



City of Coral Gables

PARKING DEPARTMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Peter Iglesias, ACM Operations **DATE:** March 30, 2018
FROM: Kevin Kinney
Parking Director **SUBJECT:** STREETSCAPE

Peter,

This memorandum is to identify the current scheduled maintenance and cleaning schedules for Miracle Mile and Giralda, services being provided on an intermittent basis and services we are establishing as part of the reoccurring cycle. The primary cleaning, trash collection, litter removal, leaf collection, and pressure washing occurs between the hours of 6 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. seven days a week. There are 208 hours schedule each week for this purpose. Most days there are four Block by Block (BBB) contract staff working this contract. On slower days there are three. In addition, we recently added 32 hours a week in the afternoons/evenings. Staff covering the evening shift will primarily be providing litter control, trash collection and spot cleaning. There are a number of pieces of equipment that are used to increase the Ambassador's efficiency. This equipment includes:

A heated pressure washer that is mounted to a truck along with a high capacity water tank. The primary use of this equipment is to provide hot water at a modest pressure (currently set at 800 PSI) to keep the street furniture clean. This will also help keep the linear drain between the traffic and parking lane clear. Because this system is efficient in making hot water, we are looking into the possibility of using hot water to rinse pavers before or after the scrubber is used. The pressure washer will typically be used between 6 a.m. and 11 a.m. when pedestrian traffic is light.

A walk behind scrubber to clean pavers on the Mile and Giralda. This piece of equipment is used early in the mornings (in particular, Saturday and Sunday mornings) when there is limited pedestrian traffic. It works best if there is time for the pavers to dry before there is heavy foot traffic. The past few weeks, the Oak trees have been dropping significant amounts of sap that stain the pavers. Because it has been impossible for one scrubber to keep up with the amount of sap that is falling, BBB has been trained to use a large drivable sweeper scrubber belonging to the City. Where the sidewalks are wide enough, this piece of equipment can clean pavers much quicker than the walk behind scrubber. The large sweeper scrubber is now regularly scheduled for use by BBB.

A Goat (outdoor vacuum) to pick up leaves and litter. In combination with a battery powered leaf blower, the Goat is the primary tool to deal with the continuous shedding of leaves along the Mile and Giralda. The leaf blower is used to move leaves and litter to the edge of pavement and then the Goat is used to pick up the leaves and litter. The Goat can also be used to collect leaves and litter from tree pits that are decorated with rocks rather than mulch. If leaves continue to be an ongoing problem, we will be looking at the possibility of a small sweeper that could be used on the pavers.

A large cart (wheeled tub) to haul trash bags to a dumpster. One of the primary responsibilities for BBB is to empty the trash cans along the Mile and Giralda. To accomplish this without dragging garbage bags or allowing spills, ambassadors use wheeled tubs that can be pushed from garbage can to garbage can.

Large cleaning equipment is generally used early in the mornings before there is substantial foot traffic on the pavers. Once pedestrians begin to occupy the Mile and Giralda, BBB ambassadors focus more on cleaning, removing trash from landscaping, clearing litter, wiping down the trash cans and spot cleaning. The Parking Department's On-Street Manager and Collection Supervisor (Manager) will be directly responsible for oversight of BBB services. The Manager works essentially the same shift as the day-time BBB staff. As part of their responsibilities, the Manager currently oversees the Sign Shop. Once oversight of the Sign Shop is transferred to Public Works, the Manager will have time to oversee daily operations and evaluate performance of BBB. The Manager working with the on-site BBB manager will submit work orders, adjust hours, schedule special projects and make recommendations to the Director about additional equipment or improvements to BBB services.

Staff is working closely with BBB and other contractors to establish responsibility and schedules for cleaning, landscape maintenance and hardscape repairs. This meeting is scheduled for April 4th. A primary goal is to coordinate the schedule between BBB and SFM's downtown landscaping crew, so they can work in coordination with each other. Another key focus will be on how we will identify, report, and schedule repairs to pavers and street furniture. As we move to the grand opening on April 14, the frequency of scrubbing the pavers will increase to make sure they are as clean as possible for the grand opening.

ISSUES TO BE RESOLVED

1. REGULAR SCHEDULE FOR WORK ON LANDSCAPING
2. SCHEDULE FOR USE OF DRIVING SCRUBBER (4 DAYS A WEEK)
3. WHO WILL SCHEDULE AND MAKE HARDSCAPE REPAIRS
4. SOP FOR LEAF MITIGATION
5. SOP FOR OAK SAP
6. SOP FOR BIRD DROPPINGS (BIRD ROOSTS)
7. HOLDING PROPERTY OWNERS TO CLEANING RESPONSIBILITY
8. MARKING PARKING SPACES
9. RESANDING JOINTS
10. STREET SWEEPING
11. POSSIBLE SIDEWALK SWEEPER