

**City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item F-6
September 14, 2021
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL**

City Commission

Mayor Vince Lago

Vice Mayor Michael Mena

Commissioner Rhonda Anderson

Commissioner Jorge Fors

Commissioner Kirk Menendez

City Staff

City Manager, Peter Iglesias

Assistant City Manager, Ed Santamaria

City Attorney, Miriam Ramos

City Clerk, Billy Urquia

Planning and Zoning Director, Ramon Trias

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item F-6 [Start: 1:01 p.m.]

An Ordinance of the City Commission approving Site Plan Amendment pursuant to Zoning Code Article 14, "Process" Section 14-203, "Conditional Uses," for a previously approved Country Club by Ordinance No. 2016-34, located within a Special Use (S) District, for the property commonly referred to as the "Riviera Country Club" and legally described as portions of Tracts 1 and 5, Riviera Country Club, a portion of Miami-Biltmore Golf Course of Riviera Section Part 4 and Lots 10-14, Block 112, Country Club Section Part 5 (1155 Blue Road), Coral Gables, Florida; all other conditions of approval contained in Ordinance 2016-34 shall remain in effect; providing for an effective date. (Legal description on file at the City)

Mayor Lago: Let's do F-6 and then we go have lunch.

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City Attorney Ramos: F-6 is an Ordinance of the City Commission approving Site Plan Amendment pursuant to Zoning Code Article 14, “Process” Section 14-203, “Conditional Uses,” for a previously approved Country Club by Ordinance No. 2016-34, located within a Special Use (S) District, for the property commonly referred to as the “Riviera Country Club” and legally described as portions of Tracts 1 and 5, Riviera Country Club, a portion of Miami-Biltmore Golf Course of Riviera Section Part 4 and Lots 10-14, Block 112, Country Club Section Part 5 (1155 Blue Road), Coral Gables, Florida; all other conditions of approval contained in Ordinance 2016-34 shall remain in effect; providing for an effective date. This is a public hearing item. This also is a quasi-judicial item, and everyone needs to be sworn in that’s going to be testifying.

Mayor Lago: So quick question before we do that. I had a discussion with the Manager about deferring this item.

City Manager Iglesias: Mayor, I just checked with the City Clerk, there is no applicant here for this. We would like to defer it to the next meeting.

Mayor Lago: And let me explain to you what I would like. I would like for the applicant, which is obviously the Country Club, to have a discussion with staff, and to really come back after they’ve spoken to the county which they have already, and give us an alternative as a result of the county not allowing for these pavers to be installed in the right-of-way, which to me is really disheartening and I was hoping because we’ve done it throughout the city in different areas, maybe those are not county streets, but we’ve done it and its worked out fine, it depends on the paver; and being in this neighborhood, I would have liked to see that beautification, but I’d like to see for the applicant to provide the city and the neighborhood with beautification options to make up for the installation of the brick pavers.

City Attorney Ramos: Since the applicant is not present and we are deferring because they are not present, I think we should have a motion on the deferral.

Mayor Lago: Can I have a motion?

City Clerk Urquia: Before you defer, no one has requested to speak on this item on Zoom. I’m not sure who the applicant is. There is no one identifying themselves as the applicant for this item.

City Attorney Ramos: Whoever submitted the application, Mr. Trias would know.

Planning and Zoning Director Trias: I did talk to the attorney last week and I expressed the same ideas you suggested, so they have been informed and I expect that they will meet with staff.

Mayor Lago: Okay. Perfect. I’ll entertain a motion for deferral.

Vice Mayor Mena: When you say we don’t know who the applicant is.

Mayor Lago: No, we do. We do. The applicant is the country club.

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City Clerk Urquia: I'm saying on Zoom they didn't identify.

Commissioner Menendez: I'll move it.

Vice Mayor Mena: Second.

Mayor Lago: Vice Mayor Mena is the second?

Vice Mayor Mena: Yes.

Mayor Lago: It's moved by Commissioner Menendez.

Vice Mayor Mena: Yes

Commissioner Menendez: Yes

Commissioner Anderson: Yes

Commissioner Fors: Yes

Mayor Lago: Yes

(Vote: 5-0)