

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item F-3
January 23, 2018
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL

City Commission

Mayor Raul Valdes-Fauli
Vice Mayor Pat Keon
Commissioner Vince Lago
Commissioner Frank Quesada
Commissioner Michael Mena

City Staff

City Manager, Cathy Swanson-Rivenbark
City Attorney, Miriam Ramos
City Clerk, Walter J. Foeman
Deputy City Clerk, Billy Urquia

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item F-3 and F-4 are related [2:35:30 p.m.]

F-3: An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida requesting an amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the City of Coral Gables Comprehensive Plan pursuant to Zoning Code Article 3, “Development Review,” Division 15, “Comprehensive Plan Text and Map Amendments,” and small scale amendment procedures (ss. 163.3187, Florida Statutes) from “Residential Single-Family Low Density” to “Conservation Areas” for the property legally described as all of Tract 3, Avocado Land Company Subdivision, Coral Gables, Florida; and providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date. (11.08.17 PZB recommended approval, Vote 7-0).

F-4: An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida requesting a change of zoning pursuant to Zoning Code Article 3, “Development Review,” Division 14, “Zoning Code Text and Map Amendments” from Single-Family Residential District (SFR) to Preservation (P) for the property legally described as all of Tract 3, Avocado Land Company Subdivision, Coral Gables, Florida; and providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date. (11.08.17 PZB recommended approval, Vote 7-0).

Vice Mayor Keon: F-3.

City Attorney Ramos: An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida requesting an amendment to the Future Land Use Map of the City of Coral Gables Comprehensive Plan pursuant to Zoning Code Article 3, “Development Review,” Division 15, “Comprehensive Plan Text and Map Amendments,” and small scale amendment procedures (ss. 163.3187, Florida Statutes) from “Residential Single-Family Low Density” to “Conservation Areas” for the property legally described as all of Tract 3, Avocado Land Company Subdivision, Coral Gables, Florida; and providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date. Approval was recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: I can speed this up for you. We’ve briefed all of the Commissioners. They understand that this was a property previously in private hands that had a zoning letter saying that it could build 14 homes, it’s a conservation area, nothing should be built there. They agreed to transfer the property over to us. We agreed to allow them transfer development rights elsewhere and so, we as City as owner are moving to change the land use and the zoning to reflect conservation use, that’s why these two items are listed under First Reading.

City Attorney Ramos: Correct – and they are both public hearing items. We should take a vote on F-3 first if there is no public comment.

Vice Mayor Keon: Is there anyone that wishes to speak to F-3?

Deputy City Clerk Urquia: No speaker cards.

Vice Mayor Keon: No speakers. Can I have a motion?

Commissioner Lago: So moved.

Commissioner Quesada: Second.

Vice Mayor Keon: Call the roll.

Commissioner Mena: Yes

Commissioner Quesada: Yes

Commissioner Lago: Yes

Vice Mayor Keon: Yes

(Vote: 4-0)

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Absent

Vice Mayor Keon: F-4.

Assistant City Manager Iglesias: ...in our CRS rating also, because we are turning the space into mangrove, which helps us with our storm surge issues.

Commissioner Lago: Thank you Peter.

City Attorney Ramos: On F-4, an Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida requesting a change of zoning pursuant to Zoning Code Article 3, "Development Review," Division 14, "Zoning Code Text and Map Amendments" from Single-Family Residential District (SFR) to Preservation (P) for the property legally described as all of Tract 3, Avocado Land Company Subdivision, Coral Gables, Florida; and providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date. Also recommended by the Planning and Zoning Board. It is a public hearing item.

Vice Mayor Keon: Is there anyone that wishes to speak to this?

Deputy City Clerk Urquia: No ma'am.

Vice Mayor Keon: Have a motion please.

Commissioner Lago: So moved.

Vice Mayor Keon: Seconded?

Commissioner Mena: Second.

Vice Mayor Keon: Call the roll.

Commissioner Quesada: Yes

Commissioner Lago: Yes

Commissioner Mena: Yes

Vice Mayor Keon: Yes

(Vote: 4-0)

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Absent

Vice Mayor Keon: Thank you. These are items that will come back on Second Reading. I have some questions with regard to the transfer of development rights that I'd like you to address on Second Reading please. Thank you.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: We'll be ready.

[End: 2:37:50 p.m.]