

City of Coral Gables

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CORAL GABLES
THE CITY BEAUTIFUL

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 8, 2015

9:00 AM

Revised - Additional Item E.-6.

City Hall, Commission Chambers

City Commission

Mayor Jim Cason
Vice Mayor Frank C. Quesada
Commissioner Patricia Keon
Commissioner Vince Lago
Commissioner Jeannett Slesnick

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

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Mayor Cason, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Commissioner Slesnick

INVOCATION

Deacon Mark Westman from St. Augustine Catholic Church and the University of Miami Student Center gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Vince Lago led the Pledge of Allegiance.

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

The following minutes summary includes all presentations made, and actions taken which information is supplemented by the following exhibits on file in the Office of the City Clerk, and which are by reference made a part of the record herein: (a) Ordinance(s) adopted (Ordinance No. 2015-33 through Ordinance No. 2015-35) (b) Resolution(s) adopted (Resolution No. 2015-289 through Resolution No. 2015-315); (c) Video; (d) Audio Recording; (e) Minutes Folder with Agenda and background information, including items which were submitted at the meeting.

A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROTOCOL DOCUMENTS**A.-1. [15-4578](#)**

Presentation to Ramon Ferrer for his dedication and service to the City of Coral Gables as External Affairs Manager for F.P.L.

[Note for the Record: Following Mayor Cason's reading of the title to Agenda Item A-1 into the public record, he requested of City Manager Cathy Swanson-Rivenbark to present the item, whereby she expressed her excitement in having been back with the City for nearly one year; further pointing out that many of the faces that guided our City and made our City great are here in attendance today, including Ramon Ferrer; citing that he has established such a good and solid relationship of partnership with our City, a City that started White Way Lights in the 1920's, thereby establishing the importance of lights from the beginning of our incorporation.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark informed the viewing public that she did something different for this presentation, explaining that she called former employees who had the opportunity to work with Ramon Ferrer, as well as current employees, to say thank you for the continuous years of service; she also requested of the City Commission to join them on the dais for a photo opportunity, along with Ramon Ferrer.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark reflected on the many occurrences that have passed during our relationship with Florida Power and Light-including, but not limited to power outages, hurricanes, having no lights, said relationship that has been cultivated over the years; further saying that on behalf of all employees, both past and present, that the City thanks you for your continuous service, and that we look forward to working with you in the future.

In accepting this recognition and commemorative crystal, Mr. Ferrer thanked the City Commission and everybody for what he described as "this undeserving honor; adding that it has always been a pleasure for him to serve this beautiful City, this community where he has so many friends, something that is so important to his company-further explaining that someone once said that it takes a village to educate a child ; well, he further explained that it takes a dedicated team pf professionals to serve a City such as Coral Gables; further stating that he is so happy to see many of his colleagues that have shown up for this occasion; that throughout the years have helped to provide Coral Gables with the best possible service; adding that he hopes that he can come back to serve this community in the future.

In closing, City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark acknowledged certain former employees, including but not limited to former Assistant City Manager Maria Menendez, former Public Works Director Albert Delgado etc., saying that the City is truly grateful for the service rendered].

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 1

A.-2. [15-4481](#)

Congratulations to Sergeant Luis Lanz, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Officer of the Month Award," for the month of September, 2015.

Attachments: [NOMINATION - SGT. LANZ - SEPTEMBER](#)
[COMMISSION COVER MEMO - OFFICER OF THE MONTH SEPTEMBER 2015](#)

[Note for the Record: Following Mayor Cason's reading of the title to Agenda Item A-2 into the public record, he requested of Police Chief Hudak to present the item, who in return requested of Lieutenant Joseph Werner, who was the Commander and nominator of Sergeant Luis Lanz.

Lieutenant Joseph Werner identified himself as being assigned to the Uniform Patrol Division (i.e. Day Shift)/Commander and stated that he was very proud to present Sergeant Luis Lanz, as the Officer of the Month for the Month of September; Lieutenant Werner further stated that on August 30th, 2015 that Sergeant Lanz and Officer Chavez responded to Doctor's Hospital regarding a possible child abduction of a 5 month old baby, wherein the baby's mother had been in a medically induced coma, and that it was believed that the baby's father may have had assumed custody of the child; further noting that in this particular case, the baby's father had two active injunctions that were imposed on him by the Court system, directing him to stay away from the child and mother; further stating that Sergeant Lanz coordinated a search for the baby's father, coordinated with the Florida City and Miami Gardens Police Departments-after discovering that the police were looking for him, the father contacted Baptist Hospital-the father resisted surrendering of the child, however Sergeant Lanz, who is a Supervisor of the City's Hostage Negotiations Team, convinced the father that surrendering the child was in the best interest of all of the affected parties involved, which resulted in the father surrendering the child unharmed and without any incident.

Lieutenant Werner further informed the viewing public that in June of 2015, that Sergeant Lanz received a commendation for assisting in the efforts that led to the arrest of two offenders who had been burglarizing the homes of two Coral Gables residents.

Again in July of 2015 of this year, Sergeant Lanz was nominated , along with Officer Alex Jorva, for Officer of the Month, for their efforts in recovering a missing adult that had suffered from dementia; they had communicated with the Miami-Dade Transit Authority and were able to track down said missing adult, who had changed buses several times, and was located in a bus on S.W. 1st Street and S.W. 1st Avenue, in Miami; Lieutenant Werner further described Sergeant Lanz as a first line supervisor that knows the value of being out on the streets and working side by side with his fellow officers, adding that he gives 110 percent, 100 percent of the time; further

expressing optimism that the City Commission will see said individual back again on the dais in the near future.

In accepting this recognition Sergeant Lanz stated that he wanted to thank the members of the City Commission for having him and serve the City of Coral Gables; also acknowledging his staff whom have always supporting him, along with his Lieutenant, especially those who work with him every day, his fellow officers].

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 2

A.-3. [15-4536](#)

Congratulations to Officer Daniel Smith, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Officer of the Month Award," for the month of October, 2015.

Attachments: [COMMISSION COVER MEMO - OFFICER OF THE MONTH OCTOBER - SMITH-NOMINATION - OFFICER OF THE MONTH - OCTOBER - SMITH](#)

[Note for the Record: Following Mayor Cason's reading of the title to Agenda Item A-3, he requested of Police Chief Hudak to approach the podium, whereby Chief Hudak asked Officer Daniel Smith's supervisor, namely Sgt. Alex Escobar, to join him in order that he could present this item. Sgt. Escobar stated that on October 5th, 2015, Officer Smith was driving north in front of 1122 South Dixie Highway when he noticed Mr. Higgs (robbery offender) attempting to rob Mr. Schwartz (victim), reaching into the victim's pockets as he attempted to enter his vehicle. A witness attempted to intervene and separate Mr. Higgs from Mr. Schwartz, whereby Officer drove into the parking lot and exited his police vehicle; Mr. Higgs attempted to flee on foot, but was later apprehended and arrested. Attributable to his keen observation skills Officer Smith was able to apprehend a felony, such initiative for which Lt. Escobar says he was deserving of the "Officer of the Month Award" for October.

In accepting this accolade, Officer Smith stated that he was very honored to receive this award, explaining that it is not only a reflection of him as a police officer, but also a reflection of us as a department; further acknowledging the leadership of his lieutenant, as well as his ex-major who is currently the police chief; citing that the working environment is one where one would want to do his or her job; further noting that the morale of the department has increased and will continue as long as the department has the leadership that we have today].

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City Clerk Item No. 3

- A.-4. [15-4559](#) Congratulations to Firefighter Dave Drescher, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Firefighter of the Month Award," for the month of December, 2015.

Attachments: [Cover Memo, FF of Month, December](#)
[Notification Letter, December FF of Month](#)

[Note for the Record: Following Mayor Cason's reading of the title to Agenda Item A-4, Mayor Cason requested Fire Chief to approach the podium, whereby he stated that he always enjoy being present for one of his outstanding employees to be honored, and to this end, he would like to call up Firefighter/Paramedic Dave Drescher and his supervisor, Lt. Tom Zalenk; further describing Dave as a very consistent employee of 28 years, one of the characteristics that the chief sees in assessing powerful leadership in the department-and Dave's crew has been together for a long time, and that he is very confident that when go out and deal with the public and all of their interaction, that they are on the right path, and have the appropriate action and appropriate words; further pointing out that Dave has a very infectious sense of humor, and that his leadership skills go all the way down to his artistic ability; explaining that one can oftentimes find his artwork around the station on old pieces of driftwood, as well as his culinary experiences where the firefighters will definitely follow him to the kitchen.

Fire Chief Stolzenberg introduced Dave's supervisor, namely Lt. Zalenk, who stated that Chief Stolzenberg stole the words out of his mouth in describing Dave; further noting that he has been with Dave for 28 years, and that Dave is indeed a leader; adding that his badge may not show it, but he is a leader, no doubt; citing that whenever people are out doing exercise, that Dave is the first person out there; noting that he is 55 years old and probably in the best shape of any one; whereby Dave corrected the public record stating that he is only 53 (i.e. laughter).

Lt. Zalenk further explained that Dave always keeps it on the light side, telling the viewing public that together they have seen some pretty horrific things, and that Dave is always the one who brings the team back to the things that actually matter; further adding that he is very proud, honored and privileged to be standing to congratulate him on being the "Firefighter of the Month" for December, noting that he should have been the "Firefighter for the Quarter Century", or for his Career because he is truly a great man.

In accepting this accolade, Dave stated that it was a real honor to accept this award recognition, that it has been a fantastic career, and that he has enjoyed working with the City; saying that this is not an individual award, but a team award, and that one is only as good as the guys around you; further giving thanks to the guys around him, noting that it is a family; summing up by stating that he has a couple more years left, and that he will try to enjoy these years the most that he can and provide for the City

the best that he can].

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City Clerk Item No. 4

A.-5. [15-4561](#)

Congratulations to Yesenia Diaz, recipient of the "Employee of the Month Award," for the month of December, 2015.

Attachments: [Cover Memorandum - EOM December 2015](#)
[Dec EOM Letter](#)

[Note for the Record: Following Mayor Cason's reading of the title to Agenda Item A-5 into the public record, the City Manager requested of Deputy Human Resources Director Karla Green, along with Human Resources and Cultural Arts Director Dona Spain and Public Works Director Glen Kephart to present the "Employee of the Month" for December 2015, namely Yesenia Diaz.

Karla Green prefaced her remarks by stating that Yesenia Diaz began her employ with the City of Coral Gables in June of 2011; further noting that in October of 2013 she was promoted to Administrative Assistant in the Historical Resources Department; she recently joined the Public Works team as a Project Coordinator Assistant; Mrs. Green further pointed out that Yesenia serves as a role model to others through her dedication and commitment to excellence, which she says is shown through her work and positive attitude toward her co-workers and the public; Mrs. Green further explains that Yesenia represents a great addition to the City of Coral Gables team and that she wishes her lots of success and a great future.

Mrs. Spain also stated that Yesenia is a great example of a part-time employee with a tremendous skill set, who she immediately grabbed up for said part-time position, and Public Works Director Kephart stole her (i.e. laughter); Mrs. Spain said in jest warning Mr. Kephart that he needs to treat her good, otherwise she will be coming back to her department, because she is an absolutely wonderful wonderful, and that it has been a pleasure to work with her.

Public Works Director Kephart thanked Mrs. Spain for sharing talented people with other City departments; adding that he doesn't think that Yesenia will be returning to the Historical Resources and Cultural Arts Department, because the Public Works Department will treat her well; further pointing out that she has integrated into their team very quickly; further explaining that the Project Coordinator Assistant position does not describe fully what she does for his department-he further notes that Yesenia came to his department with the skill set, and he immediately recognized that she has it, and that he needed to hire her, adding that it is important to the City; further stating that everything that the department does, and the resources that the City provides to the department goes through Yesenia; further informing all that the Public Works

Department is very happy to have Yesenia, and that the Department wants to ensure that all of the financials are set up, all of the invoices get paid, the Purchase Orders are paid, which is a big task.

In accepting this recognition, Yesenia stated thanked the City Commission and the City Manager very much, saying that it is an honor to work for the City].

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 6

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- B.-1. [15-4600](#)** Regular City Commission Meeting of October 13, 2015.

Attachments: [Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item E-1 - Ordinance granting guardhouse operators](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item E-2 - Reso Mixed Use Site Plan Review - Projec](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item F-1 - Appeal - Leonarado L Cornide Applicant -](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item H-1 - Reso authorizing waiver of City permit fee:](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item H-2 - Reso amending Ordinance No. 2015-17 a:](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item H-3 - Reso to award Adult Activity Center contr](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item H-4 - Discussion on Metal Roofs.docx](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item I-1 - Discussion and status update regarding int](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be approved. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 7

- B.-2. [15-4601](#)** Special City Commission Meeting of October 22, 2015.

Attachments: [Verbatim Transcript.pdf](#)
[Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be approved. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 8

- B.-3. [15-4604](#) Regular City Commission Meeting of October 27, 2015.

Attachments: [Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item D-1 - Update on the progress of UM Womens \(](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item E-1 - Ordinance creating false claims and pres](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item E-2 - Ordinance granting subpoena power to th](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item F-1 - Appeal - Board of Architects - Maria Long](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item F-2 - Reso urging Miami-Dade Board of Count](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item F-3 - Reso encouraging residents to cease usi](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item G-1 - Reso amending R-2011-147 of the Arts /](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item H-1 - Reso authorizing RFP to consolidate rec](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item H-2 - Reso setting policy for the accelerated p](#)
[Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be approved. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 9

- B.-4. [15-4602](#) North Ponce Workshop of October 27, 2015.

Attachments: [Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)
[Verbatim Transcript - Agenda Item K-1 - Discussion on the North Ponce Communi](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be approved. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 10

- B.-5. [15-4603](#) Second Budget Hearing of October 27, 2015.

Attachments: [Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be approved. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 11

C. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed within this section entitled "Consent Agenda" are considered to be self-explanatory and are not expected to require additional review or discussion, unless a member of the City Commission or a citizen so requests, in which case, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered along with the regular order of business. Hearing no objections to the items listed under the "Consent Agenda", a vote on the adoption of the Consent Agenda will be taken.

Passed the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-289**C.-1. [15-4471](#)**

A Resolution authorizing entering into a renewal lease with Junkanoo Crew, Inc., d/b/a Ortanique on the Mile, with regard to City owned property at 278 Miracle Mile, Coral Gables, Florida for a period of ten (10) years.

Attachments: [Ortanique Landlord Revised 11_23](#)
[Resolution - 12.8.15 \(Ortanique\)](#)
[Commission cover - 12.8.15 \(Ortanique\)](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-289](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ENTERING INTO A RENEWAL LEASE WITH JUNKANOO CREW, INC., D/B/A ORTANIQUE ON THE MILE, WITH REGARD TO CITY OWNED PROPERTY AT 278 MIRACLE MILE, CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA FOR A PERIOD OF TEN (10) YEARS.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-289 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 12

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-290

- C.-2. [15-4560](#) A Resolution authorizing the waiver of the cost of Parking Meter Rentals in the amount of \$1,833, for the 65th Annual "Beaux Arts Festival of Art," from January 15th through January 17th, 2016.

Attachments: [Beaux 2016 Festival Request](#)
[RESOLUTION Beaux Arts 2015](#)
[RESOLUTION Beaux Arts 2015](#)
[Cover - Beaux Arts 2015](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-290](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF THE COST OF PARKING METER RENTALS FOR THE 65TH ANNUAL BEAUX ARTS FESTIVAL OF ART FROM JANUARY 15TH THROUGH JANUARY 17TH, 2016 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,833.00.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-290 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 13

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-291

- C.-3. [15-4547](#) A Resolution to extend the permitted daytime capacity for an event at the University of Miami Convocation Center (aka Bank United Center) for January 29, 2016, for the inauguration of University President Frenk.

Attachments: [12 08 15 Exhibit A - Special Event Resolution](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit B - UM Special Event Request dated 10 29 15](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit C - Ordinance No. 2964](#)
[12 08 15 CC Cover Memo re UM Special Event Comm. Report](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-291](#)

A RESOLUTION TO EXTEND THE PERMITTED DAYTIME CAPACITY FOR AN EVENT AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI CONVOCATION CENTER (AKA BANK UNITED CENTER) FOR JANUARY 29, 2016; FOR THE INAUGURATION OF JULIO FRENK, UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-291 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 14

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-292**C.-4. [15-4550](#)**

A Resolution authorizing the Rotary Club of Coral Gables to sell alcoholic beverages at Fred B. Hartnett Ponce Circle Park on Sunday, February 21, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., during the Rotary Club of Coral Gables First Annual Chili-Cookoff event to benefit the Rotary Club of Coral Gables, subject to Florida Department of Professional Regulation Requirements.

Attachments: [First annual rotary club of coralgables chili cookoff 2016 Application](#)
[Rotary Club of Coral Gables chili cookoff 2016 signed cover page](#)
[Signed Cover Memo - first annual rotary club of coralgables chili cookoff 2016](#)
[first annual rotary club of coralgables chili cookoff 2016](#)
[Rotary Club of Coral Gables chili cookoff 2016](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-292](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ROTARY CLUB OF CORAL GABLES TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT FRED B. HARTNETT PONCE CIRCLE PARK ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2016, FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M., DURING THE ROTARY CLUB OF CORAL GABLES FIRST ANNUAL "CHILI COOK-OFF" EVENT TO BENEFIT THE ROTARY CLUB OF CORAL GABLES, SUBJECT TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION REQUIREMENTS.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-292 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 15

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-293**C.-5. [15-4543](#)**

A Resolution authorizing the Kiwanis Club of Little Havana to sell alcoholic beverages at Fred B. Harnett Ponce Circle Park from 7:00 p.m. to midnight on Friday, March 4, 2016, and from 10:00 a.m. to midnight on Saturday, March 5, 2016 and from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 6, 2016 on Miracle Mile, from Douglas to Lejeune as part of the Carnival on the Mile, subject to Florida Department of Professional Regulation Requirements.

Attachments: [Carnaval On the Mile 2016 Event app](#)
[Carnaval on the Mile Draft Resolution 2016](#)
[Carnaval on the Mile signed cover page 2016](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-293](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE KIWANIS CLUB OF LITTLE HAVANA TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT FRED B. HARTNETT PONCE CIRCLE PARK, FROM 7:00 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT ON FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 2016, AND FROM 10:00 A.M. TO MIDNIGHT ON SATURDAY, MARCH 5, 2016, AND FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 10:00 P.M. ON SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 2016 ON MIRACLE MILE, FROM DOUGLAS TO LEJEUNE, AS PART OF THE CARNAVAL ON THE MILE, SUBJECT TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION REQUIREMENTS.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-293 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 16

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-294

- C.-6. [15-4544](#) A Resolution granting permission to the St. Patrick's Day Committee, Inc. to sell alcoholic beverages from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 12, 2016, at Fred B. Hartnett Ponce Circle Park, as part of the St. Patrick's Day Festival, subject to Florida Department of Professional Regulation Requirements.

Attachments: [Resolution St. Patrick's Day Festival 2016](#)
[St. Patricks Day Event Application 2016](#)
[St. Patricks Day Signed Cover 2016](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-294](#)

A RESOLUTION GRANTING PERMISSION TO THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY COMMITTEE, INC. TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, FROM 12:00 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M. ON SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 2016, AT FRED B. HARTNETT PONCE CIRCLE PARK ,AS PART OF THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVAL, SUBJECT TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION REQUIREMENTS.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-294 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 17

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-295

- C.-7. [15-4566](#) A Resolution approving the annual review required by the City of Coral Gables and University of Miami Agreement and Section 163.3235 of the Florida Statutes, for the period from September 28, 2014 to September 27, 2015.

Attachments: [12 08 15 Exhibit B - UM Devt. Agreement Annual Report 2014-2015](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit C - UM Devt. Agreement Annual Review Report](#)
[12 08 15 CC Cover Memo re UM Devt. Agreement Annual Reivew](#)
[120815 Exhibit A UM Devt. Agreement Annual Review Resolution.pdf](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-295](#)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ANNUAL REVIEW REQUIRED BY THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES AND UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI AGREEMENT AND SECTION 163.3235 OF THE FLORIDA STATUES, FOR THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 28, 2014, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 27, 2015.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-295 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 18

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-296

- C.-8. [15-4494](#) A Resolution authorizing expenditures in the amount of \$18,500 from Federal Forfeited Asset Fund (F.A.F.) monies for law enforcement training; the purchase of tuition for two Coral Gables Police Department senior managers, to attend the Police Executive Research Forum's Senior Management Institute for Police.

Attachments: [Resolution-\\$18,500-SMIP Training 2015](#)
[Item Title Cover Memo-\\$18,500-SMIP Training 2015](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-296](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,500, FROM FEDERAL FORFEITED ASSET FUND (F.A.F.) MONIES FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING; THE PURCHASE OF TUITION FOR TWO CORAL GABLES POLICE DEPARTMENT SENIOR MANAGERS, TO ATTEND THE POLICE EXECUTIVE RESEARCH FORUM'S SENIOR MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE FOR POLICE.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-296 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 19

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-297

- C.-9. [15-4565](#) A Resolution appointing Fernando Alvarez Perez (Nominated by Commissioner Lago) to serve as a member of the Cultural Development Board, for the remainder of a two (2) year term, which began on June 1, 2015 and continues through May 31, 2017.

Attachments: [Fernando Alvarez Perez - Resume](#)
[R-2015 Draft- Fernando Alvarez Perez - Cultural Development Board](#)
[R-2015-Cover Memo- Fernando Alvarez Perez - Cultural Development Board](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-297](#)

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING FERNANDO ALVAREZ PEREZ (NOMINATED BY COMMISSIONER LAGO) TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD, FOR THE REMAINDER OF A TWO (2) YEAR TERM, WHICH BEGAN ON JUNE 1, 2015 AND CONTINUES THROUGH MAY 31, 2017.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-297 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 20

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-298

- C.-10. [15-4564](#) A Resolution confirming the appointment of Amanda Hernandez (Board-As-A-Whole-Appointment) to serve as a member of the Parks and Recreation Youth Advisory Board, for the remainder of a two (2) year term, which began on June 1, 2015 and continues through May 31, 2017.

Attachments: [Parks Advisory Board Minutes 10-16-2015](#)
[Signed Cover Memo - Agenda Item C-10.pdf](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-298](#)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF AMANDA HERNANDEZ (BOARD-AS-A-WHOLE-APPOINTMENT) TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD FOR THE REMAINDER OF A TWO (2) YEAR TERM, WHICH BEGAN ON JUNE 1, 2015 AND CONTINUES THROUGH MAY 31, 2017.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-298 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 21

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-299

- C.-11. [15-4546](#) A Resolution appointing Dennis Daley (Nominated by Commissioner Keon) to serve as a member of the Anti-Crime Committee, for the remainder of a two (2) year term, which began on June 1, 2015 and continues through May 31, 2017.

Attachments: [Signed Cover Memo - Agenda Item C-11.pdf](#)
[R-2015 Draft- Dennis Daley - Anti Crime Committee.docx](#)
[Dennis Daley - Bio](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-299](#)

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING DENNIS DALEY (NOMINATED BY COMMISSIONER KEON) TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE ANTI-CRIME COMMITTEE, FOR THE REMAINDER OF A TWO (2) YEAR TERM, WHICH BEGAN ON JUNE 1, 2015 AND CONTINUES THROUGH MAY 31, 2017.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-299 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 22

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-300

- C.-12. [15-4576](#) A Resolution confirming the re-election of Joshua Nunez who ran unopposed, as a member of the City of Coral Gables Retirement Board (Participating Police Officer Representative seat), and re-election of Randy Hoff (At-Large Participating Employee Representative seat) for a term which begins on January 1, 2016 and continues through December 31, 2017.

Attachments: [Signed Cover Memo - Agenda Item C-12.pdf](#)
[R-2015-00 - Retirement Board Election Result.doc](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-300](#)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE RE-ELECTION OF JOSHUA NUNEZ WHO RAN UNOPPOSED, AS A MEMBER OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES RETIREMENT BOARD (PARTICIPATING POLICE OFFICER REPRESENTATIVE SEAT), AND RE-ELECTION OF RANDY HOFF (AT-LARGE PARTICIPATING EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVE SEAT) FOR A TERM WHICH BEGINS ON JANUARY 1, 2016 AND CONTINUES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2017.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-300 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 23

1. Presentation of Boards and/or Committees draft/final minutes requesting no action from the City Commission:

- 1.-1. [15-4570](#) Board of Adjustment meeting minutes of November 9, 2015.

Attachments: [12 08 15 CC Cover Minutes - Board of Adj. re 11 09 2015](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit A - Copy of Notice of Public Hearing](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit B - Verbatim Transcript of Bd of Adj dated 11 09 15](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 24

- 1.-2. [15-4595](#) Budget/Audit Advisory Board meeting minutes of October 29, 2015.

Attachments: [Budget Audit Advisory Board Minutes of October 29, 2015](#)
[Agenda - Budget Audit Board meeting of October 29, 2015](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 25

- 1.-3. [15-4558](#) Code Enforcement Board meeting minutes of November 18, 2015.

Attachments: [CEB Hearing Minutes - 11-18-15 - Draft](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 26

- 1.-4. [15-4568](#) Coral Gables Advisory Board on Disability Affairs meeting minutes of October 7, 2015.

Attachments: [DAB 10-7-15 COVER](#)
[DAB 10-7-15 MINUTES](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 27

- 1.-5. [15-4552](#) Coral Gables Merrick House Governing Board meeting minutes of October 19, 2015.

Attachments: [10.19.15MinutesforCC12.08.15](#)
[Merrick House Minutes October 19 2015](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 28

- 1.-6. [15-4541](#) Cultural Development Board meeting minutes of October 28, 2015.

Attachments: [10.28.15MinutesforCC12.08.15](#)
[CDB Minutes October 28 2015 \(Draft\)](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 29

- 1.-7. [15-4551](#) Historic Preservation Board meeting minutes of October 15, 2015.

Attachments: [HPB.10.15.15MinutesforCC12.08.15](#)
[HPB Minutes - October 15 2015](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 30

- 1.-8. [15-4562](#) Joint Economic Development Board and Property Advisory Board meeting minutes of November 4, 2015.

Attachments: [EDB 12.8.15 Commission Cover](#)
[EDB PAB Minutes 11-4-15](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 31

- 1.-9. [15-4512](#) Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting minutes of October 16, 2015.

Attachments: [Cover Page Parks Advisory board October 16th 2015](#)
[Parks Advisory Board Minutes 10-16-2015](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 32

- 1.-10. [15-4557](#) Parks and Recreation Youth Advisory Board meeting minutes of October 29, 2015.

Attachments: [MeetingMinutes17-Nov-2015-10-37-02 Youth Advisory Board Youth Advisory Board Cover page October 29th 2015](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 33

- 1.-11. [15-4513](#) Senior Services Advisory Board meeting minutes of October 5, 2015.

Attachments: [Senior Advisory Board Minutes October 5th 2015](#)
[Senior Advisory Board Cover page October 5th 2015](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 34

- 1.-12. [15-4569](#) Sustainability Advisory Board meeting minutes of October 28, 2015.

Attachments: [SAB 10-28-15 meeting COVER](#)
[10-28-15 SAB MINUTES](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 35

- 1.-13. [15-4572](#) Sustainability Advisory Board Special meeting minutes of November 4, 2015.

Attachments: [SAB 11-4-15 Special Meeting COVER](#)
[11-4-15 SAB Special Meeting MINUTES](#)
[Sustainability Advisory Board Proposed Resolution - DRAFT](#)
[CG Metal roof recommendation memo 2015](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 36

- 1.-14. [15-4597](#) Transportation Advisory Board meeting minutes of September 15, 2015.

Attachments: [TAB minutes 9-15-2015](#)
[TAB minutes 9-15-2015 COVER](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 37

- 1.-15. [15-4598](#) Transportation Advisory Board meeting minutes of October 20, 2015.

Attachments: [TAB minutes 10-20-2015 COVER](#)
[TAB minutes 10-20-2015](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 38

- 1.-16. [15-4599](#) Transportation Advisory Board meeting minutes of November 17, 2015.

Attachments: [TAB minutes 11-17-2015](#)
[TAB minutes 11-17-2015 COVER](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 39

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-301

**Non 16-4680
Agenda**

A Resolution confirming the appointment of Bruce Brown (By Mayor Cason) to serve as a member of the Pinewood Cemetery Board for the remainder of a two (2) year term, which began on June 1, 2015 and continues through May 31, 2017.

Attachments: [Signed Resolution 2015-301](#)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF BRUCE BROWN (BY MAYOR CASON) TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE PINWOOD CEMETERY BOARD FOR THE REMAINDER OF A TWO (2) YEAR TERM, WHICH BEGAN ON JUNE 1, 2015 AND CONTINUES THROUGH MAY 31, 2017.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-301. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 40

D. PERSONAL APPEARANCES**Time certain 9:30 a.m.**

- D.-1. [15-4472](#) Emilio Gonzalez, Director and CEO of the Miami-Dade Aviation Department, to brief the Commission on the state of Miami International Airport (MIA), followed by a proclamation in appreciation of the Miami-Dade Aviation Department's successful efforts to attract new carriers with new routes to MIA, resulting in record passenger growth.

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 5

- D.-2. [15-4577](#) Charles Knight, F.P.L. Area Manager/External Affairs, regarding vacant F.P.L. Power site and other topics.

This Agenda Item was Deferred

City Clerk Item No. 41

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS**ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING****AGENDA ITEMS E-1 AND E-2 ARE RELATED**

Time certain 11:30 a.m.

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-33

- E-1. [15-4475](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida, providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code by amending Article 4, Division 4 "Prohibited Uses", by amending Article 5, Division 19 "Signs", and by amending Article 8 "Definitions"; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

Attachments: [11 10 15 CC Cover Memo - Sign Code 1st R](#)
[11 10 15 Exhibit A - Draft ZC Text Change Ordinance](#)
[11 10 15 Exhibit B - Draft City Code Text Change Ordinance](#)
[11 10 15 Exhibit C - 10 14 15 Staff Report and recommendation with attachments](#)
[11 10 15 Exhibit D - 10 14 15 Excerpts of PZB Minutes re Signs](#)
[Exhibit E - Clean Ord.](#)
[Exhibit F - Clean Ord.](#)
[E-4 E-5](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit A - Signs ZC Text Change Ordinance](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit B - Signs City Code Text Change Ordinance](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit C - Signs ZC Text Change Second Reading Ord. Clean Version](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit D - Signs City Code Text Change Second Reading Ord. Clean V](#)
[12 08 15 CC Cover Memo re Sign Code 2nd Reading](#)
[Signed Ordinance 2015-33.pdf](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES OFFICIAL ZONING CODE BY AMENDING ARTICLE 4, DIVISION 4 "PROHIBITED USES", BY AMENDING ARTICLE 5, DIVISION 19 "SIGNS", AND BY AMENDING ARTICLE 8 "DEFINITIONS"; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER PROVISION, SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, CODIFICATION, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Items E-1 and E-2 are available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Vice Mayor Quesada, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2015-33. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 46

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-34**E.-2. [15-4476](#)**

An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida, providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Code by amending:

- Chapter 14, Article III, Section 14-70 “Advertising Sign Requirements”;
 - Chapter 62, Article I, Section 62-1 “Sidewalk Advertising; Using Streets Or Sidewalks For Advertising Purposes”;
 - Chapter 62, Article VI, Section 62-185 “Application, Contents”;
 - Chapter 62, Article VI, Section 62-186 “Application Permit Required For Work Or Commercial Activities That Obstruct Or Close A Public Right-Of-Way Or Impede Traffic; Permit For Assemblies; Permit For Parades; Prohibitions”; and
 - Chapter 105, Article II, Section 105-27 “Condition Of Commercial Property”;
- providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

Attachments: [11 10 15 Exhibit A - Draft ZC Text Change Ordinance](#)
[11 10 15 Exhibit B - Draft City Code Text Change Ordinance](#)
[11 10 15 Exhibit C - 10 14 15 Staff Report and recommendation with attachments](#)
[11 10 15 Exhibit D - 10 14 15 Excerpts of PZB Minutes re Signs](#)
[11 10 15 CC Cover Memo re Sign Code 1st R](#)
[Exhibit E - Clean Ord.](#)
[Exhibit F - Clean Ord.](#)
[E-4_E-5](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit A - Signs ZC Text Change Ordinance](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit B - Signs City Code Text Change Ordinance](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit C - Signs ZC Text Change Second Reading Ord. Clean Version](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit D - Signs City Code Text Change Second Reading Ord. Clean V](#)
[12 08 15 CC Cover Memo Sign Code 2nd Reading](#)
[Signed Ordinance 2015-34.pdf](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES CODE BY AMENDING:

- CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE III, SECTION 14-70 “ADVERTISING SIGN REQUIREMENTS”;
 - CHAPTER 62, ARTICLE I, SECTION 62-1 “SIDEWALK ADVERTISING; USING STREETS OR SIDEWALKS FOR ADVERTISING PURPOSES”;
 - CHAPTER 62, ARTICLE VI, SECTION 62-185 “APPLICATION, CONTENTS”;
 - CHAPTER 62, ARTICLE VI, SECTION 62-186 “APPLICATION PERMIT REQUIRED FOR WORK OR COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES THAT OBSTRUCT OR CLOSE A PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY OR IMPEDE TRAFFIC; PERMIT FOR ASSEMBLIES; PERMIT FOR PARADES; PROHIBITIONS”; AND
 - CHAPTER 105, ARTICLE II, SECTION 105-27 “CONDITION OF COMMERCIAL PROPERTY”;
- PROVIDING FOR REPEALER PROVISION, SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, CODIFICATION, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Items E-1 and E-2 are

available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2015-34. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 47

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-305

E.-3. 15-4474

An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code: Article 2, "Decision Making and Administrative Bodies", Division 3. "Board of Architects", Section 2-301, "Powers and Duties"; Section 2-302, "Membership, Terms; Vacancies; Removal"; and Section 2-303, "Meetings; Quorum; Required Vote"; Article 3 "Development Review", Section 3-303, "Reconsideration of City Architect Administrative Determination" and Section 3-606, "Procedures for Appeals" by updating the membership and certain procedures of the Board of Architects and requiring a conflict resolution meeting prior to a quasi-judicial hearing before the entire Board of Architects; providing for repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

Board of Architects Rules of Procedure. Updated Rules of Procedure that govern the Board of Architects.

Attachments: [Exhibit B - 10 14 15 PZB Staff Report with attachments - ZC Text Amendment - B](#),
[Exhibit C - Excerpts of 10.14.15 Planning and Zoning Board meeting minutes](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit A Draft BOA Ordinance](#)
[12 08 15 CC Cover Memo Board of Architects ZC Text Amendment 1st reading](#)
[Exhibit D - Board of Architects rules of procedure 10 2015.pdf](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-305](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION TO DEFER AGENDA ITEM E-3 [SUBJECT MATTER: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA PROVIDING FOR TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES OFFICIAL ZONING CODE: ARTICLE 2, "DECISION MAKING AND ADMINISTRATIVE BODIES", DIVISION 3. "BOARD OF ARCHITECTS", SECTION 2-301, "POWERS AND DUTIES"; SECTION 2-302, "MEMBERSHIP, TERMS; VACANCIES; REMOVAL"; AND SECTION 2-303, "MEETINGS; QUORUM; REQUIRED VOTE"; ARTICLE 3 "DEVELOPMENT REVIEW", SECTION 3-303, "RECONSIDERATION OF CITY ARCHITECT ADMINISTRATIVE DETERMINATION"; AND SECTION 3-606, "PROCEDURES FOR APPEALS" BY UPDATING THE MEMBERSHIP AND CERTAIN PROCEDURES OF THE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS AND REQUIRING APPEALS OF THE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS' DECISION TO THE CITY COMMISSION BE A DE NOVO, QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING] TO THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING OF JANUARY 12, 2016.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be deferred by Resolution Number 2015-305. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 49

E.-4. [15-4582](#)

An Ordinance of the City Commissioner of Coral Gables, Florida, amending the City of Coral Gables Code by creating Section 2-801, "Prohibition on use of Polystyrene" in Article VIII Procurement Code, and amending the City Code by creating Section 62-230 "Prohibition on use of Polystyrene" in Article VIII Special Events, and amending the City Code by creating Article VIII "Sale, Use of Distribution of Polystyrene by Businesses within the City" in Chapter 34 Nuisance, of the City Code; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

(Sponsored by Commissioner Lago)

Attachments: [Signed Cover Memo - First Reading.pdf](#)
[Draft Ordinance.pdf](#)
[Signed Cover Memo - Second Reading.pdf](#)
[Draft Ordinance - Second Reading](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-4 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading as Amended. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 50

ORDINANCE NO. 2016-01

- E.-5. [15-4590](#) An Ordinance amending Chapter 50 of the “Code of the City of Coral Gables,” entitled “Pensions,” amending section 50-239(A), Limitation on Payment of Retirement Income, and providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

Attachments: [Signed Cover Memo - First Reading](#)
[Draft Ordinance](#)
[E-1 Signed Cover Memo Pensions - Second Reading](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-5 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 51

EMERGENCY ORDINANCE**ORDINANCE NO. 2015-35**

- E.-6. [15-4605](#) An Emergency Ordinance of the City of Coral Gables amending Chapter 50 of the “Code of the City of Coral Gables,” entitled “Pensions,” amending Section 50-26, compulsory participation and providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

Attachments: [Draft Ordinance.pdf](#)
[Signed Cover Memo.pdf](#)
[Signed Ordinance 2015-35.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, that this matter be approved as an Ordinance on First Reading. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Mayor Cason

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-35

Attachments: [Draft Ordinance.pdf](#)
[Signed Cover Memo.pdf](#)
[Signed Ordinance 2015-35.pdf](#)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES AMENDING CHAPTER 50 OF THE “CODE OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES,” ENTITLED “PENSIONS,” AMENDING SECTION 50-26, COMPULSORY PARTICIPATION AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-6 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2015-35. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 52

F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

- F.-1. [15-4596](#) Presentation of survey results from the October 7, 2015 brainstorming session at the Biltmore Hotel.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Slesnick)

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 69

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-302**F.-2. [15-4563](#)**

Board of Architects Appeal - APPLICATION NO.: AB-15-08-5009: In connection with the subject property located at 625 Almeria Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida 33146, legally described as Coral Gables Biltmore Sec. PB 20-28, Lots 29 and 30 of BLK 13 OR 19565-2906 03/2001 1

Dr. Richard J. Polo, applicant, has filed an appeal to the Coral Gables City Commission from a decision of the Board of Architects at a regularly scheduled meeting on September 24, 2015, wherein the Board of Architects approved the architectural design for a group of four (4) townhouses at 625 Almeria Avenue.

Attachments: [Exhibit A - Application for Appeal of BOA - 625 Almeria](#)
[Exhibit B - City Architect Rendition Letter](#)
[Exhibit D - 625 Almeria Architectural Statement](#)
[Exhibit E - Appeal Public Notice - 625 Almeria Avenue December 8 2015](#)
[Exhibit C - 625 Almeria Architectural Plans](#)
[12 08 15 CC Cover Memo re 625 Almeria Avenue BOA Appeal](#)
[Agenda Item F-2 - Board of Architects Rules of Procedure](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-302](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CORAL GABLES CITY COMMISSION REMANDING A DECISION ON AN APPEAL (APPLICATION NO. AB-15-08-5009 - 625 ALMERIA AVENUE, CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA 33146, LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS CORAL GABLES BILTMORE SEC. PB 20-28, LOTS 29 AND 30 OF BLK 13 OR 19565-2906 03/2001 1), FILED BY DR. RICHARD J. POLO, THE APPLICANT, AND CONTINUED TO A TIME CERTAIN AT THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING OF JANUARY 26, 2016.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, that this be remanded to the Board of Architects, this matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2015-302. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 42

Time certain 10:30 a.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-303

F.-3. [15-4573](#)

A Resolution of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida urging Miami-Dade County, through the Miami-Dade County Mayor and Board of County Commissioners, to resolve the dispute with the Lola B. Walker Homeowners Association regarding the Bahamian Village Project, and granting the City Attorney and City Manager full authority to take action and facilitate the resolution of the matter.

(Sponsored by Commissioner Keon and Commissioner Lago)

Attachments: [Signed Cover Memo](#)
[RESOLUTION- Bahamian Village Litigation \[Final - Updated\].pdf](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-303](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA URGING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, THROUGH THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MAYOR AND BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, TO RESOLVE THE DISPUTE WITH THE LOLA B. WALKER HOMEOWNERS FOUNDATION REGARDING THE BAHAMIAN VILLAGE PROJECT, AND GRANTING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY FULL AUTHORITY TO TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION TO FACILITATE RESOLUTION OF THE MATTER, INCLUDING DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO SEEK TO APPEAR IN THE LITIGATION AS AMICUS CURIAE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-303. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 43

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-304

F.-4. [15-4548](#)

A Resolution amending Ordinance 2015-17, as amended, waiving all city permit fees for solar panels, and providing for an effective date.

(Sponsored by Commissioner Lago)

Attachments: [Solar Panel Fee Change Resolution.docx](#)
[12 08 15 Solar Panel Permit Fee Waiver Commission Report.docx](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-304](#)

A RESOLUTION AMENDING ORDINANCE 2015-17, AS AMENDED, WAIVING ALL CITY PERMIT FEES FOR SOLAR PANELS, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-4 is available for

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-314**G.-2. [15-4554](#)**

A Resolution approving a recommendation from the Historic Preservation Board to remove the local historic designation of the vacant property at 2900 Ponce de Leon Boulevard (former site of Granada Shop and Charade Restaurant).

Attachments: [HPB Minutes - October 15 2015 Excerpts 2900 Ponce 2900 Ponce de Leon Removal of Designation Reso Draft \(2\) Report 2900 Ponce LHD Removal Res 24133 CoverMemo2900PonceDeLeonRemovalOfDesignation120815 Signed Resolution 2015-314](#)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD TO REMOVE THE LOCAL HISTORIC DESIGNATION OF THE VACANT PROPERTY AT 2900 PONCE DE LEON BOULEVARD.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Vice Mayor Quesada, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-314. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 4 - Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

Absent : 1 - Commissioner Slesnick

City Clerk Item No. 63

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-315**G.-3. [15-4555](#)**

A Resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Cultural Grants.

Attachments: [CDB Minutes November 13 2015 EXCERPT \(Draft\) R-Draft Cultural Grant Funding 2015-16 w Exhibit A CC.Cultural Grant Funding 2015-16](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item G-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Vice Mayor Quesada, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-315. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 65

H. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-307

H.-1. [15-4556](#)

A Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer for the purchase and installation of Closed Circuit TV (CCTV), Automatic License Plate Recognition (ALPR) equipment, and software and maintenance services from Safeware, Inc., under their contract with the U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance, pursuant to Section 2-980, Cooperative Purchasing, of the Procurement Code; further authorizing the execution of a separate mandatory licensing and confidentiality agreement for the utilization of the Learn server data with subcontractor Vigilant Solutions, Inc., for the Automated License Plate Reader camera system for the combined contract amount of \$1,314,187.22; authorizing miscellaneous project soft costs not to exceed \$35,812.78; and authorizing an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Annual Budget to recognize as revenue a \$350,000 transfer from Capital Improvement fund balance, and to appropriate such funds to increase the project budget from \$1,000,000 to \$1,350,000.

Attachments: [Resolution - Geofence 12-8-15 with Budget Changes](#)
[Resolution - Geofence 12-8-15 with Budget Changes](#)
[Safeware Proposal](#)
[US Communities \(County of Fairfax, VA\) Contract](#)
[Director Memo on CCTV Project 113015.pdf](#)
[Cover Letter - Geofence 12-8-15 with Budget Changes](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-307](#)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF CLOSED CIRCUIT TV (CCTV) AND AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION (ALPR) EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES FROM SAFEWARE, INC., UNDER THEIR CONTRACT WITH THE U.S. COMMUNITIES GOVERNMENT PURCHASING ALLIANCE, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-980, COOPERATIVE PURCHASING, OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE; FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SEPARATE MANDATORY LICENSING AND CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT FOR THE UTILIZATION OF THE LEARN SERVER DATA WITH SUBCONTRACTOR VIGILANT SOLUTIONS, INC., FOR THE AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE READER CAMERA SYSTEM FOR THE COMBINED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF \$1,314,187.22; AUTHORIZING MISCELLANEOUS PROJECT SOFT COSTS NOT TO EXCEED \$35,812.78; AND AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 ANNUAL BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE AS REVENUE A \$350,000 TRANSFER FROM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND BALANCE, AND TO APPROPRIATE SUCH FUNDS TO INCREASE THE PROJECT BUDGET FROM \$1,000,000 TO \$1,350,000.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-307. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 54

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-308

H.-2. 15-4535

A Resolution accepting Staff's findings with regards to the renovation, replacement, or relocation of the "Public Safety Building" at 2801 Salzedo Street and authorizing the City Manager to pursue the best solution and return to the City Commission with an implementation plan for consideration at a future date.

Attachments: [PSB - Assessment - Draft - StantecFGSS - Executive Summary - 11-12-2014](#)
[Resolution - 12.8.15 \(Public Safety Building\)](#)
[Memo \(Public Safety 12-8-15\) Commission Update](#)
[Committee Status Presentation by AECOM](#)
[Commission Cover 12.8.15 \(Public Safety Building\)](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-308](#)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING STAFF'S FINDINGS WITH REGARDS TO THE RENOVATION, REPLACEMENT, OR RELOCATION OF THE "PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING" AT 2801 SALZEDO STREET AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO PURSUE THE BEST SOLUTION AND RETURN TO THE CITY COMMISSION WITH AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR CONSIDERATION AT A FUTURE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-308. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 55

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-311H.-3. [15-4542](#)

A Resolution redesignating Giralda Avenue between Ponce de Leon Boulevard and Galiano Street from road Right-of-Way to City of Coral Gables property; renaming this area Giralda Plaza; directing the City Manager and City staff to modify all maps of the City to reflect this change in designation, apply to Miami-Dade County Property Appraiser for a separate folio number for such parcel, and to record this resolution in the public records of Miami-Dade County. Giralda Avenue, between Ponce de Leon Boulevard and Galiano Street has been the successful host of “Giralda Under the Stars”, a bustling al fresco dining and live entertainment destination, since 2009.

Attachments: [Giralda Plaza-RESOL](#)
[Legal Description](#)
[Giralda Plaza COVER](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-311](#)

A RESOLUTION REDESIGNATING GIRALDA AVENUE BETWEEN PONCE DE LEON BOULEVARD AND GALIANO STREET FROM ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY TO CITY OF CORAL GABLES PROPERTY; RENAMING THIS AREA GIRALDA PLAZA; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY STAFF TO MODIFY ALL MAPS OF THE CITY TO REFLECT THIS CHANGE IN DESIGNATION, APPLY TO THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER FOR A SEPARATE FOLIO NUMBER FOR SUCH PARCEL, AND TO RECORD THIS RESOLUTION IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-311. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 4 - Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Quesada and Mayor Cason

Absent : 1 - Commissioner Lago

City Clerk Item No. 60

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-310H.-4. [15-4588](#)

A Resolution of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida issuing a Zoning in Progress, in accordance with Article 3, “Development Review,” Division 7, “Moratorium,” Section 3-703, “Zoning in Progress Request” and 3-704, “City Commission Zoning in Progress Resolution Review and Decision” for the consideration of Zoning Code text amendments to protect and enhance the character of the 100 block of Giralda Avenue, known as “Restaurant Row,” on the property legally described as Section L, Block 29, Lots 21 - 37; Block 33, Lots 3 - 24, Coral Gables, Florida; providing for an effective date.

Attachments: [12 08 15 Exhibit A - Resolution re Giralda Avenue Zoning in Progress](#)
[12 08 15 Exhibit B - Giralda Avenue Restaurant Row Preliminary Draft Overlay Di](#)
[12 08 15 CC Cover Memo re Giralda Avenue Zoning in Progress updated](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-310](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA ISSUING A ZONING IN PROGRESS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 3, “DEVELOPMENT REVIEW”, DIVISION 7, “MORATORIUM”, SECTION 3-703,

“ZONING IN PROGRESS REQUEST” AND 3-704, “CITY COMMISSION ZONING IN PROGRESS RESOLUTION REVIEW AND DECISION” FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF ZONING CODE TEXT AMENDMENTS TO PROTECT AND ENHANCE THE CHARACTER OF THE 100 BLOCK OF GIRALDA, KNOWN AS “RESTAURANT ROW,” ON THE PROPERTY LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS SECTION L, BLOCK 29, LOTS 21 - 37; BLOCK 33, LOTS 3 - 24, CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-310. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 4 - Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

Absent : 1 - Commissioner Lago

City Clerk Item No. 59

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-312

H.-5. [15-4567](#)

A Resolution granting Gables Estates Club Inc. permission to modify the Casuarina entrance to Gables Estates, consisting of the construction of an additional entry lane on the south side of Casuarina Concourse, subject to the requirements of the Public Works Department.

Attachments: [casuarina easement - RESOL](#)
[letter of request from Guilaine Lamar Sosa](#)
[Casuarina entry lane addition plan](#)
[copy of easementf granted to Gables Estates](#)
[Assignment of Easement](#)
[Casuarina additional lane COVER](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-312](#)

A RESOLUTION GRANTING GABLES ESTATES CLUB INC. PERMISSION TO MODIFY THE CASUARINA ENTRANCE TO GABLES ESTATES, CONSISTING OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITIONAL ENTRY LANE ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF CASUARINA CONCOURSE SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Slesnick, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-312. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 4 - Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick and Mayor Cason

Absent : 1 - Commissioner Lago

City Clerk Item No. 61

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-309**H.-6. [15-4549](#)**

A Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to approve a contract with Atkins North America, Inc., to develop a Comprehensive Multi-Modal Transportation Plan pursuant to Florida Statute 287.055, known as the "Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act," and Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 2015.07.14.

Attachments: [Draft Reso](#)
[Draft Reso](#)
[Multi Modal Transportation Plan PSA Draft - Final](#)
[Signed Cover Memo](#)
[Signed Resolution 2015-309](#)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH ATKINS NORTH AMERICA, INC., TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE 287.055, KNOWN AS THE "CONSULTANTS COMPETITIVE NEGOTIATION ACT" AND REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) 2015.07.14.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Vice Mayor Quesada, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-309. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 58

RESOLUTION NO. 2015-313

- H.-7. [15-4483](#) A presentation of LED Streetlight Conversion Methodology that will provide the City with an energy efficient lighting solution, consistent with its sustainability goals.

Attachments: [2015 LED Street Lighting Conversion Presentation](#)
[LED Methodology COVER](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2015-313. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Lago, Vice Mayor Quesada, Commissioner Slesnick, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 62

- H.-8. [15-4587](#) Discussion regarding Board of Architects' Best Practices Manual.

Attachments: [12 08 15 Board of Architects Best Practices Manual.docx](#)
[01 12 16 Exhibit A - Board of Architects Best Practices draft 01.05.16_reduced](#)
[01 12 16 Exhibit B - BOA Best Practices ppt](#)
[01 12 16 - Board of Architects Best Practices Manual.docx](#)
[H-4 - Best Practices - Architecture - Urgan Design Presentation](#)

This Agenda Item was Deferred

City Clerk Item No. 67

- H.-9. [15-4589](#) City of Coral Gables Impact / Service Fee status update.

Attachments: [12 08 15 Impact Fee Status Exhibit A Impact Fee Ord.](#)
[12 08 15 Impact Fee Status Exhibit B Art in Public Places Ord.](#)
[12 08 15 CC Cover Memo re Impact Fee Status](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-9 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 68

I. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS**Time certain 11:00 a.m.**

- I.-1. [15-4583](#) Status report regarding 5626 Granada Boulevard and discussion with court-appointed receiver for the property.

Attachments: [receiver's report - nov 2015.pdf](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item I-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 44

- I.-2. [15-4584](#) Status report regarding ordinance prohibiting hate crimes in Coral Gables.

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 48

- I.-3. [15-4585](#) Status report regarding discussions with USPS regarding various matters, and request for attendance by branch manager of local USPS branch.

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 57

- I.-4. [15-4586](#) Discussion regarding City's status as an Urbanized Area over 50,000 in population, and determination as to how to proceed regarding obtaining a position on the Miami-Dade Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Attachments: [Email - MPO Membership](#)

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 64

- I.-5. [15-4591](#) Status report on Guardhouse ordinance.

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 56

J. CITY CLERK ITEMS

City Clerk Item No. 70

K. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mayor Cason: Commissioner Keon you have just a quick discussion, not a discussion really, but just on sea level rise, you wanted to...

Commissioner Keon: I'll take like five minutes. We were going to do more of it, I think because of the size of the agenda and the timeframe, it can wait. Cathy and I had met with FIU School of Arts and Sciences that houses the Sea Rise Solution Center, I think back in the summer, and we were looking at because we had talked at various times here on this dais, but looking at the issues of sea rise, particularly with regard to our coastal communities, but it will also affect our community as-a-whole; and Jessica and Matt has been in touch with FIU to begin to work on that particular, to present a program and they'll come to us with a whole program. I think it will probably start after the first of the year on this whole issue. The thing that I thought was so interesting, Chelsea and I actually went to, FIU had a TED-X talk about a month ago, and we went and one of the issues I went for was because of sea level rise, and they have a video, it's probably about a 12-15 minute video at most, on that talk that I thought was exceedingly interesting and very informative, that I would like us if our time permits in a meeting.

Mayor Cason: What we might want to do, I have a lot to say on that subject too, having just come back from Key West with Matt on sea level rise and a lot of legal things that have come up that we haven't addressed and a lot of things we are doing in terms of data collection, lidar maps infrastructure placement over the maps, there was a lot of stuff to discuss. I think it merits a special meeting in January because of the impact on Coral Gables, we are ground zero, so we need to get people to focus on it part of the education of the community.

Commissioner Keon: One of the issues that was pointed out in this particular talk was, they talked about securing and preserving our fresh water system and the need the

Everglades cleanup operations, and whatever else. It was one of the immediate issues before us, and I think it would be a good thing for us to take a look at this because I'd like to see us include this on our Legislative Agenda in general, and I'm sure there are other things that you, Mayor, have from your work on this issue that you may like to see included.

Mayor Cason: We can start that meeting off with that video from FIU.

Commissioner Keon: Yes and then we can talk about the types of things we may want to bring forward. That's all. Thank you.

Mayor Cason: Commissioner Slesnick.

Commissioner Slesnick: As everybody knows, I had a workshop in October and we came up as part of the workshop, we had about 350 people attend and I passed out a survey to be completed by the people that were there. Also people that were on the City E-NEWS list got a copy of the survey and we've gotten quite a few here, almost 400, and about twelve of my Board Members. My appointees to the Boards came in a week ago Saturday, spent about four hours going through all of these and reviewing them. People in Coral Gables really want to give us their opinion and some of the best comments I got were that people appreciated finally having some input in what goes on in the City of Coral Gables, because we don't have a lot of media attention anymore with the Herald and thank goodness we have the E-NEWS and so forth. They really wanted to respond and give us their opinions and I have pages and pages, anybody is welcome to come see this, make an appointment with Chelsea, 305-446-6800. Come in and review this, and you can see all the comments, it's well over 600 comments in here. So we put together this sheet of the review and all the statistics concerning this survey. I just wanted to point out a few because we still have five hours of a Commission meeting to go and we are all kind of tired. First question: "Do you live in Coral Gables and how many years"? Sixty-one percent (61 percent) have lived here over 20 years, and twenty-five percent (25 percent) from 10 to 12 years, so eighty-six percent (86 percent) of the people that filled out this survey have lived here in Coral Gables ten years or longer. "Do you work in Coral Gables"?- forty-five percent (45

percent) yes; fifty-five percent (55 percent) no. "Are you a registered voter here in Coral Gables?" Gables residents except for a few that weren't Gables residents were part of the annexation where they came from Little Gables, 96 percent are voters and 4 percent are not voters. The one thing that we really need to work on as a City, it says, "when thinking about the quality of life and a place to live and work in Coral Gables, do you think we are headed in the right direction or off track." The right direction, 39 percent, and 61 percent of the people in the survey felt we were off track. And that's something I think, this year I really enjoy working with all of you and I think we have a great new City Manager and some new City staff that we are progressing on the right track, and we'll pull back going in the wrong direction. So anyway, there are great statistics here, two pages of them - "In your opinion, what are the three biggest challenges the City will face in the next five years?" - And they can pick out any topic they wanted. Over development was number one, traffic, and crime or crime prevention I hope; and statistics later on down the line, over development and traffic were one and two, about eighty-something percent; parking was number three; crime number four; not enough school or child care options and the cost of owning or renting in Coral Gables is six. And you can tell by the people that were here less than four years that they had the biggest problems with the cost of owning or living in Coral Gables. Our fire and emergency medical services got really off the chart excellence at 68 percent and 22 percent good, and our police, between the both of them they got really 85 to 90 percent on the excellent or good category, people are very excited about that. Code Enforcement middle of the road; communicating with the public, we need some help in that direction, but we are starting to communicate more with the public. Again, one of the top issues over the next five years, controlling development, 77 percent; having a fully staffed police force, 59 percent; improving traffic, 64 percent, and on down the line. People also were happy with the trash pick-up program on the side of the house; they all wanted to keep that. One thing they weren't happy about was the garbage pits and so forth on the street, but they still wanted to keep that garbage pick-up. They really, really liked the image of Coral Gables and how it

projects, 67 percent, 97 percent excellent, or good in living in Coral Gables. One thing that I was really surprised about which I mentioned before was, when we first had this seminar was, providing value for your tax dollars - 40 percent very good and 50 percent fair, people really felt they were getting good value for their tax dollars, so they feel our departments and so forth are spending well; and the schools middle of the road, 30 percent very satisfied, 44 percent somewhat satisfied. A couple of other things about where and I think we should be doing more surveys. When the surveys came back, people wrote letters along with this and the one thing that they stressed was that they really wanted to have more input in the City, and they liked having the survey. So, I know our City Clerk has been looking into doing more surveys as well as our City Manager about what people prefer here in Coral Gables. So if we had more surveys going out maybe two or three a year, people appreciate giving their opinions. This is very interesting too on where people hear about the news about what's going on in the City of Coral Gables. I thought it would be the Miami Herald Neighbors or the Miami Herald, but 31 percent said they got their news about Coral Gables from the City E-NEWS, and 26 percent from the Miami Herald, 15 percent from our City Beautiful quarterly new mail-out, 9 percent from the community news, 11 percent from local television, so they don't give a lot of local news maybe crime statistics and so forth from the local television, but 31 percent from the Coral Gables E-NEWS.

Mayor Cason: I find that interesting. I look at it the other way around, 69 percent haven't been interested enough to get the E-NEWS where they have the news about the City.

Commissioner Slesnick: Yes.

Mayor Cason: So, I mean, communication is a two-way thing, look at our audience.

Commissioner Lago: But we as a City, I think we go above and beyond than what other cities do. Not only are we notifying residents through the Herald, through the E-NEWS, through different outlets, but I sat with Walter the other day on a conference call for about 30 minutes, I'm sorry I'm interrupting you, it's something that I think that we should all take some time to listen to. Walter showed me this program,

Walter, is the program up and running yet or is it not up and running?

City Clerk Foeman: No, it's not up and running.

Commissioner Lago: It's a program which I think we are the first in the country, at least in the State of Florida is going to have it and it's going to basically allow residents and business owners that want to part-take in the Commission meeting that cannot be here to sign up like they do for the speaker cards, but online and we'll be able to read their comments or their concerns and address those issues in reference to the items that are on the agenda. The last thing we can do besides that is take the roof off this building and be even more transparent, but I think we let the rain in. So there are a lot of things that are going on which give everyone the opportunity even if you can make the meetings to actually voice your opinion and get it on the record.

Mayor Cason: There are lots of ways to communicate. We all get e-mails. I ask my assistant to count how many I've gotten, I have 16,000 e-mails, so even if people don't show up in our audience and we had our budget meeting we had one person, I think that says a lot, and the fact that 69 percent don't take advantage of the E-NEWS, which is where we put our news and we are trying to put what's relevant to the citizens shows it's got to be two ways. People have to be interested enough to want to know what's going on and to vote. I wonder how many of those people that said they are registered actually voted.

Commissioner Slesnick: The very interesting thing is and if anybody wants to come in and see, almost everybody put down their name, address, e-mail and so forth, so this is not a blind survey like the community newspapers, I mean everybody put down their name and address, well not everybody, but there are a few in here that don't have it.

Mayor Cason: It would be interesting to take that list and run it against the people that voted in the last election, it would be very interesting to see. I'd be very interested in that.

Commissioner Slesnick: OK. We should do that and I'll report back to you. On another facet though talking about the budget with only one person in here, 90 percent think we are spending our money well, so they are comfortable with how Coral Gables

spends its money, spends their money.

Mayor Cason: We don't have...we have very civil meetings and we don't have the problems that some of the other Commissions have, so I think people are basically happy and I think the things they came up with are the three things that we are all concerned about - having the right kind of development...

Commissioner Slesnick: Controlled development.

Mayor Cason:...traffic and crime, so I didn't find anything totally unusual, but I wouldn't have been surprised those weren't the top three, because how many of us get e-mails on dog parks and controlled choice?- we take care of the school, we are working on all of the issues that are priorities.

Commissioner Lago: When you talk about schools, our City grows from 50,000 to 100,000 in a day, why?- because so many people want to put their children in the City of Coral Gables. We have the best schools out of any community in this county, from Sunset to West Lab. I'm willing to entertain anyway to get more people to come to listen to our very exciting meeting, but I have a feeling they have better things to do than coming here. For example, our meeting at 4 o'clock that we are having in regards to Paseo de la Riviera, the residents said we want to do it after hours, what do we do?- we'll do it after hours, we listen to the residents. That was a unanimous decision, we could have had that meeting at 9 o'clock, but we didn't. So, again if any resident is listening, and I do get calls and I get a lot of e-mails, for some reason they like to see us on TV and listen to the extremely Commission meetings, if they are interested in getting more involved and have ideas on how we can get more people engaged. I would love to implement them. Case in point, when you came up with a great idea of that one page every week...

Commissioner Slesnick: The Herald Neighbors.

Commissioner Lago:...We immediately adopted that, we immediately adopted that and have run with that and everyone now who flips through the Neighbors has another outlet to receive what's going on in the City, how can I become involved and what are the future plans of the City.

Mayor Cason: And remind people that we all get e-mails - the best way to get an answer to an e-mail is don't send it to everybody, because I found that if we all get the same e-mail from somebody, it's either five of us are going to answer the same thing and take up our time. Send it to one person, the Commissioner or the Mayor, whoever gets it will answer, will direct it to the staff, you will get people to focus on your problem. I think it's counterproductive when you send to five people because you are unlikely, everybody is going to assume somebody else answered it. But we do read your e-mails and we encourage e-mails and probably we've had, five of us probably 70,000 e-mails among us.

Commissioner Keon: I think we have been talking about, I know since over the last two and-a-half years that I would really like to see us, and I've spoken with the Manager, to work toward looking at the things that we would be awarded the Sterling Award...these different awards that really signify excellence in government, and on every single one of those part of the process in going forward for any of those awards is that you set up measurable outcomes or you set up outcomes, you set up measurements, whatever, and you survey your people and you find out where you are and how people feel; and the thing that is so good about it or that's truly wonderful about it is that they are the sampling in the survey that is done, is done under a particular framework, so that there is statistical reliability to it; and you know what you are dealing with and you can take action on it and everything else. I know you went to a great deal of work, but you have to really distinguish between what is anecdotal information and what is statistically reliable information. It does not in any way and I say what people have to say is not important, and sometimes the information that comes back from this type of thing is used in a way that really doesn't serve, I don't think always the best interest for the City. I saw an e-mail today from Mr. Lopez, I think, to all of us so it's a public record, where some large percentage of the people in the City of Coral Gables are opposed to whatever development, which really misconstrues the use of that kind of information. It isn't - with that percent of that many people that was self-selected that attended a particular event had this opinion, which is

totally different, totally different.

Commissioner Slesnick: This went out to everybody in the City E-NEWS, but we also did a mailing out to people...

Commissioner Keon: Because it's self-selecting, it isn't random, it doesn't fall into - under no circumstances is it a statistically reliable...

Commissioner Slesnick: No it's not and we said that.

Commissioner Keon: So that's what I'm saying to you and I think that it is important, if we want to do that we should do that and we can do it as we begin to work on the different excellence in government, but I think we need to be careful when you put information out that is anecdotal and people use it...

Commissioner Slesnick: Yes that was an over the top e-mail.

Commissioner Keon: Yes. So I just ask that we be careful, but I think we had talked about it with Cathy on the other. Can you talk about that just very quickly?

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: Absolutely - and I appreciate the conversations. December 1st and December 2nd we had a leadership retreat. I say retreat but it was at the Coral Gables Museum, nobody slept over, very exciting. Our consultant is Baldrige and Sterling Ready, we agreed on what our mission as a staff, we agreed on what our mission, our vision, and our values are. Yes, the performance measures and the actions are coming; yes, a scientific survey of our public is a part of that; yes, we are doing this in anticipation of recommendations related to the 2017 Budget, just as the Commission had asked for. So we are excited. Yes, we are going to be doing that scientific survey, love to share with you all where we are so far, where we are going. We will reconvene as a staff to do more of the action plans, the detailed work, the performance measurements, so that you can go back and make sure that we did the work that you allocated resources for, and yes, we want to take the challenge for Sterling or for Baldrige. We are working together as the organization. The consultant was amazed at the full participation of the group. I think that he was a little surprised that there was so much talking, and I was thrilled that there was so much talking, so it's a positive, positive step.

Commissioner Keon: This is such an exciting thing for our City is to have bought into to work toward this award and the values and the things that will bring to our City. If you go online and look at Coral Springs, they have all of their survey reporting actually on their website and you can see what they've done. It's a wonderful, wonderful thing. It doesn't in any way dismiss how someone feels about something, you are certainly entitled and I know they want to be heard and yes, we want to hear them. I think we just need to be careful on how we use the information and how information is used and perceived.

Mayor Cason: I agree with you. Before we close, I would suggest that maybe sometime in January, February we sit down and have a meeting or a workshop on development, facts about development, because there is so much, people automatically putting development, somebody else's development normally with our traffic, which is not necessarily the case; and I think we should run down through all the projects and look at the facts and have a discussion as part of the education of people before we come in with a scientific survey, because it's how you ask the question what people believe and where they get their information.

Commissioner Lago: And I think we should look back; we should look back on 5, 10, 15 years and really see the projects that were delivered and see the progression if there has been an uptick, if there has been a downtick, see how many cranes are in the City, how much square footage has been built, how much has been proposed, those are things that I would love to have a discussion.

Mayor Cason: Just to consider that first.

Commissioner Slesnick: Couple more things. One thing too when we talked to the consultants about doing a survey, I suggested that we do a mail-out survey to the 16,000 households or whatever we have, but it is the more active people that will send back the surveys, so you are getting, like this was 97 percent of the voters, 97 percent were voters, which tend to be the more active citizens of the community, and we did get them from all parts. We got a lot of surveys from apartment dwellers in the north section of Ponce because we had sent out a mailing asking them to come to the

conference, so they did that, and all the way down to Kings Bay and Gables Estates and it's interesting what everybody, when you look at their addresses, what people in those parts of town are most interested in. But just a fun fact for closing - so I do think we need to do surveys because people...

Commissioner Keon: We will do them in relation to an initiative.

Commissioner Slesnick: With our consultants and make sure everybody has a chance to do it. Whether they respond or not, again, we don't want to do just voters, you don't want to do just business owners...

Commissioner Keon: You need to do a random sample.

Commissioner Slesnick: Yes.

Commissioner Keon: They have the ability to do that.

Mayor Cason: Let me just say one other thing, we'll just put things in perspective. I'll send this around to you. It came out of Governing Magazine, and it's a survey of 300 communities across the United States and the bottom line is, the longer we live someplace the more we tend to find fault with it; and I think it's interesting that the people came out, the vast majority have lived here a long time. I'll send this around.

Commissioner Keon: Can we just have a couple of things before you close.

Mayor Cason: If you can be real short. We have five more hours...

Commissioner Slesnick: One more thing on here which was the fun item, which I really liked, where we asked people to give their favorite stores or their favorite restaurants. I thought this was very interesting, they could name whatever, but the ones that came up the most, common store that came up on all of these was Books and Books by far, by far, and then any stores at the Village of Merrick Park and Nordstrom's, Barnes and Noble, so we have a very well read community, and Publix; and then on the restaurants Christy's, Ruth Christ...Ortanique, Hillstones, Abbracci, Brick Tops, Seasons 52, Lotus Garden, and John Martins, a lot of Miracle Mile. But the BID really pushes the restaurants and all their activities on Miracle Mile, and I think that makes them, so anyway that was the survey.

Mayor Cason: Thank you.

Commissioner Lago: Perfect - great work.

Mayor Cason: Something you want to raise under K.

Commissioner Keon: Yes really quick.

Vice Mayor Quesada: You have 13 seconds (laughter).

Commissioner Keon: When we moved when Danette was our only Aide and we moved her under the Manager's, I mean to the Clerk, I think that now with the issues of finding another person and trying to coordinate all of the secretaries upstairs, along with the Mayor's staff and everything else, I'd like you to consider maybe moving it back to the Manager's office under this Manager to help us with finding another Aide. I certainly would leave the agenda in the Clerk's office, but we can move the Aide back, so she can more coordinate them, so they all work under the same people between the Mayor's Aide and everybody else, so that they can work as a team. If you'll consider that, you don't have to do it now. The other thing is, I'd like us to see a non Booting Ordinance in the City, if we can direct somebody, no booting. I don't want see cars booted. There is booting of cars, you know when they park in a lot or they park whatever...

City Attorney Leen: Commissioner, we looked at the County Code and we are allowed to pass an ordinance or the Commission is allowed to consider an ordinance regarding booting or towing, some combination or something different. So you do have that authority, you are not bound to the County laws on those topics.

Commissioner Keon: OK.

City Attorney Leen: However you instruct us we will...

Commissioner Keon: I'd like to see something a less punitive way in dealing with traffic violations, including towing.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: Not to take away from Commissioner Keon's 13 seconds, but we as a City do not boot and we as a City do not tow unless it is a public safety threat, and so what you are seeing is the booting that is happening on private properties that are marketing themselves for public space and I know Kevin Kinney would be happy to draft an ordinance in conjunction with the City Attorney to prevent

that behavior, because it has been very damaging.

Commissioner Keon: It is very damaging for our City, so I would like to see it. I'd like somebody to tell me where we are with the crosswalk on LeJeune Road going to Ingraham Park and that's it.

Mayor Cason: You want to do that off-line....

Commissioner Keon: Right - and on the North Ponce workshop that we did, the North Ponce Visioning Study, I'd like them to bring back the proposed Zoning Code changes and text amendments and ordinance from P&Z and the Commission preview. Thank you.

City Attorney Leen: So, I'm going to take that as a direction to work with Kevin Kinney to come up with an Anti-Booting Ordinance, you'll be the sponsor and I'll coordinate with you.

Commissioner Keon: Right. Anyone else has feedback please give it to us.

Commissioner Lago: Madam Manager, I just want to make sure that we schedule for January a meeting with the heads of FPL, a Sunshine meeting. I want to make sure that happens in January, it's very important. I spoke with them offline, number one; number two, I want to make sure that we have that meeting for metal roofs for January at the convenience of the Commission and staff, and I also want to bring up something really quick. I have two friends of mine who don't even know each other, call me yesterday about one issue in particular, that was Granada Golf Course. They all said how spectacular it looks, staff has done a great job, they are very proud of what the City of Coral Gables has done, but their question was, whether we fixed the drainage and the sprinkler system. I hadn't driven by there, but they said, I know we are under torrential downpour for the last two weeks, so they say that they were wondering and these guys play golf, so they were wondering if we had done anything with drainage and I need an answer.

Commissioner Slesnick: There are ponds there all the time now.

Mayor Cason: Some of the lower areas in the City and we had over ten inches of rain...

Commissioner Slesnick: Do you think we've covered up drains?- do you think we've covered up drains because 10 years ago, 12 years ago, when the golf course put in the new drainage system, we didn't have water sitting on the golf course anymore.

Mayor Cason: You know what's happening, we saw it also at the Youth Center that the salt water intrusion, the water is coming up from below and its preventing - it can't sort of fall down, it's got water under it.

Commissioner Lago: You say the water is not percolating down? Did we fix the drainage?

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: I'm going - we will give a memo to all of you, we had an extraordinary amount of rain, extraordinary in a short period of time.

Commissioner Lago: I know. That's the way I explained it.

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: But I'll get an answer for you.

Commissioner Lago: I need an answer on whether we had redone the drainage or not...

City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark: We'll find out for you.

Commissioner Lago: Thank you.

Mayor Cason: Anybody else have any quick issues? OK. We'll adjourn this meeting; we'll be back at 4:00 o'clock. Here's what we are going to do - we'll have from 4 to 5, we'll have the presentation by the lawyers for the two sides. We are going to have the Chamber wants to make a one minute observation and then we are going to go into - we'll have three hours available for anybody that wants to speak, starting two minutes for people who have not spoken in the previous meeting, because all that's on the record and anybody who's already spoken will have a minute until we get to 8 p.m., and then we'll have our discussion and hope we'll out of here by 9 p.m.

City Attorney Leen: The Mayor has directed that at 5:01 (pm) precisely we'll begin the public comments, so you don't have to wait, 5:01 (pm) and then we'll continue with the presentations afterwards.

Mayor Cason: Thank you.

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ADJOURNMENT

[Note for the Record: There being no further business on the Regular City Commission Meeting Agenda. The Commission of the City of Coral Gables adjourned its meeting at 3:14 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Commission has been scheduled for January 12, 2016, beginning 9 a.m.]

JIM CASON
MAYOR

ATTEST:

WALTER J. FOEMAN
CITY CLERK