



City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
July 25, 2022

ITEM TITLE:

ORDINANCE ON FIRST READING: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES ZONING CODE, ARTICLE 6 “LANDSCAPE”, SECTION 6-104 “LANDSCAPE REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY” TO AMEND PLANTING HEIGHT AND VARIOUS OTHER PROVISIONS, PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER PROVISION, SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Sponsored by Commissioner Anderson)

BRIEF HISTORY:

The City has certain Zoning Code provisions which address the planting heights of trees placed in the City’s public rights-of-way. In order to incentivize diversity in the urban canopy, the City Commission wishes to give the Greenspace Management Division discretion to allow trees of a lower height at planting, provided they meet life safety requirements and contribute to that diversity. In addition, this ordinance amends provisions regarding the percentage of palms able to be planted in rights-of-way.

This item will go to the Planning and Zoning Board between first and second reading.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Draft Ordinance**
- 2. Exhibit A- Proposed Code Changes**