

City of Coral Gables CITY COMMISSION MEETING October 12, 2021

ITEM TITLE:

Ordinance on First Reading. An Ordinance of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, providing for text amendments to the City Of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code, Article 5, "Architecture," Section 5-200, "Mediterranean Standards" including reprioritizing the purpose of the Mediterranean bonus, encouraging Coral Gables Mediterranean architectural style, expanding review process, reinforcing compatibility and context review standards, and reducing certain criteria and providing for severability, repealer, codification, and for an effective date.

BRIEF HISTORY:

The City Commission is considering Zoning Code text amendments to address the incentives and/or bonuses provided in Section 5-200 of the Zoning Code 'Mediterranean Standards."

The City Commission sought to obtain resident input and established a seven (7) members Blue Ribbon Committee of professional architects to meet and advise on possible amendments to Section 5-200 of the Zoning Code and directed Staff to work with the Committee on recommendations to be presented to the City Commission.

The Blue Ribbon Committee met on multiple occasions to discuss and review the proposed changes to Section 5-200 of the Zoning Code and finalized those proposed changes on Thursday September 30th, 2021.

The City Commission is now being presented with the Blue Ribbon Committee's proposal on text amendments to Section 5-200 of the Zoning Code 'Mediterranean Standards," attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Draft Ordinance
- 2. Exhibit "A" Blue Ribbon Committee's proposal