

ITEM TITLE:

Ordinance on First Reading. Comprehensive Plan Text Amendment.

An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida granting approval of proposed amendments to the text and maps of the City of Coral Gables Comprehensive Plan, pursuant to expedited state review procedures (S.163.3184, Florida Statutes) and Zoning Code Article 14, "Process," Section 14-213, "Comprehensive Plan Text and Map Amendments;" to provide updates and clarifications to the Recreation and Open Space Element, Capital Improvements Element, and all corresponding map series; providing for a repealer provision, providing for a severability clause, and providing for an effective date.

DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:

Approval.

PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning and Zoning Board at their 12.09.21 meeting recommended approval of the proposed Comprehensive Plan text and map amendment, (vote: 6 yes - 0 no).

BRIEF HISTORY:

The City Commission adopted the Community Recreation Master Plan in September of 2021 to provide a 15-year framework to guide future development, preservation, and capital investment in the City's parks and recreation facilities.

A policy action item that resulted from the Master Plan is to "integrate Park System Master Plan recommendations into the City Comprehensive Plan." As such, text and map amendments to the Comprehensive Plan Recreation and Open Space Element are proposed to reflect the recommendations of the Master Plan. These changes are summarized below:

- Level of Service Map is updated with new parks that have been purchased or developed in the last few years and adjusted the LOS radii to reflect the City's Strategic Plan to be accessible without crossing a major roadway to access a park within the half-mile walk
- Recreational facilities requirements of providing facilities per resident is removed
- District/Regional park type is combined with all non-city parks
- 2021 Community Recreation Master Plan and 2021 War Memorial Master Plan are attached as appendices and guiding principles from plans are added
- Department titles, existing procedures and programs, and other minor changes are updated to reflect current organizations and processes

LEGISLATIVE ACTION:

Date:	Resolution/Ordinance No.	Comments

OTHER ADVISORY BOARD/COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION(S):

Date	Board/Committee	Comments (if any)	

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION(S):

Date	Form of Notification
10.29.21	Planning and Zoning Board legal advertisement. (November PZB)
11.04.21	Planning and Zoning Board staff report, legal notice and all attachments posted on City web page. (November PZB)
11.24.21	Planning and Zoning Board legal advertisement. (December PZB)
12.03.21	Planning and Zoning Board staff report, legal notice and all attachments posted on City web page. (December PZB)
01.04.22	City Commission meeting agenda posted on City webpage.

APPROVED BY:

Asst. Director of Development Services for Planning and Zoning					
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EXHIBIT(S):

- A. Draft Ordinance.
- B. 12.08.21 Planning & Zoning Board Staff Report with attachments.
- C. Excerpts from 12.08.21 PZB meeting.