



City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
August 25, 2015

ITEM TITLE:

Ordinance on First Reading. An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida, prohibiting the unauthorized entry into an automobile within the City of Coral Gables, Florida, allowing for a stay away order and minimum mandatory sentence and providing for severability, codification, and an effective date. (Sponsored by Mayor Jim Cason).

BRIEF HISTORY:

The City of Coral Gables is very concerned about repeated incidents of unauthorized individuals entering into automobiles, and intends to take all actions within its authority to combat and reduce criminal activity. This resolution provides another tool, in addition to the felony and misdemeanor statutes prohibiting burglary, theft, trespass, and larceny, which makes it a municipal ordinance violation to commit the offense of unauthorized automobile entry, and establishes minimum mandatory sentences related thereto. In the event of a first offense, a minimum mandatory sentence of 30 days in jail is established unless the offender agrees to a 2-year Stay Away Order from single family residential zones in Coral Gables and a \$500 fine. In the event such a Stay Away Order is violated, or the offender commits a repeat unauthorized entry within a one year period from the first offense, the offender would be subject to a 60 day mandatory minimum sentence, which is the maximum time for a sentence allowed by law for a municipal ordinance violation.

REVIEWED BY:

City Attorney	City Manager
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ATTACHMENT:

1. Draft Ordinance