

**City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting
Agenda Item G-3
December 10, 2019
City Commission Chambers
405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL**

City Commission

**Mayor Raul Valdes-Fauli
Vice Mayor Vince Lago
Commissioner Pat Keon
Commissioner Michael Mena
Commissioner Jorge Fors, Jr.**

City Staff

**City Manager, Peter Iglesias
City Attorney, Miriam Ramos
City Clerk, Billy Urquia**

Public Speaker(s)

Agenda Item G-3 [2:50:35 p.m.]

A discussion regarding the sidewalks and overall maintenance at the intersection of Salzedo Street and Minorca Avenue. (Sponsored by Vice Mayor Lago)

Vice Mayor Lago: Mayor, if I may, G-3.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes sir.

Vice Mayor Lago: G-3 is something I wanted to bring to the attention of my colleagues during the Commission, because Commissioner Mena had brought up the issue of sidewalks. I would like them to put the pictures up if possible that I took and I wanted to show you an area in our City, which I think is incredibly neglected, adjacent to our new Public Safety Building. These are photos that I took on my weekly visit to Azure, to enjoy their croissants, can't help myself. This is your view on a Sunday, and to me, this does not resemble the City Beautiful. Look at the sidewalks, look at the crumbling nature of it, look at the parking lot across the street. That's our downtown. I think that besides what we discuss with Commissioner Mena's issue with sidewalks, this is where

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I think you need to focus. This is where its an ADA nightmare, tripping hazard. I don't care how much asphalt you put on the sidewalks to close the wholes or provide a certain pitch so its less of a tripping hazard, something's got to be done. Maybe we are waiting for the adjacent Public Safety Building is completed, but whoever owns that piece of property has to be held accountable. It is a public nuisance. So, I wanted to bring that to your attention to see if you can help me out to get as much support as possible so that we can make this a priority, because I don't think its conducive for business, but overall, I don't think its conducive for the overall health of our downtown. But I can give you certain examples of where that's happening throughout out downtown, this is just probably one of the more blatant ones that I've seen. So that's G-3.

[End: 2:52:31 p.m.]