

# City of Coral Gables

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## Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

8:30 AM

Communications/Public Affairs Conference Room

### Mayor's Citizens Advisory Council

*Board Member Alexander Bucelo  
Board Member Rudford Hamon  
Board Member Jeffrey Kurzner  
Board Member Sergio Leymarie  
Board Member Sean McGrover  
Board Member Mary Snow  
Board Member Dorothy Thomson*

**JOIN VIA ZOOM**

**CALL TO ORDER**

- Present:** 4 - Board Member Hamon, Board Member Leymarie, Board Member Snow and Board Member Kurzner
- Absent:** 2 - Board Member Bucelo and Board Member McGrover
- Excused:** 1 - Board Member Thomson

**ROLL CALL**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

**MEMBERS SHARE INPUT FROM RESIDENTS**

- Neighboring blocks ask for traffic calming near Italian Village on Altara Ave.
- Residents received mailers sent by City about upcoming installation of traffic calming devices.
- Difference between speed table vs. speed bumps
  - o Speed tables are gradual, raised into ground and usually built with brick.
  - o Speed bumps are temporary and usually screwed into ground.
- Crosswalk needed in front of Public Safety Building on Salzedo and Minorca Ave.
- Other concern is regarding median progress on North Ponce de Leon near SW 8 street as new adult facility was completed in the area.

**UPDATES FROM BOARD MEMBERS ON CURRENT PROJECTS**

- Member Kurzner reached out to Public Works and Mayor's Office asking for cost estimates on possible walkability solutions surrounding Coral Gables Senior High, including state funding options, as has been discussed at prior meeting. Member Kurzner understands it costs approximately \$500K for just design work for project based on feedback provided.

**UPDATES ON CITY INITIATIVES**

**NEW BUSINESS/COUNCIL BRAINSTORMING OPPORTUNITY**

Committee Motion - A motion into making a 4-way stop or provide blinking marker.

**This was Approved on Consent Agenda**

### **NEW BUSINESS CONTINUED**

Next meeting should include review for upcoming presentation to City Commission. Presentation should include input from Member Kurzner's walkability report and Community Needs Assessment results. Mayor's Office will add as a discussion item to upcoming Commission agenda. Consideration of Second Sunday on Mile for extension of Farmers Market. Ask Economic Development to come to next meeting to propose idea and get feedback.

Feria de Sevilla - High turnout and demand, long lines. Great learning opportunity for the city to evaluate these events.

Cultural Grant - Day of the Dead, Feria de Sevilla organizers took advantage and submitted cultural grant applications for these grants. \$20k is offered through the grant to use towards permitting fees and road closures. Organizers need to commit more funds to host and present events.

Other ideas:

Designation of North Gables revival - What could city do to help businesses on that part of city? Consider hosting an event at the entrance of SW 8 Street and Ponce de Leon once median project is complete.

Allocate land/space for composting vegetables for a community garden in partnership with University of Miami and other community organizations.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

#### **NOTE**