

City of Coral Gables

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Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 10, 2019

9:00 AM

Pre-meeting presentations will be held in the City Hall Courtyard
at 8:30 am.

City Hall, Commission Chambers

City Commission

Mayor Raul J. Valdes-Fauli
Vice Mayor Vince Lago
Commissioner Jorge L. Fors, Jr.
Commissioner Patricia Keon
Commissioner Michael Mena

Peter J. Iglesias, P.E., City Manager
Miriam Soler Ramos, City Attorney
Billy Y. Urquia, City Clerk

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Commissioner Fors Jr., Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Lago, Commissioner Mena and Mayor Valdes-Fauli

INVOCATION

Vice Mayor Lago gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Keon led the Pledge of Allegiance.

LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

The following minutes summary includes all presentations made, and actions taken which is supplemented by the following exhibits on file in the Office of the City Clerk, and which are hereby made a part of the record herein: (a) Ordinance(s) adopted (Ordinance No. 2019-27 through Ordinance No. 2019-30) (b) Resolution(s) adopted (Resolution No. 2019-263 through Resolution No. 2019-271); (c) Video; (d) Audio Recording; (e) Minutes Folder with Agenda and background information, including items which were submitted at the meeting.

A. PRESENTATIONS AND PROTOCOL DOCUMENTS

- A.-1. [19-9136](#) Congratulations to the City of Coral Gables for receiving the "Good 2 Green" Award from the South Florida Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

Matthew Anderson, Senior Sustainability Analyst -Public Works Department said the City received the Good to Green Award from South Florida Hispanic Chamber of Commerce in August for all the sustainability and green initiatives, and he wanted to share the award with the elected officials, the directors and staff because it is a team effort as sustainability has become a fabric of the community, and it is the responsibility of our government to protect the environment not only as our present residents, but for our future residents as well. This is indeed a testament to our City Commission and their leadership in continuing to push sustainability within our City and thanked them for doing so.

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 4

- A.-2. [19-9106](#) Presentation of a Proclamation declaring the week of September 17 through September 23, 2019 as "Constitution Week" in Coral Gables.

Attachments: [09-10-19 Constitution Week-DAR](#)

Mayor Valdes-Fauli stated that on September 17, 1787 the Founding Fathers secured the blessings of liberty which they established and signed in the Constitution of the United States, allowing people certain privileges, inalienable rights and responsibilities of American citizenship. It was felt that all citizens needed to understand the provisions and promises embedded in this priceless document and the need to support, preserve and defend it against all intrusions, and American citizenship whether by birth or naturalization should be celebrated. The Coral Gables Chapter of the "Daughters of the American Revolution", a society of patriotic women is dedicated to the preservation of this priceless heritage. In 1955 the "Daughters of the American Revolution" petitioned Congress to set aside September 17-23 annually in observance of "Constitution Week" to remind us all of this invaluable legacy.

Dorothy Thompson (ex-Mayor of the City of Coral Gables) on behalf of the "Daughters of the Revolution" (DAR) Chapter in Coral Gables, thanked the Mayor, City Commission and citizens of Coral Gables. She also introduced two of their members Marilyn Smalley and Paulette Worm. She thanked the Mayor for putting the item at the end of the agenda because their Regent was in route from Palmetto Bay, but was delayed because of traffic. However, they will receive the award on behalf of the Coral Gables Chapter. She noted that in spite of people being busy, the cyber age, while some organizations are dwindling in size, the Coral Gables Chapter of DAR is increasing in members - and even though they meet in the daytime, the young people, busy professionals, still manage to attend the meetings in honor of their country. She then thanked everyone and accepted the proclamation.

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 7

- A.-3. [19-9085](#) Congratulations to Coral Gables Fire Department for receiving the American Heart Association's Mission: Lifeline® EMS Gold Plus Award.

Attachments: [Cover Memo Gold Plus Award](#)
[2018 Mission Lifeline](#)

Mayor Valdes-Fauli introduced Fire Chief de la Rosa who was accompanied by fellow fire officers regarding the Fire Department receiving the American Heart Association's Lifeline EMS Gold Plus Award. Fire Captain Jones spoke regarding the significance of the award. He stated that they are celebrating one of the highest accolades given by the American Heart Association, and that Coral Gables is the safest place to have a heart attack with their units being on and off the scene within twenty minutes and patients being taken to hospitals or having a door to balloon time of less than 45 minutes which is imperative to know, because it increases the time for

patients not going into cardiac arrest. They are proud of this award because of the hard work by the men and women of the Coral Gables Fire Department and grateful to be able to continually advance in the treatment of their patients as they foster partnerships with other hospitals in taking care of patients who have heart attacks. Mayor Valdes-Fauli thanked and congratulated the Fire Department for receiving the award, and jokingly stated that if anyone wanted to have a heart attack, that now would be the best time to do it.

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 3

- A.-4. [19-9094](#) Presentation of twenty-year service pin to Marangely Vazquez, Police Department.

Attachments: [CM 20 Year Service Pin Recipients - Mara Vazquez](#)

Mayor Valdes-Fauli introduced the Agenda Item as Police Chief Hudak approached the podium to recognize Ms. Vazquez for her twenty years of service to the City of Coral Gables Police Department. Chief Hudak said that to do a job in any department for twenty years is quite an accomplishment and today, they are celebrating one of their own in the Police Department, Mara Vazquez who has been answering the 911 calls for the past twenty years, and as a cop, that is like forty dog years; and answering these calls is not something that is easily done. Officer Pedrosa, Mara's immediate supervisor joined Chief Hudak at the podium and spoke regarding Mara. He stated that Mara had been with the department for twenty years beginning as a Communications Operator and they understand the complexities of the job, the 911 calls, working in all the positions in the Communications Center, and that Mara has always been that type of person who goes above and beyond, someone who has always had a great attitude, energy and commitment. She is a believer in training and has played an active role throughout her career by training the 911 operators who have come through our organization. It is because of this that they are so proud of the work that is done in the Communications Center and the experiences they have had coupled with her leadership role in the Center that they recently promoted her to Communications Supervisor, and with this position comes the responsibility to ensure that all operators are trained, provided the latest and the greatest when it comes to answering 911 calls, dispatching police and fire resources and all the other things that go on behind the scene that we don't realize; is not noticed and is often times taken for granted when we dial 911. Mara has worked hard throughout her career and continues to keep that great attitude and that is why we appreciate you and commend you on a great career.

Ms. Vazquez stated that she is grateful for the career she has chosen and never thought she was going to be here more than two to three years, but here she is twenty years later, but overall, it has been a good ride so far, and thanked everyone. She was then given her well-deserved twenty-year pin.

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 5

- A.-5. [19-9073](#) Congratulations to Officer Tabitha Garcia, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Operator of the 2nd Quarter Award," for the months of April 2019 through June 2019.

Attachments: [COMMISSION COVER MEMO - OPERATOR OF THE 2ND QTR. 2019.doc](#)
[Operator of the 2nd Qtr.Garcia.pdf](#)

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Deferred

City Clerk Item No. 1

- A.-6. [19-9076](#) Congratulations to Officer Justin Gonzalez, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Officer of the Month Award," for the month of July 2019.

Attachments: [COMMISSION COVER MEMO - OFFICER OF THE MONTH JULY 2019.doc](#)
[Officer of the Month.J.Gonzalez.pdf](#)

Mayor Valdes-Fauli introduced the agenda item regarding the Officer Justin Gonzalez, recipient of the City of Coral Gables "Officer of the Month Award" for the month of July 2019. Police Chief Hudak requested that Officer Gonzalez join him at the podium. He continued by saying that Officer Gonzalez has been with the Police Department for less than two years and is being recognized for his keen sense and dedication to the job at hand. On July 6, 2019, while on duty in the vicinity of 4700 S.W. Eight Street, aka the Wishes Motel, he and his partner Officer Steven Perez (11092) recognized a known criminal sitting in a parked Cadillac and because they both suspected illegal activities to be taking place, conducted a surveillance. The subject for unknown reasons suddenly sped away from the area. Officer Gonzalez then instructed an employee at the motel to contact him should the suspect return, which he did, the next day in another stolen vehicle. It was during his day off that the motel employee called to inform him that the suspect had returned. Officer Gonzalez immediately relayed the information to the officers on duty on the Bravo Shift and an arrest was made. Officer Gonzalez has shown not only tenacity, but unwavering dedication, in that when he goes home at the end of the day he is never really finish. It also demonstrates how partnering with our community and businesses helps to deter crime and it is because of his actions, he was awarded "Officer of the Month" for July 2019.

Officer Gonzalez thanked Officer Soto for the nomination, Police Chief Hudak, the Majors and all those who had a part in him receiving the award. He additionally thanked the Bravo Shift and all the officers for their hard work who were involved in the apprehension of a known criminal.

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 6

- A.-7. [19-9097](#) Congratulations to Efrain Fleites who holds the title IT Network Analyst I, recipient of the

"Employee of the Month Award," for the month of September, 2019.

Attachments: [Cover Memo_EOM Sept 2019](#)
[Sept. 2019 EOM Notification Ltr.](#)

Mayor Valdes-Fauli read the agenda item into the record. Karla Green, Human Resources Director introduced the recipient of the "Employee of the Month Award", Mr. Efrain Fleites. Ms. Green stated that it is her pleasure to present this award. She continued by saying that Efrain started with the City in January 2017 as a part-time IT Technician. In April 2018, he was promoted to his current position as IT Network Analyst I. He was nominated for this award by one of his supervisors, Gisela Rodriguez because of his outstanding customer service, technical skills and IT knowledge, his attitude for always going above and beyond in resolving ongoing reliability issues with Legacy CCTV at the Country Club Prado and at Journey's End remote sites. He is also instrumental in coming up with the solution of setting-up wireless solar cameras around the parks as well as a wireless access point to connect the cameras to Wi-Fi and in so doing, it gives the Police Department a bird's eye view of the parks and increased public safety. He also serves as Human Resources Department IT Liaison and it is a pleasure to work with him because of his great demeanor, he is always courteous, efficient and a great person overall to work with and her department couldn't be happier for him to be recognized today as the Employee of the Month for September 2019. At this time a video was played in which Raimundo Rodolfo, IT Director spoke with regard to Efrain receiving the Employee of the Month Award. Mr. Rodolfo stated that Efrain has demonstrated great technical and problem-solving skills, high productivity, teamwork, excellent customer service skills and a commitment to our organization and citizens. His work has been instrumental in introducing technical infrastructures such as the community's intelligence center, public safety technology, outdoor equipment, emergency management communications, smart cities initiatives, computer networks for new buildings and technical projects and numerous other initiatives in collaboration with all city departments. He always approaches new projects and challenges with a positive attitude and works effectively with colleagues and contractors to achieve great timely results, on budget and scope of work and has a proactive approach to continually improve our technology and processes, and to keep learning and improving his own professional skills. I have often times received great feedback from customers about him and his work and the IT department is fortunate to have him as a key member of our team. He then thanked Efrain for the excellent work he does for our City and its citizenry and congratulated him on receiving this award.

Human Resources Director Green then asked Nelson Gonzalez, Assistant Director of IT as well as Efrain to join her at the podium where he was presented with his plaque and a check which he happily waived to the audience amidst loud applause. Assistant Director Gonzalez reiterated the sentiments of Director Rodolfo by saying that Efrain was indeed a great addition to the team and how fortunate they are to have

him and it is a well-deserved award.

Efrain thanked God and everyone in the many departments he works with each day, as well as his IT team because without their assistance he could not do what he does, nor would he be able to receive this achievement. In closing, he said “thank you everyone and God bless you.”

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 8

A.-8. [19-9167](#)

Presentation of a Proclamation declaring September 26, 2019 as "International Rum Day" in Coral Gables.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli read the proclamation recognizing September 26, 2019 as International Rum Day in Coral Gables. He stated that there is an International Rum Conference (IRC) which celebrates the art of rum making, showcasing over 300 rums. This event usually attended by many is a unique vehicle to learn about the art of rum making, improving the craft and the direction in which this trend is going. Based in Madrid, Spain for the past seven years, it is being held in the United States for the first time, and they have chosen the “City Beautiful”, more specifically, the Biltmore Hotel to hold their conference. This four-day celebration of the art of rum making will consist of a tasting competition seminar with prizes awarded to the best in their respective rum category and recognizing the work done in elevating rum. Flanked by the Mayor and City Commissioners, the IRC Representative for the conference was presented with a proclamation and the Keys to the City. The IRC Representative stated that it was an honor for him to receive the proclamation and plaque on behalf of IRC and thanked the people of the “City Beautiful”, the Mayor and City Commission as well as all the partners who helped to make the event a success. They are excited about the partnership, committed to the Biltmore in holding the event there and all is welcome to join them.

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Presented and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 2

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None

City Clerk Item No. 9

C. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

City Clerk Item No. 10

D. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed within this section entitled "Consent Agenda" are considered to be self-explanatory and are not expected to require additional review or discussion, unless a member of the City Commission or a citizen so requests, in which case, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered along with the regular order of business. Hearing no objections to the items listed under the "Consent Agenda", a vote on the adoption of the Consent Agenda will be taken.

Passed the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Lago, seconded by Commissioner Mena, to Adopt the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Fors, Jr., Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Lago, Commissioner Mena and Mayor Valdes-Fauli

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-263

D.-1. [19-9092](#)

A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, authorizing the suspension of vehicular traffic on the 100 Block of Giralda Avenue for an additional two-year period.

Attachments: [Giralda Vehicular Traffic Suspension Extension September 2019 Cover Memo](#)
[Giralda Vehicular Traffic Suspension Extension September 2019](#)
[Chamber Letter of Support](#)
[Signed Resolution 2019-263](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SUSPENSION OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC ON THE 100 BLOCK OF GIRALDA AVENUE FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO-YEAR PERIOD.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2019-263 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 11

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-264

D.-2. [19-9098](#)

A Resolution authorizing a change order to the "CycloMedia Data Services" contract PSA 2019-003 with CycloMedia Technology, Inc., pursuant to Section 2-764(b), Approval of Change Orders and Contract Modifications, in the amount of \$44,250 for additional right-of-way assets to be extracted by CycloMedia and entered into Cartegraph Operations Management software.

Attachments: [Cyclomedia Data Services Change Order - COVER](#)
[Cyclomedia Data Services Change Order - RESOL](#)
[Cyclomedia Quote for City of Coral Gables Expanded 2018 0820](#)
[Signed Resolution 2019-264](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING A CHANGE ORDER TO THE "CYCLOMEDIA DATA SERVICES" CONTRACT, PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT NO. 2019-003 WITH

CYCLOMEDIA TECHNOLOGY, INC., PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-764(B), APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDERS AND CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,065 FOR ADDITIONAL RIGHT-OF-WAY ASSETS TO BE EXTRACTED BY CYCLOMEDIA AND ENTERED INTO CARTEGRAPH OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2019-264 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 12

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-265

- D.-3. [19-9166](#)** A Resolution appointing Nicole Victoria Kanaar (Nominated by Commissioner Fors, Jr.) to serve as a member of the Library Advisory Board, for a two (2) year term which began on June 1, 2019 and continues through May 31, 2021.

Attachments: [R-2019-Cover Memo- Nicole Morales - Library Board](#)
[R-2019-Cover Memo- Nicole Morales - Library Board](#)
[Signed Resolution 2019-265](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION APPOINTING NICOLE VICTORIA KANAAR (NOMINATED BY COMMISSIONER FORS, JR.), TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD, FOR A TWO (2) YEAR TERM WHICH BEGAN ON JUNE 1, 2019 AND CONTINUES THROUGH MAY 31, 2021.

This Matter was adopted by Resolution Number 2019-265 on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 13

- 1. Presentation of Boards and/or Committees minutes requesting no action from the City Commission:**

- 1.-1. [19-9062](#)** Advisory Board on Disability Affairs Meeting of July 3, 2019.

Attachments: [Cov Memo mins 07 03 19](#)
[CITY CLERK OFC Attendance Form 07 03 19](#)
[07 03 19 Minutes W Exhibits](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 14

- 1.-2. [19-9096](#)** Coral Gables Merrick House Governing Board Meeting of July 8, 2019.

Attachments: [07.08.19MinutesforCC09.10.19](#)
[07-Merrick House Minutes July 8 2019 - DRAFT](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 15

- 1.-3. [19-9104](#) Economic Development Board Meeting of May 1, 2019.
Attachments: [05-01-19 DRAFT EDB Minutes](#)
This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.
City Clerk Item No. 16
- 1.-4. [19-9089](#) Historic Preservation Board Meeting of June 20, 2019.
Attachments: [06.20.19MinutesforCC09.10.19](#)
[HPB-06-20-19-VERBATIM](#)
This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.
City Clerk Item No. 17
- 1.-5. [19-9091](#) Historic Preservation Board Meeting of July 18, 2019.
Attachments: [07.18.19MinutesforCC09.10.19](#)
[HPB-07-18-19-VERBATIM](#)
This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.
City Clerk Item No. 18
- 1.-6. [19-9095](#) International Affairs Coordinating Council Meeting of July 16, 2019.
Attachments: [IACC-Minutes July 16 2019](#)
This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.
City Clerk Item No. 19
- 1.-7. [19-9103](#) Library Advisory Board Meeting of February 20, 2019.
Attachments: [LAB Minutes 02-20-19](#)
This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.
City Clerk Item No. 20
- 1.-8. [19-9102](#) Property Advisory Board Meeting of July 10, 2019.
Attachments: [07-10-19 PAB Meeting Minutes_DRAFT](#)
This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.
City Clerk Item No. 21

- 1.-9. [19-9074](#) Retirement Board Meeting of May 9, 2019.

Attachments: [CC.09-10-2019 May 9, 2019 Minutes 05-09-2019](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 22

- 1.-10. [19-9075](#) Retirement Board Meeting of June 13, 2019.

Attachments: [CC.09-10-2019 June 13, 2019 Minutes 06-13-2019 reviewed](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 23

- 1.-11. [19-9087](#) Waterways Advisory Board Meeting of June 5, 2019.

Attachments: [Cover-WAB Minutes 9-10-19 - 19-9087 6-5-19 Minutes](#)

This Matter was approved on the Consent Agenda.

City Clerk Item No. 24

2. **Presentation of Boards and/or Committees draft/final minutes requesting action from the City Commission [Note: A vote to accept the minutes does not mean approval of the substance within the minutes]:**

Agenda Items 2-1 and I-4 are related.

- 2.-1. [19-9140](#) A Resolution of the Cultural Development Board recommending a temporary public art exhibition of a sculpture by artist Carlos Albert installed at 2655 Le Jeune Rd. from the end of November 2019 through December 2020. (Cultural Development Board approval/denial vote: 5 to 1; Arts Advisory Panel recommendation to the Cultural Development Board approval/denial vote: 6 to 0).

Attachments: [AAP Meeting May 29 2019 DRAFT - EXCERPT Carlos Albert CDB Minutes June 04 2019 DRAFT - EXCERPT re. Carlos Albert Temporary Exhibition - Carlos Albert CARLOS ALBERT PRESENTATION for CC](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Items 2-1 and I-4 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 25

E. PERSONAL APPEARANCES

- E.-1. [19-9148](#) Personal Appearance by Olga Granda, Artistic Director and CEO to the Sanctuary of the Arts.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Lago)

Attachments: [Entered into the record at public hearing](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item E-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 27

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

Agenda Items F-1 and F-2 are related.

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-27

- F.-1. [19-8824](#) An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida amending the Future Land Use Map of the City of Coral Gables Comprehensive Plan pursuant to Zoning Code Article 3, "Development Review," Division 15, "Comprehensive Plan Text and Map Amendments," and Small Scale amendment procedures (ss. 163.3187, Florida Statutes), from "Religious/Institutional" to "Commercial Low-Rise Intensity" for Lots 5-6, Block 1A, Macfarlane Homestead; (117 and 119 Grand Avenue), Coral Gables, Florida; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date. (LPA review) (07 10 19 PZB recommended approval, Vote: 6-0) (Change land use from Religious/Institutional to Commercial Low-Rise Intensity)

Attachments: [07 10 19 PZB Staff Report - 117-119 Grand Ave with Attachments](#)
[08 27 19 Exhibit A - Draft Ordinance - Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment](#)
[08 27 19 Exhibit B - Draft Ordinance - Zoning Code Map Amendment](#)
[08 27 19 Exhibit C - 07 10 19 PZB Staff Report with attachments](#)
[08 27 19 Exhibit D - Excerpts of 07 10 19 PZB Meeting Minutes](#)
[08 27 19 Exhibit E - PowerPoint Presentation](#)
[08 27 19 CC Cover Memo - 117-119 Grand Ave](#)
[09 10 19 Exhibit B - Draft Ordinance - Zoning Code Map Amendment](#)
[09 10 19 Exhibit A - Draft Ordinance - Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment](#)
[09 10 19 CC Cover Memo - 117-119 Grand Ave - Second Reading](#)
[Signed Ordinance 2019-27](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PURSUANT TO ZONING CODE ARTICLE 3, "DEVELOPMENT REVIEW," DIVISION 15, "COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TEXT AND MAP AMENDMENTS," AND SMALL SCALE AMENDMENT PROCEDURES (SS. 163.3187, FLORIDA STATUTES), FROM "RELIGIOUS/INSTITUTIONAL" TO "COMMERCIAL LOW-RISE INTENSITY" FOR LOTS 5-6, BLOCK 1A, MACFARLANE

HOMESTEAD; (117 AND 119 GRAND AVENUE), CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER PROVISION, SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Commissioner Mena, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2019-27. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 4 - Vice Mayor Lago, Commissioner Mena, Commissioner Fors, Jr. and Commissioner Keon

Absent : 1 - Mayor Valdes-Fauli

City Clerk Item No. 30

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-28

F.-2. 19-8825

An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida amending the Zoning Map pursuant to Zoning Code Article 3, "Development Review," Division 14, "Zoning Code Text and Map Amendments," from "Special Use" to "Commercial Limited" for Lots 5-6, Block 1A, Macfarlane Homestead; (117 and 119 Grand Avenue), Coral Gables, Florida; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date. (07 10 19 PZB recommended approval, Vote: 6-0) (Change zoning from Special Use to Commercial Limited)

Attachments: [07 10 19 PZB Staff Report - 117-119 Grand Ave with Attachments](#)
[08 27 19 Exhibit A - Draft Ordinance - Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment](#)
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[09 10 19 CC Cover Memo - 117-119 Grand Ave - Second Reading](#)
[09 10 19 Exhibit A - Draft Ordinance - Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment](#)
[09 10 19 Exhibit B - Draft Ordinance - Zoning Code Map Amendment](#)
[Signed Ordinance 2019-28](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA AMENDING THE ZONING MAP PURSUANT TO ZONING CODE ARTICLE 3, "DEVELOPMENT REVIEW," DIVISION 14, "ZONING CODE TEXT AND MAP AMENDMENTS," FROM "SPECIAL USE" TO "COMMERCIAL LIMITED" FOR LOTS 5-6, BLOCK 1A, MACFARLANE HOMESTEAD; (117 AND 119 GRAND AVENUE), CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER PROVISION, SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Commissioner Mena, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2019-28. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 4 - Commissioner Mena, Commissioner Fors, Jr., Commissioner Keon and Vice Mayor Lago

Absent : 1 - Mayor Valdes-Fauli

City Clerk Item No. 31

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-29**F.-3. [19-8950](#)**

An Ordinance of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida, approving a third amendment to the purchase and sale agreement related to a land exchange with C/Lejeune, LLC, involving the City's current Public Safety Building located at 2801 Salzedo Street and the vacant parcel located at 250 Minorca Avenue, that will be improved with a new Public Safety Building and a public mixed use parking garage structure, and involving the parcels located at 290, 272, 250, and 244 Valencia Avenue and at 297 and 247 Almeria Avenue, allowing for the conveyance of the Salzedo parcel to the owners of the Valencia/Almeria parcels.

Attachments: [Cover memo - 3rd amended P n S - Codina](#)
[Ordinance - 3rd amended P n S - Codina - 1st reading](#)
[Third Amendment PSA \(CodinaCity of Coral Gables\) - FINAL](#)
[Cover memo - 3rd amended P n S - Codina - 2nd reading](#)
[Ordinance - 3rd amended P n S - Codina - 2nd reading](#)
[Signed ordinance 2019-29](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION APPROVING A THIRD AMENDMENT TO THE PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT RELATED TO A LAND EXCHANGE WITH C/LEJEUNE, LLC, INVOLVING THE CITY'S CURRENT PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING LOCATED AT 2801 SALZEDO STREET AND THE VACANT PARCEL LOCATED AT 250 MINORCA AVENUE, THAT WILL BE IMPROVED WITH A NEW PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING AND A PUBLIC MIXED USE PARKING GARAGE STRUCTURE, AND INVOLVING THE PARCELS LOCATED AT 290, 272, 250, AND 244 VALENCIA AVENUE AND AT 297 AND 247 ALMERIA AVENUE, ALLOWING FOR THE CONVEYANCE OF THE SALZEDO PARCEL TO THE OWNERS OF THE VALENCIA/ALMERIA PARCELS.

A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Commissioner Mena, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2019-29. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 4 - Commissioner Fors, Jr., Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Lago and Commissioner Mena

Absent : 1 - Mayor Valdes-Fauli

City Clerk Item No. 32

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-30**F.-4. 19-9027**

An Ordinance of the City of Coral Gables, Florida approving the purchase and sale agreement with Granada Presbyterian Church for the purchase of three (3) vacant lots located at the corner of Alava Avenue and Toledo Street, Coral Gables, Florida (Folio Numbers 03-4119-001-5270; 03-4119-001-5280; 03-4119-001-5290) for the purpose of establishing a neighborhood park; providing for repealer provision, severability clause, and providing for an effective date.

Attachments: [Commission Cover 08.27.19 \(Granada Presbyterian Land Acquisition\)](#)
[Ordinance - 08.27.19 Granada Presbyterian Lots Final](#)
[Presentation Proposed Land Acquisition Granada Presbyterian Toledo & Alava Purchase and Sale Agreement Final Effective 07.05.2019 - Granada Presbyterian Notice to Neighbors Door Hangers - Proposed Land Acquisition - Granada Presby](#)
[Appraisal Granada Presbyterian Vacant Lots \(3\) Quinlivan](#)
[Appraisal Granada Presbyterian Vacant Lots \(3\) Waronker & Rosen](#)
[EDB EXCERPT 08-14-19 DRAFT EDB & PAB Joint Board Meeting Minutes](#)
[PAB EXCERPT 08-14-19 DRAFT EDB & PAB Joint Board Meeting Minutes](#)
[Budget Audit Advisory Board Draft Minutes 082119](#)
[Commission Cover 09.10.19 \(Granada Presbyterian Land Acquisition\)](#)
[Ordinance - 09.10.19 Granada Presbyterian Land Acquisition](#)
[Signed Ordinance 2019-30](#)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION APPROVING THE PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT WITH GRANADA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH FOR THE PURCHASE OF THREE (3) VACANT LOTS LOCATED AT THE CORNER OF ALAVA AVENUE AND TOLEDO STREET, CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA (FOLIO NUMBERS 03-4119-001-5270; 03-4119-001-5280; 03-4119-001-5290) FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING A NEIGHBORHOOD PARK; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Vice Mayor Lago, that this matter be adopted by Ordinance Number 2019-30. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Lago, Commissioner Mena, Commissioner Fors, Jr. and Mayor Valdes-Fauli

City Clerk Item No. 33

G. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS**G.-1. 19-9133**

A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, recognizing Constitution Day and Citizenship Day and honoring all those, and law enforcement officers in particular, who have sworn an oath to uphold the Constitution. (Sponsored by Vice Mayor Lago)

Attachments: [Cover Memo - Constitution Day](#)
[Resolution Constitution Day](#)

This Resolution was Deferred

City Clerk Item No. 34

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-268**G.-2. [19-9134](#)**

A Resolution of the City Commission amending the policy and procedures for the amendment of existing Special Taxing Districts within the City of Coral Gables.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Keon)

Attachments: [Cover Memo - Resolution](#)
[Resolution - Amending Policy for Special Taxing Districts](#)
[Exhibit A - Special Taxing Districts Creation and Amendment Process](#)
[Exhibit B - Amended - Amendment Process for Existing Special Taxing District](#)
[G-2 speaker card](#)
[Entered into public record at hearing](#)
[Signed Resolution 2019-268](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AMENDING THE POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR THE AMENDMENT OF EXISTING SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS WITHIN THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item G-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Vice Mayor Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2019-268. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Vice Mayor Lago, Commissioner Mena, Commissioner Fors, Jr.,
Commissioner Keon and Mayor Valdes-Fauli

City Clerk Item No. 35

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-270**G.-3. [19-9149](#)**

A discussion regarding the Coral Gables trolley and potential funding mechanisms to extend its hours of operation to include weekends.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Lago)

Attachments: [Saturday Trolley Service](#)
[G-3 Speaker card](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item G-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Lago, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2019-270. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Fors, Jr., Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Lago,
Commissioner Mena and Mayor Valdes-Fauli

City Clerk Item No. 40

- G.-4. [19-9150](#) A discussion regarding septic vs. sewage systems.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Lago)

Attachments: [G-4 speaker card](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item G-4 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 36

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-271

- G.-5. [19-9151](#) An update on the open space area on Blue Road.
(Sponsored by Vice Mayor Lago)

Attachments: [G-5 Speaker card](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item G-5 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Lago, seconded by Commissioner Mena, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2019-271. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Lago, Commissioner Mena,
Commissioner Fors, Jr. and Mayor Valdes-Fauli

City Clerk Item No. 41

H. BOARDS/COMMITTEES ITEMS

None

City Clerk Item No. 42

I. CITY MANAGER ITEMS**Time Certain 10:30 am (Agenda Item I-1)**

- I.-1. [19-9108](#) Presentation of Internal Audits for the Development Services Department, Community Recreation Department, and the Procurement Division of the Finance Department.

Attachments: [Development Services Internal Audit Report - Final](#)
[Parks & Rec Internal Audit Report - Final](#)
[Procurement Internal Audit Report - Final](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item I-1 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 29

Time Certain 11:30am (Agenda Item 1-2)

- I.-2. [19-9020](#) A discussion and presentation by Mark Trowbridge, President and CEO of the Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce, on the importance of the community's participation in the 2020 Census.
(Sponsored by Commissioner Keon)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item I-2 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 37

- I.-3. [19-9142](#) Presentation by the Information Technology Department regarding the City's participation and activity with the 2020 U.S. Census.

Attachments: [2020CensusActivity](#)

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item I-3 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

This Presentation/Protocol Document was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 38

Agenda Items 2-1 and I-4 are related.

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-266

- I.-4. [19-8893](#) A Resolution approving a temporary public art exhibition of a sculpture by artist Carlos Albert installed at 2655 Le Jeune Rd. from the end of November 2019 through December 2020. (recommended by Cultural Development Board approval/denial vote: 5 to 1).

Attachments: [AAP Meeting May 29 2019 DRAFT - EXCERPT Carlos Albert](#)
[CDB Minutes June 04 2019 DRAFT - EXCERPT re. Carlos Albert](#)
[Temporary Exhibition - Carlos Albert](#)
[CARLOS ALBERT PRESENTATION for CC](#)
[Signed Resolution 2019-266](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION APPROVING A TEMPORARY PUBLIC ART EXHIBITION OF A SCULPTURE BY ARTIST CARLOS ALBERT INSTALLED AT 2655 LEJEUNE ROAD FROM THE END OF NOVEMBER 2019 THROUGH DECEMBER 2020. (RECOMMENDED BY THE CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD APPROVAL/DENIAL VOTE: 5 TO 1).

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Items 2-1 and I-4 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Vice Mayor Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2019-266. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Fors, Jr., Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Lago, Commissioner Mena and Mayor Valdes-Fauli

City Clerk Item No. 26

Time Certain 9:30am (Agenda Item I-5)

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-267

- I.-5. [19-9145](#) Update and request for further direction on Doctor's Hospital Lot sale/lease.

Attachments: [I-5 speaker card](#)
[Signed Resolution 2019-267](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO PROCEED WITH NEGOTIATING A PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT WITH DOCTOR'S HOSPITAL, INC., WITH THE TERMS PROPOSED IN THIS RESOLUTION FOR THE SALE OF MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT 24 LOCATED ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF UNIVERSITY DRIVE AND PISANO AVENUE, CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER 03-4119-006-0200.

[Note for the Record: The verbatim transcript for Agenda Item I-5 is available for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk and in Legistar].

A motion was made by Mayor Valdes-Fauli, seconded by Commissioner Keon, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2019-267. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 4 - Commissioner Keon, Commissioner Mena, Commissioner Fors, Jr. and Mayor Valdes-Fauli

Nays : 1 - Vice Mayor Lago

City Clerk Item No. 28

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-269

I.-6. 19-9088

A Resolution authorizing the City of Coral Gables to enter into a parking lease agreement as the tenant with Gables Projects, LLC as the Landlord with regard to the surface parking lot located at the 300 block of Aragon Avenue, Coral Gables, FL (Folio No. 03-4108-006-3430), for a period of five (5) years; providing for severability and providing for an effective date.

Attachments: [Resolution 09.10.19 \(Gables Projects LLC Parking Lot Lease Agreement\)](#)
[Commission Cover 09.10.19 \(Gables Projects LLC Parking Lot Lease Agreement\)](#)
[Gables Projects LLC Proposed Parking Lease](#)
[Parking Advisory Board Draft Minutes 08222019](#)
[Signed Resolution 2019-269](#)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING TO ENTER INTO A PARKING LEASE AGREEMENT WITH GABLES PROJECTS, INC., WITH REGARD TO THE SURFACE LOT LOCATED AT THE 300 BLOCK OF ARAGON AVENUE, CORAL GABLES, (FOLIO NO. 03-4108-006-3430), FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE (5) YEARS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A motion was made by Commissioner Keon, seconded by Vice Mayor Lago, that this matter be adopted by Resolution Number 2019-269. The motion passed by the following vote.

Yeas : 5 - Commissioner Mena, Commissioner Fors, Jr., Commissioner Keon, Vice Mayor Lago and Mayor Valdes-Fauli

City Clerk Item No. 39

J. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS

J.-1. 19-9135

Attorney-client executive/shade session closed to the public for purposes of discussing the litigation styled Raul Mas Canosa v. City of Coral Gables, et al., Case No. 2018-33927-CA-01. This session may be attended by the following individuals: Mayor Raul Valdes-Fauli, Vice Mayor Vince Lago, Commissioner Pat Keon, Commissioner Michael Mena, Commissioner Jorge Fors, Jr., Police Chief Edward J. Hudak (as acting Chief Executive Officer), City Attorney Miriam Soler Ramos, Deputy City Attorney Cristina M. Suarez, Special Counsel Abby Corbett. A certified court reporter will be present to ensure that the session is fully transcribed, and the transcripts will be made available to the public upon the conclusion of the above-styled litigation. At the conclusion of the attorney-client session, the public meeting will be reopened, and termination of the attorney-client session will be announced.

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 46

J.-2. 19-9128

Request for Executive Session (if any).

This Agenda Item was Discussed and Filed

City Clerk Item No. 43

K. CITY CLERK ITEMS**None**

City Clerk Item No. 44

L. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Anything else guys?

City Attorney Ramos: I need to make the announcement for Executive Session, because we will not be adjourning until after...

Commissioner Fors: I wanted to just recognize somebody on the record. This weekend was the Coral Gables Bar Association Annual Gala. It was held at the historic Douglas Entrance Ballroom. I used to be the Past President of that organization. Our keynote speaker this weekend was actually our City Attorney Miriam Soler Ramos. She delivered an amazing speech where she sort of gave a legal review to over 200 attendees, as well as over 25 sitting Judges in Miami-Dade County regarding the unique legal challenges that our cities face. She represented us beyond what I could have ever hoped for a City Attorney to do. Just want to say thank you for representing us so well on that platform.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you. Thank you very much.

[Applause]

Vice Mayor Lago: Always making us proud. Commission Keon anything?

Commissioner Keon: No.

Vice Mayor Lago: I have one item. Palms on 57 Avenue - the landscaping on 57th Avenue, running from Bird Road all the way to Ponce de Leon. I know that Brook has come up on multiple times to discuss that issue. That still stays in limbo, nothing has come forward, you know we are supposed to be planting trees on the swale. I'd like to know where we are at in regard to that. And the second is the landscaping on 57th Avenue and Bird Road that was installed, some Palm trees, some low-lying bushes, those are in horrible shape. People swerve off the road to avoid the backup in traffic and they basically just run over all those trees. Its Green Island Fichus those hedges that are there.

Assistant City Manager Santamaria: Yes, Green Island Fichus.

Vice Mayor Lago: Can we just take a look at those and make sure. I know it's a constant battle because people are running them over. They haven't seemed to grow all the way into the street, but people swerve out of the way and just run them over.

Assistant City Manager Santamaria: My understanding is that the plantings on the south side of Red Road, the southern end of it will be happening within the next few weeks. Regarding the Green Island Fichus, that's something that until that fully establishes itself its...

Vice Mayor Lago: They never give it an option, an opportunity to fully establish.

Assistant City Manager Santamaria: We can look at something else there, but it's going to be complicated. So, it's a DOT right-of-way.

Vice Mayor Lago: I know. It's a tough area. I know we are trying to do what we can. I'll make sure.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: We had planted beautiful orchids...orchids in our courtyard here and Mr. City Manager they need to be watered every day, just with a hose.

City Manager Iglesias: We'll water them.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Nothing fancy, just every day.

City Manager Iglesias: Mayor, I'll make sure. I'll talk to Dena and Brook.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you. Anything else?

Vice Mayor Lago: Let me ask you a quick question. On Blue Road, can we take a vote on that issue or no?

City Attorney Ramos: I don't know that you need one, it's been funded, you are just giving a general update, but if you want to give specific direction then you should.

Vice Mayor Lago: Yes. Specific direction is that it be design and public input, and be

designed by 2020, by the end of the year.

City Manager Iglesias: We are working on that Vice Mayor.

Vice Mayor Lago: Can I get a vote on that on the record though? So moved.

Commissioner Mena: Second.

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Will you call the roll please.

Commissioner Keon: Yes

Vice Mayor Lago: Yes

Commissioner Mena: Yes

Commissioner Fors: Yes

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Yes

(Vote: 5-0)

Mayor Valdes-Fauli: Thank you very much everybody.

Vice Mayor Lago: Thank you.

City Clerk Item No. 45

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 1:39 p.m. The next regular meeting of the City Commission has been scheduled for Tuesday, October 8, 2019, beginning 9 a.m.]

BILLY Y. URQUIA
CITY CLERK