

## ITEM TITLE:

Emergency Ordinance. An Emergency Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida, Amending Article V, to add Section 105-250 to the City of Coral Gables Code to Allow for the City to take Remedial Measures to Address Pools and Other Openings with Stagnant Water that Cause a Public Safety Concern; Providing for Remedial Measures and Cost Assessment; Providing for Severability, Repealer, Codification, and an Effective Date.

## BRIEF HISTORY:

It has come to the attention of the City Commission that properties in the City have pools or other openings with stagnant water and that these properties are typically abandoned, vacant or under construction. According to the World Health Organization, stagnant water provides a breeding ground for many insects, including mosquitos. Mosquitos are known to carry various dangerous viruses and bacteria that cause serious conditions such as Encephalitis, West Nile Disease, Chikungunya, Zika Virus and others. Specifically Zika Virus, has become a serious public health concern in Miami-Dade County.

This emergency Ordinance allows for the City to take remedial measures to eliminate stagnant water that poses a significant health concern. It further allows for the cost of the remedial measures to be assessed to the property owner.

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ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Draft Ordinance