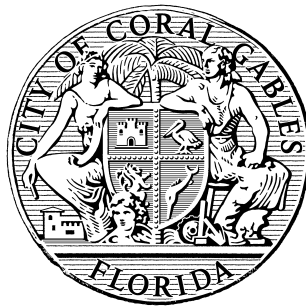


# **City of Coral Gables**

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## **Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, December 16, 2014**

**9:00 AM**

**City Hall, Commission Chambers**

### **City Commission**

*Mayor Jim Cason  
Vice Mayor William H. Kerdyk, Jr.  
Commissioner Patricia Keon  
Commissioner Vince Lago  
Commissioner Frank C. Quesada*

*Cathy Swanson-Rivenbark, City Manager  
Craig E. Leen, City Attorney  
Walter J. Foeman, City Clerk*

## **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 5 - Mayor Cason, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk Jr., Commissioner Lago and Commissioner Quesada

## **INVOCATION**

Rev. Maria Anderson Chaplain for VITAS Innovative Hospice, gave the Invocation.

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

City Manager Cathy Swanson-Rivenbark led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**

The following minutes summary includes all presentations made, and actions taken which information is supplemented by the following exhibits on file in the Office of the City Clerk, and which are by reference made a part of the record herein: (a) Resolution(s) adopted (Resolution No. 2014-261 through Resolution No. 2014-283); (b) Video; (c) Audio Recording; (d) Minutes Folder with Agenda and background information, including items which were submitted at the meeting.

**A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

- A.-1. [14-3498](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring December 16, 2014 as "National Kidney Foundation Day" in Coral Gables.

**Attachments:** [National Kidney Foundation Proclamation](#)

[Note for the Record: Following the reading of the title to Agenda Item A-1, Commissioner Lago thanked Mayor Cason for the opportunity to allow him to present this proclamation. Commissioner Lago introduced Mrs. Brown, who was present representing the National Kidney Foundation, which is based here in Coral Gables on Ponce de Leon Boulevard. Commissioner Lago stated why he wanted to present this proclamation: when he was four years old, he suffered from a disease called Renal Artery Stenosis, which resulted in him undergoing a ten-hour surgery and almost having a kidney transplant. Due to research and to the Cleveland Clinic, where he underwent an operation, and to the doctors at Miami Children's Hospital, his kidney was saved. He never had to entertain dialysis, which is an incredibly horrific experience for the patients who have to endure the procedure. When the Kidney Foundation reached out to Commissioner Lago and he was made aware that the Foundation is based out of Coral Gables, they informed him that the Foundation is not asking for money, but that the Foundation wanted to help the employees of the City of Coral Gables. Mrs. Brown, together with the support of the Human Resources Department and the Office of the City Manager, organized a day when every employee was offered the opportunity to have a free screening. Commissioner Lago said this impressed upon him the commitment the Foundation has to the City of Coral Gables. Approximately 100 City employees participated and he is certain the screening made a significant impact to the employees who participated. With that being said, Commissioner Lago said he wanted to thank the National Kidney Foundation. Mrs. Brown stated that it was really an honor to provide the City employees with the screenings, and it is the mission of the Foundation to let people know that these screenings exist. Mrs. Brown provided the address of the Foundation, 3280 Ponce de Leon Boulevard, and the website is [www.kidneyfla.org](http://www.kidneyfla.org). Mayor Cason said this is a cause very close to his family. Mayor Cason's mother, father, two sisters, a brother and grandparents, all had kidney transplants. Mayor Cason thanked Mrs. Brown for all that the Kidney Foundation is doing. Commissioner Lago said he hopes this relationship can be continued year after year.]

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 2

- A.-2. [14-3577](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring December 17, 2014 as "Carmen Olazabal Day" in Coral Gables.

**Attachments:** [12-17-2014 - Carmen Olazabal](#)

[Note for the Record: Following the reading of the title to Agenda Item A-2, Commissioner Keon announced she would personally like to thank Carmen for stepping in as Interim City Manager at a very difficult time in our city and moving the number of projects that have been moved forward over the last six months. Ms. Olazabal stated that it has been a pleasure and a privilege to serve the City for the past eight months; together with the help of the City Commission she has been able to accomplish a lot of things. Ms. Olazabal thanked the Commission for entrusting her with such a beautiful city. Commissioner Quesada thanked Ms. Olazabal for the accomplishments. Mayor Cason thanked Carmen for a terrific job. City Attorney Craig Leen stated that it has been a pleasure to work with Carmen.]

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 3

- A.-3. [14-3556](#) Congratulations to Diana M. Gomez, Finance Director, recipient of the Government Finance Officers Association's Certificate of Achievement Award.

**Attachments:** [Agenda - Presentation of CAFR Award](#)  
[A-3 Cover Memo](#)

[Note for the Record: Following the reading of the title to Agenda Item A-3, Mayor Cason asked City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark to present the item. City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark proffered that the Government Finance Officers Association's Certificate of Achievement Award is a very prestigious award and the City of Coral Gables has a proud history of having received it. Mayor Cason congratulated Finance Director Diana Gomez for having received this award. Ms. Gomez stated that even though the award has a name on it, it is really the efforts of her staff, specially the ladies in the Accounting Division and she wants to thank them for everything that they do. Ms. Gomez asked the staff of the Accounting Division to join her in accepting this award.]

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 4

**A.-4. [14-3558](#)**

Congratulations to Firefighter David Vargas, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Firefighter of the Month Award," for the month of December 2014.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memo, FF of the Month, December 2014](#)  
[Notification Letter, FF of the Month, Dec 2014](#)

[Note for the Record: Following the reading of the title to Agenda Item A-4 by Mayor Cason, City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark asked Chief Stolzenberg to come up. Chief Stolzenberg stated that it was a pleasure to present the "Firefighter of the Month" Award to Firefighter David Vargas, who is receiving this recognition for his involvement with the Disability Independence Group. The Disability Independence Group is an organization that coordinates the placement of animals after their owners have to be hospitalized. David has dedicated many hours of his personal time to this organization and his involvement became a reality after he resuscitated three dogs and a cat, and Chief Stolzenberg said he is happy to announce that all those animals are doing well today. Chief Stolzenberg said Firefighter Vargas has been with the city for fourteen years and he is a member of the City's extrication team. Chief Stolzenberg went on to list the many qualifications and stated the Fire Department is proud to have Firefighter Vargas on its team. Firefighter Vargas thanked everyone for the recognition and announced that the Disability Independence Group has reached out to the Coral Gables Fire Department and they would like to establish something for people who have service animals and encounter a problem, to mitigate whatever problem they are having. In the past, they would just kind of shoot from the hip and solve whatever problem they were having, but they would like to establish a formal policy. Firefighter Vargas went on to say that he believes the Disability Independence Group will be approaching the City Commission to draft an ordinance.]

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 5

**A.-5. [14-3526](#)**

Congratulations to Officer Joseph Fleres, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Officer of the Month Award," for the month of October 2014.

**Attachments:** [NOMINATION MEMO FOR OFFICER FLERES -OCTOBER 2014.pdf](#)  
[COMMISSION COVER MEMO - OFFICER OF THE MONTH OCTOBER 2014.pdf](#)

[Note for the Record: Following the reading of the title to Agenda Item A-5 by Mayor Cason, City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark asked Interim Chief Hudak to present the item. Interim Police Chief Hudak announced that on October 15 of this year, there was a young lady standing at the corner of Navarre and LeJeune Road, a car pulled up and a man came out of the car and asked the young lady where is LeJeune Road. Before she could answer, the gentleman reached out and grabbed her chain and took off running. She tried to follow the individual down Navarre and other witnesses called the Police Department. Before police arrived at the scene, Officer Fleres was in the area in an unmarked vehicle and saw the individual running, before the police even knew a crime had been committed and watched the man run into a garage on Aragon. Within minutes, the robber was in custody because of Officer Fleres' quick actions. Because of his keen sense of awareness, in watching what was going on around him, Chief Hudak said it was his pleasure to present Officer Fleres with his plaque. Officer Fleres said it is not every day that one gets an award for coming to work and doing their job and he really appreciates the recognition.]

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 6

- A.-6. [14-3546](#) Congratulations to Tricia S. Spencer, Community Recreation Department, recipient of the "Employee of the Month Award," for the month of December 2014.

**Attachments:** [Cover Memorandum - Tricia Spencer](#)  
[EOM Notificaiton Ltr.](#)

[Note for the Record: Following the reading of the title to Agenda Item A-5 by Mayor Cason, City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark asked Human Resources Director Elsa Jaramillo-Velez to present the item. Ms. Jaramillo-Velez stated that she is very proud to introduce Tricia Spencer, from the Parks and Recreation Department, as the December 2014 "Employee of the Month." Ms. Spencer has been with the City for six years and she is very responsible and a team player. After the presentation of the "Employee of the Month" video, Fred Couceyro, Parks and Recreation Director, congratulated Ms. Spencer and presented her with the "Employee of the Month" plaque. Ms. Spencer thanked Mr. Couceyro for nominating her for the "Employee of the Month" recognition. Ms. Spencer said she would also like to thank her co-workers for assisting her in providing excellent service to the community.]

**This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 7

## **B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- B.-1. [14-3586](#) Special City Commission Meeting of November 7, 2014.

**Attachments:** [Special Commission Meeting 11-7-14](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be approved. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada and Mayor Cason

**Absent :** 1 - Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr.

City Clerk Item No. 8

**C. 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.

**Passed the Consent Agenda**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Yeas :** 4 - Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

**Absent :** 1 - Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-262****C.-1. [14-3535](#)**

A Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to authorize participation in a piggyback contract with Comtech Engineering, Inc., for new construction and repairs of water and sewer mains in accordance with Section 2-978 of the Procurement Code entitled, "Use Of Other Governmental Unit Contracts (piggyback)."

**Attachments:** [Broward County Contract - Y1124502B1 Inst and Repair Svc for Short Water-Sew C-1 Signed Cover Memo](#)  
[Comtech Resolution](#)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO AUTHORIZE PARTICIPATION IN A PIGGYBACK CONTRACT WITH COMTECH ENGINEERING, INC., FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIRS OF WATER AND SEWER MAINS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2-978, OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE ENTITLED "USE OF OTHER GOVERNMENTAL UNIT CONTRACTS (PIGGYBACK)."

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2014-262 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 10



**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-263****C.-3. [14-3540](#)**

A Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to authorize a "Piggyback" contract with Genuine Parts Company, d/b/a NAPA Auto Parts, from the National Joint Powers Alliance (NJPA) to provide on-site vehicle and equipment parts and supply services, pursuant to Section 2-980 of the Procurement Code for a period running through April 12, 2016, with an option to renew for one (1) additional year.

**Attachments:** [NAPA Contract](#)  
[NAPA Draft Resolution](#)  
[C-3 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO AUTHORIZE A "PIGGYBACK" CONTRACT WITH GENUINE PARTS COMPANY D/B/A NAPA AUTO PARTS FROM THE NATIONAL JOINT POWERS ALLIANCE (NJPA) TO PROVIDE ON-SITE VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT PARTS AND SUPPLY SERVICES PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-980 OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE FOR A PERIOD RUNNING THROUGH APRIL, 12, 2016, WITH AN OPTION TO RENEW FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2014-263 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 11

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-264****C.-5. [14-3545](#)**

A Resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Cultural Grants.

**Attachments:** [Resolution - 12.16.14 \(Grant Recommendations\)](#)  
[CDB Minutes November 14 2014 EXCERPT](#)  
[CDB Minutes November 14 2014 EXCERPT](#)  
[Commission cover 12.16.14 \(Grant Recommendations\).doc](#)  
[C-5 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 CULTURAL GRANTS.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2014-264 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 12

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-265****C.-7. [14-3555](#)**

A Resolution granting a one-day permit to Smart Kids Bright Organization to sell alcoholic beverages on Thursday, April 16, 2015, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., at the Village of Merrick Park on San Lorenzo Avenue during the Veritage Miami event, subject to Florida Department of Professional Regulation requirements.

**Attachments:** [Special Events Application and Permit - Smart Kids Bright Veritage Miami Resolution](#)  
[Cover Sheet for Veritage Miami](#)  
[Veritage Miami Resolution](#)  
[C-7 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION GRANTING A ONE-DAY PERMIT TO SMART KIDS BRIGHT ORGANIZATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON THURSDAY APRIL 16TH, 2015 FROM 6:00 P.M. TO 9:30 P.M. AT THE VILLAGE OF MERRICK PARK ON SAN LORENZO AVENUE DURING THE VERITAGE MIAMI EVENT, SUBJECT TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION REQUIREMENTS.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2014-265 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 13

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-266****C.-8. [14-3557](#)**

A Resolution granting a one-day permit to The Sundari Foundation to sell alcoholic beverages, from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., on Sunday, May 3, 2015 at Merrick Park, during the "2nd Annual Ride for Lotus House," to benefit The Lotus House Women and Children Shelter, subject to Florida Department of Professional Regulation requirements.

**Attachments:** [Special Events Application and Permit](#)  
[The Sundari Foundation Resolution](#)  
[C-8 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION GRANTING A ONE-DAY PERMIT TO THE SUNDARI FOUNDATION TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FROM 12:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M. ON SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2015 AT MERRICK PARK, DURING THE 2ND ANNUAL RIDE FOR LOTUS HOUSE TO BENEFIT THE LOTUS HOUSE WOMEN AND CHILDREN SHELTER, SUBJECT TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION REQUIREMENTS.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2014-266 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 14

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-267****C.-9. [14-3560](#)**

A Resolution authorizing Unlimited Sales Group, Inc. to sell alcoholic beverages on Giralda Avenue, east of LeJeune Road and west of Ponce de Leon Boulevard, from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 24, 2015 and from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 25th, 2015, as part of the "Coral Gables Festival of the Arts," subject to Florida Department of Professional Regulation requirements.

**Attachments:** [Resolution](#)  
[Special Events and Application](#)  
[C-9 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING UNLIMITED SALES GROUP, INC. TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON GIRALDA AVENUE EAST OF LEJEUNE ROAD AND WEST OF PONCE DE LEON BOULEVARD FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M. ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 24, 2015 AND FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M. ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2015, AS PART OF THE "CORAL GABLES FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS", SUBJECT TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION REQUIREMENTS.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2014-267 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 15

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-268****C.-10. [14-3568](#)**

A Resolution authorizing the waiver of the cost of parking meter rentals for the 64th "Annual Beaux Arts Festival of Art."

**Attachments:** [64th BEAUX Arts Fest Grounds Map 2014-5](#)  
[Letter-64th ANNUAL BEAUX ARTS FESTIVAL OF ART](#)  
[C-10 Signed Cover Memo](#)  
[Beaux Art Festival Resolution](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF THE COST OF PARKING METER RENTALS FOR THE 64TH ANNUAL "BEAUX ARTS FESTIVAL OF ART."

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2014-268 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 16

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-269****C.-11. [14-3576](#)**

A Resolution with attachment, accepting the City Clerk's Certification and Declaration of Result, thereby confirming the re-election of Troy Easley who ran unopposed, as a member of the City of Coral Gables Retirement Board (Participating Fire Fighter Representative), for a term beginning January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016, and also confirming the re-election of Donald "Rusty" Hill who also ran unopposed, as a member of the City of Coral Gables Retirement Board (Participating Regular Full-time Employee Representative, Teamsters Local 769), for a term beginning January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016.

**Attachments:** [C-11 Signed Cover Memo](#)  
[C-11 Resolution](#)  
[Memorandum of Acceptance](#)

A RESOLUTION WITH ATTACHMENT, ACCEPTING THE CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATION AND DECLARATION OF RESULTS, THEREBY CONFIRMING THE RE-ELECTION OF TROY EASLEY WHO RAN UNOPPOSED, AS A MEMBER OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES RETIREMENT BOARD (PARTICIPATING FIRE FIGHTER REPRESENTATIVE), FOR A TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016, AND ALSO CONFIRMING THE RE-ELECTION OF DONALD "RUSTY" HILL WHO ALSO RAN UNOPPOSED, AS A MEMBER OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES RETIREMENT BOARD (PARTICIPATING REGULAR FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVE, TEAMSTERS LOCAL 769), FOR A TERM BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016.

**This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2014-269 on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 17

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

**a. [14-3501](#)** Economic Development Board Meeting of October 1, 2014

**Attachments:** [EDB. 12.16.14 Commission cover](#)  
[EDB Minutes 10-01-14](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 18

**b. [14-3527](#)** Cultural Development Board Meeting of October 22, 2014

**Attachments:** [CDB Commission cover 12-16-14](#)  
[CDB Minutes October 22 2014](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 19

- c. [14-3528](#) Property Advisory Board Meeting of October 8, 2014

**Attachments:** [PAB 12-16-14 Commission cover](#)  
[10-8-14 PAB minutes](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 20

- d. [14-3529](#) Communications Committee Meeting of October 26, 2014

**Attachments:** [CC. 12.16.14 Commission cover](#)  
[CC Minutes 10-16-14](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 21

- e. [14-3542](#) Historic Preservation Board Meeting of October 16, 2014

**Attachments:** [HPB.10.16.14MinutesforCC12.16.14](#)  
[HPB Minutes - October 16 2014](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 22

- f. [14-3543](#) International Affairs Coordinating Council Meeting of October 21, 2014

**Attachments:** [Microsoft Word - IACC-Minutes Octobet 21 2014](#)  
[Microsoft Word - cover letter 10-21-14](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 23

- g. [14-3547](#) Traffic Advisory Board Meeting of October 21, 2014

**Attachments:** [10-21-14 Traffic Advisory Board COVER](#)  
[10-21-14 Traffic Advisory Board MINUTES](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 24

- h. [14-3548](#) Disability Affairs Board Meeting of November 5, 2014

**Attachments:** [11-5-14 Disability Affairs minutes COVER](#)  
[11-5-14 Disability Affairs Board MINUTES](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 25

- i. [14-3552](#) Retirement Board Meeting of October 9, 2014

**Attachments:** [CC.12-16-2014.October 9, 2014 Minutes.10-9-2014](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 26

- j. [14-3553](#) Coral Gables Merrick House Governing Board Meeting of November 10, 2014

**Attachments:** [11.10.14MinutesforCC12.16.14 Merrick House Minutes November 10 2014](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 27

- k. [14-3569](#) Parking Advisory Board Meeting of October 23, 2014

**Attachments:** [Trolley Map extension](#)  
[PAB Minutes 10-23-2014](#)  
[PAB minutes from 10.23 Cover](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 28

- l. [14-3561](#) Economic Development Board Meeting of November 5, 2014

**Attachments:** [EDB Minutes 11-05-14](#)  
[EDB. 12.16.14B Commission cover](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 29

- m. [14-3578](#) Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Meeting of October 24, 2014

**Attachments:** [Cover Sheet.Minutes 10-24-14](#)  
[Minutes 10-24-14 draft](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 30

- n. [14-3579](#) Senior Citizens Advisory Board Meeting of November 3, 2014

**Attachments:** [Min 11-03-2014](#)  
[Cover Sheet Minutes 11-03-14](#)

**This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

City Clerk Item No. 31

**Pulled from Consent Agenda****RESOLUTION NO. 2014-270****C.-2. 14-3539**

A Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to award the Fire Station No. 3 Renovation Project to Grace & Naeem Uddin, Inc., pursuant to Section 2-828 of the Procurement Code, entitled "Contract Award" and Invitation for Bid (IFB) 2014.10.24.

**Attachments:** [Draft Resolution](#)  
[Consultant's Recommendation](#)  
[Bid Tabulation](#)  
[Bid Response](#)  
[C-2 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION TO DEFER CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA ITEM C-2, PERTAINING TO FIRE STATION NO. 3 RENOVATION PROJECT; FURTHER INSTRUCTING CITY ADMINISTRATION TO HIRE A CONTRACTOR TO PROVIDE THE BEST QUALITY SERVICE AND PRICING IN CONNECTION WITH SAID PROJECT, IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING THAT THE SCOPE OF SERVICES BEING WELL DEFINED, SO THAT THERE IS NO LIKELIHOOD FOR THE CREATION OF ANY CHANGE ORDERS, DUE TO THE CONDITION OF THE FIRE STATION NO. 3 BUILDING.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item C-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be deferred by Resolution Number 2014-270. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

**Absent :** 1 - Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr.

City Clerk Item No. 32

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-278****C.-4. 14-3541**

A Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to award the Museum Lighting and Gates contract to Bejar Construction, Inc., pursuant to Invitation For Bids (IFB) 2014.10.23 and Section 2-828 of the Procurement Code entitled, "Contract Award."

**Attachments:** [Draft Resolution.pdf](#)  
[Bid Tabulation Sheet \(Final\)](#)  
[Bejar Construction, Inc.](#)  
[C-4 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO AWARD THE MUSEUM LIGHTING AND GATES CONTRACT TO BEJAR CONSTRUCTION, INC., PURSUANT TO INVITATION FOR BIDS (IFB) 2014.10.23 AND SECTION 2-828 OF THE PROCUREMENT CODE ENTITLED "CONTRACT AWARD."

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item C-4 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-278. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 43



**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-277****C.-6. [14-3551](#)**

A Resolution authorizing the Kiwanis Club of Little Havana to sell alcoholic beverages at Fred B. Harnett Ponce Circle Park, from 7:00 p.m. to midnight on Friday, March 6, 2015, and from 10:00 a.m. to midnight on Saturday, March 7, 2015, and on Sunday, March 8, 2015 on Miracle Mile from Douglas to LeJeune as part of the "Carnaval on the Mile," subject to Florida Department of Professional Regulation requirements

**Attachments:** [Special Events Application and Permit](#)  
[Carnaval on the Mile Draft Resolution](#)  
[C-6 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE KIWANIS CLUB OF LITTLE HAVANA TO SELL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT FRED B. HARTNETT PONCE CIRCLE PARK FROM 7:00 P.M. TO MIDNIGHT ON FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2015, AND FROM 10:00 A.M. TO MIDNIGHT ON SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2015 AND ON SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2015 ON MIRACLE MILE FROM DOUGLAS TO LEJEUNE AS PART OF THE CARNAVAL ON THE MILE, SUBJECT TO FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION REQUIREMENTS.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item C-6 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-277. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr. and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 42

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-272****C.-12. [14-3587](#)**

Request for Ratification of Dispute Resolution Agreement as to Lots 13, 14 and 15 in Block 59 of Coral Gables Granada Section, according to the plat thereof recorded at Plat Book 8, Page 113, in the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida, presently referred to as 1011 and 1015 Lisbon Street (pursuant to section 3-1705(D) of the Zoning Code, this item may only be pulled by a supermajority vote of four Commissioners).

**Attachments:** [Lisbon - Dispute Resolution Agreement AGENDA FINAL](#)  
[Dispute Resolution Agreement Memo from City Attorney](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION BY A FOUR-FIFTHS VOTE TO PULL AGENDA ITEM C-12 (REQUEST FOR RATIFICATION OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION AGREEMENT AS TO LOTS 13, 14 AND 15 IN BLOCK 59 OF CORAL GABLES GRANADA SECTION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED AT PLAT BOOK 8, PAGE 113, IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, PRESENTLY REFERRED TO AS 1011 AND 1015 LISBON STREET [PURSUANT TO SECTION 3-1705(D) OF THE ZONING CODE]).

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item C-12 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be Pulled from Consent Agenda. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

**Absent :** 1 - Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr.

City Clerk Item No. 9

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-272 (As Amended)**

**C.-12.1 [14-3587](#)**

Request for Ratification of Dispute Resolution Agreement as to Lots 13, 14 and 15 in Block 59 of Coral Gables Granada Section, according to the plat thereof recorded at Plat Book 8, Page 113, in the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida, presently referred to as 1011 and 1015 Lisbon Street (pursuant to section 3-1705(D) of the Zoning Code, this item may only be pulled by a supermajority vote of four Commissioners).

**Attachments:** [Lisbon - Dispute Resolution Agreement AGENDA FINAL](#)  
[Dispute Resolution Agreement Memo from City Attorney](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be adopted as amended by Resolution Number 2014-272. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 34

**D. PERSONAL APPEARANCES**

**D.-1. [14-3544](#)**

Presentation by Marina Foglia, Executive Director of the Business Improvement District, regarding downtown holiday decoration initiatives.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item D-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 38

**E. PUBLIC HEARINGS****RESOLUTIONS**

Anyone who wishes to address the City Commission on an item to be considered for public hearing must fill out a Speaker Card and turn it in to the City Clerk. Speaker Cards can be obtained on the credenza located outside the Office of the Mayor, during the day of the City Commission Meeting.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-279 (As Amended)****E.-1. 14-3559**

Mixed Use Site Plan Review. A Resolution of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida requesting mixed use site plan review pursuant to Zoning Code Article 4, "Zoning Districts", Division 2, "Overlay and Special Purpose Districts" Section 4-201, "Mixed Use District (MXD)," for the mixed use project referred to as "4311 Ponce" on the property legally described as Lots 36-43, Block 5, Industrial Section (4225 and 4311 Ponce de Leon Boulevard), Coral Gables, Florida; including required conditions; providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:** [12 16 14 Exhibit A - Resolution re Mixed Use Site Plan Review](#)  
[12 16 14 Exhibit B - 11 12 14 PZB 4311 Ponce MXD II Staff report - continued - w](#)  
[12 16 14 Exhibit C - 11 12 14 Excerpts of PZB Meeting Minutes](#)  
[12 16 14 Exhibit D - PowerPoint Presentation](#)  
[E-1 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA REQUESTING MIXED USE SITE PLAN REVIEW PURSUANT TO ZONING CODE ARTICLE 4, "ZONING DISTRICTS", DIVISION 2, "OVERLAY AND SPECIAL PURPOSE DISTRICTS", SECTION 4-201, "MIXED USE DISTRICT (MXD)" FOR THE MIXED USE PROJECT REFERRED TO AS "4311 PONCE" ON THE PROPERTY LEGALLY DESCRIBED AS LOTS 36-43, BLOCK 5, INDUSTRIAL SECTION (4225 AND 4311 PONCE DE LEON BOULEVARD), CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA; INCLUDING REQUIRED CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-279. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 3 - Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr. and Mayor Cason

**Nays :** 1 - Commissioner Lago

**Abstentions :** 1 - Commissioner Quesada

City Clerk Item No. 44

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-275****E.-2. [14-3537](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida electing to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem special assessments levied within the incorporated area of the City; stating a need for such levy; providing for the mailing of this Resolution; and providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:** [Reso - Solid Waste Intent To Use the Uniform Method of Collection E-2 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA ELECTING TO USE THE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS LEVIED WITHIN THE INCORPORATED AREA OF THE CITY; STATING A NEED FOR SUCH LEVY; PROVIDING FOR THE MAILING OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-275. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 40

**F. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS****F.-1. [14-3533](#)**

Status report regarding parking enforcement along Granada Golf Course, under Section 74-100 of the City Code.  
Commissioner Quesada

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 36

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-273****F.-2. [14-3581](#)**

Discussion regarding homeless support service with Camillus House (The speaker will be Andrea Hanley).

Commissioner Quesada

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-273. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr. and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 35

**F.-3. [14-3582](#)**

Discussion regarding summary of previously-requested study on the expansion of Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) receiving sites.

Commissioner Lago

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 48

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-271****F.-4. [14-3572](#)**

Discussion regarding West Lab.

Commissioner Lago

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-4 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quesada, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-271. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 4 - Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

**Absent :** 1 - Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr.

City Clerk Item No. 33

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-276**

- F.-5. [14-3588](#) Discussion regarding allowance of exterior art sculptures at 8565 Old Cutler Road.  
Commissioner Lago

**Attachments:** [F-5 - Photos scan 8565 Old Cutler Rd](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-5 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Lago, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-276. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 41

- F.-6. [14-3573](#) Report regarding City's presentation at ABC Committee Meeting regarding elimination of controlled choice and creation of attendance boundaries for Coral Gables Prep, Sunset Elementary and Carver Elementary, and outcome of meeting.  
Commissioner Keon

**Attachments:** [F-6 - Update on Controlled Choice Schools](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-6 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 51

- F.-7. [14-3585](#) Discussion regarding zoning regulations for Miracle Mile.  
Commissioner Keon

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item F-7 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 39

**G. BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS**

**None**

City Clerk Item No. 56

**H. CITY MANAGER ITEMS**

- H.-1. [14-3490](#) Discussion regarding procurement initiatives.

**Attachments:** [H-1 Signed Cover Memo](#)

**This Agenda Item was Deferred**

City Clerk Item No. 57

- H.-2. [14-3563](#) Update on fleet vehicle replacement policy and green initiatives.

**Attachments:** [H-2 Signed Cover Memo](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 52

- H.-3. [14-3571](#) Audit of Uniform Crime Reporting Presentation (UCR).

**Attachments:** [2014 FBI Audit Report](#)  
[Incident Summary of Offenses \(Sept. 2014\)](#)  
[Incident Summary of Offenses \(Oct. 2014\)](#)  
[H-3 Signed Cover Memo](#)  
[Memo From Interim Police Chief to Interim City Manager](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 45

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-280****H.-4. [14-3566](#)**

A Resolution accepting the recommendation of the Chief Procurement Officer to approve a contract with Cooper Robertson and Associates, as the design consultant for the Miracle Mile/Giralda Avenue Streetscape Design Project pursuant to Florida Statute 287.055, known as the "Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act," and Request for Qualifications (RFQ) 2014.09.24.

**Attachments:** [31G0564-Architect's Agreement 12 8 14 formatted](#)  
[Certificate of Insurance Ex. D](#)  
[City Request For Qualifications \(RFQ\) Ex. A](#)  
[Draft Resolution \(PSA\)](#)  
[Professional's Qualifications Ex. B.](#)  
[Scope of Services Ex. C](#)  
[H-4 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH COOPER ROBERTSON AND ASSOCIATES, AS THE DESIGN CONSULTANT FOR THE MIRACLE MILE/GIRALDA AVENUE STREETSCAPE DESIGN PROJECT PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTES 287.055, KNOWN AS THE "CONSULTANTS COMPETITIVE NEGOTIATION ACT" AND REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) 2014.09.24.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-4 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-280. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 46



**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-283**

- H.-5. [14-3565](#) A Resolution approving a reduction in scope and cost of the William H. Kerdyk Tennis Center project.

**Attachments:** [Revised Site Plan](#)  
[H-5 Signed Cover Memo](#)  
[Kerdyk Tennis Center Resolution](#)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A REDUCTION IN SCOPE AND COST OF THE WILLIAM H. KERDYK TENNIS CENTER PROJECT.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-5 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Commissioner Quesada, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-283. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 3 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Quesada and Mayor Cason

**Absent :** 2 - Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr. and Commissioner Lago

City Clerk Item No. 54

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-274****H.-6. [14-3538](#)**

A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida authorizing the negotiation of a loan in a principal amount not to exceed \$6,500,000 from the Sunshine State Governmental Financing Commission, to finance certain Radio System Improvements; approving the execution and delivery of the loan agreement and escrow agreement; providing certain other matters in connection with the making of such loan; authorizing other required actions; and providing for an effective date.

**Attachments:** [Recommendation Memo Radio Loan](#)  
[US Bank -- Coral Gables USBGLF Proposal Radio Loan](#)  
[Resolution - Radio Replacement Loan](#)  
[Escrow Agreement USBGLF Coral Gables - Radio Loan](#)  
[H-6 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE NEGOTIATION OF A LOAN IN A PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,500,000 FROM THE SUNSHINE STATE GOVERNMENTAL FINANCING COMMISSION TO FINANCE CERTAIN RADIO SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS; APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF THE LOAN AGREEMENT AND AN ESCROW AGREEMENT; PROVIDING CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAKING OF SUCH LOAN; AUTHORIZING OTHER REQUIRED ACTIONS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item H-6 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Quesada, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-274. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr.,  
Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 37

**I. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS**

- I.-1. [14-3574](#) Report regarding properties on the abandoned property registry that have been referred to City Attorney for further action, and on recently filed lawsuit seeking Court enforcement of Code requirements as to the property at 1044 Cotorro Avenue.

**Attachments:** [Abandoned Real Property Chart - Final](#)  
[Abandoned Real Property PowerPoint Presentation](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item I-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 53

- I.-2. [14-3524](#) Status regarding proposed Forfeiture Ordinance, previously passed on First Reading.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item I-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

**This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed**

City Clerk Item No. 47

**J. CITY CLERK ITEMS****RESOLUTION NO. 2014-281****J.-1. [14-3575](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission, with attachment, making provisions for holding a General Biennial Election on April 14, 2015, for the election of candidates for the office(s) of Mayor and two City Commissioners; further designating and appointing the City Clerk as the official representative of the City Commission, with respect to the supervision of said General Biennial Election; further directing the City Clerk to give notice by publication of the adoption of this resolution and the provisions hereof.

**Attachments:** [J-1 Signed Cover Memo](#)  
[J-1 Resolution](#)  
[Miami-Dade County Precinct List](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION, WITH ATTACHMENT, MAKING PROVISIONS FOR HOLDING A GENERAL BIENNIAL ELECTION ON APRIL 14, 2015, FOR THE ELECTION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICE(S) OF MAYOR AND TWO CITY COMMISSIONERS; FURTHER DESIGNATING AND APPOINTING THE CITY CLERK AS THE OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE CITY COMMISSION WITH RESPECT TO THE SUPERVISION OF SAID GENERAL BIENNIAL ELECTION; FURTHER DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO GIVE NOTICE BY PUBLICATION OF THE ADOPTION OF THIS RESOLUTION AND THE PROVISIONS HEREOF.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-281. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Lago, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr. and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 49

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-282****J.-2. [14-3580](#)**

A Resolution appointing members of the Canvassing Board (Board) for the upcoming General Biennial Election of Tuesday, April 14, 2015, namely, the Honorable Patricia Keon, Commissioner, and the Honorable Rudy Ruiz, Circuit Court Judge, 11th Judicial Circuit and City Clerk, Walter J. Foeman, for the purpose of canvassing absentee ballots and precinct returns; further authorizing said Board to certify the results of said election.

**Attachments:** [J-2 Resolution](#)  
[J-2 Signed Cover Memo](#)

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE CANVASSING BOARD FOR THE UPCOMING GENERAL BIENNIAL ELECTION OF TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2015, NAMELY, THE HONORABLE PATRICIA KEON, COMMISSIONER, AND THE HONORABLE VINCE LAGO, COMMISSIONER FOR THE PURPOSE OF CANVASSING ABSENTEE BALLOTS AND PRECINCT RETURNS; FURTHER AUTHORIZING SAID BOARD TO CERTIFY THE RESULTS OF SAID ELECTION.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2014-282. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Kerdyk, Jr., Commissioner Lago and Mayor Cason

City Clerk Item No. 50

**K. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Mayor Cason: All right, to end this up do you have any discussion items?

Commissioner Keon: No. You know what?-I would actually like Public Works, if you could have a conversation possibly with the County about a crosswalk somewhere on LeJeune by Ingram Park, so people from the west of Ingram Park can cross LeJeune to get to the park, because I have a lot of people complaining about the ability to cross LeJeune. It's a really difficult street to cross.

Public Works Director Kephart: We are having those discussions with the County. There already is a preliminary design that is being evaluated.

Commissioner Keon: Oh, good. OK.

Public Works Director Kephart: One of the issues we have is how it affects the property on the north/northeast corner of that intersection it affects their driveway. But there is a solution and we need to work with the County to resolve that.

Commissioner Keon: OK.

Commissioner Quesada: I'm sorry you said crossing in order to get to...

Commissioner Keon: To cross LeJeune.

Commissioner Quesada:...Ingraham Park?

Commissioner Keon: Just crossing LeJeune. From the west side of LeJeune to cross over to the east. There's no crosswalks anywhere along there. And the streets really don't line up real well.

Commissioner Quesada: Yeah.

Commissioner Keon: So it's a really a very difficult, you really should have seen people started scrambling between cars. I noticed more with bicycles, you know, attempting to get across there. So thank you very much.

Mayor Cason: Bill?

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: Just two things real quickly. First of all, congratulations for our new City Manager.

Commissioner Keon: Oh, yes.

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: I'm looking forward to serving up here with you. And like I said, it's a good day for the residents, it's a good day for staff, and it's a good day for the City Commission that you're now our City Manager. The second thing is that the police fire station issue that we have. That needs to be vetted here in the foreseeable future. And I'm sure you're going to look at that as best as you can and come back with some recommendation as to how to proceed, but that's it. That's a pressing issue that we need to figure out soon. And the final thing, which is sort of a fun little issue, is that when I was playing golf, you know, at Biltmore, which I used to think was a shack. It's on the seventh hole

Commissioner Keon: Oh, yeah.

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: It's on the water, the water on the seventh hole. You know, I never hit my balls over there because, you know, they usually go straight, but Frank Quesada goes over there quite a bit. But one day I took an errant shot, so I was looking at this building and this building has all these cool...it's a cool structure. It's like a little warehouse, 1,200 square feet, and has all this nice, you know, decorations up at the top of it. You know, so I called up Historic Preservation; Dona's not there, but Kara is there. So I said, Kara, you got to go look at this building before it falls down. So sure enough, she goes out there, she takes a look at this building. And again, it's like a cement structure. She looks at it and she calls me back. She says, "You know what? I think that's where Merrick put his gondolas.

Commissioner Quesada: Oh, gondola storage.

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: So we need to fix this structure up. I mean, have you seen it yet, Glenn? Have you seen it from? I don't know, but nobody knows it's there because it's behind, you know, a bunch of trees and everything but

Commissioner Quesada: There's a lot of overgrowth right there.

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: Oh, yeah, there's a lot of overgrowth, and it could be a really cool little structure...

Mayor Cason: Maybe there is a gondola inside.

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: I don't know. Maybe, but there are still historic preservation issues out there.

Mayor Cason: Frank.

Commissioner Quesada: Is that it?

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: Yeah, that's it.

Commissioner Quesada: I have one item. Now, as many of you know, I'm the liaison with the BID and with the Chamber, and I speak before realtor associations and sight selectors, and basically, when businesses are considering coming to the City, I will sell the City. So I end up discussing Streetscape, different projects that are coming, you know, the budget, other positive things. I become the salesmen for the City.

Vice Mayor Kerdyk: That's a good thing.

Commissioner Quesada: So I discussed the RFP (Request for Proposals) for the garages every single time. I know we're in a Cone of Silence, but I've heard a number of complaints with relation to the way everything is being carried forward, and also with the holiday parties been coming by. I've had complaints as well, and I mean, it's



going to sound like I discuss it, but they still get some things out. I don't respond.

City Attorney Leen: There's an exception that applies to Commissioners.

Commissioner Keon: You can discuss it.

City Attorney Leen: You can discuss it; staff can't.

Commissioner Quesada: Oh, OK. Well, I haven't been discussing it.

City Attorney Leen: We have an interesting Cone of Silence. It might be good to clarify. The City Manager, the City Attorney, the Commissioners can talk to anyone. The Chief Procurement Officer, there's a couple of provisions exceptions related to the Chief Procurement Officer. Everyone below, "below" is not the right word. But everyone in the City structure that's not at that level, it applies to; so, basically, staff. Assistant City Manager's, though, can also talk.

Commissioner Quesada: Thank you for that clarification. I had been asking when they do approach me, I said, if you have a procedural complaint, I'll listen to it and I'll bring it to the Commission meeting. So I've heard procedural complaints, so I was going to bring it up today, and I heard it as recent as Saturday night.

Mayor Cason: I heard them at the same party.

Commissioner Quesada: Oh, you did?

Mayor Cason: Same three people.

Commissioner Quesada: Same three people approached me.

Commissioner Keon: Is it a timing issue?

Commissioner Quesada: It's a timing issue.

Commissioner Keon: We've all heard it then.

Commissioner Quesada: Oh, OK, you have? OK. and I said I would bring it up, so the complaint is that because of the holiday, because of the timing of everything, it's very tough right now because people are traveling, different things of that nature, is number one. And then number two, the complaint I've heard is the way it staggered. And I spoke to Cindy Birdsill about this right before we actually issued it, and you said you guys hadn't heard the complaint with doing one building first and then the second one next. So I'm sorry. The requirement in the RFP, correct me if I'm wrong, is that whoever wins has to build the parking structure first, and once that is delivered and we accept it, then the second structure is given to the developer to construct.

Economic and Cultural Development Director Birdsill: Right. The way that we had anticipated the phasing is that the garage one site would have to be demolished and rebuilt and delivered before they could demolish the garage for structure. But during the time frame of building Garage One, they could go through the permitting process for the garage four project, whatever it is. The Commission's concern was that we not lose all of our parking at the same time, and we knew that would be a pain point for the developers.

Commissioner Quesada: Right.

Economic and Cultural Development Director Birdsill: And there may be smaller developers who are not able to meet that requirement, but I believe there are a few

that will be able to.

Commissioner Quesada: Because, obviously, there's obviously a balance here that we need to meet. Obviously, we can't be out all those parking spaces for long period of time. Obviously, that's a big concern. That's the utmost concern for the downtown. But at the same time, as you recall, as we've been discussing this, we want to keep this as wide open as possible. If we can get, you know, 20, 30, 40 different developers to bid on this, you know, the likelihood that we get the greatest possible project for one of the most important locations in the City is ideal. I know you and I discussed it informally, and you convinced me that the way it's written, you know, you hadn't heard any complaints at that time. I had heard one complaint at that time and I didn't bring it up, so maybe it's my fault that I didn't bring it up at the last meeting, but I've heard it some more now

Economic and Cultural Development Director Birdsill: Right. And one of the other things that we've done is we've structured the RFP in a two-phase process. So this first phase is just for qualifications, and we will be able to get feedback. And if it doesn't look like we're getting enough of a response, we can change what we're doing.

Commissioner Quesada: But then, does that create an issue if we're still cutting people off? Are we discouraging people from even bidding?-which is my concern. I want a hundred developers to bid on this, if it's possible, because the more bids, tell me if I'm wrong, but the more bids we get, high likelihood to get a spectacular project that we all love.

Commissioner Keon: I think that we probably are discouraging people from bidding on this. I think it's not going to be open to everyone because of the cost involved in preparing the one project...

Commissioner Quesada: But that's the "nature of the beast."

Commissioner Keon:...to another. Well, it's an issue of how much is enough. You know, you might have four or five really, you know, great projects presented to you or you have four or five developers that can come in and do that and afford to do that, you know, that are great developers, it's probably enough. You probably don't need the hundred. I think that's when you see the qualifications and you see who it is and you see what they have built, and what they can provide, you may be getting, more of what you want by doing it that way than, you know, doing it to make it more wide open and to not have that...it's like looking at a seven-acre parcel in downtown with the difference between a group like Agave and, you know, someone else's ability to actually bring that project to fruition. It's because of their ability to self-finance, or their size and everything else that gives them the opportunity to do that. You could open that up to, you know, anybody you want, and you probably still are not going to get many people, and does it really make any difference that you don't get that many when it's, you know, that kind of project? And I think that the garages are important enough to us and we need to move forward on them as quickly as we can; that even if it may limit the number of people that can respond because of the burden on the developer, as long as we can get a few, I think that's probably enough. I mean, maybe it would be nice, but I don't think it's enough. Cindy has done development and certainly, Cathy has done, the Manager has done development too, so I would, you know, ask them. You know, that's how I see it, but you know, if you see it differently in your professional capacity, I'd rather...

Commissioner Quesada: You know something? I guess what I'm asking is I'd like our new City Manager to take a look at it.

Commissioner Keon: Yes.

Commissioner Quesada: I have the ultimate confidence in our interim City Manager and...

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Commissioner Quesada:...Assistant City Manager. However, Cathy was able to do an amazing project with that Jimmy Buffet Hotel, and I know it was a very complex deal, and I know it's on City property, and I don't want to margarita the hotel. I don't want anyone to interpret it that way. And I understand there's some great developers, huge developers out there, but I think we could all agree, we don't want something cookie cutter. We don't want two boxes to go up in the sky.

Commissioner Keon: No, but I think that's...

Commissioner Quesada: We want...there's so many great things that can be done by maybe a developer who's got a lot of experience, but is not one of the monsters, is not one of the biggest ones out there, not to say that they're bad. I'm not saying that. There are opportunities that I don't want to cut people off because they can't afford the carrying costs of two or three years.

Commissioner Keon: Well, I think the other issue is, we don't have the funds to do it. So do we have the funds to go ahead and build that on our own?

Economic and Cultural Development Director Birdsill: Not right now, no.

Commissioner Keon: Yeah.

Commissioner Quesada: No, but I'm not suggesting for us to do it on our own. I don't know why you took that jump. What I'm saying is, I guess what I'm saying is I

want our new City Manager to really sit down and look at it again with a critical eye knowing that this is the...

Mayor Cason: And listen to the three people that we all heard from that said some of the bigger developers were going to have a problem with it. I mean, and maybe that's fine, but you know, take a look and see whether we're going to get quality developers that can carry it.

Commissioner Quesada: Because, again, I think we all have the same goal in mind here is to improve our Miracle Mile with this project. It's going to be attractive. It's going to be the right kind of project for the City. Again, if it really comes down to only the mega power house can do it in the most economical way, I think we're going to end up with a poor design and something we're not happy with. And then, we're going to have to start the process again, or we'll have to reevaluate, which is my concern. I don't know if that's correct or not, because I'm reading your facial expressions. It's just that when I give these presentations and I hear the feedback, you know, I'm hearing it quite a bit. That's it.

Mayor Cason: OK.

Commissioner Keon: You're not hearing it from the big guys.

Mayor Cason: Cindy.

Commissioner Quesada: I have heard it from one big company.

Commissioner Keon: Really?

Commissioner Quesada: Yeah.

Mayor Cason: I heard it from three respected people. They said speaking on behalf of important big companies, so I don't know. I don't know any more than that.

Commissioner Keon: Is it budget or a timeline issue?

Commissioner Quesada: Well, if the timeline is definitely an issue is definitely what I know, but this conversation's sort of gone a different direction.

Commissioner Keon: Right. No. I understand and would support the timeline being pushed out a little bit because of the holidays. When is it now? January 5th?

Economic and Cultural Development Director Birdsill: Yeah, January 5th. And I don't think that we have an objection with extending the time frame.

Mayor Cason: OK.

Commissioner Keon: I think we should push out to the end of January. I think is what people had asked about.

Commissioner Quesada: Well, I had heard, someone had asked me for 90 days, and I thought that was a little much. But, I mean, I'd be OK with 60 days. I mean, adding two months to the process, I don't think really puts us that much further behind.

Economic and Cultural Development Director Birdsill: Although, the first part of this piece is just a...

Commissioner Keon: It's just a qualifications.

Economic and Cultural Development Director Birdsill:...qualifications. The developers may be thinking that they're having to present the entire project.

Commissioner Keon: And it's not. It's just an RFQ (Request for Qualifications).

Economic and Cultural Development Director Birdsill: (UNINTELLIGIBLE) need that much time.

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Mayor Cason: Yeah. Well, take a look at it; let us know.

Commissioner Quesada: I would say, for the qualifications, if there's no objection, if we can add another 30 days to it, at least just to get the qualifications.

Commissioner Keon: Take it out to the end of January.

Mayor Cason: Yeah, to the end of January.

Commissioner Quesada: February 5th. So if you decide another 30 days, if that lines up on a calendar, just for the qualifications and maybe, so we can be clear, the people who have requested the packet or I know you had a list. I think you had 90 names on that list, Cindy?

Economic and Cultural Development Director Birdsill: We do have a list, yes.

Commissioner Quesada: If you can e-mail (electronic) that list, or however you're communicating, letting them know that the qualifications only are due the 30th. Everyone can put that together relatively quickly.



Commissioner Keon: Right, yeah.

Commissioner Quesada: Even if you're on vacation, you could put that together.

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Commissioner Quesada: So that's clear. And then we can talk about our January meeting, if our City Manager, if you guys can sit down with Cathy and discuss, you know, the thoughts behind the RFP, and we can discuss informally with each one of us to see if we do need to tweak it a little bit. And again, I want to at least at the qualifications stage, we should have every developer under the sun submitting their qualifications. If we're not seeing a lot of qualifications come back, then we know there's something wrong with our RFP and they're not willing to submit.

Commissioner Keon: Well, I think submitting the qualifications is also submitting the ability to do it is the way that it's laid out.

Economic and Cultural Development Director Birdsill: That's correct.

Commissioner Keon: So give it a see. By the beginning of February you're going to see how competitive this bid is going to be. And if it turns out that it's not, then absolutely, you'll go back, but you know, it may surprise you. It may.

Commissioner Quesada: It's just so important that we get a lot of good applicants for this.

Commissioner Keon: Right. But I think the RFP, my understanding, the time that the RFP was constructed part of the reason for the constructing the RFP the way it was

for financing the project. That was a huge component of it.

Ms. Birdsill: Oh, well, yes. That's the idea is that we're hoping that the developer will value the opportunity on the garage foresight to the extent that we will be able to have them fund our garage in the garage one site.

Commissioner Keon: Otherwise, we're going to have to come up with a financing mechanism for it, which will, you know, more than just change the RFP; we're going to have to determine a financing mechanism for the development.

Commissioner Quesada: So I'd just like you guys to focus and hone in on that, and if you get any feedback --

City Attorney Leen: Mr. Mayor, just because the Cone of Silence came up, I just want to be clear and put it in the record exactly what you can and can't do. It doesn't apply to City Commission, Commissioner discussions with citizens. And also, there's an exception for communications between a City Commissioner, the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, City Clerk and the City Attorney. Also, there's an exception for communications between a City Commissioner, the City Manager, Assistant City Manager, the City Clerk, the City Attorney, and potential offerers, vendors, service providers, lobbyists, or consultant. So individual Commissioners can speak with all those people.

Mayor Cason: OK.

City Attorney Leen: Who you can't speak with, except for in an open session like this, because there's an exception allowing for discussions with Department directors or in presentations to the Commission at a duly noticed meeting, which this is. So you can't speak, for example, to Cindy, who's a director, at a public meeting, but now that she's a director again, individually, you shouldn't be speaking with her. You should be

speaking through the City Manager's Office, either the City Manager or to the Assistant City Manager or to the City Attorney.

Commissioner Keon: Or at a public meeting.

City Attorney Leen: Or at a public meeting. But ultimately, the main concern of our Cone of Silence is discussion with staff, and between staff and vendors and between staff and Commissioners while it's pending; and private discussions, not ones in public in a Commission meeting. But ultimately, you can talk to the City Manager's Office or the City Attorney's Office about anything you'd like and to citizens about anything you'd like and to vendors about anything you'd like. But that's OK.

Mayor Cason: OK.

Commissioner Quesada: Thank you.

Mayor Cason: All right, I just had one item I'd like to...

Commissioner Quesada: Hold on. I have one more quick item.

Mayor Cason: Go ahead.

Commissioner Quesada: And I apologize I missed this. Glenn I'm sorry, Madame City Manager, if I can call him back up for a second. On the tennis item and I apologize. I missed this. I was caught up in the savings, half a million dollars in the project. The signage. You said the arks and I know you pointed. It was in the top left-hand corner of the PowerPoint slide.

Public Works Director Kephart: Yes.

Commissioner Quesada: What's that going to look like moving forward? Is there going to be any kind because right now, I know there's a single monolith sign that says William H. Kerdyk Tennis Center.

Commissioner Keon: It's a small.

Commissioner Quesada: So what's the signage going to be in the future?

Public Works Director Kephart: It's not design. What we did is put a 25 and said what would it cost to do a really nice sign that represents that facility the way that it should? And what we came up with we put a \$25,000 allowance in there to devote a really nice sign, but it's not designed yet.

Commissioner Quesada: The old arch idea, what was the approximate cost for that?

Public Works Director Kephart: The cost of that was approximately, if you add everything in there, \$75,000 to \$100,000; \$75,000 was in the contractor's line item, but then you have some concrete and electrical and some light on top of that so.

Commissioner Quesada: Got it.

Public Works Director Kephart: Conservatively, I'd say \$100,000.

Commissioner Quesada: OK. That was just got clarification. I apologize. I missed that.

Public Works Director Kephart: Sure.

Commissioner Keon: But we still would like to see and I think they're going to go forward with developing a nice signage is an honors.

Commissioner Quesada: Yeah, of course.

Public Works Director Kephart: That will have to go before the Board of Architects sort of represents the facility.

Commissioner Quesada: Yeah, of course.

Commissioner Keon: That will be (UNINTELLIGIBLE).

Commissioner Quesada: You know, it was that Bill's father did a lot for the City for a long time.

Commissioner Keon: Yes. So it'll be a nice.

Commissioner Quesada: Of course.

Commissioner Keon: But maybe more appropriate to the new design. Because without the plaza and without all the other stuff, just an archway is maybe not as appropriate as it was before, but still there needs to be a very visible sign out front.

Commissioner Quesada: OK.

Commissioner Keon: That is a very nice sign.

Commissioner Quesada: Got it. All right, thanks.

Mayor Cason: I would just like to get an update from the Manager's Office; can be in a memo form. There was a discussion for a while on Alhambra Circle and LeJeune of a left turn at the light there; that it's very dangerous. You have cars, there's a red-light camera there, and you have cars that try to go left heading to the airport, for example, from Alhambra and they really can't see because other cars from coming the other direction turning left; very dangerous, and people just sort of cross themselves and go. And I think there was a discussion for a while with FDOT (Florida Department of Transportation), or the County that originally wanted us to take down a bunch of trees and do all kinds of things. Where does that stand?

Public Works Director Kephart: Yeah. We've had numerous meetings with FDOT. Their timeline is a project that is about a year away; not this spring, but probably the following spring. And that is something we'll meet with the City Manager and update her on. But they've come up with a design that doesn't disrupt our median very much anymore. The issue that we still have with them is that they, as part of that, and it will help congestion even back to Segovia Street and Segovia Circle is the extending the right-turn lane and actually creating a dedicated right-turn lane, which will free that intersection up a lot of. The issue that we're still working with them on, though, if they do it the way they would like to do it, it affects a lot of our legacy trees right there at that intersection, so we're trying, the issue isn't completely resolved yet, but that project is about a year away or so.

Mayor Cason: OK. Yeah, because people are waiting to go left. People back up behind them and that's part of the congestion.

Public Works Director Kephart: It absolutely is.

Mayor Cason: Either should be no left-turn, which ends the problem, but making a left turn without a light is people just back up in the morning, particularly. I go there every

day, but I see that big tree and I'd hate to see that go, so hopefully, they can find a solution.

Public Works Director Kephart: Yes.

Mayor Cason: OK. All right, thank you very much.

Commissioner Keon: Did we talk about the synchronization of the lights along LeJeune? Have we talked to the County on that?

Public Works Director Kephart: Yes, we're looking into that. I didn't get an answer on that yet.

Commissioner Keon: OK, thank you.

Public Works Director Kephart: Thank you.

Mayor Cason: Thank you. Meeting adjourned.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

[Note for the Record: There being no further business on the Regular City Commission Meeting Agenda. The Commission of the City of Coral Gables adjourned its meeting at 5:38 pm on December 16, 2014. The next regular meeting of the City Commission has been scheduled for January 13, 2015, beginning 9 a.m.]

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