

City of Coral Gables

*405 Biltmore Way
Coral Gables, FL 33134
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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 30, 2020

8:30 AM

Special\Emergency City Commission Meeting

Virtual Meeting

City Commission

*Mayor Raul J. Valdes-Fauli
Vice Mayor Vince Lago
Commissioner Jorge L. Fors, Jr.
Commissioner Patricia Keon
Commissioner Michael Mena*

*Peter J. Iglesias, P.E., City Manager
Miriam Soler Ramos, City Attorney
Billy Y. Urquia, City Clerk*

In accordance with City of Coral Gables Sections 2-30 and 27-2(c)(5) and Chapter 286.011 of the Florida Statutes, there will be a Special/Emergency Virtual City Commission Meeting on Thursday, July 30th, 2020, beginning at 8:30 A.M. for the purpose of discussing legal options relating to Miami-Dade County's disbursement of the "CARES Act" federal funds to the City of Coral Gables and other municipalities within the County.

The City Commission Meeting will be held as a VIRTUAL MEETING with elected officials and City staff participating through video conferencing. This virtual meeting will be held through the Zoom platform. Members of the public may join the meeting via Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/3054466800>. In addition, a dedicated phone line will be available so that any individual who does not wish (or is unable) to use Zoom may listen to and participate in the meeting by dialing: (305) 461-6769 Meeting ID: 305 446 6800. In addition, the public may comment on an item on the agenda using the City's already-established e-comment function which may be found on the City's website at: (www.coralgables.com/commissionmeetings) once the meeting's agenda is published or by sending an email to cityclerk@coralgables.com prior to the start of the meeting.

To speak prior to the City Commission taking action on an Agenda Item. Please "Raise your Hand" or send a message to one of the meeting hosts using the Zoom Platform. If you joined the meeting via telephone you can "Raise your Hand" by pressing *9.

The meeting will also be broadcasted live for members of the public to view on the City's website (www.coralgables.com/cgtv) as well as Channel 77 on Comcast.

Please note that Governor DeSantis' Executive Order Number 20-69, Executive Order 20-112, and Executive Order 20-150 suspended the requirements of Section 112.286, Florida Statutes, the Florida Sunshine Law, that a quorum to be present in person, and that a local government body meet at a specific public place. The Executive Order also allows local government bodies to utilize communications media technology, such as telephonic and video conferencing for local government body meetings.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Commissioner Fors Jr., Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Lago, Commissioner Mena and Mayor Valdes-Fauli

A. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

- A.-1.** [20-1548](#) Discussion regarding the City's response to Mayor Gimenez's report to the Board of County Commissioners on July 27, 2020, regarding the distribution of CARES Act funds to municipalities.

Attachments: [BCC CRF presentation 7-27-20](#)
[BCC Covid presentation 7-8-20](#)

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 1

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-168

- A.-2.** [20-1549](#) A Resolution of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida, condemning Miami-Dade County Mayor Carlos A. Gimenez's report entitled, "Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) Financial Update and Strategy" presented to the Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners on July 27, 2020 and further directing the City Clerk to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Officials named herein.
(Sponsored by Mayor Valdes-Fauli)

Attachments: [Draft Resolution Condemning Coronavirus Relief Fund Financial Update and Strategy](#)
[Signed Resolution 2020-168](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, CONDEMNING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MAYOR CARLOS A. GIMENEZ'S REPORT ENTITLED, "CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND (CRF) FINANCIAL UPDATE AND STRATEGY" PRESENTED TO THE MIAMI-DADE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON JULY 27, 2020 AND FURTHER DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE OFFICIALS NAMED HEREIN.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Lago, seconded by Commissioner Fors, Jr., that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2020-168. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Fors, Jr., Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Lago, Commissioner Mena and Mayor Valdes-Fauli

City Clerk Item No. 2

- A.-3. [20-1550](#) A Resolution of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida, authorizing the initiation of Statutory Governmental Dispute Resolution Procedures under Florida Statutes Chapter 164 with Miami-Dade County regarding the allocation of Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Security ("CARES") Act Funding; and authorizing the City Attorney to take additional legal action as necessary in the best interest of the City.
(Sponsored by Mayor Valdes-Fauli)

Attachments: [Draft Resolution - CH. 164 CARES Act](#)

This Resolution was Withdrawn

City Clerk Item No. 3

B. DISCUSSION ITEMS

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for this meeting is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

ADJOURNMENT

[Note for the Record: There being no further business on the Special\Emergency City Commission Meeting Agenda, the Commission of the City of Coral Gables adjourned its meeting at 9:23 a.m.]


BILLY Y. URQUIA
CITY CLERK