

City of Coral Gables

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Agenda

Wednesday, August 24, 2022

9:00 AM

City Hall, Commission Chambers

City Commission

*Mayor Vince Lago
Vice Mayor Michael Mena
Commissioner Rhonda Anderson
Commissioner Jorge L. Fors, Jr.
Commissioner Kirk R. Menendez*

*Peter J. Iglesias, P.E., City Manager
Miriam Soler Ramos, City Attorney
Billy Y. Urquia, City Clerk*

The City of Coral Gables will be holding its Regular Meeting on Wednesday, August 24, 2022, 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) once the meeting's agenda is published or by sending an email to 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/cgvtv) as well as Channel 77 on Comcast.

INVOCATION

Rev. Megan Smith, Coral Gables Congregational United Church of Christ

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROTOCOL DOCUMENTS**

- A.-1. [22-4278](#) Presentation of appropriations checks and legislative updates by Senator Ileana Garcia and Representative Demi Busatta Cabrera.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago).
- A.-2. [22-4261](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring September 22, 2022 "Marta T. Permuy Day" in Coral Gables.
- A.-3. [22-4489](#) Congratulations to Trend Boutique on receiving the Keep Coral Gables Beautiful 2022 Commercial Beautification Award.
- A.-4. [22-4271](#) Congratulations to Driver Engineer German Perez, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Firefighter of the Month Award," for the month of July 2022.
- A.-5. [22-4497](#) Congratulations to Detective Alfred Fernandez, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Detective of the Quarter Award," for the Second Quarter 2022.
- A.-6. [22-4509](#) Congratulations to Lt. Marc Sampedro, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Firefighter of the Month Award," for the month of August 2022.
- A.-7. [22-4499](#) Congratulations to Assistant City Attorney Stephanie M. Throckmorton and Assistant City Attorney Naomi Levi Garcia for achieving board certification by the Florida Bar in City, County and Local Government Law.
- A.-8. [22-4345](#) Congratulations to Amario J. Jara who holds the title of P/T Producer/Editor/Videographer, recipient of the "Part-Time Employee of the Quarter Award," for the second quarter in 2022.
- A.-9. [22-4217](#) Congratulations to Matthew R. Anderson who holds the title of Sustainability and Resilience Manager, recipient of the "Employee of the Month Award," for the month of June 2022.

Time Certain 3:00pm (Agenda Item A-10)

- A.-10. [22-4514](#) Presentation by the PAGE and Cavalier Interns.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- B.-1. [22-4488](#) Regular City Commission Meeting of July 25, 2022.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

During this portion of the meeting, an individual may address the City Commission on an item that is on the agenda or on a matter which is not on the agenda, but within the scope of the City Commission's jurisdiction. If the individual wishes to address the City Commission on an item that is on the agenda, the individual shall not be given an opportunity to speak again once the item is called. An individual who wishes to speak during a public hearing where the City Commission is sitting in a quasi-judicial capacity, must speak during the public hearing for that item.

Individuals who speak during the open public comment portion of the meeting shall be given three (3) minutes during which to address the City Commission. At the conclusion of one (1) hour, if the open public comment section of the meeting has not ended, it shall end automatically, in order to proceed with the rest of the agenda.

D. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

- D.-1. [22-4538](#) Discussion regarding pickle ball.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- D.-2. [22-4567](#) A Resolution of the City Commission supporting the City of Coral Gables' first annual Mayor's Ball to benefit the Coral Gables Community Foundation and La Liga Contra el Cancer (The League Against Cancer).

E. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed within this section entitled "Consent Agenda" are considered to be self-explanatory and are not expected to require additional review or discussion, unless a member of the City Commission or a citizen so requests, in which case, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered along with the regular order of business. Hearing no objections to the items listed under the "Consent Agenda", a vote on the adoption of the Consent Agenda will be taken.

- E.-1. [22-4487](#) A Resolution of the City Commission confirming the appointment of Gabriela McGrath Moreira (Nominated by Board-As-A-Whole) to serve as the High School Student Representative on the Sustainability Advisory Board, for the remainder of a two (2) year term which began on June 1, 2021 and continues through May 31, 2023.
- E.-2. [22-4527](#) A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing the execution of Amendment No. 6 to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) Agreement for financial assistance, entered under FDEP Agreement No. 15DA2, for the purpose of extending the term of the agreement from December 31, 2022 to December 31, 2023.

E.-3. [22-4535](#) A Resolution of the City Commission adopting workforce housing legislative findings pursuant To Miami-Dade County Code Section 33-193.7; providing For transmittal, a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.

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

- 1.-1. [22-4500](#) Advisory Board on Disability Affairs Meeting July 6, 2022
- 1.-2. [22-4480](#) Arts Advisory Panel Meeting of June 16, 2022.
- 1.-3. [22-4551](#) Budget Audit Advisory Board Meeting of July 19, 2022.
- 1.-4. [22-4504](#) Code Enforcement Board Meeting of May 18, 2022.
- 1.-5. [22-4510](#) Code Enforcement Board Meeting of June 15, 2022.
- 1.-6. [22-4495](#) Cultural Development Board Meeting of June 21, 2022.
- 1.-7. [22-4473](#) International Affairs Coordinating Council Meeting of April 18, 2022.
- 1.-8. [22-4474](#) International Affairs Coordinating Council Meeting of May 16, 2022.
- 1.-9. [22-4526](#) International Affairs Coordinating Council Meeting of June 27, 2022.
- 1.-10. [22-4542](#) Parking Advisory Board Meeting of June 22, 2022.
- 1.-11. [22-4486](#) Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting of June 9, 2022.
- 1.-12. [22-4233](#) Planning and Zoning Board Meeting of June 8, 2022.
- 1.-13. [22-4328](#) Planning and Zoning Board Meeting of June 21, 2022.
- 1.-14. [22-4444](#) Planning and Zoning Board Meeting of July 13, 2022.
- 1.-15. [22-4484](#) Senior Citizens Advisory Board Meeting of May 5, 2022.

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 12:00pm (Agenda Item 2-1)

- 2.-1. [22-4546](#) A Resolution of the Coral Gables Parks and Recreation Advisory Board requesting that the City Commission have a permanent or quasi-permanent staff member or Park Service Attendant be dedicated specifically to Salvadore Park during peak hours of usage.

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

All Individuals testifying in a quasi-judicial proceeding shall be sworn in.

Presentations made to the City Commission are subject to the City's False Claims Ordinance, Ch. 39 of the City of Coral Gables Code.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

- F.-1. [22-4427](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending the City of Coral Gables Code by creating Division 9, "Mayor's Advisory Council," in Chapter 2 "Administration," Article III "Boards and Committees," providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification and providing for an effective date.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-2. [22-3723](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code, Article 4, "Zoning Districts," Section 2-100, "Residential Districts," and Article 16, "Definitions," to increase the interior side setback of certain Multi-Family 3 (MF3) properties; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Anderson)
- F.-3. [22-4445](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for a text amendment to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code by amending Article 14, "Process," Section 14-205, "Declaration of Restrictive Covenant in Lieu of a Unity of Title" to encourage the creation of City Parks by allowing non-contiguous building sites with dedicated park spaces; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

- F.-4. [22-4242](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending the City of Coral Gables Code by creating Chapter 2 "Administration", Article III "Boards and Committees", Division 9, "Coral Gables Golf and Country Club Advisory Board," providing for repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Menendez)
- F.-5. [22-4243](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Chapter 62 "Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places, Article IV "Maintenance of Sidewalks and Swale Areas," Section 62-153 "Removal of Obstructions" and Section 62-156 "Buttons and Other Encroachments Prohibited" of the City Code to clarify provisions regarding obstructions and/or encroachments on streets, sidewalks, or swale areas; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.
- F.-6. [22-4374](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission creating Chapter 14 "Businesses", Article VII "Mobile Food trucks", providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-7. [22-4375](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Chapter 46 of the "Code of the City of Coral Gables," entitled "Pensions," amending Section 46-25, "Definitions" to update the definition of Administrative Manager to provide automated benefit processing for participants; amending Section 46-254 "Disability Retirement" allowing the board to reconsider a disability retirement after the disabled participant reaches his/her normal retirement; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.
- F.-8. [22-4475](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending the City of Coral Gables Zoning Code Article 15 "Notices", Section 15-104 "Quasi-Judicial Procedures" and amending Section 2-79 of Chapter 2, Article III of the City Code, titled "Order of Business" to clarify definitions of documentary evidence, and amend the Order of Presentation for Quasi-Judicial Hearings, providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.
- F.-9. [22-4482](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code, Article 5, "Architecture," Section 5-505, "Pitched roofs, material;" to expand the allowed roof materials for pitched roofs to include metal roofs, and Article 16, providing for a definition of "Standing seam metal roof;" providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
(Sponsored by Commissioner Anderson)

- F.-10. [22-4476](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for a text amendment to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code by amending Article 14, "Process," Section 14-102.3, "Meetings; Quorum; Required by Vote" to eliminate the requirement of four (4) affirmative votes for recommendations relating to comprehensive plan amendments; providing for a severability clause, repealer provision, codification and providing for an effective date.
- F.-11. [22-4325](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for a text amendment to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code by amending Appendix A, "Site Specific Zoning Regulations," Section A-94, "Snapper Creek Lakes" to exempt platted lots within Snapper Creek Lakes from the Building Site Determination process, providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.
- F.-12. [22-4442](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code, by amending Article 14, "Process", Section 14-200 "Procedures", Section 14-202.6, "Building Site Determination" by eliminating size restrictions on residences in a separated building site based on what was permitted as a single building site; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.
- F.-13. [22-4329](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code, Article 3, "Uses", Section 3-317, "Permanently installed stand-by generators" removing the distance requirement of ten (10) feet from any opening in a building or structure; requiring that the distance from any opening be determined by manufacturer's specification; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.

RESOLUTIONS

- F.-14. [22-4241](#) A Resolution of the City Commission establishing the "Signature Hurricane Protection Program" to make available to residents a list of providers willing to furnish and install impact windows and doors at a twenty-five percent (25%) discount to owners of single-family homes with a height less than 25 feet and less than 3,000 square feet and meeting certain income eligibility requirements and amending Ordinance No. 2015-17, as amended, waiving all City permit fees for impact window and door installations for such property owners.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

G. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

- G.-1. [22-4485](#) Update from staff on the sidewalks on University Drive, Alhambra Circle, Blue Road, Venetia Terrace and Pisano Avenue.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- G.-2. [22-4471](#) Presentation by staff on the implementation of the Silver Permit Program.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Fors)

Agenda Items G-3 and I-5 are related

- G.-3. [22-4516](#) Discussion regarding funding mechanisms for historic City assets, Fire House 4, and Phillips Park.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Menendez)
- G.-4. [22-4528](#) Discussion regarding water coolers and the reduction of single use water bottles.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Anderson)
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- G.-5. [22-4529](#) Discussion regarding the process for residents, businesses and property owners to request signage for no parking and handicapped parking signs.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Anderson)
- G.-6. [22-4530](#) Coral Way Strangler Fig up-date.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Anderson)
- G.-7. [22-4531](#) Discussion regarding Camp Mahachie Tree Planting Day: Saturday, October 2, 2022.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Anderson)
- G.-8. [22-4533](#) Discussion regarding an August recess for the City Commission starting in 2023.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Menendez)
- G.-9. [22-4539](#) Discussion regarding modern residential design approvals in Coral Gables.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- G.-10. [22-4543](#) Discussion regarding Alhambra Circle sidewalks (between San Rafael and the bridge near Taragona Drive).
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago).
- G.-11. [22-4549](#) Discussion regarding the Rotary Club Annual Chili Cookoff, taking place on October 30, 2022, from 1:00pm to 5:00pm, at Ponce Circle Park. Free Admission plus Sponsorship Opportunities to benefit Rotary projects.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Anderson)
- G.-12. [22-4376](#) A Resolution of the City Commission directing the City Manager and City Attorney to reinstate the annexation process for Little Gables.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

Time Certain 11:30am (Agenda Item G-13)

- G.-13. [22-4377](#) A Resolution of the City Commission re-establishing and supporting the continuation of the Special Assessment District to be known as the Business Improvement District ("BID") of Coral Gables, for a period of five years, subject to approval by a majority of the affected property owners; providing for an updated voting procedure for ascertaining whether a majority of the affected property owners approve continued existence of the BID; providing for levy of special assessments thereof; providing for location, nature and estimated cost of services to be provided; providing details of assessment procedure and future increases; and providing for publication of legal notice.
- G.-14. [22-4477](#) A Resolution of the City Commission opposing amendments to Florida Statute 553.79 that preempt the City's demolition permit process as applied to historic properties and urging the Florida Legislature to rescind said amendments.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

H. BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS**Time Certain 12:15pm (Agenda Item H-1)**

- H.-1. [22-4478](#) A Resolution of the City Commission approving celebration of the recently installed sculpture "Mean Average" by Tony Cragg during Miami Art Week and Art Basel, application to Art Basel for an official event, and funding up to \$35,000 from the Art Fund toward interpretive and marketing materials (unanimously recommended by the Cultural Development Board approval/denial vote: 6 to 0).

I. CITY MANAGER ITEMS**Time Certain 10:00am (Agenda Item I-1)**

- I.-1. [22-4274](#) Innovation and Technology demonstration of new homegrown Smart City Digital Twin platform and Horizontal Integration Dashboards.
- I.-2. [22-4512](#) A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing the acceptance of grant funds in the amount of \$355,722 allocated to the Coral Gables Police Department as part of the Office of National Drug Control Policy's High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Program Initiative; authorizing execution of the grant contract; and authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 annual budget to recognize the \$355,722 grant as revenue and to appropriate such funds to put toward the cost of the program.

Time Certain 10:30am (Agenda Items I-3 and I-4 are related)

- I.-3. [22-4130](#) Update regarding undergrounding of utilities.

- I.-4. [22-4428](#) A Resolution of the City Commission directing City staff to work with Florida Power and Light (FPL) to accomplish the undergrounding of utilities within the City in accordance with the FPL Storm Secure Underground Pilot Program (SSUPP) and such other programs as may be approved by the Public Service Commission, to work with FPL on all other planned improvements, and to explore options to require attaching entities to underground co-located pole attachments.

Agenda Items G-3 and I-5 are related

- I.-5. [22-4548](#) A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing the City Manager and City Attorney to negotiate purchase and sale agreements for the sale of transfer of development rights ("TDRs") currently available from the Coral Gables Museum Property, located at 285 Aragon Avenue, and directing that all proceeds be placed in the City's historic building fund.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Menendez)

J. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

- J.-1. [22-4498](#) A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing the City Attorney to file a quiet title action for Lot 3 of Block 44, of revised plat Coral Gables Douglas Section, according to the plat thereof recorded in plat book 25, page 69, relating to Phillips Park.

K. CITY CLERK ITEMS

None

L. DISCUSSION ITEMS

This time is for informal discussion among the City Commissioners, the City Manager and the City Attorney

ADJOURNMENT**NOTE**

Any person who acts as a lobbyist pursuant to the City of Coral Gables Ordinance No. 2006-11, must register with the City Clerk, prior to engaging in lobbying activities before city staff, boards, committees and/or the City Commission. A copy of the Ordinance is available in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall.

Any person, or persons, wishing to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, will require a verbatim record of the proceeding upon which the appeal is based. Interested persons should, therefore, take the necessary steps to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which contains the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

Any person making impertinent or slanderous remarks or who become boisterous while addressing the Commission, shall be barred from further audience before the Commission by the Chair, unless permission to continue or again address the Commission is granted by the majority vote of the Commission Members present. Clapping, applauding, heckling or verbal outbursts or any remarks in support or opposition to a speaker shall be prohibited. Signs or placards shall not be permitted in Commission Chambers.

Any person who needs assistance in another language in order to speak during the public hearing or public comment portion of the meeting should contact the City 's ADA Coordinator Raquel Elejabarrieta, Esq., Director of Labor Relations and Risk Management (E-mail: relejabarrieta@coralgables.com, Telephone: 305-722-8686, TTY/TDD: 305-442-1600), at least three (3) business days before the meeting.

**Billy Y. Urquia
City Clerk**