

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO PROCEED WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A PERMIT PROCESS TO ALLOW DECORATIVE CRUSHED STONE AND LOW, NON-WOODY LANDSCAPE PLANTS IN THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY.

WHEREAS, in response to residential concerns throughout the City, the City Commission has discussed allowing the installation of alternative materials in the swale areas of the public right-of-way where grass will not grow due to heavy shade or excessive parking demands; and

WHEREAS, proper turfgrass management and management of excessive parking are not practical solutions to sustain the growth of grass in the swale area; and

WHEREAS, the City tested alternative decorative crushed stone materials by installing a pilot study in the swale area on University Drive adjacent to the Coral Gables Library; and

WHEREAS, the Landscape Beautification Advisory Board expressed support to allow decorative crushed stone and low, non-woody landscape plants in the public right of way where grass will not grow on June 2, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:

SECTION 1. The foregoing “Whereas” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. That the City Commission does hereby approve the Public Works Department to proceed with the implementation of a permit process to allow decorative crushed stone and low, non-woody landscape plants in the public right of way.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-SIXTH DAY OF JULY, A.D., 2016.

APPROVED:

JAMES C. CASON
MAYOR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

WALTER J. FOEMAN
CITY CLERK

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CITY ATTORNEY