



City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
September 10, 2024

ITEM TITLE:

Ordinance on First Reading:

An Ordinance of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, amending the Code of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, Chapter 74, entitled “Traffic and Vehicles,” Article I “In General” by amending Section 74-1 “Definition”; and Article III “Stopping, Standing and Parking,” Division 2 “Parking Meters and Parking Areas” by amending Section 74-84 “Signage and Other Requirements” in order to comply with recent changes to Florida law governing vehicles parking on private property, F.S. § 715.075; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and an effective date.

BRIEF HISTORY:

During its 2024 Session, the Florida Legislature amended Florida Statute § 715.075 to impose additional requirements on operators of certain privately owned parking facilities. This ordinance aligns the City Code with the amended Fla. Stat. § 715.075, adds a definition for “privately owned parking facilities” to encompass both privately owned, metered surface lots and privately owned parking garages, and applies Sec. 74-84 to privately owned parking facilities.

By adopting this Ordinance, the City wishes to ensure that its residents and visitors are well-informed as to whether they are parking in City-owned parking facilities or privately-owned parking facilities and are fully aware of their rights and responsibilities (including what fines / fees may be imposed for violation of a facility’s rules) when parking in privately owned parking facilities.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Draft Ordinance
2. Exhibit A to Draft Ordinance

BUSINESS IMPACT:

The Parking Department believes there are currently over one hundred privately owned parking facilities, including metered surface parking lots and parking garages, located throughout the City of Coral Gables. To the extent that these impacted businesses are not already in compliance with Fla. Stat. § 715.075, they may incur additional costs related to the creation and placement of updated and/or additional signage.