



**City of Coral Gables**  
**CITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**May 27, 2014**

**ITEM TITLE:**

**Ordinance on Second Reading.** An ordinance of the City of Coral Gables commission amending the Code of the City of Coral Gables Florida, by amending Chapter 82 "Vegetation" to allow for the protection of orchids installed through the City's participation in the Million Orchid Project; Providing for the protection of orchids planted as part of the City's "Million Orchid Project"; Providing for penalty and civil remedies; Providing for severability; Providing for codification; Providing for an effective date.

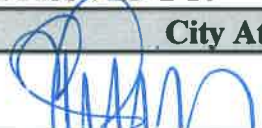

**DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval.

**BRIEF HISTORY:**

The City of Coral Gables entered into a partnership with Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden to partake in Fairchild's Million Orchid Project. Through the partnership the City will provide \$30,000.00 a year for five years, plus the use of a bucket truck and driver, in exchange for Fairchild's installation of 50,000 orchids a year. The Parknership, an alliance between private citizens, corporate citizens, and City government, through the Coral Gables Foundation, has agreed to provide \$5,000.00 a year for five years towards the City's contribution. Through this ordinance, the City seeks to protect the orchids that will be planted throughout the City to ensure that the orchids thrive and flourish for years to come. This Ordinance was passed on first reading on May 13, 2014.

**APPROVED BY:**

City Attorney	City Manager
	

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

1. Draft Ordinance