

City of Coral Gables

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Agenda - Final Revised

Tuesday, January 27, 2026

9:00 AM

City Hall, Commission Chambers

City Commission

*Mayor Vince Lago
Vice Mayor Rhonda Anderson
Commissioner Melissa Castro
Commissioner Ariel Fernandez
Commissioner Richard D. Lara*

*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 January 27, 2026 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/cgtv) as well as Channel 77 on Comcast.

CALL TO ORDER**INVOCATION**

Rev. Hedy Collver - First United Methodist Church of Coral Gables

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

- A.-1. [26-1072](#) Presentation of a Certificate of Condolence to the bereaved family of Peter J. Dolara.

Agenda Items A-2 and F-2 are related

- A.-2. [26-1045](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring "Ponce de Leon Middle School Day" in Coral Gables.
- A.-3. [25-1185](#) Congratulations to Misha's Cupcakes on receiving the 2025 Commercial Beautification Award.
- A.-4. [25-1178](#) Congratulations to the Coral Gables Fire Extrication Team.
- A.-5. [25-1177](#) Congratulations to Lieutenant Peter Bernstein, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Firefighter of the Month Award," for the month of January 2026.
- A.-6. [26-1075](#) Congratulations to Emergency Dispatcher Audrey Miranda, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Emergency Dispatcher of the Quarter," for the 3rd Quarter of 2025.
- A.-7. [26-1071](#) Congratulations to Officer Gabrielle Richardson, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Officer of the Month," for the month of December 2025.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- B.-1. [25-1191](#) Regular City Commission Meeting of December 9, 2025.

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. 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, if approved by the chairperson, so requests, in which case, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered along with the regular order of business. Items placed on the Consent Agenda shall conform to the limitations of Section 2-79 of the City Code. Hearing no objections to the items listed under the "Consent Agenda", a vote on the adoption of the Consent Agenda will be taken.

D.-1. [26-1055](#)

A Resolution of the City Commission accepting a recommendation of the Police Department to authorize the award of a service agreement with Communications International, Inc. as a Sole Source Procurement in the amount of \$160,109, pursuant to Section 2-689 of the City's Procurement Code.

Lobbyist: N/A

D.-2. [26-1080](#)

A Resolution of the City Commission confirming the appointment of Frank Hercksen (nominated by Commissioner Fernandez) to serve as a member of the Sustainability Advisory Board, for a two (2) year term which began on June 1, 2025 and continues through May 31, 2027.

- D.-3. [26-1081](#) A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to award the Pressure Washing Services contract Group 1 - Parking Garage Interior Pressure Wash Services to Power Washing and More, LLC, Group 2 - Parking Garage Exterior Pressure Wash Services to Integrity Janitorial Service Corp. and Group 3: Additional Facilities Pressure Wash Services to Midlands Pressure Wash Services, LLC, the lowest responsive and responsible bidders, pursuant to Invitation for Bids (IFB) 2025-037 and Section 2-763 of the Procurement Code entitled "Contract Award".

Lobbyist: N/A

- D.-4. [26-1086](#) A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation to waive the competitive bid process of the Procurement Code as a Special Procurement/Bid Waiver for Blue Digital Corp., to provide on demand scanning services, pursuant to Section 2-691 of the City's Procurement Code.

Lobbyist: N/A

- D.-5. [26-1109](#) A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 annual budget to increase the out-of-town travel expense budget in Office of the City Commission and to recognize a transfer of \$9,900 from the General Fund and to appropriate such funds for travel costs.

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

- 1.-1. [26-1083](#) Landscape Beautification Advisory Board Meeting of January 8, 2026.
- 1.-2. [26-1077](#) Parking Advisory Board Meeting of November 19, 2025.
- 1.-3. [26-1078](#) Planning and Zoning Board Minutes of December 10, 2025.
- 1.-4. [26-1044](#) Retirement Board Meeting of November 13, 2025.
- 1.-5. [26-1054](#) Sustainability Advisory Board Meeting of November 17, 2025.

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 10:30am (Agenda Item 2-1)

- 2.-1. [26-1050](#) A Resolution of the Coral Gables Advisory Board on Disability Affairs urging that the City of Coral Gables prioritize the installation of audible pedestrian signals on the crosswalks of Miracle Mile.

Agenda Items 2-2 and F-1 are related

- 2.-2. [26-1051](#) A Resolution of the Waterway Advisory Board requesting the City Commission, through the City Manager, to move forward with the Oasis Waterway Decontamination Pilot Program, further directing the Public Works Department to identify potential locations, and for the City to develop the criteria to be met and report its findings back to the board.

E. 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**Agenda Items E-1 and E-2 are related**

- E.-1. [25-9279](#)** An Ordinance of the City Commission approving amendments to the text and maps of the City of Coral Gables Comprehensive Plan pursuant to small-scale amendment procedures (Section 163.3187, Florida Statutes), and Zoning Code Article 14, "Process," Section 14-213, "Comprehensive Plan Text and Map Amendments," to modify the required mix of uses when developed within the "University Station Rapid Transit District Overlay," to allow a maximum floor area ratio (FAR) of 3.5, to provide policies to implement the "University Station Rapid Transit District Overlay," to amend the Future Land Use Map from "Commercial Low-Rise Intensity" to "Commercial High-Rise Intensity", and to create the "University Station Rapid Transit District Overlay" on the Mixed-Use Overlay Districts Map, for Blocks 155 and 156, Coral Gables Riviera Section Part 8, Tract "A," Replat of Coral Gables Riviera Section Part 8, which are the properties bounded by South Dixie Highway, Caballero Boulevard, Madruga, and Turin Street (1150, 1190, 1250, 1320, and 1350 South Dixie Highway); providing for a repealer provision, providing for a severability clause, and providing for an effective date. (07 02 2025 PZB recommended approval for Comp. Plan Map Amendments, Vote: 5:1) (12 10 2025 PZB recommended approval for Comp. Plan Text Amendments, Vote: 6-0)
- E.-2. [25-9280](#)** An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for map and 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," by 1) amending Article 2, "Zoning Districts," to create Section 2-408, "University Station Rapid Transit District Overlay" for promoting the use of mass transit facilities and pedestrian activities along transit corridors and near multimodal stations; 2) amending Appendix A, "Site Specific Zoning Regulations," to remove inconsistent Site Specifics; 3) amending Article 14, "Process," Section 14-204, "Transfer of Development Rights," to expand Transfer of Development Rights (TDRs) receiving sites to the "University Station Rapid Transit District Overlay," and 4) making Zoning District boundary changes from "Mixed-Use 1 (MX1)" to "Mixed-Use 3 (MX3)" and creating the "University Station Rapid Transit District Overlay" boundary for Blocks 155 and 156, Coral Gables Riviera Section Part 8, and Tract "A," Replat of Coral Gables Riviera Section Part 8, which are the properties bounded by South Dixie Highway, Caballero Boulevard, Madruga, and Turin Street (1150, 1190, 1250, 1320, and 1350 South Dixie Highway), and to create the "University Station Rapid Transit District;" providing for repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date. (07 02 2025 PZB recommended approval, Vote: 5:1)

- E.-3. [25-1161](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission granting to Florida Power & Light Company, its successors and assigns, an electric franchise, imposing provisions and conditions relating thereto, providing for monthly payments to the City of Coral Gables, and providing for an effective date.

Lobbyist: N/A

Agenda Item E-4 has been deferred. It will be heard at the February 10th, 2026 Commission Meeting.

- E.-4. [25-1264](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Chapter 74, "Traffic and Vehicles," of the City Code, creating Article X - "Golf Carts"; authorizing and regulating the operation of golf carts on designated city streets; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

ORDINANCES OF FIRST READING

- E.-5. [26-1082](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Chapter 2, "Administration," Article VII, "Finance," Division 1, "Generally", to create Section 2-353 of the City Code to formally establish ongoing priority capital projects and capital matrices funding programs; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)
- E.-6. [26-1104](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Chapter 74, "Traffic and Vehicles," Article I "In General," Section 74-3 "Riding of Bicycles Upon Pedestrian Sidewalks Generally" and Chapter 74 "Traffic and Vehicles," Article IV "Bicycles, Skateboards, Scooters, Shared Mobility Devices, and Other Similar Devices," Section 74-239 "Definitions" to amend the City Code to add a definition of electric bicycles and prohibit the riding Of electric bicycles on city sidewalks; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.
(Sponsored By Vice Mayor Anderson)

F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

Agenda Items 2-2 and F-1 are related

- F.-1. [26-1052](#) A Resolution of the City Commission approving a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Coral Gables and Clean Rivers Foundation and Applied6 Engineering and for the Oasis Waterway Decontamination Pilot Program.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

Lobbyist: N/A

Agenda Items A-2 and F-2 are related

- F.-2. [26-1079](#) A Resolution of the City Commission co-designating Augusto Street as "Explorers Way" in honor and recognition of the centennial celebration of Ponce de Leon Middle School.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

Time Certain 10:00am (Agenda Item F-3)

- F.-3. [26-1088](#) A Resolution of the City Commission supporting enhanced enforcement of federal sanctions related to Cuba; supporting State Legislation requiring proof of authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control for Businesses subject to federal sanctions programs; supporting the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners and the Miami-Dade County Tax Collector's efforts to address businesses engaging in unlawful commerce with Cuba; supporting state efforts in Senate Bill 1176 and House Bill 1397; and directing that these efforts be included in the City's 2026 Legislative Priorities.
(Sponsored By Mayor Lago)
- F.-4. [26-1087](#) A Resolution of the City Commission recognizing the Holy Month of Ramadan and supporting a community Ramadan Observance in the City of Coral Gables.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)
- F.-5. [26-1089](#) A Resolution of the City Commission urging the Florida Legislature to address certain considerations when proposing or reviewing legislation regarding property taxes and adding certain proposals to the City's 2026 Legislative Priorities.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)
- F.-6. [26-1106](#) A Resolution of the City Commission calling for a Special Election on a Proposed Ballot Question and City Charter Amendment to be held on April 21, 2026; providing for submission to the electors for approval or disapproval of a ballot question asking whether the City Charter should be amended to eliminate the Run-Off Election in City Commission and Mayoral Races; providing for a mail ballot; providing for notice; providing for inclusion in the City Charter; providing for related matters; providing for an effective date.
(Sponsored By Mayor Lago)
- F.-7. [26-1105](#) A Resolution of the City Commission directing the City Manager to direct City Staff to conduct a community meeting to obtain public input regarding the proposed dog park on the city-owned property located at 520 University Drive; providing for a report back to the City Commission.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

- F.-8. [26-1107](#) 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)
- F.-9. [26-1108](#) A Resolution of the City Commission urging the Florida Legislature to establish due diligence and reporting requirements for organizations and entities leading municipal recall efforts pursuant to Florida Statutes § 100.361.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-10. [26-1095](#) La Antigua, Guatemala Sister City visit recap.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-11. [26-1096](#) Discussion regarding sidewalk expansion on Orduna Drive between Paradiso and Blue Road.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-12. [26-1097](#) Discussion regarding right of way improvements and insurance requirements related to the Old Cutler Bay bench.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-13. [26-1098](#) Discussion regarding America's 250th Birthday celebration - July 4, 2026.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-14. [26-1099](#) Discussion regarding recognition of past Coral Gables Mayors in connection with President's Day.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

G. **BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS**

Time Certain 12:00pm (Agenda Item G-1)

- G.-1. [25-1217](#) A Resolution of the City Commission approving the concept, commissioning, and donation of a work of public art by Alicja Kwade in conjunction with the development project at 103 Sevilla / 130 Almeria, in fulfillment of the Art in Public Places requirement for public art in private development (unanimously recommended by the Arts Advisory Panel approval/denial vote: 8 to 0; unanimously recommended by the Cultural Development Board approval/denial vote: 4 to 0).
- Lobbyist: N/A

H. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

- H.-1. [26-1009](#) A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to award the Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation contract to EnviroWaste Services Group, Inc, the most responsive and responsible bidder, pursuant to Invitation for Bids (IFB) 2025-029 Section 2-763 of the Procurement Code entitled "Contract Award".

Lobbyist: N/A

- H.-2. [26-1039](#) A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to authorize a Cooperative contract with Genuine Parts Company dba NAPA Auto Parts from the Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) contract number FSA-HCB-IBS1.0 Integrated Business Solutions to provide on-site vehicle and equipment parts and supply services pursuant to Section 2-947 of the Procurement Code.

Lobbyist: N/A

- H.-3. [26-1040](#) A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to award RFP 2025-044 Gymnastics Programming Services to Tumblebees Gymnastics, the highest ranked responsive and responsible proposer, pursuant to Section 2-763 of the Procurement Code entitled "Contract Award" and Request for Proposal (RFP) 2025-044.

Lobbyist: N/A

- H.-4. [26-1070](#) A Resolution of the City Commission amending Resolution No. 2022-83 to replace the location for installation of the sculpture "Mars" by Julio Larraz from Pittman Park to the city plaza at Aragon Avenue and Galiano Street.

Lobbyist: N/A

Time Certain 11:00am (Agenda Item H-5)

- H.-5. [26-1073](#) Update on City Hall Floor Plans.
- H.-6. [25-1257](#) Celebrating a Century: The Coral Gables Centennial Year.

I. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

None

J. CITY CLERK ITEMS

None

K. 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 Jose Rodriguez, Interim Director of Labor Relations and Risk Management (E-mail: jrodriguez4@coralgables.com, Telephone: 305-722-8675, TTY/TDD: 305-442-1600), at least three (3) business days before the meeting.