

**BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
OF CORAL GABLES**

September 5, 2014

Ms. Carmen Olazabal
Interim City Manager
City of Coral Gables
405 Biltmore Way, 1st Floor
Coral Gables, FL 33134

Dear Ms. Olazabal:


The Business Improvement District of Coral Gables ("BID") is seeking permission and support from the City of Coral Gables for our sixth annual "Giralda under the Stars." With your prior support, this series has been well received by the public, our residents and our local businesses. This winter's five-event series is being planned for the first Friday of each month from November 2014 through March 2015. Pursuant to city code, we respectfully request the waiving of payment for parking meters on the 100 block of Giralda Avenue after 5:30 PM on those six dates: November 7th, and December 5th, 2014; January 2nd, February 6th, March 6th, 2015.

Section 74-140 of the City Code states that a request for a waiver of payment for parking meters shall be made directly to the City Commission. The meters are in use most of the day, and the revenue in nearby garages and surface lots historically outweighs the revenue loss at the meters when the street is closed in the evening hours.

The BID underwrites this series, spending over \$35,000 including off-duty police officers, barricades rented from the City, special event fee, insurance, lighting, clean-up and advertising support.

Thank you in advance for considering our request. Should you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at (305) 569-0311.

Regards,



Marina S. Foglia
Executive Director

