



City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
May 9, 2023

ITEM TITLE:

Ordinance: An Ordinance of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, amending Chapter 34 – “Nuisances,” Section 34-105 “Abandoned or junk motor vehicles on public or private property prohibited; exceptions,” to prohibit the parking, storing, or leaving of vehicles under car covers on city swale areas.

BRIEF HISTORY:

The City Commission of the City of Coral Gables wishes to minimize traffic hazards and public nuisances within the City and to ensure the safety of its residents and visitors.

The City Code of the City of Coral Gables regulates where vehicles may be parked and how they may be stored, specifically regulating the number of vehicles that shall be allowed on private property under form-fitting car covers with clips or drawstrings.

The proposed Ordinance finds that the use of form-fitting car covers in the City rights-of-way poses multiple issues for the City, including but not limited to: detracting from the overall appearance of the City, making the identification of a vehicle’s license plate, its make and model, and its condition more difficult for Code Enforcement and Police, and car covers can collect water and debris, which can create a breeding ground for mosquitoes and other pest.

1. Ordinance