

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES  
LANDSCAPE BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY BOARD**

Minutes of Meeting, April 4, 2019  
War Memorial Youth Center, Conference Room

<b>MEMBERS</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>J</b>	<b>J</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>O</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>D</b>	<b>J</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>A</b>	
Ana Martin-Lavielle	E	P	-	-	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	Mayor Raúl Valdés-Fauli
Bonita Norman	P	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	Comm. Patricia Keon
Lucy Reinhardt	P	E	-	-	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	Vice Mayor Frank Quesada
Barbara Perez	P	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	Comm. Vince Lago
Elizabeth Parnes	P	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	Comm. Michael Mena
Jose Garrigo	E	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	-	-	City Manager Peter Iglesias
Robert Berman	P	P	-	-	P	P	E	P	P	P	P	P	Board as a Whole

**STAFF:**

Ayliin Hernandez, Landscape Services Recording Secretary

**GUESTS:**

Katy Sobrado, Coral Gables Garden Club and Arbor Day Liaison

A = Absent  
P = Present  
E = Excused

**OPEN MEETING:** The Chair, Barbara Perez, opened the meeting at 8:45 a.m., the roll was taken and a quorum was present. **A motion was made to “Approve the minutes of March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019, as corrected. The motion was seconded, voted upon and adopted unanimously. A motion was made to “Approve Lucy Reinhardt’s absence.” The motion was second, voted upon and adopted unanimously.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**LANDSCAPE AWARD NOMINATIONS:** A correction was made to the Gifford Arboretum property address. The correct address is 1301 Memorial Drive. **A motion was made to “Correct the Gifford Arboretum property address to 1301 Memorial Drive. The motion was second, voted upon and adopted unanimously.” A motion was made to, “Select the photograph for the Gifford Arboretum plaque.” The motion was second, voted upon and adopted unanimously.** Ms. Parnes will look into a copy of the Arboretum logo for Mr. Pearson’s plaque. The inscription for the plaque was approved.

**ARBOR DAY EVENT:** Ms. Perez provided an update on the plantings. The plantings consisted of a grove of fruit trees and a vegetable garden. An additional Avocado tree will be planted the day of the event. The children’s program will be presented by Ms. Sobrado. The program was reviewed and approved. Ms. Sobrado will e-mail Ms. Bell-Llewellyn her changes. Parking will be available along Lincoln Avenue.

**ROYAL POINCIANA FIESTA:** Ms. Parnes provided an update on the details of the program. Coral Gables is supporting the event by providing the publicity. Trolley rides will also be available. A canoe tour is scheduled for Sunday, May 26, 2019. The event is scheduled for June 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Discussion developed on a student scholarship. A request was made on having the city donate a Royal Poinciana Tree for the school of the award recipient. Ms. Parnes will

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speak with Ms. Bell-Llewellyn. A request was made to mention the Royal Poinciana Fiesta at the Arbor Day event.

**UPDATE ON MISCELLANEOUS CITY PROJECTS:**

**DISCUSSION:** The board requested the following updates at the next meeting: Ponce Circle Park, Betsy Adams Park, Lamar Louise Curry Park and the relocation of the conversation bubble across from Venetian Pool. Election day is April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The board was advised June 30<sup>th</sup> is the end of the term.

Ms. Martin-Lavielle and Ms. Perez will have completed 8 years of serving the board. As a result, there will be two vacancies after June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Ms. Perez has a recommendation that would have to attend the meetings with her small dog. Ms. Hernandez will look into the City policy on allowing pets to attend the board meetings.

Susan Rodriguez was recently appointed by the City Manager. The resolution for her appointment is pending approval by the Commission.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

**APPROVED:**

  
Barbara Perez, Chair

**ATTEST:**

  
Deena Bell-Llewellyn, Acting Secretary

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD  
**THURSDAY, MAY 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2019, 8:30 A.M.**  
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