

# **City of Coral Gables**

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## **Meeting Minutes**

**Friday, April 26, 2019**

**11:30 AM**

**Investiture Ceremony**

**City Hall, Commission Chambers**

### **City Commission**

*Mayor Raul J. Valdes-Fauli  
Vice Mayor Vince Lago  
Commissioner Patricia Keon  
Commissioner Michael Mena  
Commissioner Frank C. Quesada*

*Peter J. Iglesias, P.E., City Manager  
Miriam Soler Ramos, City Attorney  
Walter J. Foeman, City Clerk*

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 5 - Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Lago, Commissioner Mena, Commissioner Quesada and Mayor Valdes-Fauli

**INVOCATION**

Father Philip Tran, Chaplain for the University of Miami Catholic Campus Ministry gave the Invocation.

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

Amy Azzara from the University of Miami Frost School of Music performed the National Anthem.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice Mayor Vince Lago led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**A. RESOLUTIONS****RESOLUTION NO. 2019-98****A.-1. [19-8634](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission, accepting the City Clerk's Certification and Declaration of the result of the City of Coral Gables General Biennial Election, which was held on April 9, 2019, wherein voters re-elected Raul J. Valdes-Fauli, to hold the Office as Mayor, Group I, for a term of two years; said term to begin at noon on April 26, 2019, until noon on April 23, 2021.

**Attachments:** [R-2019-Mayor Valdes-Fauli](#)  
[Precinct by Precinct Results 4-9-19](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION, ACCEPTING THE CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATION AND DECLARATION OF THE RESULT OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES GENERAL BIENNIAL ELECTION, WHICH WAS HELD ON APRIL 9, 2019, WHEREIN VOTERS RE-ELECTED RAUL J. VALDES-FAULI, TO HOLD THE OFFICE AS MAYOR, GROUP I, FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS; SAID TERM TO BEGIN AT NOON ON APRIL 26, 2019, UNTIL NOON ON APRIL 23, 2021.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Lago, seconded by Commissioner Mena, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2019-98. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Lago, Commissioner Mena, Commissioner Quesada and Mayor Valdes-Fauli

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-99****A.-2. [19-8635](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission, accepting the City Clerk's Certification and Declaration of the result confirming the re-election of Michael Mena who ran unopposed for the Coral Gables General Biennial Election, to hold the Office of City Commissioner, Group V, for a term of four years; said term to begin at noon on April 26, 2019, until noon on April 23, 2023.

**Attachments:** [R-2019- Commissioner Michael Mena](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION, ACCEPTING THE CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATION AND DECLARATION OF THE RESULT CONFIRMING THE RE-ELECTION OF MICHAEL MENA WHO RAN UNOPPOSED FOR THE CORAL GABLES GENERAL BIENNIAL ELECTION, TO HOLD THE OFFICE OF CITY COMMISSIONER, GROUP V, FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS; SAID TERM TO BEGIN AT NOON ON APRIL 26, 2019, UNTIL NOON ON APRIL 23, 2023.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Lago, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2019-99. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Vice Mayor Lago, Commissioner Mena, Commissioner Quesada, Commissioner Keon and Mayor Valdes-Fauli

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-100****A.-3. [19-8636](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission, accepting the City Clerk's Certification and Declaration of the result of the City of Coral Gables General Biennial Election, which was held on April 9, 2019, which resulted in a Run-Off Election on April 23, 2019, wherein voters elected Ralph Cabrera and Jorge Fors, to participate in such Run-Off Election scheduled for April 23, 2019.

**Attachments:** [R-2019-Run-Off Election - Ralph Cabrera and Jorge Fors Precinct by Precinct Results 4-9-19](#)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATION AND DECLARATION OF THE RESULT OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES GENERAL BIENNIAL ELECTION, WHICH WAS HELD ON APRIL 9, 2019, WHICH RESULTED IN A RUN-OFF ELECTION ON APRIL 23, 2019 WHEREIN VOTERS ELECTED RALPH CABRERA AND JORGE FORS, TO PARTICIPATE IN SUCH RUN-OFF ELECTION SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 23, 2019.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Lago, seconded by Commissioner Quesada, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2019-100. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Mena, Commissioner Quesada, Mayor Valdes-Fauli, Commissioner Keon and Vice Mayor Lago

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-101****A.-4. [19-8638](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission, accepting the City Clerk's Certification and Declaration of the result of the City of Coral Gables General Biennial Run-Off Election, which was held on April 23, 2019, wherein voters elected Jorge Fors, to hold office as City Commissioner, Group IV, for a term of four years; said term to begin at noon on April 26, 2019, until noon on April 23, 2023.

**Attachments:** [R-2019 - Commissioner Jorge Fors](#)  
[Precinct by Precinct Results - 4-23-19](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION ACCEPTING THE CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATION AND DECLARATION OF THE RESULT OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES GENERAL BIENNIAL RUN-OFF ELECTION, WHICH WAS HELD ON APRIL 23, 2019, WHEREIN VOTERS ELECTED JORGE FORS, TO HOLD OFFICE AS CITY COMMISSIONER, GROUP IV, FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS; SAID TERM TO BEGIN AT NOON ON APRIL 26, 2019, UNTIL NOON ON APRIL 23, 2023.

**A motion was made by Vice Mayor Lago, seconded by Commissioner Quesada, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2019-101. The motion passed by the following vote.**

**Yeas :** 5 - Commissioner Quesada, Mayor Valdes-Fauli, Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Lago and Commissioner Mena

**GOD BLESS AMERICA**

Amy Azzara from the University of Miami Frost School of Music performed God Bless America.

**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 12:43 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Commission has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 14, 2019, beginning 9 a.m.]

BILLY Y. URQUIA  
CITY CLERK