

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
MEETING AT CITY HALL/ZOOM
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 19, 2023.**

MEMBERS	D ^H	J ^H	F ^H	M ^H	A	M	J	J	A	S ^V	O ^H	N ^H	APPOINTED BY:
	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	
Silvia Pinera-Vazquez	A	p	P	P	+-	A	P	E	A	p	A	+-	Castro
Jose "Mike" Gonzalez	P	-	-	-	-	-	E	-	P	P	P	+-	Mayor Lago
Henry Pinera	P	-	-	-	-	-	-	p	A	P	P	+-	Fernandez
Nestor Menendez	A	-	-	-	-	-	P	P*	P	P	P	+-	VM Anderson
David Fournier	P	P	P	P	+-	P	P	p	P	P	P	+-	Menendez
Roberta Neway	P	P	P	P	+-	P	P	P	P	P	P	+-	Commission
Deborah Swain	P	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	P	P	P	+-	City Manager

P - Present in person A - Absent *- New Member (+ -) No Meeting

Staff:

Melissa de Zayas, Transportation Division Manager
Mairelys Gensler, Transportation Engineer
Jessie Acebo, Assistant to the Public Works Director
Sgt. Erasmo Lopez

Guest:

Eric Riel Jr.
Laura Russo
Eric Leath
Brian Boyles
Juan Espinoza
Debbie Register

Via ZOOM Attendees:

Nestor Menendez
Jessica Keller
John "Miles" Maronto
Ed Santamaria
Iphone

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Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by David Fournier at 5:38 PM. Debbie Swain, Roberta Neway, Jose Gonzalez, and Henry Pinera were present. Quorum was met. Silvia and Nestor were absent. Debbie moved to have Nestors absence excused, Henry seconded, all were in favor. Henry moved to excuse Silvias absence, seconded by Debbie, all were in favor.

Meeting Minutes Approval:

October meeting minutes were approved with minor typographic corrections. Debbie moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Mike, all were in favor.

Chairman’s Report

- John “Miles” Maronto spoke to the Board regarding his interest in being on the Transportation Advisory Board. Debbie made a motion to make a recommendation to the Commission to appoint John “Miles” Maronto for Zone 6 as required by the City resolution. Motion was seconded by Henry; all were in favor.
- Eric Riel from Landmark Properties gave a presentation on “The Mark” a proposed mid-rise mixed-use project. Staff read the traffic impact study.

Police Update

No update provided. David asked Sgt. Lopez about the police presence at University and Lejeune. Sgt. Lopez advised that they do not have a fixed police presence at the intersection, he will be increasing police presence in that intersection.

Public Comment

Debbie Register came before the Board to express her discontent with “The Mark”. Ms. Register stated that she has organized various community meetings, and her neighbors share the sentiment.

Traffic Project Updates

Will be provided at the following meeting due to the presentation from The Mark.

Traffic Impact Studies

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Members Items

Roberta shared with the Board that a joint venture with the trolley is in the works. Roberta asked the Board what a good route would be for the trolley between Coral Gables and South Miami.

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DRC Updates

A link to DRC is sent via email.

Transit update

None.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Meeting Adjourned: 7:02 pm.