 15-102, "Notice," to amend requirement for the Applicants Required Public Information Meeting to occur prior to review by the Board of Architects and to require additional registration information for future notifications to be included in meeting notice, providing for repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:** [01 10 24 PZB Staff Report - BOA Neighborhood Meeting w attachment](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-8 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Menendez, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 36

**Agenda Items E-9 and E-10 are related**

- E.-9. [23-6785](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Section 1-2 "Definitions and Rules of Construction"; Section 2-464 "Same-Authority to Fix Schedule of Charges; Method of Determination"; Section 2-1091 "City-Owned Property Sale or Lease Generally; Advertised Public Bidding Process; Section 18-2 "Canvas of Returns; Duty of Commission; Declaration of Results"; Section 34-60 "Statement of Costs; Filing; Publication of Work; Cost and Lien"; Section 34-239 "Forfeiture Proceedings"; Section 58-53 "Statement of Costs; Publication"; Section 58-119 "Notice by Publication"; Section 62-329 "Procedures Relating to Applications"; Section 62-331 "Adoption of Ordinance"; Section 78-281 "Requirement for Underground Utilities"; Section 101-109 "Notices"; Section 109-41 "Permit Application Procedures- Class 1 Permits"; and Section 109-42 "Same- Class 2 Permits" of the City Code in order to provide a definition of publication and remove the requirement for newspaper publication, providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo First Reading Ordinance Notices in City Code](#)  
[First Reading Ordinance- Notices in City Code](#)  
[City Code](#)  
[Cover Memo Second Reading Ordinance Notices in City Code](#)  
[City Code](#)  
[Second Reading Ordinance- Notices in City Code](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Fernandez, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 37

**E.-10. [23-6786](#)**

An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Section 1-104 "Jurisdiction and Applicability"; Section 8-109 "Moving of Existing Improvements"; Section 8-106 "Certificates of Appropriateness"; Section 14-209.4; Section 14-215.3 "Notice and Hearing Procedures"; Section 15-102 "Notice" of the City's Zoning Code in order to provide a definition of publication and remove the requirement for newspaper publication, providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo First Reading Ordinance notices in Zoning Code](#)  
[First Reading Ordinance- Notices in Zoning Code](#)  
[Zoning Code](#)  
[Zoning Code](#)  
[Cover Memo Second Reading Ordinance notices in Zoning Code](#)  
[Second Reading Ordinance- Notices in Zoning Code](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Fernandez, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 38

**RESOLUTIONS****RESOLUTION NO. 2023-358****E.-11. [23-6726](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission directing a joint meeting of the Economic Development Board and the Cultural Development Board to discuss the City's Strategic Plan to promote the City of Coral Gables as a cultural destination for South Florida residents and tourists.

(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo Resolution re joint meeting EDB and CDB 12-4](#)  
[Resolution re joint meeting EDB and CDB 12-4](#)  
[R-2023-358 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO SCHEDULE A JOINT MEETING BETWEEN THE CITY'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD TO DISCUSS 2024-2025 CULTURAL ARTS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLANS AND THE 2026-2029 STRATEGIC PLAN AS WELL AS OTHER OPPORTUNITIES FOR PROMOTING THE CITY AS A CULTURAL DESTINATION.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Castro, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2023-358. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 39

**F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS**

- F.-1. [23-6738](#) Update on Granada Diner/Burger Bob's and Le Parc Cafe.  
(Sponsored by Commissioner Menendez)

**Attachments:** [Speaker Cards F-1](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 40

- F.-2. [23-6746](#) Discussion regarding visioning for the restaurant mix in and near Giralda Plaza.  
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 42

- F.-3. [23-6747](#) Discussion regarding green hydrogen production.  
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 43

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-360**

- F.-4. [23-6755](#) Discussion on new City replacement lights.  
(Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez)

**Attachments:** [Michael Maxwell Opinion MH 12-1-23 \(1\)](#)  
[Sarah Anderson Plaque Granada Plaza 1](#)  
[Sarah Anderson Granada Plaza 2 \(002\)](#)  
[Michael Maxwell Email - City Standard Streetlights - F.-4. 23-6755 Discussion on](#)  
[Karelia Carbonell - Email](#)  
[F4 City Lights - Final](#)  
[Speaker Cards F-4](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-4 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Fernandez, seconded by Commissioner Castro, that this motion be adopted by Resolution Number 2023-360. The motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 44

- F.-5. [23-6758](#) Update regarding City's transition to electric leaf blowers and other City's enforcement of gas leaf blower prohibitions.  
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

**Attachments:** [ELECTRIC LEAF BLOWERS 2023](#)  
[Speaker Cards F-5](#)

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 45

- F.-6. [23-6759](#) Update on plastic film recycling.  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 46

- F.-7. [23-6760](#) Update on humane iguana removal.  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 47

- F.-8. [23-6761](#) Maintenance plan for White Way Lights.  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

**Attachments:** [Speaker Cards F-8](#)

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 48

- F.-9. [23-6763](#) Discussion regarding invasive vines at Merrick House.  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)  
(Co-sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

**Attachments:** [Picture - F-9](#)

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 49

- F.-10. [23-6773](#) Update on the recent Keep Coral Gables Beautiful events.  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 50

- F.-11. [23-6775](#) Update on the legislative priorities trip to Tallahassee.  
(Sponsored by Commissioner Castro)  
(Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez)  
(Sponsored by Commissioner Menendez)

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 51

- F.-12. [23-6778](#) Discussion regarding the Alhambra Circle sidewalk connection between San Rafael Avenue and Taragona Drive.  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

**Attachments:** [Alhambra Circle Sidewalk Update](#)  
[Speaker Cards F-12](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-12 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 52

- F.-13. [23-6779](#) Update regarding Pittman Park  
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

**Attachments:** [F13 Pittman Park Expansion-Final](#)  
[01/09/24 - Pittman Park Expansion-Final](#)

**This Resolution was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 53

- F.-14. [23-6783](#) Update on Development Services Department.  
(Sponsored by Commissioner Castro)

**Attachments:** [Speaker Cards F-14](#)

**This Agenda Item was Deferred**

City Clerk Item No. 54

- F.-15. [23-6784](#) Update regarding Mediterranean Design proposed revisions.  
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 55

## G. BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS

- G.-1. [23-6745](#) A Resolution of the City Commission granting approval of a residential waiver (by a four-fifths vote of the City Commission) for Justine Chichester (Nominated by Vice Mayor Anderson), in accordance with Section 2-52(b)(2) of the City Code, to serve as a member of the Coral Gables Advisory Board on Disability Affairs, for a two (2) year term, which begins on June 1, 2023 and through May 31, 2025.

**Attachments:** [Draft Resolution - Residency Waiver - Disability Affairs](#)  
[Cover Memo - Residency Waiver - Disability Affairs Board](#)  
[Speaker Cards G-1](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Menendez, that this matter be adopted. The item required a four-fifths vote and the motion failed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 3 - Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson and Mayor Lago

**Nays :** 2 - Commissioner Fernandez and Commissioner Castro

City Clerk Item No. 56

## H. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2023-361**

- H.-1. [23-6756](#) A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation of the Innovations and Technology Department to waive the competitive process to purchase Tyler Technologies Maintenance service as a "Special Procurement/Bid Waiver," pursuant to Section 2-691 of the Procurement Code, for a period of five (5) years, to cover September 2023 - September 2028 at a total cost of \$1,875,000.00 (\$375,000 per year).

**Attachments:** [Bid Waiver Authorization Form Commission Signed](#)  
[Cover Memo TYLER New format](#)  
[Draft Resolution TYLER](#)  
[R-2023-361 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE INNOVATION & TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT (IT) TO WAIVE THE COMPETITIVE PROCESS OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE AND PURCHASE ENERGOV AND EDEN SOFTWARE ANNUAL MAINTENANCE SERVICE AND SUPPORT FROM TYLER AS A SPECIAL PROCUREMENT/BID WAIVER, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-691 OF THE CITY'S PROCUREMENT CODE.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Menendez, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2023-361. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 57

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-362****H.-2. [23-6757](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation of the Innovations and Technology Department to approve the Master Service Agreement Piggyback Addendum, \$2,000,00.00 for five (5) years, which will piggyback the State of Florida Department of Management Services - Mobile Communication Services (Contract Number DMD-19/20-006C) Contract with Verizon.

**Attachments:** [CN-720000-TC109](#)  
[Draft Resolution VERIZON](#)  
[Funding Request Form 2023](#)  
[New Cover Memo VERIZON](#)  
[Verizon - Piggyback Request Justification Form](#)  
[R-2023-362 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE INNOVATIONS & TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT TO APPROVE THE MASTER SERVICE AGREEMENT PIGGYBACK ADDENDUM WHICH WILL PIGGYBACK THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES - MOBILE COMMUNICATION SERVICES (CONTRACT NUMBER DMD-19/20-006C) CONTRACT.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Menendez, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2023-362. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 58

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-363****H.-3. [23-6627](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation to waive the Competitive Bid Process of the Procurement Code and contract with Allen Architectural Metals, Inc. for the restoration and replication of the Historic White Way Light Poles, Sections 2 and 3, along University Drive between Riviera Drive and Bird Road and along Riviera Drive between Anastasia Avenue and University Drive, pursuant to Section 2-691 of the Procurement Code as a continuation of the approval issued on Resolution 2021-50, at a total cost of \$308,414.00 (Phase 2 - \$189,460.00 for 34 poles and Phase 3 - \$118,954.00 for 25 poles).

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On March 23, 2021, Resolution 2021-50 was approved via Bid Waiver to engage Allen Architectural Metals, Inc. to undertake the restoration and replication of the historic poles on the White Way Light corridor, along University Dr. between Ponce de Leon and Bird Road and along Riviera Dr. between Anastasia Ave and University Dr. The budget was initially approved only for Section 1 of the corridor (University Dr. between Ponce de Leon and Riviera Dr.) since funds were not available for Sections 2 and 3 at the time.

The budget is now available to proceed with Sections 2 and 3, along University Dr. between Riviera Dr. and Bird Rd and along Riviera Dr. between Anastasia Ave and University Dr. and this new Resolution will allow, the existing contractor, Allen



Architectural Metals, Inc. to continue with the restoration and replication of the historic poles on those sections.

The original poles were designed in the 1920s by Phineas Paist, Coral Gables Supervising Architect, and Denman Fink, the Artistic Director for the City. Constructed of cast iron, the poles have highly decorative bases and were designated as Local Historic Landmarks in 1981. Because the pole locations are owned by FPL, as the poles have failed, they were replaced with their standard, inappropriate poles. The City is in the process of acquiring the pole locations for Sections 2 and 3 of the corridor, which will allow for the restoration of the remaining poles and also for the replication of the historic poles to return to their original locations. This will be done in phases and the infrastructure to rewire and ground the pole locations on Section 2 has already been completed. Allen Architectural Metals, Inc. provided the lowest proposal and has successfully performed the conservation work in Section 1 as inspected and approved by the Historic Resources Department.

**Attachments:** [White Way Lights Sections 2 & 3 Restoration Draft Resolution](#)  
[White Way Lights Sections 2 & 3 Restoration Cover Memo](#)  
[2021-50](#)  
[Speaker Cards H-3](#)  
[R-2023-363 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION TO WAIVE THE COMPETITIVE BID PROCESS OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE AND CONTRACT WITH ALLEN ARCHITECTURAL METALS, INC. FOR THE RESTORATION AND REPLICATION OF THE HISTORIC WHITE WAY LIGHT POLES, SECTIONS 2 & 3, ALONG UNIVERSITY DRIVE BETWEEN RIVIERA DRIVE AND BIRD ROAD & ALONG RIVIERA DRIVE BETWEEN ANASTASIA AVENUE & UNIVERSITY DRIVE, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-691 OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE AS A CONTINUATION OF THE APPROVAL ISSUED ON RESOLUTION NO. 2021-50, AT A TOTAL COST OF \$308,414.00 (PHASE 2 - \$189,460.00 FOR 34 POLES AND PHASE 3 - \$118,954.00 FOR 25 POLES).

**A motion was made by Commissioner Fernandez, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2023-363. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 59

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-364****H.-4. [23-6766](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing the City Manager to enter into a Public Transportation Grant Agreement in the amount of \$253,000, as identified in the Notice of Grant Award FM # 453981-1-84-01 between the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and the City of Coral Gables to provide Flex Route Transportation Service using Tesla vehicles and to amend the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Annual Budget to recognize the grants funds as revenue and appropriating such funds to be used for such services.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo Public Transportation Grant NOGA City of Coral Gables](#)  
[Resolution Public Transportation Grant R-2023-364-Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION GRANT AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$253,000 AS IDENTIFIED IN THE NOTICE OF GRANT AWARD FM# 453981-1-84-01 BETWEEN THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) AND THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES TO PROVIDE FLEX ROUTE TRANSPORTATION SERVICE USING TESLA VEHICLES AND TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 ANNUAL BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE THE GRANTS FUNDS AS REVENUE AND APPROPRIATING SUCH FUNDS TO BE USED FOR SUCH SERVICES.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Castro, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2023-364. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 60

**RESOLUTION NO. 2023-366****H.-5. [23-6754](#)**

Annexation update presenting options for Coral Gables resident participation.

**Attachments:** [Options for CG resident participation](#)  
[Speaker Cards H-5](#)  
[R-2023-366 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION DIRECTING STAFF TO PREPARE A STRAW BALLOT QUESTION REGARDING THE ANNEXATION OF LITTLE GABLES FOR THE PRIMARY ELECTION SCHEDULED FOR AUGUST 20, 2024.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-5 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Fernandez, seconded by Commissioner Menendez, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2023-366. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez and Mayor Lago

**Nays :** 1 - Vice Mayor Anderson

City Clerk Item No. 63

H.-6. [23-6765](#) Illegal dumping mitigation technology update.

**Attachments:** [CoralGables\\_IllegalDumpingMitigation\\_December2023](#)

**This Agenda Item was Deferred**

City Clerk Item No. 62

## I. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

### Time Certain 1:00pm (Agenda Item I-1)

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2023-359**

I.-1. [23-6724](#) Hearing regarding decision by Retirement Board to grant COLA to class members in Murhee v. City of Coral Gables, Case No. 13-20731 CA (13) (Fla. 11th Cir. Ct.) (treating GAP and opt outs in the same manner) -ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION MECHANISM

**Attachments:** [ADRM - 2023 COLA procedural order](#)  
[2024 COLA Incremental Percentage and Lump Sum Increases - Updated](#)  
[2024 COLA Recommendation Memo](#)  
[R-2023-359 Signed](#)  
[Letter from Gwynne Cate Item I-1](#)  
[Speaker Cards I-1](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION ACCEPTING THE FINANCE DIRECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO REJECT THE RETIREMENT BOARD'S DETERMINATION TO GRANT A COST-OF-LIVING INCREASE (COLA) TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CLASS IN MURRHEE V. CITY OF CORAL GABLES (TREATING GAP AND OPT-OUTS IN THE SAME FASHION) UNDER THE ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION MECHANISM ESTABLISHED IN ORDINANCE NOS. 2018-11, 2018-25, AND 2018-35.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item I-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anderson, seconded by Commissioner Fernandez, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2023-359. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez, Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 41

**J. CITY CLERK ITEMS****RESOLUTION NO. 2023-365**

- J.-1. [23-6737](#) A Resolution of the City Commission in accordance with Section 2-30 of the City Code, entitled "Regular Meetings, Special Meetings," setting forth the City Commission Meeting dates through December 2024.

**Attachments:** [2024 Commission Meeting Dates - Draft Resolution](#)  
[2024 Commission Meeting Dates - Cover Memo](#)  
[R-2023-365 - Signed](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2-30 OF THE CITY CODE, ENTITLED "REGULAR MEETINGS, SPECIAL MEETINGS," SETTING FORTH THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING DATES THROUGH DECEMBER 2024.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Fernandez, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2023-365. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Anderson, Commissioner Castro, Commissioner Fernandez, Commissioner Menendez and Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 61

**K. DISCUSSION ITEMS****ADJOURNMENT**

[Note for the Record: There being no further business on the Regular City Commission Meeting Agenda. The Commission of the City of Coral Gables adjourned its meeting at 6:11 p.m. The next Regular Meeting of the City Commission has been scheduled for Tuesday, January 9, 2024, beginning 9 a.m.]

BILLY Y. URQUIA  
CITY CLERK