

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item E-5
February 23, 2016
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL

City Commission

Mayor Jim Cason
Commissioner Pat Keon
Commissioner Vince Lago
Vice Mayor Frank Quesada
Commissioner Jeannett Slesnick

City Staff

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

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item E-5 [12:12:08 p.m.]

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).

Mayor Cason: E-5, the last of the Second Readings.

City Attorney Leen: Thank you Mayor Cason. This is an Ordinance on Second Reading. 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. It's a public hearing item.

Mayor Cason: Any speaker cards?

City Clerk Foeman: No Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Cason: Close the public hearing.

Commissioner Keon: I'll make the motion.

Mayor Cason: Commissioner Keon makes the motion.

Commissioner Lago: I'll second the motion.

Mayor Cason: And Commissioner Lago seconds it. City Clerk.

Commissioner Slesnick: Yes

Commissioner Keon: Yes

Commissioner Lago: Yes

Vice Mayor Quesada: Yes

Mayor Cason: Yes

(Vote: 5-0)

Commissioner Lago: Mayor, may I ask just one quick question since I sponsored that E-5, the ordinance? Has everyone here already made their appointments?

Mayor Cason: I have.

Commissioner Keon: I have.

Vice Mayor Quesada: I have not.

Commissioner Slesnick: I have not.

Mayor Cason: The Clerk has a list of the names that we've submitted and sort of the area they are in. I think we are trying to define exactly the boundaries of the waterways.

City Clerk Foeman: Yes. The IT Department is preparing a GIS map and they are working with the liaison to the Waterway Advisory Board and they are going to connect the addresses to the specific waterway.

Commissioner Keon: So going forward then the people that have not already submitted a name will know the area in which they need to appoint them?

City Clerk Foeman: Yes, they are working with Public Works and developing those legal boundaries that will explain the legal description of what those waterways are. Jessica Keller have been working with the IT Department.

Commissioner Lago: Madam City Manager when do you think we could potentially schedule our first meeting, just to get an idea?

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: I don't think we have a quorum yet, so as soon as we have the appropriate complement of the board. I know it has been very well received. I had an easier appointment because I don't have a geography and I don't have the water as the background. So my appointment I'm hoping the Commission will confirm. Walter how many appointments are we still awaiting?

City Clerk Foeman: We've had four names proffered so far, so we are still pending two

Commissioner Lago: I gave my name already.

City Clerk Foeman: Yes. I have yours.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: We'll work with the individual Commissioners to get the full complement and then we'll set it as soon as possible.

Commissioner Lago: Perfect. I think this board is going to bring a lot of insight to a much needed issue that we've been having here.

[End: 12:14:37 p.m.]