



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
October 14, 2008**

ITEM TITLE:

Resolution granting a temporary variance to the Coral Gables Firefighter's Benevolent Association to sell Christmas trees, install a temporary chain link fence, and use an inflatable Santa Claus as a display at 5501 Granada Boulevard, the Coral Gables Baptist Church property, from November 22 through December 24, 2008.

RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY MANAGER:

The City Manager recommends approval of this item.

BRIEF HISTORY:

The Coral Gables Firefighters' Benevolent Association has been selling Christmas trees since 1957 and this is the fourth year the event is held at this location. The operation has been managed professionally and the City has had no complaints concerning this operation and none are anticipated this year.

APPROVED BY:

Department Director	City Attorney (If Applicable)	City Manager
<i>Spauney Jr.</i>		

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Letter from the Coral Gables Firefighters' Association
2. Draft Resolution
3. Certificate of Liability Insurance
4. List of Philanthropic Activities
5. Lease Agreement
6. Boundary Survey