

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-324

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT A PLAN TO ADDRESS CLEANLINESS OF THE DOWNTOWN BY JANUARY 3, 2022, AND TO PRESENT THE PLAN TO THE CITY COMMISSION ON DECEMBER 7, 2021.

WHEREAS, the City invested over 20,000,000.00 to enhance the appearance and walkability of the downtown with the Miracle Mile and Giralda Streetscape Project; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has discussed cleanliness and maintenance of the City's downtown at Commission Meetings on a reoccurring basis since at least August 17, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2021, the City Commission enacted Resolution No. 2021-240, requesting that a detailed plan be put together by the Business Improvement District and the Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce, along with City Staff for maintaining the City's downtown area and creating a responsibility matrix outlining property owner and City responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the City's Economic Development Department has developed a business maintenance communication brochure to inform commercial establishments of their maintenance responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, in 2021, two clean-up events have been hosted in the downtown as part of the Keep Coral Gables Beautiful initiative, with a total of 230 pounds of litter collected between both events; and

WHEREAS, the City maintains a consistent presence in the Central Business District through City staff and hired personnel responsible for performing certain clean-up activities such as emptying garbage and recycling receptacles; and

WHEREAS, property owners have a duty to maintain their surrounding areas as outlined in the City Code; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission wishes to undertake a renewed enforcement effort to maintain the downtown through the participation of adjacent property owners consistent with the existing requirements set forth in the City Code and additional maintenance obligations deemed necessary to enhance the appearance of the area; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of this effort, the City Manager is directed to present a plan to address the cleanliness of the downtown at the December 7th Commission Meeting, and said plan is to go into effect on January 3, 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:

SECTION 1. That the foregoing “**WHEREAS**” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. That the City Manager is directed to implement a plan to address cleanliness of the downtown by January 3, 2022, and to present the plan to the City Commission on December 7, 2021.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS NINTH DAY OF NOVEMBER A.D., 2021.

(Moved: Lago / Seconded: Menendez)

(Yeas: Anderson, Fors, Jr., Mena, Menendez, Lago)

(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote)

(Non-Agenda Item)

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