City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting Special Assessment Public Hearing September 12, 2019 City Commission Chambers 405 Biltmore Way, Coral Gables, FL

<u>City Commission</u> Mayor Raul Valdes-Fauli Vice Mayor Vince Lago Commissioner Pat Keon Commissioner Michael Mena Commissioner Jorge Fors

<u>City Staff</u> City Manager, Peter Iglesias City Attorney, Miriam Ramos City Clerk, Billy Urquia Finance Director, Diana Gomez Public Services Division Director, Brook Dannemiller

Public Speaker(s) Ronald Ponzoli Rod Dickinson Rodolfo Nunez Michael Peyton Ralph Green Mark Morris Paul Winkeljohn

Agenda Items 1 through 14 [3:00 p.m.]

A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to security services assessments within the Cocoplum Phase I Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for

City Commission Meeting September 12, 2019 Special Assessment Public Hearing collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within the Banyan Drive Security Guard Special Taxing District; confirming the Initial Assessment Resolution; imposing Security Services Assessments; approving the Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for collection of the assessments; and providing for an effective date.

A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within the Hammock Lake Banyan Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within the Hammock Lakes Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within the Hammock Oaks Harbor Security Guard Special Taxing District; estimating the cost of the Security Services to be assessed for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2019; directing the City Manager to prepare an updated Security Services Assessment Roll; establishing a public hearing and directing the provision of notice in connection thereof; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within the Kings Bay Amended Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within the Old Cutler Bay Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within the Pine Bay Estates Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within the Snapper Creek Lakes Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within the Sunrise Harbor Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to the provision of Fire Protection Services, Facilities and Programs in the City of Coral Gables, Florida; reimposing Fire Protection Assessments against assessed property located within the City, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2019; approving the rate of assessment; approving the Assessment Roll; and providing for an effective date.

A Resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to the collection and disposal of solid waste and recyclable materials in the City of Coral Gables, Florida; reimposing Solid Waste Service Assessments against assessed property located within the City of Coral Gables, Florida, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2019; approving the rate of assessment; approving the Solid Waste Assessment Roll; and providing for an effective date.

A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to the provision of the Giralda Avenue Improvement Project; approving the updated Assessment Roll for the Giralda Avenue assessment area; providing for the collection of the assessments to fund the Giralda Avenue Improvement Project within the Giralda Avenue assessment area; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to the provision of the Miracle Mile Improvement Project; approving the updated Assessment Roll for the Miracle Mile assessment area; providing for the collection of the assessments to fund the Miracle Mile Improvement Project within the Miracle Mile assessment area; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: (INAUDIBLE) here at 3:05, and this meeting should have started at 3:00. Madam City Attorney, you want to...

City Attorney Ramos: Yes, sir. I don't know if the Finance Department has a presentation. Ms. Gomez, do you have a presentation?

(COMMENTS MADE OFF THE RECORD)

City Attorney Ramos: Okay. Then we should consolidate the public hearing at the beginning, as we did last year. Anyone wishing to speak could be called up now, and then I'll read each resolution into the record for a vote.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Who wish -- whoever wishes to speak should be sworn in. No? Okay, you don't need to be sworn in. So, please.

Finance Director Gomez: They're individual -- these are the individual special assessments. So, when we're going one by one, then we'll -- I can present them each.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Okay. So...

Finance Director Gomez: But...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: I'll have...

Finance Director Gomez: The public hearing first, that's fine.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: We will have people...

City Attorney Ramos: Or we can have you do that, and then have the public hearing and then vote. Whatever makes most sense.

Finance Director Gomez: Right.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Okay. We'll have the public hearing first. The first card here is Ronald Ponzoli. Good afternoon, sir.

Ronald Ponzoli: Good afternoon.

City Attorney Ramos: Sir, we'll ask that you state your name, your address and then which item you're speaking on.

Mr. Ponzoli: I will.

City Attorney Ramos: Thank you.

Mr. Ponzoli: I shall. My name is Ronald Ponzoli. I live at 5505 Banyan Trail, Coral Gables, Florida 33156. And I'm here to speak on the Banyan Trail guardhouse. The letter that we received from the City indicates that the maximum -- the assessment for the year was \$7,581 for fiscal year 2019-20 and future fiscal years. That's not in compliance with the ordinance. The ordinance that -- where the City of Coral Gables accepted the guard service from the County states that the first two years capital improvement costs are estimated to be 370,000, et cetera, and \$7,476 per year for developed lots. The succeeding year's assessments will be based on actual cost of security service, maintenance, et cetera. So, the way this letter is phrased, it says that the construction cost of \$7,581 for 2019-20 and future fiscal years. That's incorrect. The statute has it for two years and then maintenance costs. So, I believe that should be corrected.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Ma'am.

Finance Director Gomez: Good afternoon. So, the larger...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: The Finance Director.

Finance Director Gomez: Yes, I'm sorry. Diana Gomez, Finance Director. The larger assessment of the \$7,500, that is for the first two years. If the letter was written -- it seems misleading, then I apologize, but it is only for the first two years that we're recouping the capital costs. And then, in

the third year, it will be the operating costs to operate the district. So, it will be re -- it will be looked at at that time. We don't know what the actual costs are going to be at that point. But the first two years will be the only two years of the capital recoupment.

Mr. Ponzoli: I understand that. But I think it should be clarified so that this -- that it does say that in this letter. That's all I'm asking is for clarification. That's not unreasonable.

Finance Director Gomez: The resolution is -- I believe the resolution states it correctly, but we can look into the letter.

Mr. Ponzoli: Yeah. I read the letter, yeah.

Finance Director Gomez: We can send out a...

Mr. Ponzoli: But that's not...

Finance Director Gomez: Revised letter.

Mr. Ponzoli: With all due...

Finance Director Gomez: We can send out a revised letter if it wasn't clear.

Mr. Ponzoli: With all due respect to the lady, that's not what was sent out. So, I'm just asking for clarification.

Finance Director Gomez: Sure.

Mr. Ponzoli: That's all. It's not a big deal, I think. And I have...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Would you repeat what you just said to clarify, and it'll be on the record.

Mr. Ponzoli: Yeah. I want the record clarified. I just have one other request. As this process goes forward, who at the City can we contact to find out -- in other words, what department and what individual? Can you help us on that?

Vice Mayor Lago: Well, I would -- obviously, I would go through...

Commissioner Keon: Peter.

Vice Mayor Lago: I would -- personally, I would go through the Manager. He's in charge of dealing with all the employees in the City of Coral Gables. But let me ask you a quick question. My understanding was -- and I spoke to some of the residents who live in your neighborhood. Wasn't this also addressed at the County -- at the County level, that I think you had brought this up, these concerns.

Mr. Ponzoli: Which part? Which?

Vice Mayor Lago: No, what you're discussing about right now, the difference...

Mr. Ponzoli: Oh, yeah.

Vice Mayor Lago: You brought this up, and it was also clarified at the County and...

Mr. Ponzoli: The ordinance that went to the County specifically said -- well, actually, it was \$7,500, so there's another \$81 that came from somewhere, but we can't spend all night on \$81. And then it specifically said an amount. It was like \$3,500 as the amount...

Vice Mayor Lago: Yeah.

Mr. Ponzoli: Which I don't think can be actually computed until you get down there. But no, that is in the ordinance or...

Vice Mayor Lago: Yes.

Mr. Ponzoli: In the thing. There was two years, and then -- as the lady said. I'm just saying it's not clear in the letter that went out.

Vice Mayor Lago: I just wanted to -- the reason why I brought it up is I wanted to reassure you because I reviewed that in the County and I think it's -- again, it's not a major issue. I want -- I understand and I respect your wanting a little clarity on that issue and we'll provide it for you. That's not an issue.

Mr. Ponzoli: Problem solved.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you, sir.

Mr. Ponzoli: Thank you. Appreciate...

Vice Mayor Lago: Thank you for...

Mr. Ponzoli: Your time.

Vice Mayor Lago: Thank you for coming.

Mr. Ponzoli: Okay, no problem.

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Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Anybody else wishes to speak as a member of the public? Thank you. Madam City Attorney.

City Attorney Ramos: Yes. So, we'll begin to call the items.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: The public hearing is closed then.

Vice Mayor Lago: But I think you had -- I think...

Unidentified Speaker: For what item?

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: You had to fill a card, and then he'll bring me a card and I'll call you up. You had it in your hand.

Vice Mayor Lago: I think Kings Bay wanted to make...

Commissioner Fors: Do you have anybody else?

Vice Mayor Lago: A few comments.

Commissioner Mena: Can you please fill out a card?

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Okay, R. Dickinson.

City Attorney Ramos: Okay.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: R. Dickinson.

Vice Mayor Lago: Thank you.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes, sir.

Rod Dickinson: Yes. My name's Rod Dickinson. I'm at 6520 Mahi Drive, in Kings Bay. I'm up here today because I just wanted to let you all know the sentiment regarding the Kings Bay guardhouse budget coming up in the next fiscal year. We have a couple residents who were concerned about the escalating cost of it. And we're trying to figure out exactly what the expenses are in some of this. And I think some of us would appreciate to see an open checkbook, you might say, so we can see what the expenses are because some things some residents agree to, some things they don't. Sometimes it's not our decision. At the same time, I have a majority of residents who want to make sure that the guardhouse looks like a Coral Gables guardhouse. If it's not up to speed -- I think some of you have been on the property and see that it's not there yet. Mayor Cason and Pat Salerno had put some nice things into it, like the two palm trees and whatnot. We had some things that were planned. Hurricane Irma interrupted a lot of that, so we're kind of getting back on track now. But the main concern is having transparency as to what's being proposed, and also, to make it look like a Coral Gables guardhouse. Those are the two main components that are issues with most of our residents now. That's really it in a nutshell.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you, sir.

Vice Mayor Lago: Thank you.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you very much.

Mr. Dickinson: Thank you.

Commissioner Keon: Could I ask a question? Diana, is the upgrade to the guardhouse -- is that usually included in the taxing district? Who -- I thought the maintenance and...

Finance Director Gomez: Sure.

Commissioner Keon: The plantings or the landscaping of the guardhouses generally went to the taxing district and not to the City. Is that correct?

Finance Director Gomez: Right. So, when the...

Commissioner Keon: Let's make it clear for them where it's going to come from so they know.

Finance Director Gomez: So, when the guardhouse was originally created...

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Finance Director Gomez: We assessed it for whatever it cost us to build at that time, and it was designed based on the information back when it was first done. Similar to the gentleman that spoke previously, that first two years will be the assessment for the actual building of the guardhouse. And then after that, it's just operational costs. The Kings Bay -- right now, their budget does -- only includes the services that are required, the security services, some of the landscaping, some of the electricity, the unities and the guardhouse and repairs of things and maintenance of what's the guardhouse. If the guardhouse design would have want to be changed, we would have to start adding that into the budget in future years to be able to accumulate the dollars to pay for it from the taxing district. The City does not pay extra in -- to do anything with the district or the guardhouse.

Commissioner Keon: Okay. So, if they want an improved landscaping plan for their guardhouse, that needs to go into the budget and it will be included in the assessment that does it.

Finance Director Gomez: Correct.

Commissioner Keon: Now, who will be responsible for doing that?

Finance Director Gomez: So, if it's a significant change, it would have to go through the petitioning process to change...

Commissioner Keon: Okay.

Finance Director Gomez: What's in -- you know, from what's currently in the ordinance. If it's just...

Commissioner Keon: They want some flowers...

Finance Director Gomez: Exactly.

Commissioner Keon: They want...

Finance Director Gomez: So, then that would be -- we would most likely bring that to the Commission to say is it something that we do feel the need is there to change -- to add it. And then, in the budgeting process, when we come back in June, we will propose a larger assessment, if it's -- if extra funding is needed.

Commissioner Keon: An assessment to the homeowners.

Finance Director Gomez: Correct.

Commissioner Keon: The homeowners within the district.

Finance Director Gomez: The district pays for all...

Commissioner Keon: And then who's...

Finance Director Gomez: Of it.

Commissioner Keon: Responsible for doing that work, the landscaping work?

Finance Director Gomez: So, we would do it. Paul Winkeljohn is our consultant that we use...

Commissioner Keon: Okay.

Finance Director Gomez: To manage all the -- and he's here today -- to manage all the districts. And so -- with whatever contractor we have or whoever's doing the landscaping or service work, we would then contract with -- through Paul, we would contract through those companies to do the actual work.

Commissioner Keon: Okay. So, if they wanted to upgrade the appearance of their guardhouse and they wanted some additional landscaping, you could do -- Mr. Winkeljohn, they would meet. They would explain what they would like. You would get an estimate from one of the contractors. You go back to them and say this is what the cost is for that. They can decide whether that's what they want, they don't want, if it's reasonable or not. And if they agree to it and you assess them for it, then that contractor would, working through the City, would go ahead and install or do whatever they wanted to do.

Mr. Winkeljohn: Correct.

Commissioner Keon: Is that right?

Mr. Winkeljohn: Correct.

Commissioner Keon: Do you under -- you understand that, okay. But -- yes. And for each one of the guardhouses, don't we have a line item budget?

(COMMENTS MADE OFF THE RECORD)

Commissioner Keon: Yeah. So, there is a line item budget that could be made available to you.

Finance Director Gomez: It's included in the agenda item. In the agenda packet, there is a line item budget for each item, so...

Commissioner Keon: Okay.

Finance Director Gomez: And it's available if anybody needs it.

Commissioner Keon: So, it's available to you, and they can provide -- do they get a copy of that or -- you have a copy of it.

Mr. Winkeljohn: Yes. And also, at their most recent town hall sort of meeting, they were distributed widely. So, I can make it available at any time.

Commissioner Keon: Okay. So, do you need a line item budget for the -- or you have it?

Mr. Winkeljohn: I also gave them a check registry which had a list of every expense. So, that type of...

Commissioner Keon: Oh, okay.

Mr. Winkeljohn: Information is available to them.

Commissioner Keon: Okay.

Vice Mayor Lago: Yeah. They...

Commissioner Keon: So, it seems really...

Vice Mayor Lago: Have this information.

Commissioner Keon: Transparent, right?

Mr. Winkeljohn: Very, yeah.

Commissioner Keon: Do you have all the information that you need?

Mr. Winkeljohn: Anything they need.

(COMMENTS MADE OFF THE RECORD)

Commissioner Keon: Okay. And you understand how you can get your guard gate upgraded if you'd like it?

Mr. Winkeljohn: Yeah. Just the big picture. All of these budgets presented today...

(COMMENTS MADE OFF THE RECORD)

Vice Mayor Lago: This is...

Commissioner Keon: Landscaping.

Vice Mayor Lago: Yeah. I just think...

Finance Director Gomez: (INAUDIBLE).

Vice Mayor Lago: Yeah.

Finance Director Gomez: (INAUDIBLE) we don't break it out (INAUDIBLE).

Commissioner Keon: Okay, but it's landscaping. Do you understand now how it -- it will be assessed to you to your taxing district.

Vice Mayor Lago: Commissioner...

Commissioner Keon: The landscaping for the guardhouse.

Vice Mayor Lago: Commissioner, I think there's two issues here. There's two separate issues here and...

Commissioner Keon: Yeah.

Vice Mayor Lago: And I met with the homeowners' association, I don't know, probably about two weeks ago. We had a discussion. It was both the trees that were being planted near the USDA and also, the trees that they were...

Commissioner Keon: Yeah.

Vice Mayor Lago: Discussing in front of the guard gate. And I was a little confused for a moment there. And I went to speak with Ed and Brook. And the clarity issue is that they're talking about the shrubbery which is included within the special taxing district, and that they would -- they

wanted clarity about whether they would be responsible for that or not outside of the additional trees that are being planted. And correct me if I'm wrong, along the fence line. So, what -- basically, what they're telling you is very similar to what we told you at the meeting exactly. If you want to plant additional trees, it's got to be within your special taxing district. That's basically it. The other trees that we discussed in reference to the USDA -- Brook, am I correct or no? And the other...

(COMMENTS MADE OFF THE RECORD)

Vice Mayor Lago: And the other hedging that was mentioned in our meeting that -- the City is working on that right now.

Public Services Division Director Dannemiller: So, yeah. The street trees along the right-ofway...

Vice Mayor Lago: I think that's where the confusion is.

Public Services Division Director Dannemiller: Yeah. So, the...

Commissioner Keon: Okay.

Public Services Division Director Dannemiller: Those we have budgeted for. As far as additional shrubbery and landscape around the guardhouse, that would be part of the special taxing...

Vice Mayor Lago: Yeah.

Public Services Division Director Dannemiller: District, so that's the difference. The trees, we have, but the shrubs are -- and flowers would be separate.

Mr. Winkeljohn: And these budgets, one of the main reasons there was a slight increase for almost all of them was to anticipate getting a full grip on the landscaping requirements. Remember, we just carried over last year's...

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Mr. Winkeljohn: County assessment. This year, I've studied it. We're presenting that solution as well.

Commissioner Keon: Okay. I've gotten a couple emails too. I just wanted that clarity.

Commissioner Mena: Is it...

Commissioner Keon: Thank you.

Commissioner Mena: Would it make sense to have some kind of like FAQ page on our website or something for all the districts that answers basic questions? And then I don't know how complicated it would be, but even a hyperlink to each taxing district's budget to the extent a resident wants to see it, they can just click on it and -- I don't know how hard that would be to put together, but it seems like something we could do and it's pretty straightforward.

Finance Director Gomez: I can work with IT to...

Commissioner Mena: Okay.

Finance Director Gomez: See if we can do that, yes.

Commissioner Mena: I don't know if my colleagues agree, but...

Vice Mayor Lago: I think it's great.

Commissioner Keon: It's a good idea.

Vice Mayor Lago: It's a great idea.

Commissioner Keon: But I think you can explain that too, what's including in the taxing district.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Alright.

Commissioner Keon: Thank you... Thank you...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you.

Commissioner Keon: Very much.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Let me call Rodolfo Nunez.

(COMMENTS MADE OFF THE RECORD)

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes, sir.

Mr. Nunez: Good afternoon. My name is Rodolfo Nunez. I'm also a resident in Kings Bay, 14645 Snapper Drive. Rod and I know each other, all the people from Kings Bay. It's a good community. A little history. You know, the taxing district was run by the County since it started. It just transferred over to the City, as I'm sure you know. And we met with Mr. Winkeljohn and, you know, the budget and the finances are what they are. And I think the County put us in the red. Our special taxing district doesn't have enough money. You're getting us there. I understand the increase in assessment for now, right, that we have to get there. But I guess, on behalf and several

neighbors that I've talked to, my neighbor Mark, who's here too, and he's very concerned about the cost. We're concerned about the cost. We heard from -- a little bit by Mr. Winkeljohn and some residents in the neighborhood that are looking for, let's say, enhanced security procedures. And one of the things that was mentioned by Mr. Winkeljohn at that town hall was implementation, some type of license plate reader that cost like \$15,000, things like that. From my perspective -and I think, you know -- it's 150 homes. I haven't talked to everybody, but I've talked to some people and there are some that agree with me, maybe some that don't. That's looking for a solution to a problem that right now doesn't exist. We have a very safe neighborhood. The guardhouse really serves as a detriment -- deterrent. It's a public road. You can't stop people from coming in and out, right. I think the deterrent's there. We have the cameras. They're, you know, taping everything. So, I want to control the cost. I want to keep the taxes down, the special taxing district down. I may be in the minority. Maybe the majority wants to do it. It's a democratic process. But my position -- and I kind of want to see where we are on this -- is if we're going to spend something like that or make big expenditures, that there should be a vote or some type of community involvement and see, you know, where people are. I like what Mr. Winkeljohn is doing to get us financially straight and solvent, landscaping, all that stuff. But if we're going to make big expenditures, we, you know, the people that pay for it, should make that decision. And...

Commissioner Keon: You're right.

Mr. Nunez: So, that's kind of my big point for the day.

Commissioner Keon: You're right. Our -- one of our city attorneys -- Gus -- he can provide you with the resolution that we just passed on Tuesday that lays out how you can petition for your neighborhood for whatever additional services you may want. We don't impose anything on you that you have to do other than it needs to look nice and it needs to be in working order. As far as additional -- requiring -- we will never require you to put in license plate readers or anything else. So, anything that you desire will come from your neighborhood. And if people don't agree -- I

mean, you can do it -- there is a petition process and he can -- Gus can provide you with that. He'll get it for you.

Mr. Nunez: Right.

Commissioner Keon: So, you have in writing how that's done.

Mr. Nunez: Okay. And it...

Commissioner Keon: Okay?

Mr. Nunez: Should be -- you know, if anything, we're talking like three years down the road.

Commissioner Keon: Oh, yeah.

Mr. Nunez: Because I think...

Commissioner Keon: Yeah, yeah, yeah.

Mr. Nunez: The budget process -- we don't even get into the black for three years, so...

Commissioner Keon: Okay.

Mr. Nunez: And then the last point -- and I'm not sure -- you know, there's a sign out there now. I know there's an ordinance that talks about, you know, questioning people coming in and out after midnight, right?

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Mr. Nunez: But we've had -- I know people have been complaining to me and -- you know, that we used to -- if you're in the visitor gate, you basically go. They take your tag down; they let you in. Now, it's become this little bit of an interrogation. Hey, where are you going? Where are you from? You know, I...

Commissioner Keon: You don't have to do...

Mr. Nunez: I'm not in favor of that. And...

Commissioner Keon: You don't have to do that.

Mr. Nunez: I would ask, you know...

City Attorney Ramos: So, that's a training issue with the particular security guards. And I would ask Mr. Winkeljohn to address that. Our ordinance simply states that between the hours of midnight and six in the morning, they can inquire your destination. That's it.

Mr. Nunez: Okay.

City Attorney Ramos: But there's a training issue. There's a disconnect.

Mr. Nunez: Oh, okay.

City Attorney Ramos: So, we'll take care of that.

Mr. Nunez: Good. Thank you very much.

Commissioner Keon: You know what...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you, sir.

Commissioner Keon: There was a concern...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Okay.

Commissioner Keon: By some of the other districts that people coming in, like -- in cars they didn't recognize at one or two in the morning. They wanted to be able to have them roll down their window. They wanted to be able to see who was in the car.

Mr. Nunez: Sure, and I...

Commissioner Keon: Whatever, so...

Mr. Nunez: Understand but they're like...

Commissioner Keon: That's where it came from.

Mr. Nunez: Oh.

Commissioner Keon: That was the extent of why...

Mr. Nunez: No.

Commissioner Keon: It was.

Mr. Nunez: I understand.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: That was a request...

Mr. Nunez: It just turned into...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Of your neighbors.

Mr. Nunez: That was a 24-hour thing for a little while.

Vice Mayor Lago: You have to understand the main...

Commissioner Keon: Well...

Vice Mayor Lago: Can I -- again, I agree with you, but the main issue there -- and it stems from Cocoplum came to us and I had several conversations with residents. And they were saying the concern is a car comes at one in the morning, you can't see inside the car as a result of the tinting.

Mr. Nunez: Sure.

Vice Mayor Lago: You just want to be able to know...

Mr. Nunez: And I'm okay...

Vice Mayor Lago: Just in case...

Mr. Nunez: With that. That's reasonable.

Vice Mayor Lago: Just to have a simple question of where are you headed. We're not going to be interrogating...

Mr. Nunez: Yeah. That -- I think that's reasonable.

Vice Mayor Lago: And it's worked out. And it's worked out very well.

Mr. Nunez: Thank you.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Okay, thank you. Michael Peyton.

Michael Peyton: Thank you. Good afternoon. My name is...

Vice Mayor Lago: Good afternoon.

Mr. Peyton: Michael Peyton, 14625 Snapper Drive, Coral Gables. I've been a resident there since 1973. My concern with the guard gate that we had met -- Mr. Winkeljohn had met with the residents a couple weeks ago, proposed the budget. And a couple of the items in the budget just seem way out of line. We asked for a cost analysis against the previous years. That is yet to be supplied. We understand costs go up and increases are needed. But one item that jumped out at me, they've budgeted \$1,200 for water. That's almost double what I pay for my house on annual basis. So, I would just ask that we get the actual costs against these line item budgets so we can make an intelligent decision on how our money is being spent and requested. So, I don't know if this is good, bad, indifferent, but I'd like to see the costs, as many of our neighbors would like to as well.

Vice Mayor Lago: Would you mind if I just ask Mr. Winkeljohn a quick question? Please don't move. I just want to ask him...

Mr. Peyton: We had asked for...

Mr. Winkeljohn: Yes, sir.

Mr. Peyton: This when we met two, three weeks ago. It was not submitted to us.

Vice Mayor Lago: Well, maybe we can get some clarity now. If not, we can get you some clarity in about a week or so. We do this all the time in regards to PACE and the Ygrene corridor.

Mr. Winkeljohn: Correct.

Vice Mayor Lago: I know you're probably working on a budget right now and it's in flux and you're trying to find out -- you're trying to define a scope. And without defining a scope, you can't obviously finalize your budget.

Mr. Winkeljohn: Right.

Vice Mayor Lago: When he talks about water, are you including like irrigation? Is that actual irrigation scope or is that just your water bill?

Mr. Winkeljohn: That -- in their particular gate there is -- you know, it's usually the water. But to use the house analogy, it's a 24-hour house. There's somebody using it all the time. And also, there's no restaurants or fast food in that area, so it is a very popular spot for officers and maintenance people working in the area to visit the guard and say, "Can I use your bathroom?" So, you'd be surprised that all the gates have really high water usage and the restroom supplies are...

Vice Mayor Lago: That's just an allowance number. It's an allowance...

Mr. Winkeljohn: And it is an allowance...

Vice Mayor Lago: Number that will basically, over the next...

Mr. Winkeljohn: It always catches my eye. I've drilled into it pretty deeply.

Vice Mayor Lago: Over the next year or two, it'll evolve into a much more refined number. Right now, it's an allowance.

Mr. Peyton: How much was the water the previous year?

Commissioner Keon: Yeah.

Mr. Peyton: I mean...

Mr. Winkeljohn: Well, that's a whole 'nother wormhole. The County records were quite disoriented in terms of charging the right water bill to the right district.

Vice Mayor Lago: And this is where I think you have to look into the fact of what I mentioned before. Are you adding additional scope? Are you adding a water fountain? Are you adding a bathroom? Are you adding more scope that could potentially increase the cost? The number that he probably put down -- and I don't want to speak for Mr. Winkeljohn...

Mr. Winkeljohn: You're right.

Vice Mayor Lago: Is probably an allowance number that'll be more refined as the scope gets more pegged down in the project.

Mr. Peyton: There are 15 line items. What was spent for each of those last year or the year before. We have no basis for comparison, and...

Commissioner Keon: Right, because he...

Mr. Peyton: I think we're entitled to...

Commissioner Keon: Doesn't either because of the records that the County kept. The County's records were not complete.

Mr. Winkeljohn: But I...

Commissioner Keon: And so, he doesn't have all that information.

Mr. Winkeljohn: My email's in there. I can certainly give you the financials and the check run again and we can go through it any time. But it's fairly -- there's -- I think the Commissioner -- or the Vice Mayor said it exactly. It's a little bit of a placeholder.

Vice Mayor Lago: Yeah.

Mr. Winkeljohn: We think this is within reason of a typical water bill. Whether we actually get a water bill sometimes, believe it or not, it happens. And so, the costs vary. But we know that's about what each one costs throughout all the six guardhouses and the 30 or 40 I manage in South Florida.

Unidentified Speaker: That will rollover.

Vice Mayor Lago: Yeah.

Mr. Peyton: All the financial records...

Mr. Winkeljohn: Totally available.

Commissioner Mena: Yeah, you're right.

Mr. Peyton: Not digital?

Mr. Winkeljohn: I can make them available to you, yes. I have them in Excel right now that I could send to you.

Commissioner Mena: And if any given number comes in under, right, that will be a credit...

Mr. Winkeljohn: Yes.

Commissioner Mena: That rolls over, right? Is that...

Mr. Winkeljohn: Yeah.

Commissioner Mena: A fair statement?

Mr. Winkeljohn: And the big picture with all these budgets, just...

Commissioner Mena: Right.

Mr. Winkeljohn: For everyone's understanding is to get a reserve built up, to get the right amount of money in the books. And then, each year, once you have -- I'm using ten percent reserve. Once you've crossed ten percent reserves, then we can, this time next year, maybe reduce.

Vice Mayor Lago: And like I mentioned, it's just your -- you're refining your budget, you know, over a one-, two-, three-year span so you can get to a more -- you know, not a number that's in flux.

Mr. Peyton: So, going into next year, we'll be able to see the actual costs for each of those line items?

Vice Mayor Lago: And if that number -- by the way, and if that number, like Commissioner Mena mentioned, if that number is less than \$1,200, if it's \$1,000, it'll rollover and he'll reflect that in next year's budget.

Mr. Peyton: Thank you.

Mr. Winkeljohn: Yes, sir.

Vice Mayor Lago: Thank you, sir.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you, sir.

Vice Mayor Lago: And if you ever have any concerns at all, please feel free to, you know, contact the Manager and copy Mr. Winkeljohn and we'll get you all that information as quickly as possible.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Ralph Green. Morning.

Ralph Green: Good afternoon.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Afternoon.

Mr. Green: My name is Ralph Green, and I live at 6915 Sunrise Court. I make reference to a notice to property owner for the district of Sunrise Harbor. In this letter, we are informed that there is an assessment of \$275,000, approximately, for -- to cover the cost of enhanced security services, facility and programs benefitting our properties. I would like to request that we get a

little bit more clarification on what exactly these projects are, and obviously, to make sure that these funds are allocated in the interest of our district.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes, sir. Can we provide that?

Vice Mayor Lago: Mr. Winkeljohn.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yeah. Alright.

Vice Mayor Lago: Can you do me a favor, once you -- when you provide that information, can you provide a copy to staff and to the Commission because it seems to be it's a reoccurring topic?

Mr. Winkeljohn: Absolutely.

Vice Mayor Lago: Thank you, sir.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you. Mark Morris. Hello.

Mark Morris: Hello.

Vice Mayor Lago: Good afternoon.

Mr. Morris: Good afternoon. My name is Mark Morris. I live at 6361 Dolphin Drive, Coral Gables, 33158. I want to thank you for your service. I think you all do a great job running the city. So, I'm here in regards to a letter that was sent to me at the end of July and has to do with an imposition and provision for enhanced neighborhood security. And I believe you might remember me from last year. I came here to speak when you guys hadn't come on board yet to take charge of the Kings Bay guardhouse. This letter was quite a surprise to me because I know that you need and use \$265,000 every year of our money that we all collectively put into the fund for the

guardhouse. And my simple arithmetic tells me that it's way more than is needed. And so, I got more than 50 percent of the neighbors to object to this new assessment. So, I think you guys -you have it, right, the petition with all the signatures? It's -- I believe it's about 83 houses, and that was who was home. Since you guys got the presentation, which was weeks ago, a lot more people want to get on board and sign this petition. So, in -- to reflect on this rate hike, I believe that we, as a neighborhood, as all the property owners, should be able to approve such an upgrade, as to enhanced neighborhood security. That's -- I think it's a big issue with this guardhouse now that they want now \$17,000 more for this go-round. And I don't think it shows that when you pay the guards, which are unarmed -- it's an unarmed guard service -- they all get \$13 an hour, except for one man, Bob, gets \$15. When you do the mathematics, it comes to maybe \$312, \$320 a day. And the cost that we're paying now is around 300 -- or \$726 a day, okay, so there's a difference there of over \$400. And now, you, with this new assessment, you want to raise it another \$46 a day, and it just -- it's astonishing to all of the neighbors, to 97 percent of the neighbors. So, we met Paul at the neighborhood meeting a couple weeks ago. And we -- there was some confusion on when we're asking about expenses. Paul would say something like, well, a sliding door can be \$12,000, and that just, you know, for somebody that's been in the building business for over 50 years, it doesn't make sense to me. So, as -- adding onto what I just said, I think that for this fiscal year that you guys have not completed yet, I think it's imperative that we have a list of expenditures for everything that was -- all the monies that were spent on the operation of the guardhouse, okay, and that would be up to this September 30. And then request that the neighbors be able to vote on this new assessment.

Commissioner Keon: Mr. Winkeljohn, do you want to respond?

Mr. Winkeljohn: I mean, he's had -- those are his opinions. He shared them with me. There are some misunderstandings on how the contract works. We don't have any participation in the rate that they pay a security guard. That's a private employment relationship between Allied Universal, who is now the contractor, and the individual. Those guards were transferred from a company that was bought out in March and April, and the contract was assumed by Allied Universal. Allied

Universal, the contract with the City is \$23.39 per hour, regardless of the officer. So, the officer that gets \$13 an hour, if that's accurate, I have no idea. Neither do we, and we're not in that relationship. The overhead, their liability insurance, typical employment markup. It's usually about 35 percent, so it doesn't seem at all out of line, if you use that math. So, his understanding, you know, I respect it and understand it, but it's not relevant to your business relationship with Allied and that gate.

Commissioner Keon: Okay, I understand.

Mr. Morris: In respect to relevancy of -- Paul, you're saying that the guards being paid \$13 an hour, which comes to \$312 a day, and the guardhouse costs that we pay every day of \$726 a day now, this year, is not relevant is...

Commissioner Keon: But I...

Mr. Morris: I don't understand.

Commissioner Keon: I think what Mr. Winkeljohn said is that the actual pay the guard may receive is \$13, but the guard works for a firm, Alliance, that actually charges -- how much?

Mr. Winkeljohn: \$23.39 per hour.

Commissioner Keon: Twenty-three...

Mr. Winkeljohn: It's a 24-hour service. It's a little over...

Commissioner Keon: An hour.

Mr. Winkeljohn: Two hundred thousand dollars annually.

Commissioner Keon: So, it's...

Mr. Winkeljohn: Currently.

Commissioner Keon: The issue isn't -- what that guard that works for Alliance receives in pay is between the guard and Alliance. The contract for the guardhouse is through Alliance, and that's what they charge.

Mr. Winkeljohn: Allied Universal's the firm.

Commissioner Keon: Allied Universal. So, the charge is Allied Universal's charge for that guard, which is different than what they may in turn charge. So, our numbers are based on the numbers given to us by Allied Universal.

Mr. Winkeljohn: Right, per our...

Commissioner Keon: Who is the one who is...

Mr. Winkeljohn: Contract.

Commissioner Keon: Hiring the guards. So, that -- that's an issue between the guard and that. But the costs reflect what the company is charging for that guard.

Mr. Morris: Okay. And that refers to this year's fiscal budget ending September 30, okay.

Commissioner Keon: Yeah.

Mr. Morris: That line item was \$204,000, okay. So, to reflect on the \$204,000 that they got -- received last year...

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Mr. Morris: And to go to this year's budget, which they want now almost \$218,000, which is a six and a half percent increase. The guards still get \$13 an hour. And I understand you have a contract with Allied, but the neighbors pay this increase and that reflects in this petition of objection to this new...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Could we...

Mr. Morris: Assessment.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Can I make a suggestion? Is it possible for the neighborhood association for next year to suggest Allied Universal, or whatever it is, bring to you and then we negotiate with them? And if it's cheaper, then we do it with them.

Mr. Winkeljohn: There are several ways to approach that and they would be...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Why don't you do that and you find a cheaper responsible, responsible with track record, firm and we will talk with them.

Mr. Morris: Good point. As we do the math through this one line item, which has gone up to \$218,000, leaves a cushion, like about a \$50,000 cushion that...

Mr. Winkeljohn: The change to...

Mr. Morris: This extra \$17,000 that you guys want for this new coming fiscal year isn't needed. There's enough money to handle everything with the old assessment of \$1,853 a house.

Mr. Winkeljohn: I don't understand the 50,000 comment, but I do know that the difference was about \$17,000 in increase. That increase is basically an escalator for the next three to five years, anticipating CPI and other contractual obligations so you don't have to come back every year and increase it. That should hold you over. Should there not be a CPI increase or a contract renegotiation, that money will fall to the bottom line. Your reserve requirement that I'm presenting will be met, then the assessment would adjust. You can't have -- what I'm proposing is you don't have one without the other. You have a fit budget first, then you reduce.

Vice Mayor Lago: If I may, just very briefly. I understand your concerns. I've dealt with John now for, what, two years on the PACE Corridor. He's very thorough and he knows what he's doing. I want you to have a little trust in him. Again, this is a transparent process. So, if there's monies that are allocated to a certain traunch and that money is not used for one reason or another, or let's say that they do it more efficiently or the CPI is not increased, that money will go to the bottom line, to the end, which will only increase your contingency or your reserves. So, that money's always going to be protected, used only for your association, for a rainy-day fund, for if something breaks or if there's an increase for some reason or another. I don't want you to think that there's some like foul play with money. There's no opportunity for that. And I -- I mean, I don't want to speak for Mr. Winkeljohn, but he will provide all the necessary documentation to show you -- I don't know if you want to do it quarterly or, you know, twice a year -- how the money's being spent, how the money's being allocated and where the actual money's going. I mean, he's even recommended showing you checks, where the money's -- who's cashing those checks, what subcontractors, what consultants. So...

Mr. Morris: I understand what you're saying.

Vice Mayor Lago: And we can go through the City. I just want to make you feel comfortable that there's no -- you know, he's doing the best that he can to plan for the next three years for some sort of rainy occasion or to get you to a level that I think is...

Mr. Morris: I...

Vice Mayor Lago: Where there's more comfort.

Mr. Morris: I get it. But my mathematics show that the money that we're paying right now, \$1,853 a house, which comes to \$265,000 a year, is enough. It's enough to run for -- into the fiscal year '19-'20. I see it -- that's the way I see it. I see a surplus there. I don't see that we need to contribute another \$17,000. I don't see it. And I don't think more -- the majority of the Kings Bay neighborhood sees it either, so that's it.

Mr. Winkeljohn: And the other side of the equation is the current financial status of the district after recovering from a lightning strike, replacing the entire gate system, adding a barcode reader, which was new technology, reissuing all barcode readers to the residents. You have a balance of positive -- a little over \$4,000 today. So, we have another month to spend. You're going to be right around budget at the end of this year. We put in a brand-new air conditioning about two hours ago that was \$2,500. So, those are realities. This gentleman -- we've talked many times. He understands. And anything he wants, I'll be happy to provide it for him.

Commissioner Keon: Yeah.

Vice Mayor Lago: Thank you.

Commissioner Keon: They want you to have a reason.

Mr. Morris: I understand, understand. And so, we're -- according to Paul, we're \$3,000 below water this year. But you guys are getting fresh money coming in for 2019-20 fiscal year, and that's...

Mr. Winkeljohn: Mid-December.

Mr. Morris: Plenty.

Vice Mayor Lago: Paul, we use -- we have a system where we bid everything out and...

Mr. Winkeljohn: Absolutely, yeah.

Vice Mayor Lago: And there's three bids, four bids and qualified...

Mr. Winkeljohn: We inherited the...

Vice Mayor Lago: Bidders and...

Mr. Winkeljohn: The existing contacts...

Vice Mayor Lago: Everything like that.

Commissioner Keon: But you also need a reserve...

Mr. Winkeljohn: But most of the gate expenses are very small, but they add up...

Vice Mayor Lago: Yeah, but they add up.

Mr. Winkeljohn: Throughout the year.

Vice Mayor Lago: They add up.

Commissioner Keon: Right. But you need a reserve so that if something happens, there is money in the budget that they can now go take care of it because the money is available, rather than leaving it with no air conditioning or something broken and then having to go back out and reassess you a special assessment to take care of that.

Mr. Morris: Understood.

Commissioner Keon: So, that's it.

Mr. Morris: But this new barcode system has a -- what did you say, five-year guarantee? There is a warranty on it, so we're covered...

Commissioner Keon: Right.

Mr. Morris: There. So, we don't need any surplus money...

Commissioner Keon: But you don't know...

Mr. Morris: In regards to the gate.

Commissioner Keon: What else is going to happen.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: You're covered...

Commissioner Keon: It's a rainy-day fund.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Unless another lightning strikes...

Commissioner Keon: Yeah.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Again...

Commissioner Keon: More than once.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: And then you're not covered. You've made your point. He's very, very accessible. We're not going to decide anything on the \$17,000 here or whatever. Keep talking with him and communicating with us, and we appreciate it.

Mr. Morris: Okay, great.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you, sir.

Mr. Morris: You know, I think we'll trust you guys to collect the money, so we can see what's spent...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Absolutely.

Mr. Morris: For next year.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: And our numbers are open.

Mr. Morris: It's requested that we have expenditures for all of fiscal year 2018-19, that's to September 30, so we can see the cost. We want transparency. We want to know how much everything is.

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Mayor Valdes-Fauli: And you deserve transparency, and you will get it.

Mr. Morris: And so, we'll have all that, right?

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you, sir.

Vice Mayor Lago: Thank you, sir.

Mr. Morris: So, when...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you.

Mr. Morris: So, when I come to see you next year, we'll all be happy.

Commissioner Keon: We'll all be happy.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: We'll all be happy.

Mr. Morris: Thank you.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you, sir.

Mr. Morris: Thank you very much.

Commissioner Keon: Right. And the City Attorney...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Madam City Attorney, would you like to go on?

Commissioner Keon: Can give you the -- how you petition.

City Attorney Ramos: Yes. We can provide you with the policy, of course.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: And I close the public hearing part of this, since there's no other person who wishes to speak. And Madam City Attorney.

City Attorney Ramos: Yes. We will start with number one. A resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to security services assessments within the Cocoplum Phase I Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for reimposition of the assessments; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

Finance Director Gomez: And this item is the one that I provided the updated budget. The one that was listed in Legistar was the previous one before we changed it to 24-hour. So, the budget does show that there is an increase to this assessment -- this year's assessment in order to cover going from 16 hours to 24 hours a day.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Will you call the roll -- is there a motion?

Commissioner Keon: I will move it.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Second?

Vice Mayor Lago: Second.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Will you call the roll, please?

Commissioner Fors: Yes.

Commissioner Keon: Yes. Vice Mayor Lago: Yes. Commissioner Mena: Yes. Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes. (Vote: 5-0)

City Attorney Ramos: Number 2 is a resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessment within the Banyan Drive Security Guard Special Taxing District; confirming the Initial Assessment Resolution; imposing Security Services Assessments; approving the Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for collection of the assessments; and providing for an effective date.

Finance Director Gomez: This is the new guardhouse for this year that we're charging the first two years for the actual development and creation of the actual guardhouse, so it's going to be a larger assessment for the first two years. And then after that, we will adjust the assessment to the operational costs.

Vice Mayor Lago: So move.

Commissioner Keon: Move it -- second.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Call the roll, please.

Commissioner Keon: Yes. Vice Mayor Lago: Yes. Commissioner Mena: Yes. Commissioner Fors: Yes. Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes. (Vote: 5-0) City Attorney Ramos: Number 3 is a resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within the Hammock Lake Banyan Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for the collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

Finance Director Gomez: With this assessment, there is a decrease in this year because we found that the assessments that had been created and the reserves that we have were sufficient, so we were able to decrease this assessment by \$311.05.

Vice Mayor Lago: So moved.

Commissioner Keon: Second.

Mr. Winkeljohn: Sorry. One little detail...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Call the roll, please.

Mr. Winkeljohn: Is they also reduced -- they are no longer using Coral Gables Police Department. They're a hundred percent (INAUDIBLE).

Vice Mayor Lago: Thank you.

Vice Mayor Lago: Yes. Commissioner Mena: Yes. Commissioner Fors: Yes. Commissioner Keon: Yes. Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes. (Vote: 5-0)

City Attorney Ramos: Number four, a resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within Hammock Lakes Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and for an effective date.

Finance Director Gomez: There is an increase to this year's assessment in the amount of \$434.88 due to the needs of the guardhouse and the budget that was developed.

Vice Mayor Lago: So move.

Commissioner Keon: Second.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Call the roll, please.

Commissioner Mena: Yes. Commissioner Fors: Yes. Commissioner Keon: Yes. Vice Mayor Lago: Yes. Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes. (Vote: 5-0)

City Attorney Ramos: 5 is a resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within Hammock Oaks Harbor Security Guard Special Taxing District; estimating the cost of the Security Services to be assessed for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2019; directing the City Manager to prepare an updated Security Services Assessment Roll; establishing a public hearing and directing the provisions of notice in connection thereof; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

Finance Director Gomez: This assessment -- there's an increase to this assessment for this year of \$98.52 for the year based on the budget and the needs of the district.

Vice Mayor Lago: So moved.

Commissioner Keon: Second.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Call the roll, please.

Commissioner Fors: Yes. Commissioner Keon: Yes. Vice Mayor Lago: Yes. Commissioner Mena: Yes. Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes. (Vote: 5-0)

City Attorney Ramos: 6, a resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within the Kings Bay Amended Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and an effective date.

Finance Director Gomez: This is -- there is an increase for this assessment in the amount of \$118.88, again, based on the budget and the needs of the district.

Vice Mayor Lago: So move.

Commissioner Keon: Second.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Call the roll, please.

Commissioner Keon: Yes. Vice Mayor Lago: Yes. Commissioner Mena: Yes. Commissioner Fors: Yes. Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes. (Vote: 5-0)

City Attorney Ramos: 7 is a resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within the Old Cutler Bay Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and an effective date.

Finance Director Gomez: There is an increase to this assessment for this year of \$179.10, again, based on the needs of the -- and the budget preparation for this district.

Vice Mayor Lago: So moved.

Commissioner Keon: Second.

Vice Mayor Lago: Yes.

Commissioner Mena: Yes. Commissioner Fors: Yes. Commissioner Keon: Yes. Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes. (Vote: 5-0)

City Attorney Ramos: 8 is a resolution of the City of Coral Gables Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments with the Pine Bay Estates Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for effective date, severability clause and providing...

Finance Director Gomez: There is a reduction in this assessment in the amount of \$791.28 based on the fund balance that is available in this district and the needs of the budget.

Vice Mayor Lago: So moved.

Commissioner Keon: Second.

Commissioner Mena: Yes. Commissioner Fors: Yes. Commissioner Keon: Yes. Vice Mayor Lago: Yes. Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes. (Vote: 5-0)

City Attorney Ramos: 9, a resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within the Snapper Creek Lakes Security Guard Special Taxing District;

providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and effective date.

Finance Director Gomez: There is an increase to this year's assessment in the amount of \$106.12, based on the needs of the budget for the district.

Vice Mayor Lago: So moved.

Commissioner Keon: Second.

Commissioner Fors: Yes. Commissioner Keon: Yes. Vice Mayor Lago: Yes. Commissioner Mena: Yes. Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes. (Vote: 5-0)

City Attorney Ramos: 10, a resolution of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to Security Services Assessments within the Sunset (sic) Harbor Security Guard Special Taxing District; providing authority and definitions; approving the updated Security Services Assessment Roll; providing for the reimposition of the assessments; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and effective date.

Finance Director Gomez: There is a...

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Excuse me. You said Sunset Harbor.

Finance Director Gomez: Sunrise Harbor.

City Attorney Ramos: My apologies, Sunrise Harbor.

Finance Director Gomez: There is an increase to the assessment for this year of \$135.43 based on the needs of the budget.

Vice Mayor Lago: So moved.

Commissioner Keon: Second.

Commissioner Keon: Yes. Vice Mayor Lago: Yes. Commissioner Mena: Yes. Commissioner Fors: Yes. Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes. (Vote: 5-0)

City Attorney Ramos: 11, a resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to the provisions of Fire Protection Services, Facilities and Programs in the City of Coral Gables, Florida; reimposing Fire Protection Assessments against assessed properties located within the City, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2019; approving the rate of assessment; providing -- approving the Assessment Roll; and providing for an effective date.

Finance Director Gomez: There is no increase to the fire assessment fee for this upcoming year. It's \$70 per single-family home. And then the commercial is based on square footage, as it always has been. There's no change.

Vice Mayor Lago: So moved.

Commissioner Keon: Second.

Vice Mayor Lago: Yes. Commissioner Mena: Yes. Commissioner Fors: Yes. Commissioner Keon: Yes. Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes. (Vote: 5-0)

City Attorney Ramos: 12, a resolution of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to the collection and disposal of solid waste and recyclable materials in the City of Coral Gables, Florida; reimposing Solid Waste Service Assessments against assessed properties located within the City of Coral Gables, Florida, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2019; approving the rate of the assessment; approving the Solid Waste Assessment Roll; and providing for an effective date.

Finance Director Gomez: There as a small increase to the -- to allow for the pass-through tipping fees from the County, a three percent increase on the tipping portion -- tipping fees portion of the fee.

Vice Mayor Lago: So moved.

Commissioner Keon: Second.

Commissioner Mena: Yes. Commissioner Fors: Yes. Commissioner Keon: Yes. Vice Mayor Lago: Yes.

City Commission Meeting September 12, 2019 Special Assessment Public Hearing Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes. (Vote: 5-0)

City Attorney Ramos: 13, a resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to the provision of the Giralda Avenue Improvement Project; approving the updated Assessment Roll for the Giralda Avenue assessment area; providing for the collection of the assessments to fund the Giralda Avenue Improvement Project within the Giralda Avenue assessment area; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution; providing for a severability clause and providing for an effective date.

Finance Director Gomez: This is just the next annual payment in the -- of the property owners that are affected by the Giralda streetscape and it's their payment based on the 20-year bond.

Vice Mayor Lago: So moved.

Commissioner Keon: Second.

Commissioner Fors: Yes. Commissioner Keon: Yes. Vice Mayor Lago: Yes. Commissioner Mena: Yes. Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes. (Vote: 5-0)

City Attorney Ramos: 14, a resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, relating to the provision of the Miracle Mile Improvement Project; approving the updated Assessment Roll for the Miracle Mile assessment area; providing for the collection of the assessments to fund the Miracle Mile Improvement Project within the Miracle Mile assessment area; providing for collection of the assessments pursuant to the Uniform Assessment Collection Act; providing for the effect of this Resolution, for a severability clause and for an effective date.

Finance Director Gomez: Again, this is just the next payment in the streetscape -- Miracle Mile streetscape repayment of the property owner -- affected property owners.

Vice Mayor Lago: So moved.

Commissioner Keon: Second.

Commissioner Keon: Yes. Vice Mayor Lago: Yes. Commissioner Mena: Yes. Commissioner Fors: Yes. (Vote: 4-0)

Commissioner Keon: How are the collections going on this? They go well?

Finance Director Gomez: On the -- on which?

Commissioner Keon: The special assessments on the Mile and on...

Finance Director Gomez: They're paying.

Commissioner Keon: They're all being paid?

Finance Director Gomez: They're being paid. Yes, no issues. And some people -- I think this year we only had one prepayment. Somebody paid it in full, but yes.

Commissioner Keon: Oh, good. Good.

Vice Mayor Lago: So, if there are no other further questions, any other comments from staff or any input? I'll close the special assessment hearing and we will be coming back at 5:01 for the budget hearing. Thank you.