

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item L – Discussion Items
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City Commission Chambers
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City Commission

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Public Speaker(s)

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Mayor Lago: Any items Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Fors?

Commissioner Anderson: No. Just got to look at our calendars for Sunshine and Shade if necessary.

Mayor Lago: I look forward to it. Just two quick things and we're almost done. Director Diaz, we are now working on traffic calming on Venetia, correct?

Public Works Director Diaz: Yes.

Mayor Lago: Going very well. I went there this morning and drove the area, by the way, thank you Melissa, I appreciate all your hard work.

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Public Works Director Diaz: She works very hard.

Mayor Lago: I know she does.

Commissioner Anderson: She does.

Mayor Lago: And I bug the hell out of her and I'm very grateful for all your hard work, I want to make sure you know that. Thank you. Thank you. Just trying to do the people's work, that's all we do. Can we get, I know what you're going to say, I know what you're going to say, its tight and the trees and the whole thing. Can we take the opportunity, the fact that we're doing the traffic calming right now and just do that little sidewalk. It would connect; it would connect and provide a reprieve for people who are having to use the street and it's a win, understand like a win, when we do Blue Road, when we do University, we are going to be connecting Riviera to those two bridges and its going to be something spectacular that's been missing for such a long time, which by the way, I would like for you to give me an update after we talk about Venetia. Can we just get it done, the sidewalk there?

Public Works Director Diaz: The area that I'm thinking about...that means every tree is gone and there is not an opportunity to...

Mayor Lago: What type of trees are they? What type of trees are they? That plays a lot of it, right.

Public Works Director Diaz: I want to say bridalveil or that type of tree, not 100 percent sure, but they are not that large. The issue is not just so much having to remove them, but the fact that there will be no space left. Its only 40-foot wide and the street is not centered in the right-of-way, so the northern portion of the sidewalk where it would actually make more sense to do, because that's where you have the end, its actually narrower than the southside. We could, but basically every tree will have to be removed and you don't have enough space to plant anything else there, except maybe skinny palms. So, if that's something we want to do, that's why we were kind of brainstorming about you have more space on the south side, but you have larger trees, you have more encroachment, because that's where the powerlines are. So, it's something that would need to be worked out. Its not as simple as just putting a sidewalk down, unless we say just clear it out.

Mayor Lago: The reason why I bring it up is because of the moment in the Sunshine.

Public Works Director Diaz: Absolutely.

Mayor Lago: We all have interests, and we all have obligations to the community, but I just heard from several different residents that this is an important connection.

Public Works Director Diaz: Right.

Mayor Lago: And I visited the site, and it makes sense.

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Commissioner Anderson: Is this on Venetia you're talking about?

Public Works Director Diaz: Venetia Terrace.

Commissioner Anderson: So, here's an idea that was shared, we should discuss. You have two Venetia Terrace and Venetia whatever.

Public Works Director Diaz: There's Venetia Avenue and then Venetia Terrace on the north.

Commissioner Anderson: Its narrow.

Public Works Director Diaz: Very narrow.

Commissioner Anderson: They talked about doing a one-way there; one-way one-way, and one-way the other. Is that feasible, that way we get more space.

Public Works Director Diaz: Possibly – the pavement there is already very narrow, so the possibility of – but yes, if its one-way, technically it would be even narrower, that would definitely help. But you have to go through a process with the county to get that approved, but its something that we can definitely look into.

Commissioner Anderson: To lose that much canopy and places for people to walk.

Public Works Director Diaz: The one thing about that area is...

Commissioner Anderson: The shadiest part of it.

Public Works Director Diaz: You know, its not even right-of-way, we actually...its an actual parcel on the...so technically, it's something that is not very common in the city and its only 40 feet wide.

Commissioner Fors: Its like an alley, it almost feels like an alley in certain sections.

Public Works Director Diaz: Yes, its not platted, its literally a parcel that we own.

Mayor Lago: Can we do this; can we schedule next week some time maybe on Friday that we could walk in the morning.

Public Works Director Diaz: Absolutely. We can work something out with your office, and we'll be more than happy to.

Mayor Lago: Let's walk it.

Public Works Director Diaz: So, you can see, its not that its not doable, but it takes a little bit – possibly even have some encroachments.

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Mayor Lago: I don't want to finish the traffic calming and then have the sidewalk being cut. I know its not going to, being a conflict in one way and just not look well done, you know. Like the finish of it.

Public Works Director Diaz: That won't be an issue. We can make sure that doesn't happen. I mean the traffic calming they are going to be done, these guys are quick. So, it's going to...

Mayor Lago: Listen, the sidewalk is quick too. The sidewalk can be done quick; a backhoe and a Bobcat, saw cutting, you're in and out very quick.

City Manager Iglesias: The only thing there Mayor is, it's a tough one because it's so narrow.

Mayor Lago: I know. But it would be nice to be able to connect.

Public Works Director Diaz: Oh no, absolutely; and we got a survey of the area ready for the whole block, we haven't been sitting on it. Unfortunately, the details make it a little bit complicated.

Mayor Lago: You want to walk through with me, Commissioner Anderson?

Commissioner Anderson: I would. Can you Sunshine it?

Mayor Lago: We'll Sunshine – we'll go Friday morning; Friday morning to Sunshine a meeting, whoever wants to come can come.

Commissioner Anderson: The 21st you're talking about?

Mayor Lago: If that works for you, yes.

Commissioner Anderson: Yes. I just have to move my pre-agenda, that's it.

Mayor Lago: Eight in the morning, can you do 8 in the morning?

Commissioner Anderson: Huh hu.

Mayor Lago: 7:30, I don't care, the earlier the better for me.

Commissioner Anderson: As long as there's light.

Mayor Lago: Yes. Perfect. Whatever the Commissioner wants. Blue Road, how we doing? – because that's a big opportunity for us to showcase.

Public Works Director Diaz: It was submitted to the county.

Mayor Lago: And what's the latest?
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Public Works Director Diaz: Its going to take a while, then the review process.

Mayor Lago: Melissa, would you like to give me or send me an e-mail with the documentation and then I'll loop in the county and just ask them for a little help on the push, just like a little e-mail introducing the project and the permit number in the county and I'll push it a little bit.

Ms. DeZayas: Melissa DeZayas, Senior Transportation Engineer. Yes, we submitted to the county. So far, we've had one comment back from them, but it was approved as noted, not a big deal. We are still pending a few. I can definitely give you the information, if you want, we are just pending the other comments.

Mayor Lago: I want to help. I want to help push it a little bit. Anything else for University – we're good on any other sidewalk projects we are working on.

Ms. DeZayas: So, University Drive, we were finalizing – we have the plans, we were just getting the purchase order for that one, because it came back – we were trying to work out the details for the landscaping and everything.

Mayor Lago: And what about Doctor's Hospital?

Ms. DeZayas: We have the survey; we are just working out the details for that one for the design.

Public Works Director Diaz: We got the survey for Pisano, correct, and then we can use one of the consultants to come up with a design and construction. They probably will lose some parking, because right now you have angle parking to go from angle into parallel.

Mayor Lago: That's fine.

Public Works Director Diaz: So, if that's okay.

Mayor Lago: We discussed that; the hospital is okay with it. Its about elevating the hospital side to the level of quality with University of Miami and the neighboring community. We spent a lot of money to pave that area, which hasn't been touched in over a decade.

Public Works Director Diaz: And its going to look – not only that, there are some issues with the pavement, it's not properly sloped.

Mayor Lago: The drainage is...

Public Works Director Diaz: The issue they have there is the water doesn't get where it needs to, so I think this is going to correct all those problems.

Mayor Lago: The final one is the Alhambra section, those two blocks that we'll connect.

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Ms. DeZayas: That one we needed to modify; we need to modify the curb, based on what was requested by that one owner that we spoke to that they wanted the curb, so we have to modify it based on what they had requested, and we need to submit to the county. We had submitted to them already for the medians at that one location and we've gotten some comments back and we need to reach out to some other people at the county to see if some of those comments need to be implemented.

Mayor Lago: Okay. Can you give me those permit numbers too, and I'll help you with that. When do you think, we can submit to the county in regard to the curbs, in regard to finish the curb designs to submit.

Ms. DeZayas: Probably the beginning of next year, because that one we have – we are working on design for narrowing the pavement, there's drainage involved, there's curb. It's a significant design that we are looking at.

Mayor Lago: It needs at least three months to do the design.

Public Works Director Diaz: Probably.

Commissioner Anderson: So, I've got one last question, I've got both of you here. And we've had some outreach that I think we've all seen the e-mails regarding traffic on Valencia, the speed, the median; and my question goes to you, so we know what timeline we're on for the Villa Valencia Project. Do you more or less know when Dover Kohl is going to be able to get some feedback for us on what their recommendations are for that street in the 500 Block of Valencia?

Ms. DeZayas: So, Valencia, we didn't have Dover Kohl working on Valencia. We have them working on Biltmore Way.

Commissioner Anderson: Right – in the bike lane. So, the bike lanes either got to go on one street or the other street and that will weigh on what we should be doing on Valencia. So, if they are going to recommend the bike lane to go on Valencia, it's going to affect whether or not a median strip should go in front of Villa Valencia as well. So that's why I'm asking about the timeframe for Dove Kohl to address those things, because we've got to route the bike lane to get to the Mobility Hub somewhere.

Ms. DeZayas: So, we had a meeting with them last week and we went over some preliminary designs. We hope to have those finalized sometime this month, so we can have a better idea how we are going to be moving forward.

Commissioner Anderson: Keep in mind the folks of Valencia are upset about the speed of traffic. If you have some additional input for us, would appreciate it.

Mayor Lago: So, based on the request for Alhambra.

Public Works Director Diaz: What request?
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Mayor Lago: The request for Alhambra, you said its going to take three months to finalize the design.

Public Works Director Diaz: For everything, yes – paving, grading, drainage. We'll do our best to expedite it.

Mayor Lago: Please. Anything you can help me. I have one final. Thank you to the both of you. I appreciate your hard work.

Commissioner Menendez: Before you leave, we spoke a while back about residents at Blue Road, Granada section, sidewalks were just stopped, and it was creating safety concerns with kids. Just would like your help, your participation, the Manager, your team, so we can circle back with those residents to let them know. I know we have a lot of projects in the pipeline, but its important for them to know that we're aware of their concerns, we're aware its an issue and it will be addressed.

City Manager Iglesias: There are a lot of issues involved there, because there's sidewalks on the county property, crosswalks and everything else. So, it's a little messy so we can...

Commissioner Menendez: Did you get back to them?

Public Works Director Diaz: We did respond to them. I responded to them, and we told them that we're working on Blue Road, which is the logical sense was to make sure that the county took care of Blue Road, and we do that; and then, go ahead and do that connection to Blue Road later. Fortunately, there's no – they didn't like that answer because they are expecting something to happen tomorrow, but besides the answer we gave them in this case, I'm not sure what else. We are definitely working Blue Road and I think that's the major thoroughfare, and that will open up the possibility for everything else.

City Manager Iglesias: We are setting up a meeting with those residents so we can advise them.

Public Works Director Diaz: Yes, we can do that.

Commissioner Menendez: And obviously, I'll participate just to help communication.

City Manager Iglesias: We are setting up that meeting that you requested.

Mayor Lago: So, thank you Melissa. Thank you, Hermes. I have one more issue that I wanted to show you some pictures. Mr. Clerk, I have some pictures that I took this weekend. I don't know if we can load them up. I've been working with the Police and the Manager and our staff. I've seen an uptick as of recent and I've gotten several phone calls, I imagine you have too. We are having a little bit of an issue with some homeless people, individuals in our community. I called Paul Lowenstein. I've met with him already on two occasions. I'll be meeting with him next week. I've invited the Chief and our City Manager to also attend. I was also notified by one of the Commissioners in South Miami who reached out, to have a discussion about the same issue. They

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are having concerns about this. These are photos that I took personally. These are not photos that anybody else took. This is happening in our community. I've never seen this many homeless people in our community, especially on Miracle Mile panhandling. I was looking for some other pictures, I don't know if they got them. Okay. This is actually across from Carver. This is a city building, moved in, been there for two weeks. You have multiple individuals living on that porch. Called the police, sent it to Code, they are working on it. It's a major issue. And I also have another example from this past weekend. It was a neighboring building on U.S.-1, where you have also another individual, that building right behind, right there across from the Mobile Station, its also inhabited by an individual who is living there. And what I did, I reached out to Paul from Camillus House and just kind of engaged in a conversation about what do we have at our disposal, what can we do. There are limitations. The police cannot just go and round somebody up, unless they are breaking the law, but again, that doesn't really solve the issue, putting somebody in handcuffs and taking them away to jail. A lot of these individuals have mental health issues, addition. The city a few years ago, I think it was probably five or six years ago, we started funding three beds at Camillus House to the tune of almost \$30,000 - \$29,685. Today, I asked Paul, Mr. Lowenstein, who I'm meeting with next week, to give me some clarity in regard to who are these individuals that are using these beds. I want to make sure that they are Coral Gables individuals. They are individuals that the police or our staff has referred to Camillus House. He couldn't give me that information. I hope to have that information. I want to make sure we are not just paying for other communities, because if we are, I'm going to scratch the program. We need to find a solution, because we also have a family that used to live by the library. Now they are basically living at the library at Miracle Mile. I had Paul reach out to them. He got in contact with them. We have other individuals that are living in some buildings right next to Bouchure. The police have gone and basically asked them to not live on somebody's front door. I also got notification that on El Prado, the Manager was with me. I had an individual call me. He was running on El Prado, and he sat down for a moment to catch his breath and there was a person basically living in a little corner on El Prado. So, these are things that I've been seeing over the last two weeks, along with speaking to the Manager at Morton's, who in the mornings on many occasions has an individual sleeping on their porch, that they've had to basically address every single day. They've offered employment, they've offered a litany of different things, to hopefully get that person off the street. There hasn't been really any interest from that individual. So, I want to put this on your radar, because I think that this is something that we have to collectively work on, and I want you to kind of open your eyes and...we are running through the city, but when this was brought to my attention, I walked Miracle Mile one day and I really was able to witness the amount of panhandling that we have going on. And I wanted the Chief to engage with Mr. Lowenstein next week and the Manager to see how we can work on this together.

Chief Hudak: Thank you Mayor. So, the contract that you spoke of, which is what we started, I believe in 2015, we pay for three beds or mats, as they call them. They are not necessarily be inside. Right now, as we sit here this minute, there are three beds; we pay for three beds. There are two people there. Since 2017, we referred 61 people that have gone. I've got a list of officers sent them over there and reason why didn't want to stay. That seems to be the ongoing conduct, if you will. As they get there, they spend a few days and then off they are gone. And again, to the Mayor's point, there's not a whole lot of things we can do, as far as forcing them to stay there, unless they have some problem. As of our last homeless census, which we do for the county, everyday we've

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got 15 people that we've identified. They didn't do anything, but these are what the officers do. On Aragon, five different persons; Douglas and Miracle Mile; Ponce de Leon and Miracle Mile in the alleyway. So, this is an ongoing thing of what our homeless officers do, which is the bike patrol unit, and we send them down and then there is interaction done with them. The biggest challenge that we have obviously, again, I can't say it enough, see something say something. People call us in and again, Mayor, you and I have had conversations on text messages where people see people in taking baths and things like that. We get the calls, we go there, we intervene. It's not an arrest situation. Some of the many business owners are okay, if someone doesn't defecate or urinate in their alleyway, they are okay with them sleeping there. I've said this before, it's safer for a homeless person to sleep in Coral Gables than it is in other jurisdictions, and they understand that, and the midnight officers will tell you that. When they become a public safety nuisance, then we will render aid. I will tell you probably that our officers have gone as far as to turn in doctors that refuse to deal with them, because they are a homeless person that we took there. I know they are talking long range terms about building another homeless shelter some place far away. Right now, for me to send resources, two officers to take somebody to wherever that's going to be, I don't know if that's necessarily cost effective. I can't sit here today and say that we need to up the \$50,000 for beds, because I'm paying for three and I'm on average keeping three people in those beds as long as they want to stay. A lot of these people don't want help, that's the bottom line. Now what does work better for Coral Gables, which goes into South Miami, and I hear it from South Miami is, we have a very aggressive panhandling restriction. So, if they are out and they are asking, we're moving them. When we've had problems at Abracci, there was one person. The officers know who these people are. It's not against the law for them to sit on a park bench. I get it. And we have to be very careful if we show up uncalled and this goes back to the whole profiling issue. I speak this on a regular basis to residents. If somebody is suspicious in your neighborhood, you need to call us. If we are driving down the street, we cannot legally, and I will defer to the City Attorney, we can't legally decide who belongs in the neighborhood or not. If we do, we could be subject to some profiling claims. However, if people live there, and they see somebody suspicious that's where we want them to use the non-emergency number. Same thing with business owners. I can appreciate the fact that you are one of the most involved Commissions that I've ever been around in this city and in others. If they are calling and sending you pictures, it's just taking me longer to get my resources there that are out around the clock. That's the biggest message I have to everybody is, if they are downtown, if the business owners see them, don't wait for us to come by. To your point Mayor, I've had a lot of people come and say, well, I was sitting here talking to them, next thing you know, two of your cops showed up and moved them along. This is the downtown unit. This Commission approved a budget that added six more bodies this year. My goal is to make sure we have that downtown unit to deal with those quality-of-life issues. The issues that we spoke of earlier down there is private property, it's a community center. So, having to deal with the individual pictures that you have with the two people living there, it's a community center that we don't own that I can't just walk in and say, hey, you need to leave. A library, totally different story. The library we got involved with during Covid because we were getting complaints and e-mails, not necessarily about somebody being homeless, quite frankly, the color of the person's skin at the time, which was well documented on our responses. To the point where a member of this Commission gave money as did the officers to put that family up, because of Covid that were homeless. And again, this has been said to me many years ago, homeless people are not a problem, they are people with problems, and the only thing we can do is help them, and they are going to

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keep coming back. I have seen it time and time again when they become a problem, we will respond, and we will continue. Every morning at 5 a.m., if not sooner, the midnight shift because we are on ten-hour shifts, does a sweep and that sweep is they go through these alleys, they go through these areas where people are sleeping, and one, they make sure they're okay. By just checking on the homeless person that continues to move them out; and in the mornings I have jokingly said, it looks like an apocalypse because they know they can't ask for money in our city. That is something that we have been very good at on the streets. They know what side of Red Road to be on, and what side of Red Road not to be on. If they stop on LeJeune and Bird it takes all of five minutes before one of our officers pull over, you can't do that, can't be on the street. So, it is an ongoing challenge as it starts to get colder up north, they will start showing up down here. There were other programs and other areas, other jurisdictions have done civilian lead enhancements and we know for a fact that they were getting drops north or northwest of our borders, and coming through, and when we talked with them, they said, I'm just trying to get back downtown, I'm just trying to get to the Grove. Now, do we facilitate them getting there? – absolutely. And again, its not that I can just stop somebody for sitting there unless they are doing something. If they are urinating in public, if they are doing something like that, that's it; and Public Works has done in the past and unfortunately, the man who we've known for a long time passed away of natural causes, but we would have Public Works show up with one of our bucket trucks and take mounds of things underneath the Metrorail and put that in the dumpster and throw it away. So, yes there is an ongoing engagement by the police department, and we need to continue.

Commissioner Menendez: I remember a gentleman that was homeless near the library for years, I think his name was Isaac. I always like to put names to people, as opposed to nameless. My daughter when she was little would bring him food. Eventually, it became part of – he didn't panhandle, but

Commissioner Anderson: Nice gentleman, I remember him.

Commissioner Menendez: Very nice, Isaac. I mean people really cared about him.

Commissioner Anderson: I didn't know he passed.

Commissioner Menendez: Yes, he passed a couple of years ago, but I recall – I also notice near 8th Street there's a lot of panhandling. Once you get into the Gables, you realize that changes due to our code and our rules and regulations, but if I'm not mistaken, the City of Miami was involved some years ago with a major lawsuit with regard to homeless, which at the end of the day, I think it was either a settlement or a judge ruling that really tied the hands of the city going forward with any reasonable solution and they hands were so tied that they couldn't even come up with a solution going forward. So, I think that's a fine line based on the City of Miami's experience how to proceed and not obviously fall in that trap. We want to show humanity, compassion, but align our rules and regulations and not fall into that trap.

Chief Hudak: It was a consent decree that Miami was under, and we all knew about it, and again, it was interactions what was being done in public right-of-ways and in public areas to deal with that. I don't know much more of the specifics. I can't remember the actual name of the rule, the
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penny bank or something like that; and the City of Miami's hands were extremely tied. Again, I think we're at a point and to your point Mayor, we recognize the issue, we see it, I think the officers are engaged, but unless somebody is making a disturbance and they are sitting outside of a Publix or a Starbucks, because they stink, but they are not doing anything wrong, my officers are very much in a problem what we can do, other than offer them services, and we have taken them to the hospital, we had a huge issue many, many years ago at Larkin Hospital where they put one of our homeless persons in and they had to pick it up for like eight months, and again, it was because one of our officers, now he is Detective Rios, pushed and pushed and pushed, because the doctor said something inappropriate when we took them there for medical services. After he got out and the man was healthy, you couldn't even recognize him, he wanted to be back out on the streets again. Don't know what happened to him after that. So, we work very much with Dade County Homeless Trust, we stay on top of it. I think Commissioner or former Vice Mayor Quesada was the one that actually sat down with me early on in my career as Chief to do this and we've continued to do this in our budget. To the Mayor's point, \$29,685 comes out of my budget every year. If we wanted to and if we started to, we could put some money, additional money into that fund to see if there was some additional to it. I know other areas and other people have been talking about other avenues to assist, but again, this has been going on since the times of the state hospitals were kind of done away with, we have been dealing with this in law enforcement for over 30 years that I've been around, so I see that's where its coming from. Tasers, that whole use of tasers came from dealing with people with mental challenges of us not having to use deadly force, because that's all we had an option when somebody would pull a knife on us.

Mayor Lago: But Chief, one of the things that concerns me is when you look at downtown Miami, and you see the tent city and the amount of garbage and food, I know we are far from that, but again, if we continue to head in this direction due to the fact that our hands are tied, we don't have really much options, and I see this many people now kind of showing up to our city, and there's a reason why, there's a reason why its happening. It said it very clearly, we are a very safe city, we are a welcoming city. We are a city where people are incredibly generous. My mom sees a panhandler and she give them \$5 and prays for them, you know. So, they know that in the City of Coral Gables there are people here who have a big heart and they have affluence, and they want to hopefully help that person, not just walk away and turn their back on them.

Chief Hudak: Right.

Mayor Lago: So, I just want to bring it to your attention, not that I'm bringing it to your attention, I want to talk about the issue. I don't need to bring anything, you're well aware and I want to have this conversation with Paul, Chairman of Camillus, along with our City Manager next week, I think we are going to get together and have a breakfast to see what we can do. He's boots on the ground. He's already been here twice in the last two weeks, we've been talking. He's already met with the family, the four family members that are at the library, in an effort to try to get them help, get them some sort of housing, incredibly educated individuals, well versed, speaks multiple languages. That's not really my concern; my concern are the people who are in this community who have real mental health issues, who you can see them on the street, and I witnessed a woman the other day who you can tell, not being in a position, I'm not going to diagnose her, but she seemed to be, to have a manic state. Obviously, not bathed, partially dressed, and it was on Miracle
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Mile right in front of Hillstone and it was a very awkward moment, because you couldn't reason with that person and if you call the police on her, she's going to jail.

Commissioner Anderson: So, we're providing beds, how about services, maybe that discussion has to be.

Mayor Lago: Those are conversations we are going to have with the Chairman of Camillus House next week, when we meet with him and see what we have at our disposal. The homeless situation is one issue, but when you have now one block away you have two encampments that I showed photos of, that becomes a problem; and those are properties that are privately owned where the owners maybe don't live here, or they are in the process of remodeling, but when you have that type of encampment, it sends a wrong message that, that's acceptable in this community. Its not acceptable under no circumstances.

Chief Hudak: And those as of yesterday, where my understanding was dealt with, not only by Code Enforcement, but also my people today. To answer your other concern that came up with the Underline. I know we all love the horse, but that's why my whole goal is to get another horse, so they work in tandem, so I'm working out to get that. We have to kind of close that gap for the budget and I think we should be able to do that, but my goal is to have that equipment up and running so when the Underline is coming through, we are going to be able to patrol that area from a higher platform on the back of a horse, and continue to have eyes on that as we see fit, because we are going to need that. I don't like the ATV idea, but I think that's a little bit more Coral Gables if we would have to. Its an ongoing issue and we will continue to deal with it.

Mayor Lago: I appreciate your efforts. Thank you. Are there any further comments? I'd like to thank everyone, especially staff, all the residents that joined us today, thank you for your efforts. Have a wonderful week and God bless.