

# City of Coral Gables

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## Meeting Minutes

**Tuesday, February 9, 2016**

**9:00 AM**

**City Hall, Commission Chambers**

### **City Commission**

*Mayor Jim Cason  
Vice Mayor Frank C. Quesada  
Commissioner Patricia Keon  
Commissioner Vince Lago  
Commissioner Jeannett Slesnick*

*Cathy Swanson-Rivenbark, City Manager  
Craig E. Leen, City Attorney  
Walter J. Foeman, City Clerk*

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 5 - Mayor Cason, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Commissioner Slesnick

**INVOCATION**

Dr. Walter T. Richardson, Senior Chaplain for the Miami-Dade County Police Department.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Keon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**

The following minutes summary includes all presentations made, and actions taken which information is supplemented by the following exhibits on file in the Office of the City Clerk, and which are by reference made a part of the record herein: (a) Ordinance(s) adopted (Ordinance No. 2016-07 through Ordinance No. 2016-10) (b) Resolution(s) adopted (Resolution No. 2016-38 through Resolution No. 2016-49); (c) Video; (d) Audio Recording; (e) Minutes Folder with Agenda and background information, including items which were submitted at the meeting.

**A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROTOCOL DOCUMENTS**

**Non** [16-4889](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring February 2011 as Black History Month in Coral Gables.  
**Agenda**

**This was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 1

**A.-1.** [16-4747](#) Congratulations to Lt. Christian Garcia, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Firefighter of the Year Award," for 2015.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo - FF OF THE YEAR - 2015](#)  
[Notification Letter, FF of the Year \(2015\)](#)

[Note for the Record (Agenda Item A-1): Following Mayor Cason's reading of the title to Agenda Item A-1 into the public record, Fire Chief Stolzenberg acknowledged one of the Fire Departments' special staff persons, namely Lieutenant Garcia; said individual was hired in 2008, and has continued to grow professionally, as he enhances his knowledge; further pointing out that he has had a long history of being recognized in the department-in 2014 he was Firefighter of the Month, in 2015 he was selected as Firefighter of the Year; further noting that his internal drive is praiseworthy - not only does he strive to prove himself, but he offers his knowledge to the entire department; as a member of the South Florida Task Force for Urban Search and Rescue, he is also certified as a Fire Training Instructor.

Chief Stolzenberg further explained that Lieutenant Garcia functions as the departments' Incident Commander on the Fire Extrication Team-in being that leader, he guides Fire personnel in how to rapidly extricate that patient, which is directly related to the survival of the patients; saying that not only do we practice it on the extrication team, but also on the streets of Coral Gables; further adding that not only his outstanding display of individual initiative, but his consistency in being at the right place at the right time is commendable; Chief Stolzenberg further said that he is a firm believer that thoughts become things. As we continually convey that message, the more our firefighters will do the right thing and do the right thing for the City.

Chief Stolzenberg informed the viewing public that the Fire Department is very fortunate to have him; his skill and drive are remarkable, his work ethic is inspiring-to go out of his way to assist his department is very worthy of this honor; further recognizing the rest of the department to join him at the podium, since Lieutenant Garcia's selection came from the department, as they awarded Christian the plaque for Firefighter of the Year.

In accepting this accolade, Lieutenant Garcia acknowledged that this is a beautiful award, and that he was very proud to be in attendance to accept same-initially

thanking his wife, because in his words without her he would not be where he is today-pointing out that his wife has had his back since his first day on the job, and that for the past eight years, she has put up with him and sacrificed a lot in her life that he is thankful for; further saying that behind every firefighter, there is a strong support system that allows one to be successful in his career-noting that senior firefighters and officers have shown him how to be successful on the job; further saying that he takes a lot of pride in the training aspect of his career, with a stern and strong commitment toward delivering the best service delivery to our citizens; summing up by saying that he is very proud to serve each and every day with his brothers and sisters on the line, saying congratulations to all of the other City staff persons that are being honored on this same date].

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 2

- A.-2. [16-4755](#) Presentation of 25-year service pin to April White, Police Department /Communications Division.

**Attachments:** [April Memo](#)

[Note for the Record: Following Mayor Cason's reading of the title to Agenda Item A-2 into the public record, she stated that she was pleased to recognize April White for her 25 years of service to our citizenry; Police Chief characterized April as being one of those people although quiet in personality, she is nevertheless a take charge person on the radio, adding that he does not think that he could bottle all of things she has done, and the things that she does every day on the radio every day in answering the calls for our citizens; further suggesting that he is certain in her career that she has verbally delivered babies, taught people how to do CPR, when she is not on the radio; further pointing out that she is one of those stellar employees that continues to mentor everybody else around her, noting that she makes everybody else around her more better; Chief Hudak further explained that the Communications section of both Police and Fire is really the brains of the Coral Gables Police Department, the backbone of the Patrol Division, and the intelligence level for the Investigations Unit; saying that as far as getting the Department where it needs to be, it has been the men and women in the Communications Division, and to perform that job for 25 years, and the countless number of lives that she has saved over the 25 year period, one never knows what's on the other side of the button when you say hello; further commending April for doing an outstanding job, and on behalf of all of the members of the Police Department and Fire Department, as well as the entire citizenry of Coral Gables, in doing more than most in the entire City.

In accepting this honor, Ms. April White stated that she was much honored to receive this award, noting that she wanted to keep it short, adding that she was happy and excited].

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 3

- A.-3. [16-4753](#) Presentation of 25-year service pin to Faustino Matos, Public Works Department /Sanitation Division.

**Attachments:** [Faustino Memo](#)

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 4

- A.-4. [16-4746](#) Congratulations to Officer Paul Peduto, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Officer of the Month Award," for the month of December, 2015.

**Attachments:** [COMMISSION COVER MEMO - OFFICER OF THE MONTH - DECEMBER 2015 NOMINATION - PEDUTO - December 2015](#)

[Note for the Record: Following Mayor Cason's reading of the title to Agenda Item A-4 into the public record, Chief Hudak prefaced his remarks by stating that the good part about this job is recognizing the individual who goes above and beyond each month, in the selection of those individuals in picking out the great work that is being done in serving our citizenry in Coral Gables.

Regarding the individual who is coming up on 27 years of service in serving the City, namely Coach Hudak stated that it is a bittersweet nomination reflecting upon how we patrol, how do we do business, as more particularly explained by Sergeant Escobar, supervisor.

Sergeant Escobar thanked Chief Hudak for his kind words, and his leadership-further stating that at on December 4th, 2015 (at approximately 1:30 p.m.) a resident saw Officer Peduto patrolling the area and flagged him down and told him that there were two guys who looked like they were about to break into a house; Officer Peduto called in for additional units, when he finally located the house, which was 4720 Santa Maria, he noticed there was a break already, and as he pulled up, he saw the two suspects running outside, as they began to flee, he called for additional units to the area; noting that there was already a perimeter reestablished around the block and both suspects were apprehended within five minutes; further commending Officer Peduto on doing a great job in cooperating, giving a great description, and a great bollo and for that he was nominated and selected as the "Officer of the Month," for the month of December.

Officer Peduto prefaced his remarks by giving a ‘shout out’ to April White for putting up with him during his 25 year tenure, adding that it is not very easy to put up with a patrolman; further thanking his co-workers, along with Sergeant Escobar for writing up with his nomination application; further thanking his co-workers, saying had it not been for the co-workers on the Bravo shift that help with this, they would not been able to apprehend the perpetrators; also thanking the housekeeper who initiated who cared about her neighbor’s property, stating that in the future, he will be writing her to thank her for what she did, and proffering her name for the Citizen Award].

**This Resolution was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 5

**A.-5. [16-4764](#)**

Congratulations to Firefighter Jader Tobon, recipient of the City of Coral Gables “Firefighter of the Month Award,” for the month of February, 2016.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo, FF of Month, February](#)  
[Notification Letter, FF of Month \(February\)](#)

[Note for the Record: Following Mayor Cason’s reading of the title to Agenda Item A-5, he called upon the City Manager and Fire Chief, along with Direct Supervisor Shawn Nolan to introduce the item, whereby Chief Stolzenberg described Jader Tobon as that type of employee who does what ask him to do, just being that type of firefighter that is the right person-coming to work every day, doing one’s job; further requesting of Jader Tobon’s direct supervisor, namely Captain Shawn Nolan to provide the particular’s on him.

Captain Nolan prefaced his remarks by saying that 97 percent of firefighters attending a funeral would rather be in the casket as opposed to giving the eulogy, stating that he definitely is within that category when it comes to public speaking, which is not his forte; however, Captain Tobin said that he would put aside his disdain for public speaking for Jader Tobin; further explaining that he had the pleasure of riding with him since he came on the job, having spent seven years of service with him; noting that Firefighter Tobon recently took a promotion to a rescue assignment, which was a great loss to his crew, but an asset to Coral Gables, and whatever Rescue crew he happens to land on.

Captain Nolan further explained that Firefighter Tobon was nominated in the Excellent Conduct section of their awards, wherein said recipients must display responsibility, depend responsibility, dependability and a positive attitude above and beyond the call of duty-further adding that Jaden has done this for 7 1/2 years every day, without incident; Firefighter Tobon is a professional at all times and possessing an unbelievable consistent temperament, wherein Chief Nolan stated that he has never seen Firefighter Tobon have a bad day, further stating that as he comes to work each day, he never

gives anything less than 110 percent; Captain Nolan further points out that he has never seen him complain about anything, and as such been a wonderful team mate and a team member; further stating that as a mentor, sometimes rookies are assigned to him, and quite often the first piece of advice he would give them is to point toward Jade and say you see this man right here, mimic his actions and your career will be great, concluding by telling Jade that it has been a pleasure to serve with him.

In accepting this accolade, Jade stated that it has been an honor to serve in the City as Firefighter of the Month, and having such a great group of guys, his fellow firefighter to work with].

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 6

**A.-6. [16-4758](#)**

Congratulations to Carlos Perez who holds the title Fire Equipment Mechanic for the Public Works Department / Automotive Division , recipient of the "Employee of the Month Award," for the month of February, 2016.

**Attachments:** [EOM February 2016 letter](#)  
[EOM February 2016 RECOGNITION](#)  
[Cover Memorandum - EOM February 2016](#)

[Note for the Record: Following Mayor Cason's reading of the title to Agenda Item A-6 into the public, he called upon the City Manager, Cathy Swanson Rivenbark, Human Resources Director Elsa Jaramillo Velez, Public Works Director Glenn Kephart and Automotive Director Steve Riley to present the item; Mrs. Velez described the Employee of the Month recipient as being a self-starter who goes over and beyond the call of duty, taking the words Jesus Acevedo from the Fire Department and the nominator of Mr. Perez for Employee of the Month stating that he has integrity, is a self-starter who goes over and beyond the call of duty in getting the job done.

During the videotape segment of the presentation, Steve Riley mentioned that Carlos started his tenure with the City of Coral Gables as an Automotive Mechanic, and due to his exceptional performance and devotion to quality maintenance standards, Carlos was promoted to Fire Equipment Mechanic in November of 2013; however, he pointed out that Carlos had no emergency vehicle initial certifications; nonetheless through his personal ambition to be the best in his trade, he began the arduous task of becoming certified in emergency vehicle repair; further acknowledging that during a period of less than two years after his promotion, that Carlos had acquired a total of 11 emergency vehicle technician certifications, and is now rated both as a Master Fire Apparatus and Master Ambulance Technician.

Steve Riley further pointed out that nationally, there are only 200 technicians that are certified as Master Fire Apparatus Repair and Master Ambulance and less than 30 in

the state of Florida; he noted that through Carlos 'personal drive and commitment to his profession and to the City is what makes Carlos Perez a truly exceptional employee; further commending Carlos on his selection as the February 2016 Employee of the Month.

In commenting on Carlos Perez recognition, Public Works Director Glenn Kephart said that it is always an honor when one has the opportunity to honor one's own, and Carlos is dedicated, talented and does not take that talent for granted, therefore he continues to learn and improve upon his skills, and takes total responsibility for the task of maintaining our public equipment, as recognized by the Fire Departments' nomination of him for this award-further stating in jest that Carlos wins this award every 14 years (i.e. laughter).

In commenting on the magnitude of the Carlos Perez' achievement, Mr. Riley reported that there are 138,000 public sector fleet operations in the U.S. and of that amount, there are 33,052 Fire departments of which 13,400 are professionally staffed by EMS and Fire Service, and that said number does not include the thousands private EMS companies; now he says if one were to contrast those statistics to the fact that there are nationally only 200 emergency vehicle technicians certifications as both Master Ambulance and Fire Apparatus Repair, and the fact that there only 30 in the state of Florida, that is pretty profound; further stating that the City of Coral Gables is privileged to have two of these individuals of which Carlos is one of them-further pointing out that while Carlos' personal achievement speaks volumes for his qualifications, the service that he provides to his customers is a true measure of his worth; further asking Captain Acevedo to add his comments from a customer point of view; whereby Captain Acevedo further indicated that he would add his support, acknowledgement and comment in furtherance of Carlos Perez' achievement; further saying that the Fire Department is a service delivery organization that relies on other City departments to maintain its rating, and maintain a state of readiness and maintenance, which is closely related to the quality of work and demeanor that Carlos offers; further pointing out that for the past three years Carlos has worked diligently with him and other affected people; further mentioning that Carlos has been with the City for some time and his educational achievements to obtain the emergency management vehicle certifications and Master Fire Technician are commendable; adding that his work habits and interpersonal skills are a direct benefit to the Fire Department and the 8,000 emergency response calls each year; further adding that he can proudly say that Carlos is not only a team member to the Fire Department, but that he is also a family member and a great friend.

In accepting this recognition Carlos stated that he is thankful for the opportunity and that he is very blessed and happy to work in the beautiful City of Coral Gables].



**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 7

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- B.-1.** [16-4776](#) Special City Commission Meeting of December 8, 2015.

**Attachments:** [December 8th Meeting Transcript](#)  
[December 11th Meeting Transcript](#)

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be approved. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 8

**C. CONSENT AGENDA****Passed the Consent Agenda**

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-38**

- C.-1.** [16-4757](#) A Resolution authorizing Coral Gables Museum to sell alcoholic beverages from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., at the Coral Gables Museum Plaza, located at 285 Aragon Avenue on Thursday, February 18, 2016, during the "ARTOPIA" event, subject to Florida Department of Professional Regulation requirements.

**Attachments:** [Artopia Event permit 2016](#)  
[Resolution for Artopia 2016](#)  
[Cover Sheet Artopia 2016](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CORAL GABLES MUSEUM TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FROM 7:00 P.M. TO 10:00 P.M., AT THE CORAL GABLES MUSEUM PLAZA, LOCATED AT 285 ARAGON AVENUE ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2016, DURING THE ARTOPIA EVENT, SUBJECT TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION REQUIREMENTS.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2016-38 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 9

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-39****C.-2. [16-4765](#)**

A Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to extend the Landscape Architect Consulting Services continuing contracts with Curtis and Rogers Design Studio, Inc., and Geomantic Designs, Inc. pursuant to Section 2-829 of the Procurement Code, entitled "Approval of Change Orders and Contract Modifications," until July 8, 2016, with extensions at three (3) months intervals as needed thereafter, until an updated scope of services is provided to Procurement, a new RFQ process is completed, and new contracts are executed.

**Attachments:** [Draft Resolution to extend Landscape Architect contracts](#)  
[Draft Contract - Exhibit A Curtis Rogers](#)  
[Draft Contract - Exhibit A Geomantic Designs](#)  
[Agenda Cover - Landscape Architects Contracts extension](#)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO EXTEND THE LANDSCAPE ARCHITECT CONSULTING SERVICES CONTINUING CONTRACTS WITH CURTIS AND ROGERS DESIGN STUDIO, INC., AND GEOMANTIC DESIGNS, INC. PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-829 OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE ENTITLED "APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDERS AND CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS", UNTIL JULY 8, 2016, WITH EXTENSIONS AT THREE (3) MONTHS INTERVALS AS NEEDED THEREAFTER UNTIL AN UPDATED SCOPE OF SERVICES IS PROVIDED TO PROCUREMENT, A NEW RFQ PROCESS IS COMPLETED, AND NEW CONTRACTS ARE EXECUTED.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2016-39 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 10

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-40****C.-3. [16-4749](#)**

A Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to extend the Traffic Engineering Consulting Services continuing contracts with David Plummer and Associates, Inc., Atkins North America, Inc., and Stantec Engineering, Inc. pursuant to Section 2-829 of the Procurement Code entitled "Approval of Change Orders and Contract Modifications," until June 17, 2016, with extensions at three (3) months intervals, as needed thereafter, until an updated scope of services is provided to Procurement, a new RFQ process is completed, and new contracts are executed.

**Attachments:** [Draft Resolution to extend Traffic Engineering contracts](#)  
[Draft Contract - Exhibit A Atkins North America](#)  
[Draft Contract - Exhibit A David Plummer](#)  
[Draft Contract - Exhibit A Stantec Engineering](#)  
[Agenda Cover - Traffic Engineering Contracts extension](#)

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2016-40 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 11

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-41**C.-4. [16-4781](#)

A Resolution authorizing the acceptance and execution of the Florida Department of State, Division of Historical Resources Grant Award for the restoration and rehabilitation of the Coral Gables Merrick House; and authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Annual Budget to recognize the \$350,000 grant as revenue, and to appropriate such funds to put toward the cost of the project.

**Attachments:** [Resolution - Merrick House Grant Acceptance Budget Amendment 2014-210](#)  
[Cover Letter - Merrick House Grant Acceptance Budget Amendment](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE AND EXECUTION OF THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIVISION OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES GRANT AWARD FOR THE RESTORATION AND REHABILITATION OF THE CORAL GABLES MERRICK HOUSE; AND AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 ANNUAL BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE THE \$350,000.00 GRANT AS REVENUE AND TO APPROPRIATE SUCH FUNDS TO PUT TOWARD THE COST OF THE PROJECT.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2016-41 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 12

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-42**C.-5. [16-4770](#)

A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida amending and supplementing Resolution No. 2014-233 and Resolution No. 2015-226, to amend the series designation of the bonds; providing certain other matters in connection with the making of such loans. (This Resolution changes the title of the bonds from "Series 2015" to "Series 2016," for the Streetscape Project Revenue Bonds)

**Attachments:** [Resolution Amended-City \(01084094\)](#)  
[Signed Cover Memo - Agenda Item C-5.pdf](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING RESOLUTION NO. 2014-233 AND RESOLUTION NO. 2015-226 TO AMEND THE SERIES DESIGNATION OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAKING OF SUCH LOANS. (*THIS RESOLUTION CHANGES THE BOND TITLE FROM "SERIES 2015" TO "SERIES 2016" FOR THE STREETSCAPE PROJECT REVENUE BONDS*).

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2016-42 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 13

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-43**

- C.-6. [16-4771](#) A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida amending and supplementing Resolution No. 2015-226, to amend the series designation of the bonds; providing certain other matters in connection with the making of such loans. (This Resolution changes the title of the loan from "Series 2015" to "Series 2016," for the Streetscape Project Taxable Loan)

**Attachments:** [Resolution Amended-City Bank \(01084097\)](#)  
[Signed Cover Memo - Agenda Item C-6.pdf](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING RESOLUTION NO. 2015-226 TO AMEND THE SERIES DESIGNATION OF THE BONDS; PROVIDING CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAKING OF SUCH LOANS. (*THIS RESOLUTION CHANGES THE TITLE OF THE LOAN FROM "SERIES 2015" TO "SERIES 2016" FOR THE STREETScape PROJECT TAXABLE LOAN*).

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2016-43 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 14

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-44**

- C.-7. [16-4766](#) A Resolution authorizing a transfer of \$57,500 from the Art Acquisition Fund as additional funding for the Jean Ward Sculptures renovation project; and authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Annual Budget, to recognize the transfer as revenue and to appropriate such funds to put toward the cost of the project. (Funding from mandatory developers' contributions).

**Attachments:** [Resolution - Additional Funding for Jean Ward Sculptures Project](#)  
[CC - Additional Funding for Jean Ward Sculptures Project](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF \$57,500.00 FROM THE ART ACQUISITION FUND AS ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE JEAN WARD SCULPTURES RENOVATION PROJECT; AND AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 ANNUAL BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE THE TRANSFER AS REVENUE AND TO APPROPRIATE SUCH FUNDS TO PUT TOWARD THE COST OF THE PROJECT.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2016-44 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 15

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-45**

- C.-8. [16-4793](#) A Resolution appointing F. Xavier Durana (Nominated by Commissioner Lago) to serve as a member of the Emergency Management Division, for the remainder of a two (2) year term, which began on June 1, 2015 and continues through May 31, 2017.

**Attachments:** [CC - F. Xavier Durana Board Appointment](#)  
[Emergency Management Appointment - F. Xavier Durana - Draft Resolution](#)  
[F. Xavier Durana Resume](#)

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING F. XAVIER DURANA (NOMINATED BY COMMISSIONER LAGO) TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIVISION, FOR THE REMAINDER OF A TWO (2) YEAR TERM, WHICH BEGAN ON JUNE 1, 2015 AND CONTINUES THROUGH MAY 31, 2017.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2016-45 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 16

1. **Presentation of Boards and/or Committees draft/final minutes requesting no action from the City Commission [Note: A vote to accept the minutes does not mean approval of the substance within the minutes]:**

- 1.-1. [16-4737](#) Communications Committee Meeting Minutes of January 21, 2016.

**Attachments:** [Agendaitemfebruary2016](#)  
[Minutes January 2016](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 17

- 1.-2. [16-4774](#) Construction Regulation Board Meeting of December 14, 2015.

**Attachments:** [CRB Meeting - December 14, 2015.pdf](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 18

- 1.-3. [16-4775](#) Construction Regulation Board Meeting of January 11, 2016.

**Attachments:** [CRB MEeting - January 11, 2016.pdf](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 19

- 1.-4. [16-4780](#) Coral Gables Advisory Board on Disability Affairs meeting minutes of January 6, 2016.

**Attachments:** [DAB 1-6-16 COVER](#)  
[1-6-16 minutes](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 20

- 1.-5. [16-4710](#) Economic Development Board Meeting of January 6, 2016.

**Attachments:** [EDB Minutes 01-06-16 DRAFT](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 21

- 1.-6. [16-4751](#) School Community Relations Committee Meeting of January 15, 2016.

**Attachments:** [1-15-16 Agenda](#)  
[Cover memo](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 22

- 1.-7. [16-4778](#) Sustainability Advisory Board meeting of December 16, 2015.

**Attachments:** [SAB Minutes Dec. 16, 2015](#)  
[SAB minutes 12-16-15 COVER](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

- 1.-8. [16-4777](#) Transportation Advisory Board Meeting of December 15, 2015.

**Attachments:** [TAB minutes 12-15-2015](#)  
[TAB minutes of 12-15-15 COVER](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 24

- 1.-9. [16-4772](#) Tree Protection Committee Meeting of December 15, 2015.

**Attachments:** [Tree Protection Committee Meeting - December 15, 2015.pdf](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 25

- 1.-10. [16-4773](#) Tree Protection Committee Meeting of January 13, 2016.

**Attachments:** [Tree Protection Committee Meeting - January 13, 2016.pdf](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 26

#### D. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

None

City Clerk Item No. 27

#### E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

##### EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

##### **ORDINANCE NO. 2016-07**

- E.-1. [16-4788](#) An Emergency Ordinance of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, amending Chapter 34, Article 1 of the City of Coral Gables Code to establish a fine for failure to cure a mosquito infestation, providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

(Sponsored by Commissioner Keon)

**Attachments:** [Signed Cover Memo - Mosquito Infestation](#)  
[Draft Ordinance - Mosquito Infestation](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Vice Mayor Quesada, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

##### **ORDINANCE NO. 2016-07**

**Attachments:** [Signed Cover Memo - Mosquito Infestation](#)  
[Draft Ordinance - Mosquito Infestation](#)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 34, ARTICLE 1 OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES CODE TO ESTABLISH A FINE FOR FAILURE TO CURE A MOSQUITO INFESTATION, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Vice Mayor Quesada, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2016-07. The motion passed by the following vote.

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 28

## ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

### ORDINANCE NO. 2016-08

E.-2. [15-4582](#)

An Ordinance of the City Commissioner of Coral Gables, Florida, amending the City of Coral Gables Code by creating Section 2-801, "Prohibition on use of Polystyrene" in Article VIII Procurement Code, and amending the City Code by creating Section 62-230 "Prohibition on use of Polystyrene" in Article VIII Special Events, and amending the City Code by creating Article VIII "Sale, Use of Distribution of Polystyrene by Businesses within the City" in Chapter 34 Nuisance, of the City Code; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

(Sponsored by Commissioner Lago)

**Attachments:** [Signed Cover Memo - First Reading.pdf](#)  
[Draft Ordinance.pdf](#)  
[Signed Cover Memo - Second Reading.pdf](#)  
[Draft Ordinance - Second Reading](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES CODE BY:

- CREATING SECTION 2-801, "PROHIBITION ON USE OF EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE" IN ARTICLE VIII PROCUREMENT CODE; AND
  - AMENDING SECTION 62-230 "PROHIBITION ON USE OF EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE" IN ARTICLE VII SPECIAL EVENTS; AND
  - AMENDING ARTICLE VIII "SALE, USE OR DISTRIBUTION OF EXPANDED POLYSTYRENE BY BUSINESSES WITHIN THE CITY" IN CHAPTER 34 NUISANCE, OF THE CITY CODE;
- PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2016-08. The motion passed by the following vote.

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 29



**ORDINANCE NO. 2016-09**

- E.-3. [16-4723](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida, prohibiting a resident or business from removing a sewer cap during a backup; providing for enforcement; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:** [CM Sewer Cap removal - First Reading](#)  
[Ord. Sewer Cap removal](#)  
[CM Sewer Cap removal - Second Reading](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, PROHIBITING A RESIDENT OR BUSINESS FROM REMOVING A SEWER CAP DURING A BACKUP; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2016-09. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 31

**ORDINANCE NO. 2016-10 (As Amended)**

- E.-4. [16-4726](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables adopting the Restated Charter as the official Charter of the City of Coral Gables, and providing for a repealer provision, a severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date (This proposal does not substantively amend the Charter. Instead, this proposal improves its readability and format, corrects the footnotes and legal history, complies with the Municipal Home Rule Powers Act, and includes a forward).

**Attachments:** [CM Compiled Charter - First Reading](#)  
[Charter Review Ordinance.docx](#)  
[Restated Charter without Charter Review Committee Proposed Amendments.doc](#)  
[CM Compiled Charter - Second Reading](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES ADOPTING THE RESTATED CHARTER AS THE OFFICIAL CHARTER OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, AND PROVIDING FOR REPEALER, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (THIS PROPOSAL DOES NOT SUBSTANTIVELY AMEND THE CHARTER. INSTEAD, THIS PROPOSAL IMPROVES ITS READABILITY AND FORMAT, CORRECTS THE FOOTNOTES AND LEGAL HISTORY, COMPLIES WITH THE MUNICIPAL HOME RULE POWERS ACT, AND INCLUDES A FORWARD).

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-4 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted as amended by Ordinance Number 2016-10. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 32

#### **ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING**

- E.-5. [16-4750](#)** An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, amending the Code of the City of Coral Gables by amending Division 2 “Code Enforcement Board” and Division 3 “Supplemental Code Enforcement Procedures” of Article VI “Code Enforcement” of Chapter 101 “Administration and Enforcement”; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:** [CM Code Enforcement Procedures - First Reading](#)  
[Draft Ordinance - Code Enforcement Procedures.pdf](#)  
[CC.02.23.2016 - Code Enforcement Board](#)  
[Second Reading - Code Enforcement Procedures Ordinance](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-5 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Ordinance was approved as an Ordinance on First Reading**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 33

- E.-6. [16-4760](#)** An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables sunsetting the Coral Gables Health Facilities Authority, pursuant to Florida Statutes Section 154.207(2); providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:** [CM Sunsetting Health Facilities Authority - First Reading](#)  
[Draft Ordinance - Sunsetting Health Facilities Authority](#)  
[Second Reading Ordinance - Sunsetting Health Facilities Authority.doc](#)  
[CC.02.23.2016 - Sunsetting Health Facilities Authority](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-6 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Vice Mayor Quesada, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 35

- E.-7. [16-4790](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables creating City Code Section 2-75, "City Commission Quasi-Judicial Hearings," and establishing guidelines for the submission of documentary evidence to the City Commission; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.  
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Quesada)

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo - Quasi-Judicial Hearing.pdf](#)  
[Draft Ordinance - Quasi-Judicial Hearings.pdf](#)  
[Second Reading Ordinance - Evidentiary Submission.docx](#)  
[CC.02.23.2016 - Documentary Evidence Guidelines.pdf](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-7 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 36

- E.-8. [16-4752](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables amending the Code of The City of Coral Gables by amending Article VII "Procurement Code" of Chapter 2 "Administration", allowing for the City Manager to issue an alternate recommendation to the City Commission, other than the Selection Committee's, without requiring a bid waiver"; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo - Procurement Code](#)  
[Draft Ordinance - Procurement Code](#)  
[Second Reading Ordinance - City Manager Alternative Recommendation.docx](#)  
[CC.02.23.2016 - Procurement Code](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-8 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 37

- E.-9. [16-4779](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables creating in accordance with the City Code, Article III, Division 1, Section 2-64, a Waterway Advisory Board and setting forth guidelines by which such advisory board shall be governed, and providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification and providing for an effective date.  
(Sponsored by Commissioner Lago)

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo - Waterway Advisory Board](#)  
[Draft Ordinance - Waterway Advisory Board](#)  
[Second Reading Ordinance - Waterway Advisory Board](#)  
[CC.02.23.2016 - Waterway Advisory Board](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-9 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Slesnick, seconded by Vice Mayor Quesada, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 38

## RESOLUTIONS

### **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-47**

- E.-10. [16-4762](#) Resolution of the City Commission of Coral Gables approving the Final Plat entitled "Townhouse on Valencia Phase II" pursuant to Zoning Code Article 3, Division 9, "Platting/Subdivision", being a re-plat of an approximately 0.27 acre property into four (4) platted lots for four (4) residential townhouses on property assigned Multi-Family Special Area District (MFSA) zoning, on the property legally described as Lots 1-4, Block 15, Biltmore Section (444 Valencia Avenue), Coral Gables, Florida; providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:** [02 09 16 Exhibit A - Draft Resolution](#)  
[02 09 16 Exhibit C - 07 29 15 Planning Division Staff report and recommendation](#)  
[02 09 16 Exhibit D - Excerpt of 07 29 15 PZB Minutes](#)  
[02 09 16 Exhibit B - Applicant's submittal package](#)  
[02 09 16 CC - 444 Valencia Final Plat](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT ENTITLED "TOWNHOUSE ON VALENCIA PHASE II" PURSUANT TO ZONING CODE ARTICLE 3, DIVISION 9, "PLATTING/SUBDIVISION", BEING A RE-PLAT OF AN APPROXIMATELY 0.27 ACRE PROPERTY INTO FOUR (4) PLATTED LOTS FOR FOUR (4) RESIDENTIAL TOWNHOUSES ON PROPERTY ASSIGNED MULTI-FAMILY SPECIAL AREA DISTRICT (MFSA) ZONING, ON THE PROPERTY LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS LOTS 1-4, BLOCK 15, BILTMORE SECTION (444 VALENCIA AVENUE), CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-10 is available for

public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Vice Mayor Quesada, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2016-47. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 34

## F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

### RESOLUTION NO. 2016-46

- F.-1. [16-4787](#) Update and discussion regarding City Commission support for legalizing Uber, Lyft, and other ride sharing networks.  
(Sponsored by Commissioner Keon)

**Attachments:** [Miami-Dade County Ordinance with Attachments](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2016-46. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 30

- F.-2. [16-4791](#) Discussion regarding trash piles in single family residential areas.  
(Sponsored by Commissioner Keon)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 43

- F.-3. [16-4792](#) Discussion regarding improving Citizens access to City information by making Board of Architects submittals and Board Meeting information easily assessable to residents online.  
(Sponsored by Commissioner Lago)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 42

**G. BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS**

None

City Clerk Item No. 44

**H. CITY MANAGER ITEMS**

- H.-1. [16-4769](#) Presentation of the Quarterly Financial Report for the three months ended December 31, 2015.

**Attachments:** [Quarterly Report - CC Version \(2\)](#)  
[Agenda - Quarterly Financial Report Ending 12-31-15](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 39

**RESOLUTION NO. 2016-48**

- H.-2. [16-4783](#) A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables to assume all liability, maintenance and improvements, of the existing traffic circle, located at the intersection of Lugo Road and Red Road, at the City's cost. (Because one quarter of the traffic circle is within the Village of Pinecrest, Coral Gables will also seek concurrence from Pinecrest.)

**Attachments:** [Resolution Lugo Circle RESOL](#)  
[Circle Diagram](#)  
[Circle Photo](#)  
[Resolution Lugo Circle COVER](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES TO ASSUME ALL LIABILITY, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS, OF THE EXISTING TRAFFIC CIRCLE, LOCATED AT THE INTERSECTION OF LUGO ROAD AND RED ROAD, AT THE CITY'S COST.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2016-48. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 40

**I. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS****RESOLUTION NO. 2016-49**

- I.-1. [16-4794](#) Status update regarding City Commission's request to the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners to resolve the lawsuit between Miami-Dade County and the Lola B. Walker Homeowner's Association.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA SUPPORTING THE CONTINUED EFFORTS OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES IN RESOLVING THE DISPUTE BETWEEN THE LOLA B. WALKER HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item I-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2016-49. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 41

**J. CITY CLERK ITEMS**

None

City Clerk Item No. 45

**K. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Mayor Cason: Commissioner Keon, any items?

Commissioner Keon: I only have, you know, a follow-up to our discussion on swales at the last meeting. I know that you were looking at some pilot projects. Can you just let us know when, where and how long before we can, you know, either make a decision as to what we will adopt as alternatives to grass, so that it can be put into the Code and you can give direction to Code Enforcement on enforcing these issues?

Public Works Director Kephart: Thank you, Commissioner Keon. Yes, we'll provide you some information on what's going on with the program. I don't have an update

ready for you today. We're still looking at some different areas and developing the pilot program, but let's say within the next few weeks we'll send some information out to you as to here's where we're at, here's some things you could look at, if that would be acceptable.

Commissioner Keon: Right, and the, you know, potential -- you know, the pilot projects that you do and how they hold up. I mean, I'm sure we don't want to implement until you, you know, put in a pilot project and you may want it to remain in place for three or four months to see if it's really effective before we would change the Code. But you know, I'd like to be able -- when people call, we'd like to be able to tell them, you know, where we are with it, what we're doing, that there are, you know, pilot projects and they will remain in place for this period of time. And the likelihood is we won't have, you know, a real definitive, you know, alternatives. You know, it could be six months from now. It could be eight months from now, you know, but that we're working, you know, toward that end.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: So one of the areas they identified was by the Youth Center because of the number of apartments, the pressure for parking on-street...

Commissioner Keon: Right.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: The amount of shade on the...

Commissioner Keon: Right.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: Areas, and so they're going to be working with that neighborhood on alternatives that they can study that address that parking in the swale -- intense parking in the swale, the shade, and also the water issues associated



because it's so compacted that the...

Commissioner Keon: Right, they don't drain.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: It can't even drain well.

Commissioner Keon: Right.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: So, they -- I know staff met -- shortly after you all's discussion, the staff met and they identified certain areas and certain opportunities to study, and then we would come back to you with a formalized plan.

Commissioner Keon: Right. And in those instances, Code Enforcement is doing what now? They're just warning people? What are they doing now?

Public Works Director Kephart: They're not citing people.

Commissioner Keon: Okay.

Public Works Director Kephart: Per your direction, so...

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Public Works Director Kephart: And we're informing people that we're looking for alternatives, unless there's some other mitigating circumstances...

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Public Works Director Kephart: Where people are just abusing...

Commissioner Keon: Where they could...

Public Works Director Kephart: It for some reason.

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Public Works Director Kephart: Or they're having a problem. So, we'll be sure to keep you updated when we install the pilot areas.

Commissioner Keon: Okay.

Mayor Cason: Great.

Commissioner Keon: Thank you.

Mayor Cason: Anything else?

Commissioner Keon: No, that's all. Thank you.

Mayor Cason: Commissioner Lago.

Commissioner Lago: Glenn, if you don't mind standing up, or maybe you can give me just a quick update in regards to the restoration of the historic fountains. I've just spoken to several residents who've been asking me about that and how we're doing with that.

Public Works Director Kephart: The historic fountains is, I believe, advertised this week. And I can confirm that for a hundred percent, but for...

Mayor Cason: And it's under the Neighborhood Renaissance Program. Remember, the first round that came in way over at a million bucks, I think...

Public Works Director Kephart: Yes.

Mayor Cason: And so, we had to go back, right, and redo it.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: And Procurement revised the scope. I know you and Historic have provided input on it, and so it is -- with Neighborhood Renaissance, we need to have them done by mid-June. And so, I know that they were going to be releasing the updated RFQ for...

Public Works Director Kephart: Yes, RFP for a contractor. So, we're very close to that...

Mayor Cason: Good.

Public Works Director Kephart: So, we should be able to provide an update...

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: But we talked about it yesterday at a meeting -- yesterday or the day before at a meeting.

Public Works Director Kephart: So, we can provide you an update at the next meeting, or else a memo when it goes out on the street, if you prefer, but that's happening very soon.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: The other thing that we talked about, though, that I thought was really interesting on where are we in certain capital improvement

projects, you're going to be seeing us come forward recommending that we develop a list of talented, prequalified general contractors, those that can work on historic properties, those that do not have that expertise, so that we can develop a go-to list faster while still honoring the Procurement Code provisions.

Commissioner Lago: Perfect.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: So, you're going to be seeing some new approaches. One of them was the Youth Center and how that should be divided up into field issues that we could manage with individual contracts, but then also Youth Center as a whole with a general contractor, so they're going through those recommendations right now.

Commissioner Keon: How soon do we anticipate seeing work on the Youth Center begin?

Public Works Director Kephart: We would anticipate the field work about the May timeframe, so it works well. And we're putting together, as Cathy said, some creative alternatives.

Commissioner Keon: To address the drainage.

Public Works Director Kephart: The design on the Youth Center is about 85, 90 percent complete, but we're going to separate out the fields...

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Public Works Director Kephart: So that we can get the growing season right for the fields, and we have some drainage issues there, but we're going to separate it into

excavation, sod, and drainage and be creative with that.

Commissioner Keon: So, when you separate out the fields, does that also separate out the lights and the poles and all that, or is that part of the building?

Public Works Director Kephart: Well, the lights, the exterior lights have been replaced. That project is complete.

Commissioner Keon: Right, and the poles are fine?

Public Works Director Kephart: Yeah, they seem to be working fine.

Commissioner Keon: And the fencing seems to be good.

Public Works Director Kephart: I think they look good. I haven't heard any...

Mayor Cason: All the dugouts and the roof and all that stuff...

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: No, that's a separate...

Commissioner Keon: That's the building.

Mayor Cason: That's the -- Okay.

Commissioner Keon: Yeah, which is a huge piece.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: So, they presented to me -- I'm sure, in keeping with the theme of Super Bowl -- a football field starting with projects waiting, ending with it's not done until everyone is happy and it's closed out. And they've taken all of

the priority projects that you identified, and they have placed them with which ones are in active design, which ones are in procurement, which ones are under active construction, and which ones are nearing completion or have been completed.

Commissioner Lago: Perfect.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: And so, they're going through all of those and then developing, in some instances, some jumpstart solutions that can be better accelerated.

Commissioner Keon: Right.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: Because you have -- we have a significant number of resources you've set aside in terms of money. We have a backlog that we have to address and new projects mounting. And so, I thought it was a very positive -- several department were a part of the discussion, and I think it was very positive. Looking at Youth Center as as prototype on how to jumpstart.

Mayor Cason: Yeah, and send those charts around because we'll get phone calls, where is the Kerdyk tennis upgrade? Where's -- I mean, there's so many of them, 70 or 80 of these things.

Commissioner Lago: And I've received several phone calls about a fountain.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: Well, we can tell you where Kerdyk Tennis Center is because -- would you like to update them on where -- not the building part, but the courts (INAUDIBLE).

Commissioner Keon: They look great.

Public Works Director Kephart: On both, we received certificate of completion for the Kerdyk Tennis Center yesterday. I think the project looks very good, and I think Fred is working with the City Manager to schedule some sort of opening celebration.

Commissioner Lago: Perfect.

Public Works Director Kephart: I think you'll be pleased with that project. And then we are working on the phase two to look at the planning, and we're trying to pull together a presentation of some options that our consultant, Stantec, Eddie Lamas has put together of potential options for money that you've set aside for phase two to renovate the building in the center, and some other areas around there. So, if all goes well, we will be here the next Commission meeting and discuss that phase two of that project.

Commissioner Keon: Did we realize the savings from the initial allocation that was made in about three year's budgets ago...?

Public Works Director Kephart: Yes, we did.

Commissioner Keon: When we redid the design of the whole facility to go toward the building.

Public Works Director Kephart: Yes, we did. There was about five hundred thousand...

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Public Works Director Kephart: Plus you put additional money to that project.

Commissioner Keon: Okay.

Public Works Director Kephart: I don't have the specific numbers in front of me, but we did realize those savings.

Commissioner Keon: Okay, good.

Public Works Director Kephart: The project was done without cost overruns.

Commissioner Keon: Okay, and so is that enough to do the building or we don't know yet?

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: There are -- the building is going to be addressed in almost phases. There are some big dollar, big picture items that will take a little bit longer, but then there's also some spit and polish in getting the building into a more acceptable condition. So, he's going to be doing a presentation to you at the next meeting.

Commissioner Keon: Alright, thank you.

Commissioner Lago: I just have two last quick issues. I know that Javi Betancourt is not here. Madam City Manager, could you give us -- could you give me a little quick update in regards to how things are going with the comprehensive US-1 corridor analysis?

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: And I talked with Javier. He is -- I assigned this project to Economic Development. They'd like to come February 23 to give you a detailed scope and a timeline. They're meeting with consultants today to -- and they



believe that this consultant will qualify as what they call a piggyback, where they're doing work with other cities that will accelerate procurement. Gables resident, well experienced. This would be good with neighborhood interaction, strong civic engagement, and the plan that you all had suggested from Red Road to Douglas and not only the Dixie corridor, but the streets adjacent to it. So, he is working on that and he'll be ready on the 23rd for a presentation.

Commissioner Lago: Okay, perfect. And the last -- Thank you very much. I appreciate that. And the last question or comment that I had was in reference to the City Attorney. I know that everybody here received the memo that I sent out this past week in regards to the Paseo heights and the -- not habitable versus habitable. And I wanted to get your -- and you finally were able to provide us with an interpretation.

City Attorney Leen: Yes. I'm about ready to circulate that. I sent it to Development Services just to get their comments. Just preliminarily to give you my opinion, after looking at the Commission discussion, it's my view that the maximum heights that were listed in the resolution are simply what the Zoning Code would allow. But looking at the Commission intent and the Commission's will, what I'm opining is that there's a balancing that has to be done. The Commission made it very clear that they would like this as low as possible, as low as feasible, the maximum height. Pardon me, not the maximum height. You have the maximum height that's allowed by the Zoning Code, which is 25 feet above habitable height. But the Commission's will, as expressed in the transcript, which you can look to in determining legislative intent, is that, that be as low as possible while balancing aesthetics and beauty. Both of those issues came up with the Commission. So, what the challenge or the -- really the mandate to the Board of Architects to do is, in looking at this, they should just not allow a maximum height? They should try to have the -- and I know that Development Services staff will be working on this as well. I know -- and I know Mr. Trias has indicated that he would in the actual transcript and said that the Commission has this authority, and I agree that

the Commission has this authority. You know, the Board of Architects' goal and staff's goal is to get that as low as possible while maintaining aesthetics. But it's not -- typically, it's just the aesthetics. Now you're also balancing lowering the height as much as possible. The other thing I would raise with that is that we will be reaching out to the applicant to see if they will proffer something as low as possible, and that will also be mentioned in the opinion.

Commissioner Keon: But, I think that they did. I mean, they did, at the meeting itself.

City Attorney Leen: Yes.

Commissioner Keon: They did tell us they would work with us. I think that it's important to understand though for Mediterranean bonuses, it requires the ten-foot parapet around the -- around -- at the top of the building with the purpose of hiding, you know, vents and pipes. I mean, one of the things that makes the Gables One tower so unsightly -- one, it's just not an attractive building. Aesthetically, it's not an attractive building, but you also can see all of the pipes and all of the vents and all of the, you know, things on the top of that building that, that wall now is required for Med bonuses because it hides it. Now, does that give it a little ten feet of height? Yeah, but you're trading ten feet of height for a real aesthetic improvement to the building itself. Now, the other issue is the embellishments that are on top...

City Attorney Leen: You know, by the way -- I don't mean to interrupt you, but the -  
- I do need to say that this discussion, you can't take any action on this...

Commissioner Keon: No, no, no.

City Attorney Leen: Any further. It's just for your thoughts on the...

Commissioner Keon: But I think it's really a matter of, you know...

City Attorney Leen: Because that's quasi-judicial...

Commissioner Keon: Having people understand why, you know, they're there, why we do that, why it, I think, is a very good thing, why, you know, the people that are looking at designing our buildings think it's a very good thing. That, you know -- and I think we made it very clear in the discussion on all of this is that we were -- because the Code addresses height with regard to habitable height. So what we're talking about is habitable height. I mean, if someone didn't understand that, I'm sorry they didn't understand that, but you know what, we know that we have to talk in terms of our Code, so we talk habitable height. Now the additional ten feet is part of the Med bonuses and it is simply to hide all of the things that sit on rooftops, you know, which - - on flat roofs, which make them, you know, just a far more aesthetically pleasing building. And the other thing with architectural elements, I think that they are limited to 25 percent of the rooftop space -- what is it? Is it...

City Attorney Leen: Although, again, these are maximums.

Commissioner Keon: Okay, but I want to ask...

Commissioner Lago: No, but that's why...

Commissioner Keon: Excuse me, Mr. Trias, it can't cover the entire rooftop. It is -- is it 25 percent of the rooftop?

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: That's correct. It's 25 feet maximum height also.

Mayor Cason: I think the developer's...

Commissioner Keon: I could take some...

Mayor Cason: Going to be working with the Board of Architects and...

Commissioner Keon: And it takes -- and it's only 25 percent, so if you have a, you know, building that is, you know, a hundred square feet, it can't be a hundred square feet. You know, it's not like, you know, that much on top. It is an element that cannot take more -- up more than a specified amount on that rooftop, so it doesn't create bulk and mass. It creates an architectural detail that enhances the aesthetics of the building, and you know, that's...

Commissioner Lago: The purpose of my memo is very clear. I understand. I'm in construction. I'm in design. I understand what needs to be done.

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Commissioner Lago: I understand the difference between habitable and uninhabitable. A hundred and ten feet -- and I understand that there needs to be a parapet to obviously hide the mechanical features of the building; no argument with that. My only purpose was to clarify that if we could limit the building, let's not try to push it to 135 feet in regards to the height of the building.

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Commissioner Lago: Let's try to do everything in our power at 110, plus the parapet, 120, plus if you want to add some architectural features, I have no issues with that. But let's not, just because we can, go to 135 feet. Let's try to limit it as much as

possible on height. That was the only purpose of my memo. I wanted to make sure that I got a clear understanding from the City Attorney in regards to what this Commission and what this City could do and request that the applicant understand at the BOA they can proffer and make certain concessions that will hopefully provide us with the most beautiful building at the most appropriate height.

City Attorney Leen: Yes, and I just want to be clear. Both of your -- what was said in the meeting are part of the opinion. I referenced both of the transcripts and that's why it's a balance.

Commissioner Lago: Of course.

City Attorney Leen: And that will be done.

Commissioner Keon: Okay.

Mayor Cason: Okay.

City Attorney Leen: There'll be a balance, but it will not have to -- but to be clear, it won't have to go to the maximum. It can be lower than that, balancing the two interests that you just restated.

Mayor Cason: And nor is it clear that the developer intends to go to the maximum, so I think that'll come before the Board of Architects and something good will come out of it.

Commissioner Keon: Yeah, they proffered that at the meeting.

Mayor Cason: Yeah. Anything else?

Commissioner Lago: That's it. Thank you.

Mayor Cason: The Vice Mayor was going to just mention that Representative Curbelo has created a sea level task force and wants us to get involved, which of course, we are, so be happy to follow up on that.

Commissioner Slesnick: Briefly, for all of you who like Shakespeare, at FIU, they have just over from England the only original complete works of -- first edition works of Shakespeare. So the whole month of February, they're going to have plays, lectures, children's programming, movies and so forth regarding Shakespeare at Florida International University for the month of February. And last, but not least, I have a workshop coming up Thursday, February 18, at the Biltmore Hotel Country Club ballroom, from 6 to 8, to discuss our planning and zoning codes, development, and how we can improve them and be positive and move forward in a positive manner to discuss maybe potential changes in our planning and zoning codes.

Commissioner Lago: Perfect.

Commissioner Slesnick: Six to eight.

Commissioner Lago: I'll be there.

Commissioner Slesnick: And I'd like all of you to come, but I know there's a lot of other activities going on that night so...

Commissioner Keon: Yeah.

Commissioner Slesnick: But -- and I want this to be a very positive, encouraging

aspect to listen to the citizens of Coral Gables to see what they want in regards to future development in Coral Gables.

Mayor Cason: Just -- you want to say something?

Commissioner Lago: No, I just -- I forgot to mention something and Commissioner Slesnick just brought it back to my attention. I wanted to thank staff. I got to thank them that evening at the workshop that we held. We had -- you know, I've received dozens of phone calls and emails from residents and business owners in regards to the workshop. They were very happy. They gave me a lot of good, constructive criticism. They also mentioned the fact that, you know, they're looking forward to our next workshop, which will be in November. We're going to tweak a few things. We're going to make public input a more significant portion of the itinerary. We're going to obviously continue to have an update from staff, but they were very excited to hear the direction of the City, and they were very happy to see all the -- you know, most of the Commission there. I, obviously, told them that Commissioner Quesada was out of town and the Mayor had a previous engagement that he could not step out, but they were very grateful to see that the Commission is heading in a certain direction and that the City's heading in a certain direction, and they look forward to the next workshop in November. I think we had, I mean, almost 200 people that came and it was standing room only, so I just wanted to make sure that I thanked staff because, again, they were there, they worked very hard, and they made the whole city shine, so thank you.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: And Commissioner, one of your residents said that they were disappointed in the way that we're treating our street markers and that we're behind in the maintenance. And so that night we began working with the Parking Department and the sign shop. And so to catch up, we're going to have a contract with a private company to get all of them quickly, and then we'll assume a

better maintenance schedule.

Commissioner Lago: You know, I see that, and that goes to what Commissioner Slesnick was saying. That type of -- it was a positive night. We heard a lot of people who came to us and said...

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: It was very positive.

Commissioner Lago: We can do this better. We can address these issues that we're not addressing. But for example, and you know, you were there, Commissioner Keon. Commissioner Slesnick was there. Staff was there. How many people stood up and said, listen, I love the following parts of what we're doing for the City. The trees look great. The sidewalks look great. The proposed art sculpture looks great, you know. Some of the developments that have been -- have come to fruition or that are planned are really going to highlight the city, are going to make our downtown. How many people talked about Miracle Mile and how spectacular it's going to look? So, it was good to get that input, but it was also positive and really, it brought a -- it made me very excited to see that people came out and they took a lot of pride in what the City of Coral Gables is all about.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: So, you'll see those street markers polished.

Commissioner Slesnick: It was a great turnout. And little things like that with the street markers, which are very difficult to read anyway, I've just noticed that they're really being cleaned up and sanded down and so forth and ready for repainting. So positive...

Mayor Cason: And take a look on street signs too that -- I think we mentioned this before that there are some that says "No Dumping Here," like really, they don't dump.



Just take the signs down.

Commissioner Lago: Yeah, and you know...

Mayor Cason: I mean, they don't...

Commissioner Lago: And talking about that -- and I'm just bringing up another point to show you the type of individuals that we have in the City, we had one gentleman that came that his major issue -- not to use the word gripe, but his major issue was the fact that there was a rusted fence...

Commissioner Keon: On the Youth Center.

Commissioner Lago: In regards to the Youth Center. He brought a picture. He showed a picture. He said, listen, I see this unsightly fence every day. You know, the City's doing such an incredible job in making the City beautiful, let's address it. That's the point of doing these workshops because those little details are what makes the City so special, in our opinion.

Commissioner Slesnick: And I'm looking for lots of suggestions on Thursday, February 18.

Mayor Cason: Well, in terms of one suggestion...

Commissioner Keon: And also -- we're also -- I'm sorry.

Mayor Cason: That we've discussed before, I would like for the City to come back in maybe our next meeting about buttons, talking about unsightly. I just noticed around South Greenway somebody put some buttons in on I think it was at Cordova, trying to

stop people from riding over the grass and the rode over the buttons and pushed them into the ground. It does not work. It just looks worse than ever.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: And we're working on the great button discussion...

Mayor Cason: Yes.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: And we'll try and get it in for this next Commission meeting.

Mayor Cason: Great.

Commissioner Lago: But let me just ask something in regards to that. I was hoping that when the Mayor brought that up, I was hoping that it wasn't really such a big deal. Oh, you know, buttons, how many buttons are there?

Commissioner Keon: Get them out of there.

Mayor Cason: Billions.

Commissioner Lago: When you drive through this city and you really start paying attention, you notice that it's pervasive throughout the city.

Commissioner Keon: I also...

Commissioner Lago: I mean, everywhere.

Commissioner Keon: Yeah, I'd also like us to take a look at the provisions that allow

people to -- where we allow people to put a "No Parking" sign in front of their homes.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: We're grouping that together.

Commissioner Keon: Okay. We also -- Mayor, we have the -- along with the City, our Sustainability Department, and FIU, are doing the sea level rise program on next Tuesday...

Mayor Cason: Here, right?

Commissioner Keon: On February 16, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. It's not a long period of time, 6 to 7, here in the Chamber. I think it will be -- is it going to be televised?

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: We're taping it. It's not going to be live, but it can be delayed air.

Commissioner Keon: No, but it'll be delayed and then...

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: And it's a part of a three-part series.

Commissioner Keon: It's part of a three -- on sea level rise with the Sea Level...

Mayor Cason: I'll be there.

Commissioner Keon: Rise Solution Center at FIU, so it should be an interesting...

Mayor Cason: Everybody should be there.

Commissioner Keon: And informative discussion, and you'll speak too.

Mayor Cason: Yes.

Commissioner Keon: Okay.

City Attorney Leen: Mr. Mayor, if it's time for me, I have just two things to...

Mayor Cason: Okay.

City Attorney Leen: Quickly say, actually, three things. First, speaking of sea level rise, our outside counsel, special counsel Abby Corbett is going to be meeting with the Mayor and myself to talk about a legal memo addressing some of -- like a white paper of sorts -- the legal issues related to sea level rise, and that will, of course, be made available to all of you and you can give comments as well and we could discuss it at Commission meeting.

Commissioner Keon: When would that be available?

City Attorney Leen: In the next few months. We're going to be meeting with Mayor Cason, I believe, this week. I think it's tomorrow -- no, two days from now.

Mayor Cason: This came out of a discussion both in New Hampshire at the Rising Tides Conference and in Key West about the need to take a look at the legalities of certain options in the future. And apparently, there is a body of law that's being developed for variations of retreat strategy or other dire consequences.

Commissioner Keon: Well, you know, our hope in doing the sea level rise, this program, this three-part program, is to begin the issues of awareness, but also to look at the public policy that would be appropriate in response to the issues of sea level

rise, particularly at a local level that we can actually really begin to do something about.

Mayor Cason: Yeah.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: And Commissioner Keon, the dates of your sessions are February 16, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m., March 8, which is a Tuesday, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. That will be at the museum and another location, April 13, a Wednesday, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the museum.

Commissioner Lago: Could I ask you...

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: So this one is Tuesday at the City Hall from...

Commissioner Keon: Right.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: Six to seven, and the other two are at the museum.

Commissioner Keon: Thank you.

Commissioner Lago: Let me ask you a quick question. What are we doing to highlight this event? We're obviously doing the standard eNews. We're doing -- we're putting it in the Herald.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: We've done the eNews. We've done the -- it is in our calendar announcements. We're doing our weekly Miami Herald. We're showcasing that as well, so we're doing different forms of reaching out, including the -- those three that I just mentioned.

Commissioner Lago: Did we reach out to the Chamber or to the BID? I mean, just again, just so that they can use their email capabilities and their contact base to draw as many people as possible.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: We'll get -- we'll reach out and do that.

Commissioner Keon: Thank you.

Commissioner Lago: Absolutely.

Commissioner Keon: Can we notice things like at the Farmer's Market now, you know, during this period of time?

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: It is a perfect place to notice these things.

Commissioner Keon: Yeah, because it's residents who come.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: With flyers and...

Commissioner Keon: It's people that -- you know, if we can do a flyer that we can...

Commissioner Lago: There's so many people there.

Commissioner Keon: Use this Saturday.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: We have a flyer designed. We'll print it. We'll have it ready for this...

Commissioner Keon: Yeah.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: Session.

Commissioner Keon: Thank you.

City Attorney Leen: So my second issue, Mr. Mayor, is the -- and I spoke with the Deputy City Attorney, who also acts as counsel to me on ethical matters and I just wanted to raise this issue with you so you're aware. I asked her -- you know, I'm on the constituent board for UM-NSU CARD, which is the Center for Autism Related Disabilities. We have a negotiation coming up, I guess, with Sam Joseph, and I think CARD will be there, and I was going to be there on behalf of the City, along with any City staff that wants to come. So I asked her does that cause any issue, and she said because it's a constituent board and not a board of directors -- so I have no authority over CARD -- that that would be fine. I could certainly come on behalf of the City, but I -- she thought it would be best to just let you know. So, I am on the constituent board. All that means is that I have two children with autism, so they have this constituent board and what we do is we speak about our experiences and, you know, to help them with services and things like that, but we're not a board of directors, so I wanted to make that clear. Because they call it a board, but it's not a board of directors.

Mayor Cason: Got you.

City Attorney Leen: And then the third issue I wanted to raise is I just wanted you to know that the -- I just received back from special counsel about the special census so that we could get a position on the MPO, and we're ready to go with that. That's going to be sent out this week. It would be -- it's a set -- once we get the estimate back -- it actually took a while to fill out all the forms, and I would like to thank Naomi Levi, from the City Manager's Office, and also Cori Lopez-Castro, who -- special

counsel. That's going to be -- but that's filled out. We're going to be requesting that. It takes seven months approximately, to do the special census once we get the estimate and determine you want to proceed, and that will be brought back to -- if it's a small amount, the Manager and I will just approve it, but if it's a significant amount of money, we'll bring it back to you to get your approval. But at that point, it takes seven months. So I'm hoping that this whole thing can be done within the next eight to nine months, but I just wanted to keep you aware. And I'm happy to say that we're going forward.

Mayor Cason: Great.

Commissioner Lago: Thank you.

Mayor Cason: Okay, anything else? If not, meeting's adjourned. No lunch today.

Commissioner Lago: Thank you.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

[Note for the Record: There being no further business on the Regular City Commission Meeting Agenda. The Commission of the City of Coral Gables adjourned its meeting at 12:42 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Commission has been scheduled for February 23, 2016, beginning 9 a.m.]

JIM CASON  
MAYOR

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