

**City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting**  
**Agenda Item H-2**  
**December 5, 2017**  
**City Commission Chambers**  
**405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL**

**City Commission**

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

**City Staff**

**City Manager, Cathy Swanson-Rivenbark**  
**City Attorney, Miriam Ramos**  
**City Clerk, Walter J. Foeman**  
**Deputy City Clerk, Billy Urquia**

**Public Speaker(s)**

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Agenda Item H-2 [12:13:16 p.m.]

Discussion of the City to possibly become a member of the Seawall Coalition  
(Sponsored by Commissioner Lago)

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Discussion of the City to possibly become a member of the Seawall Coalition.

Commissioner Lago: This is really easy, I'll be brief. Our esteemed Mayor Cason brought this to my attention and how we've been in talks, he continues to be a mentor in regards to sea level rise. He's a leader in this industry, and since we take the environment so seriously here, he brought this to my attention so that we could potentially become members of this; and it details sea level rise over the last 50 years, and it talks about the potential sea level rise forthcoming. The Seawall Coalition is a forum for best practices, it supports in developing local and state level responses to sea level rise and flooding that will enhance the City sea level rise effort. So basically by joining we are looking at the future, looking at opportunities, how to combat sea

level rise, basically with infrastructure and engineering upgrades that's the purpose of joining this coalition.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Perfect – any discussion?

Vice Mayor Keon: No. Can we make a motion to join it?

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes, make a motion. Commissioner Lago makes a motion, Vice Mayor seconds. Will you call the roll please?

Commissioner Mena: Yes

Vice Mayor Keon: Yes

Commissioner Lago: Yes

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes

Commissioner Quesada: Absent

(Vote: 4-0)

[End: 12:14:31 p.m.]