

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item F-6
October 9, 2018
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL

City Commission

Mayor Raul Valdes-Fauli
Vice Mayor Frank Quesada
Commissioner Pat Keon
Commissioner Vince Lago
Commissioner Michael Mena

City Staff

City Manager, Peter Iglesias
City Attorney, Miriam Ramos
City Clerk, Walter J. Foeman
Deputy City Clerk, Billy Urquia
Assistant City Attorney, Stephanie Throckmorton

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item F-6 [2:32:48 p.m.]

An Ordinance of the City of Coral Gables, Florida amending Chapter 74 – Traffic and Vehicles of the City of Coral Gables Code in order to amend ordinances allowing use of motorized scooters on certain city sidewalks, providing for repealer provision, severability clause, codification and providing for an effective date.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: F-6 – scooters.

City Attorney Ramos: F-6 is an Ordinance of the City of Coral Gables, Florida amending Chapter 74 – Traffic and Vehicles of the City of Coral Gables Code in order to amend ordinances allowing use of motorized scooters on certain city sidewalks, providing for repealer provision, severability clause, codification and providing for an effective date. Assistant City Attorney Throckmorton will report on what we brought back based on your vote last meeting.

Assistant City Attorney Throckmorton: Vice Mayor at your request we went back and looked at this provision about removing the restriction on scooters for those six blocks on Ponce, north and

south of Miracle Mile. As you can see on the cover memo, we also suggested that in the alternative we had to come back and forth with this a few times, that we remove the geographic specific locations and just have it where posted. It's my understanding and I know Kevin is here, that there are already signs on Miracle Mile prohibiting certain riding, it's been discussed about signage on Giralda Plaza, which has been historically signed, so that we can change the ordinance to just say restricted allowed – scooters are allowed on sidewalks except for where posted, rather than having a specific location spelled out in the ordinance, but what's before you today just removes the Ponce restriction and it remains on Miracle Mile and Giralda those specifically written out in the ordinance.

Vice Mayor Quesada: Whatever is procedurally easier for you as long as we achieve the same result?

Assistant City Attorney Throckmorton: This is a First Reading.

City Attorney Ramos: We can make the edit on the floor and then bring it back for second with the edit.

Vice Mayor Quesada: So moved.

Commissioner Lago: Second.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Will you call the roll please?

Commissioner Mena: Time out.

Assistant City Attorney Throckmorton: So, we will bring back on Second Reading an ordinance that scooters are allowed except for where posted.

Commissioner Mena: Correct.

Assistant City Attorney Throckmorton: We need a vote.

City Attorney Ramos: You need a vote on First Reading.

Commissioner Mena: OK.

Commissioner Lago: First – second.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Will you call the roll please?

Commissioner Lago: Yes
Commissioner Mena: Yes
Vice Mayor Quesada: Yes
Mayor Valdes-Fauli: No
(Vote: 3-1)
(Commissioner Keon: Absent)

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: It passes.

Commissioner Lago: OK.

[End: 2:34:42 p.m.]