

City of Coral Gables

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Coral Gables, FL 33134
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Agenda

Tuesday, October 22, 2024

9:00 AM

City Hall, Commission Chambers

City Commission

*Mayor Vince Lago
Vice Mayor Rhonda Anderson
Commissioner Melissa Castro
Commissioner Ariel Fernandez
Commissioner Kirk R. Menendez*

*Amos Rojas, Jr., City Manager
Cristina M. Suárez, City Attorney
Billy Y. Urquia, City Clerk*

The City of Coral Gables will be holding its Regular Meeting on October 22, 2024 commencing at 9:00 a.m. Members of the public may participate in person, but are also able to participate via the Zoom platform. Members of the public may join the meeting via Zoom at (<https://zoom.us/j/3054466800>). In addition, a dedicated phone line will be available so that any individual who does not wish (or is unable) to use Zoom may listen to and participate in the meeting by dialing: (305) 461-6769 Meeting ID: 3054466800. To speak prior to the City Commission taking action on an Agenda Item, please "Raise your Hand" or send a message to one of the meeting hosts using the Zoom Platform. If you joined the meeting via telephone, you can "Raise your Hand" by pressing *9. The public may comment on an item on the agenda using the City's already-established e-comment function which may be found on the City's website at: www.coralgables.com/commissionmeetings) once the meeting's agenda is published or by sending an email to cityclerk@coralgables.com prior to the start of the meeting. The Meeting will also be broadcasted live for members of the public to view on the City's website www.coralgables.com/cgvtv) as well as Channel 77 on Comcast.

INVOCATION

Rev. Timothy Fleck - St. Thomas Episcopal Parish

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**Judging of the Annual Great Pumpkin Challenge****A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROTOCOL DOCUMENTS**

- A.-1. [24-8035](#) Legislative update from Senator Alexis Calatayud.
- A.-2. [24-7971](#) Congratulations to Maíz y Agave on receiving the Keep Coral Gables Beautiful 2024 Commercial Beautification Award.
- A.-3. [24-7624](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring October 22, 2024 as "Dan Finora Day" in Coral Gables.
- A.-4. [24-8196](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring October 21, 2024 to October 27, 2024 as "Florida City Government Week" in Coral Gables.
- A.-5. [24-8200](#) Congratulations to the City of Coral Gables for receiving the Voice of the People Award for Excellence in Online Outreach.
- A.-6. [24-8121](#) Congratulations to Driver Engineer John Jensen recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Firefighter of the Month Award," for the month of September 2024.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- B.-1. [24-8137](#) Regular City Commission Meeting of September 24, 2024.
- B.-2. [24-8201](#) Regular City Commission Meeting of October 8, 2024.

C. PUBLIC COMMENTS

During this portion of the meeting, an individual may address the City Commission on an item that is on the agenda or on a matter which is not on the agenda, but within the scope of the City Commission's jurisdiction. If the individual wishes to address the City Commission on an item that is on the agenda, the individual shall not be given an opportunity to speak again once the item is called. An individual who wishes to speak during a public hearing where the City Commission is sitting in a quasi-judicial capacity, must speak during the public hearing for that item.

Individuals who speak during the open public comment portion of the meeting shall be given three (3) minutes during which to address the City Commission. At the conclusion of one (1) hour, if the open public comment section of the meeting has not ended, it shall end automatically, in order to proceed with the rest of the agenda.

D. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed within this section entitled "Consent Agenda" are considered to be self-explanatory and are not expected to require additional review or discussion, unless a member of the City Commission or a citizen so requests, in which case, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered along with the regular order of business. Hearing no objections to the items listed under the "Consent Agenda", a vote on the adoption of the Consent Agenda will be taken.

D.-1. [24-8204](#)

A Resolution of the City Commission approving the Innovation and Technology (IT) Department to purchase OpenGov Enterprise services for Finance (Financial Transparency) and Asset Management (formerly Cartegraph); to waive the competitive process of the Procurement Code as a Special Procurement/Bid waiver, pursuant to the Section 2-691 of the City's Procurement Code.

Lobbyist: N/A

D.-2. [24-8205](#)

A Resolution of the City Commission approving the Innovation and Technology (IT) Department to purchase a GIS Enterprise License Agreement (ELA) from ESRI, the existing vendor of GIS applications, services, and support for Coral Gables.

Lobbyist: N/A

1. Presentation of Boards and/or Committees minutes requesting no action from the City Commission:

1.-1. [24-7989](#) Advisory Board on Disability Affairs Meeting September 4, 2024

1.-2. [24-8045](#) Arts Advisory Panel Meeting of September 4, 2024.

1.-3. [24-8044](#) Cultural Development Board Meeting of September 17, 2024.

2. Presentation of Boards and/or Committees draft/final minutes requesting action from the City Commission [Note: A vote to accept the minutes does not mean approval of the substance within the minutes]:

Time Certain 12:00pm (Agenda Item 2-1)

2.-1. [24-8208](#) A Resolution of the Transportation Advisory Board requesting that the City Commission require development applications to address certain items and areas of concern in development application presentations.

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS

All Individuals testifying in a quasi-judicial proceeding shall be sworn in.

Presentations made to the City Commission are subject to the City's False Claims Ordinance, Ch. 39 of the City of Coral Gables Code.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

E.-1. [24-8146](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Chapter 46 of the "Code of the City of Coral Gables," entitled "Pensions," implementing provisions of the 2024-2027 Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and Teamsters Local Union 769, amending Section 46-25, Definitions; Section 46-26, Compulsory Participation; Section 46-27, Purchase of Credited Service; Section 46-29, City Contributions; Section 46-34, Employee Contributions; Section 46-253, Normal Retirement Income; and Section 46-269 Deferred Retirement Option Plan (Drop); and providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.

E.-2. [24-7950](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending the Code of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, Chapter 2, Entitled "Administration," Article III "Boards, Commissions, Committees," Division 1 "Generally" by amending Section 2-52 "Qualification and Appointment of Members" in order to expand the benefits offered to members of City boards; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

- E.-3. [24-8120](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending the City of Coral Gables Code, Chapter 10 "Animals", Section 10-4 "Removal of animal feces", to provide a code enforcement mechanism for illegal dumping of animal waste bags in trash pits.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)
(Co-sponsored by Mayor Lago)

F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS**Time Certain 10:30am (Agenda Item F-1)**

- F.-1. [24-8194](#) A Resolution of the City Commission establishing its intent to reimburse certain project costs incurred with proceeds of future tax-exempt financings; providing certain other matters in connection therewith; and providing an effective date.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Menendez)

Time Certain 11:30am (Agenda Item F-2)

- F.-2. [24-8149](#) A Resolution of the City Commission urging the Florida Legislature to designate the City of Opa Locka, Florida as the site for the new Florida Museum of Black History.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)
- F.-3. [24-8209](#) A Resolution of the City Commission encouraging Miami-Dade County to delay its decision on the location of a new waste to energy facility in order to explore alternative options, conduct a detailed cost analysis, and adopt an updated solid waste management master plan.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

Time Certain 10:00am (Agenda Item F-4)

- F.-4. [24-8193](#) Presentation regarding Freebee and possible expansion.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Castro)
- F.-5. [24-8148](#) Discussion regarding a chicken and rooster nuisance in Coral Gables.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Castro)
- F.-6. [24-8155](#) Discussion regarding the procedure and conditions for the issuance of cease and desist letters by the City of Coral Gables.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Menendez)

- F.-7. [24-8169](#) Discussion regarding how to better inform the public of detours and street closures in Coral Gables.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Menendez)
- F.-8. [24-8170](#) Update on the recent Florida League of Cities Policy Committee meetings.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Castro)
- F.-9. [24-8197](#) Discussion regarding permit/construction bond refunds.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez)
- F.-10. [24-8198](#) Discussion regarding the crosswalk at intersection of Ponce de Leon Boulevard and Stanford Drive.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Castro)
- F.-11. [24-8202](#) Discussion regarding the Alhambra Circle sidewalk.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Castro)
- F.-12. [24-8210](#) Discussion regarding hurricane preparedness.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez)
- F.-13. [24-8212](#) Discussion regarding sidewalks along Red Road.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez)
- F.-14. [24-8217](#) Discussion regarding Giralda Avenue.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Castro)

G. BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS

Time Certain 1:30pm (Agenda Item G-1)

- G.-1. [24-7790](#) A Resolution of the City Commission approving the concept and commissioning of a work of public art by Lynda Benglis in conjunction with the Regency Parc development project at 2601 Salzedo St., in fulfillment of the Art in Public Places requirement for public art in private development (unanimously recommended by the Arts Advisory Panel approval/denial vote: 5 to 0; unanimously recommended by the Cultural Development Board approval/denial vote: 6 to 0).

Time Certain 2:00pm (Agenda Item G-2)

- G.-2. [24-7945](#) A Resolution of the City Commission approving the exhibition of a mural by artist Eduardo Kobra on private property at The Plaza, 2950 Coconut Grove Dr. (unanimously recommended by the Arts Advisory Panel approval/denial vote: 7 to 0; unanimously recommended by the Cultural Development Board approval/denial vote: 7 to 0).

H. CITY MANAGER ITEMS**Time Certain 11:00am (Agenda Item H-1)**

- H.-1. [24-8128](#) Presentation of the Coral Gables Community of Excellence 2026 program.
- H.-2. [24-7611](#) Update regarding plans for the City's Centennial Celebration.
- H.-3. [24-8195](#) Update on the City Hall construction and renovation.

I. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

None

J. CITY CLERK ITEMS

None

K. DISCUSSION ITEMS

This time is for informal discussion among the City Commissioners, the City Manager and the City Attorney

ADJOURNMENT

NOTE

Any person who acts as a lobbyist pursuant to the City of Coral Gables Ordinance No. 2006-11, must register with the City Clerk, prior to engaging in lobbying activities before city staff, boards, committees and/or the City Commission. A copy of the Ordinance is available in the Office of the City Clerk, City Hall.

Any person, or persons, wishing to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or hearing, will require a verbatim record of the proceeding upon which the appeal is based. Interested persons should, therefore, take the necessary steps to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which contains the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

Any person making impertinent or slanderous remarks or who become boisterous while addressing the Commission, shall be barred from further audience before the Commission by the Chair, unless permission to continue or again address the Commission is granted by the majority vote of the Commission Members present. Clapping, applauding, heckling or verbal outbursts or any remarks in support or opposition to a speaker shall be prohibited. Signs or placards shall not be permitted in Commission Chambers.

Any person who needs assistance in another language in order to speak during the public hearing or public comment portion of the meeting should contact the City 's ADA Coordinator Raquel Elejabarrieta, Esq., Director of Labor Relations and Risk Management (E-mail: relejabarrieta@coralgables.com, Telephone: 305-722-8686, TTY/TDD: 305-442-1600), at least three (3) business days before the meeting.

Billy Y. Urquia
City Clerk