

City of Coral Gables

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Agenda - Final Revised

Tuesday, May 7, 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 Tuesday, May 7, 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/cgtv) as well as Channel 77 on Comcast.

ROLL CALL**INVOCATION****PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE****A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROTOCOL DOCUMENTS**

- A.-1. [24-7388](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring May 1, 2024 as "Law Day" in Coral Gables.
- A.-2. [24-7418](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring May 6, 2024 to May 10, 2024 as "Teacher Appreciation Week" in Coral Gables.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- A.-3. [24-7451](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring May 7, 2024 as "Teofilo Victoria Day" in Coral Gables.
- A.-4. [24-7389](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring May 14, 2024 as "Israel Independence Day" in Coral Gables.
- A.-5. [24-7433](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring May 18, 2024 as "Kids to Park Day" in Coral Gables.

Agenda Items A-6 to A-10 will be heard at 12:30pm

- A.-6. [24-7256](#) Congratulations to Firefighter Richard Fernandez recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Firefighter of the Month Award," for the month of May 2024.
- A.-7. [24-7439](#) Congratulations to Officer Melenni Alzate and Officer Christopher Hernandez, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Officer of the Month," for January 2024.
- A.-8. [24-7411](#) Congratulations to Sonia Osorio, Community Recreation Department, recipient of "Part-Time Employee of the First - Quarter Award", for 2024.
- A.-9. [24-7409](#) Congratulations to Kenneth Larkin, Community Recreation Department, recipient of "Employee of the Month Award", for March 2024.
- A.-10. [24-7410](#) Congratulations to Jorge Atencio, IT Department, recipient of "Employee of the Month Award", for April 2024.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[24-7387](#) Regular City Commission Meeting of April 16, 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. [24-7384](#) A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to award the Landscape Services (King's Bay Community) contract to Margarita's Gardens, Inc., the most responsive and responsible bidder, pursuant to Section 2-763 of the Procurement Code entitled "Contract Award" and Invitation for Bids (IFB) 2024-009.

Lobbyist: N/A

- D.-2. [24-7413](#) A Resolution of the City Commission renewing the parking lease agreement with the University of Miami for municipal parking lots #42 and #43 for an additional twelve (12) months beginning September 1, 2024, and ending August 31, 2025, at the rate of \$76,282.56 annually, payable in equal monthly installments.

Lobbyist: N/A

- D.-3. [24-7414](#) A Resolution of the City Commission confirming the University of Miami appointments of Roy Carrillo Zamora (Student Government President) and Maxwell Boye (Inter-Fraternity Council President) to the City of Coral Gables/University of Miami Community Relations Committee for remainder of the current term, which began on June 1, 2023 and continues through May 31, 2025.
- D.-4. [24-7443](#) A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation to waive the competitive bid process of the Procurement Code as a special procurement/bid waiver for the continuation of labor services with Hernas Salgado Corp. for services at the Coral Gables Golf and Country Club venue, pursuant to Section 2-691.
Lobbyist: N/A
- D.-5. [24-7442](#) A Resolution of the City Commission accepting the recommendation to waive the competitive bid process of the Procurement Code as a special procurement/bid waiver for the continuation of towel and mat services with Alsco for services at the Coral Gables Golf and Country Club Athletic Club, pursuant to section 2-691 of the City's Procurement Code.
Lobbyist: N/A
- 1. Presentation of Boards and/or Committees minutes requesting no action from the City Commission:**
- 1.-1. [24-7328](#) Budget Audit Advisory Board Meeting of March 20, 2024.
- 1.-2. [24-7419](#) Economic Development Board Meeting of April 3, 2024.
- 1.-3. [24-7417](#) Landscape Beautification Advisory Board Meeting of April 11, 2024.
- 1.-4. [24-7450](#) Mayor's Citizens Advisory Council Meeting of April 18, 2024.
- 1.-5. [24-7379](#) Retirement Board Meeting of March 14, 2024.
- 1.-6. [24-7470](#) School Community Relations Committee of March 15, 2024.
- 1.-7. [24-7449](#) Senior Citizens Advisory Board Meeting of April 4, 2024.
- 1.-8. [24-7109](#) Sustainability Advisory Board Meeting of January 22, 2024.
- 1.-9. [24-7468](#) Sustainability Advisory Board Meeting of February 28, 2024.
- 1.-10. [24-7408](#) Waterway Advisory Board Meeting of April 4, 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 10:30am (Agenda Item 2-1)

- 2.-1. [24-7440](#) A Joint Resolution of the City of Coral Gables Historic Preservation Board and the Landmarks Advisory Board making recommendations to the City Commission regarding the replacements of certain streetlights by Florida Power and Light.

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.

APPEALS

Time Certain 11:00am (Agenda Item E-1)

- E.-1. [24-7386](#) An Appeal to the Coral Gables City Commission from the decision of the Historic Preservation Board on March 20, 2024, to designate the property located at 1221 Milan Avenue, legally described as Lot 9, Block 39, Coral Gables Granada Section Revised, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 8, Page 113 of the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida, as a Local Historic Landmark.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

- E.-2. [24-7212](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Chapter 74 "Traffic and Vehicles" to create Article IX "School Zone Safety" authorizing the enforcement of school zone speed limits by and through the installation of speed detection systems on school zone roadways; providing for a severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.
- E.-3. [24-7311](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission updating the City Code to comply with State Law by amending Chapter 14 "Businesses", Article VIII "Mobile Food Trucks" and creating Section 14-154 "Limited Operation of Temporary Commercial Kitchens"; providing for severability clause, repealer provision, and providing for an effective date.
- E.-4. [24-7312](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Chapter 46 of the "Code of the City of Coral Gables," entitled "Pensions," amending Section 46-27, purchase of credited service for period of military service and/or employment with other public employers; and providing for severability clause, repealer provision, codification, and providing for an effective date.

Agenda Items E-5 and E-13 are related

- E.-5. [24-7319](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending Ordinance No. 2022-32 which approved a Planned Area Development for the project known as "Regency Parc" on the property legally described as Lots 1-12 and Lots 35-46, including the public alleyway lying in between, Block 10 and Lots 1-4, Block 15, Coral Gables Crafts Section (290, 272, 250, 244 Valencia Avenue, 247, 297 Almeria Avenue, and 2701 Salzedo Street), Coral Gables Florida to allow for the Art in Public Places contribution to be made pursuant to an Escrow Agreement.

Lobbyist: Jose Jimenez

ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

- E.-6. [24-7407](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission sunsetting and dissolving the Mayor's Advisory Council.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Castro)
- E.-7. [24-7424](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission amending the Code of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, Chapter 6 entitled "Alcoholic Beverages," Section 6-12 "Retail Package Store" and Section 6-13 "Retail package Beverage Stores; Retail Beverage Stores; Retail Liquor Stores; Club Vendors: by changing the prohibited hours of operation on Sundays for Retail Package Stores' providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)
- E.-8. [24-7198](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission approving the vacation of a public right-of-way pursuant to Zoning Code Article 14, "Process," Section 14-211, "Abandonment and Vacations" and City Code Chapter 62, Article 8 "Vacation, abandonment and closure of streets, easements and alleys by private owners and the city; application process," providing for the vacation of the seventy (70) foot wide Biltmore Drive between Lots 1 and 2 in Block 25 and Lot 1 in Block 27, Riviera Section Part 1 (757 Blue Road), Coral Gables, Florida; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date. (Legal description on file). (04 10 24 PZB recommended approval, Vote: 6-0)

- E.-9. [24-7431](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission approving the purchase and sale agreement between the City of Coral Gables, a municipal corporation existing under the laws of Florida, and 4241 Aurora, LLC, a Florida Limited Liability Company, for the transfer of development rights, as defined in Article 16 and Sections 8-114 And 14-204 of the Zoning Code from the Coral Gables Museum property located at 285 Aragon Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida 33134, and directing that all proceeds from the transfer of the development rights be placed in the City's Historic Building Fund, and providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Menendez)
(Co-sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)
- Lobbyist: Jorge Navarro
- E.-10. [24-7453](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for a text amendment to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code, amending Section 14-202.6 "Building Site Determination" to facilitate building site determination applications.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Castro)
- E.-11. [24-7416](#) 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 3 "Trial Board" by creating Section 2-124 "Procedures" and amending Chapter 2 entitled "Administration", Article IV "Officers and Employees" by creating Section 2-255 "Employee Protection" in order to provide for an administrative procedure for handling complaints made in accordance with the Florida Whistle-Blower's Act, F.S. §112.3187; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

RESOLUTIONS

- E.-12. [23-5485](#) A Resolution of the City Commission approving the Final Plat entitled "Arcana Subdivision" pursuant to Zoning Code Article 14, "Process," Section 14-210, "Platting/Subdivision," being a re-plat consisting of two existing lots which total 97,377 (ninety seven thousand three hundred seventy seven) square feet (2.24 acres) into a modified two lots on the property legally described as Lots 4 and 5, Palm Vista, together with that portion of the vacated 50-foot platted right-of-way lying between Lots 4 and 5, and dedication of 1,748 (one thousand seven hundred forty eight) square feet between (5400 and 5401 Banyan Trail), Coral Gables, Florida; including required conditions; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date. (LEGAL DESCRIPTION ON FILE) (04 04 23 PZB recommended approval, Vote 5-0)
- Lobbyist: Jose Jimenez

Agenda Items E-5 and E-13 are related

- E.-13. [24-7427](#) A Resolution of the City Commission amending Resolution No. 2022-170 which approved a mixed-use site plan for the project referred to as "Regency Parc" on the property legally described as Lots 1-12 and Lots 35-46 including the public alleyway lying in between, Block 10, and Lots 103, Block 15, Coral Gables, Crafts Section (290, 272, 250, 244 Valencia Avenue, 247, 297 Almeria Avenue, and 2701 Salzedo Street) Coral Gables, Florida to allow for the Art in Public Places contribution to be made pursuant to an Escrow Agreement.

Lobbyist: Jose Jimenez

F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

- F.-1. [24-7214](#) Discussion to require door hangers in the Zoning Code as additional notification for required neighborhood meetings of proposed mixed-use and multi-family projects.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Castro)
- F.-2. [24-7370](#) Discussion regarding paseos on Miracle Mile.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-3. [24-7444](#) Discussion regarding Sunday Hours for Open Courts at the Youth Center.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)
- F.-4. [24-7447](#) Update regarding North Ponce Historic Designation Study.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)
- F.-5. [24-7446](#) Update regarding PACE Green Corridor and Resolution supporting S.B. 770.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)
- F.-6. [24-7445](#) Discussion regarding temporary speed tables.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)
- F.-7. [24-7448](#) Update regarding letter to FDOT concerning all FDOT roads.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)

Time Certain 11:45am (Agenda Item F-8)

- F.-8. [24-7452](#) Update on pickleball courts.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez)
- F.-9. [24-7454](#) Discussion regarding the involvement of the inspector general to discuss the state of the City.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)

- F.-10. [24-7456](#) Discussion regarding the Alhambra Water Tower.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-11. [24-7455](#) Update on discussion of forensic audit.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-12. [24-7339](#) A Resolution of the City Commission directing City staff to explore potential traffic solutions to address safety concerns along LeJeune Road in the City, and directing staff to work with outside agencies and resources as needed.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Castro)
- F.-13. [24-7365](#) A Resolution of the City Commission amending Resolution No. 2019-359 to expand the resident rate discounts offered to Coral Gables teachers who purchase an annual membership at the War Memorial Youth Center or Venetian Pool.
(Sponsored by Mayor Lago)
- F.-14. [24-7425](#) A Resolution of the City Commission approving an amendment to the intergovernmental agency agreement with Miami-Dade County to perform traffic engineering functions.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)
- F.-15. [24-7426](#) A Resolution of the City Commission approving an intergovernmental agency agreement to perform the installation and maintenance of electronic speed feedback signs with Miami-Dade County.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Anderson)
- F.-16. [24-7473](#) A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing the City Manager to approve and issue reimbursement to Actors' Playhouse Productions, Inc. for the labor and materials necessary to install a new ADA compliant ramp and railings to access the second floor stage area of the city-owned property known as the Miracle Theater located at 280 Miracle Mile, Coral Gables, FL 33134 in an amount not to exceed \$41,900.00.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Menendez)

G. BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS

- G.-1. [24-7471](#) A Resolution of the City Commission appointing _____ (Anna Alvarez) (Nominated by Commission-As-A-Whole) to serve as a member of the Historic Preservation Board, for remainder of the current term, which began on June 1, 2023 and continues through May 31, 2025.

H. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

- H.-1. [24-7472](#) Discussion of No Parking Signs, Standard Operating Procedures (SOP).
- H.-2. [24-7429](#) A Resolution of the City Commission authorizing acceptance of an amendment for Grant Agreement No. 23h.sc.900.154 from the State of Florida, Department of State (DOS), Division of Historical Resources for a six month extension to the agreement from June 30, 2024 to December 31, 2024 for the Restoration of the Historic Gondola Building and authorizing the City Manager to execute the amendment of the agreement with DOS for said financial assistance under Agreement No. 23h.sc.900.154, for financial services.
- H.-3. [24-7430](#) A Resolution of the City Commission for a grant application requirement from the Florida Inland Navigation District for Attachment E-7 Resolution For Assistance. The grant application was submitted on 04/01/24 from the Waterways Assistance Program (WAP) related to the purchase of a marine patrol vessel. The grant amount applied for is \$190,000, the City matching amount is \$150,000 for a total project cost amount of \$340,000.

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