

CORAL GABLES SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD  
 BILTMORE HOTEL (GARDEN CLUB MEETING ROOM)  
 1200 ANASTASIA AVENUE  
 CORAL GABLES, FL 33134

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 2018 @ 5:00 P.M.

MINUTES

MEMBERS	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	APPOINTED BY:
	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	17	18	18	18	
Martin Pinilla				P	P	P	E	*	P	P	E	E	Mayor Valdes-Fauli
Sharon Trbovich	E	P	P	P	P	P	P	*	E	P	P	P	Commissioner Quesada
Rhonda Anderson	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	*	P	P	P	P	Commissioner Lago
Greg Hamra			P	P	P	P	P	*	P	P	P	P	Commissioner Mena
Marlin Ebbert		E	P	P	E	P	P	*	P	P	P	P	Vice Mayor Commissioner Keon
Enrique Bernal	P	E	P	E	P	P	E	*	P	P	E	E	City Manager Swanson-Rivenbark
Irela Bague	E	P	P	P	P	E	P	*	P	P	P	P	City Commission-As-A-Whole

A – Absent  
 P – Present  
 E – Excused  
 (\*) no meeting

**STAFF:**

Matthew Anderson, Sustainability Advisory Board Staff Liaison  
 David Lindsey, Administrative Analyst  
 Mark Brown, Senior Multimodal Transportation Engineer

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The Chairperson, Irela Bague called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm

**GUEST:**

Jasper Brock, Coral Gables Resident  
 Rita Teutonico, Coral Gables Resident

**MOTIONS:**

**February 28, 2018 SAB meeting minutes - Sharon made a motion to approve the meeting minutes with an amendment to add guests last name, Marlin seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.**

**Sharon made a motion to excuse Enrique and Martin, Marlin seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.**

**Sharon made a motion to cancel the April meeting due to the number of Earth Week events taking place that same week, Rhonda seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.**

**Sustainable Transportation in Coral Gables Presentation** - by Mark Brown, Senior Multimodal Transportation Engineer with the City of Coral Gables

Presentation that focuses on the connection between transportation and sustainability.

<http://www.coralgables.com/Modules/ShowDocument.aspx?documentID=24539>

### **Community Meetings/Events/Conferences**

- a) March 2, 2018 Bike to Work Day – Approximately 40 people attended the event at the Coral Gables Museum. The purpose of the event was to help encourage people to look at alternative modes of transportation such as riding a bike to work to reduce the number of car trips within the City.
- b) 6<sup>th</sup> International Marine Debris Conference (San Diego) March 12-16 – 750 attendees from 50 different countries attended the conference in San Diego sponsored by NOAA. Matt presented on our Plastic Bags and Expanded Polystyrene legislation which received overwhelming support. Participants congratulated the City on being a leader in reducing marine debris.
- c) Bloomberg Ideas Camp (New York City) March 19 & 20th – Coral Gables Staff (Matt, Raimundo, and Chelsea) along with Dr. Celik from the University of Miami attended the conference representing the City of Coral Gables which is one of 35 finalist cities that was selected. The team participated in workshops to help further develop our solar microgrid project. <http://mayorchallenge.bloomberg.org/>

### **MEMBER'S REPORT:**

*Marlin*

The City of Coral Gables is celebrating Earth Week 2018 (Saturday 4/14 - Sunday 4/22 Earth Day) with a series of events highlighting the importance of natural resource conservation and environmental preservation.

- April 1-30: Take the Wyland National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation ([www.mywaterpledge.com](http://www.mywaterpledge.com))
- April 2-30: Take the 2018 South Florida Commuter Challenge Pledge ([www.surveymonkey.com/r/YVBF3M6](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YVBF3M6)) to take alternative mode trips (transit, carpool, walking, bicycling or teleworking.)

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- Saturday April 14<sup>th</sup> and Sunday April 15<sup>th</sup> at 11 am: Showing of the environmental film “Landfill Harmonic” at the Coral Gables Cinema for Family Fun Day. (\$5 tickets purchased through the Cinema) [www.gablescinema.com](http://www.gablescinema.com)
- Saturday April 14, 2-4 pm: Coral Gables Museum April Family Fun Day: City to share recycling and other sustainability information with attendees. Please visit the [Coral Gables Museum Family Fun Day website](#) for more information
- Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm: Showing of the environmental film “Racing Extinction” at the Coral Gables Cinema (260 Aragon Ave) (\$8 tickets purchased through the Cinema ) [www.gablescinema.com](http://www.gablescinema.com)
- Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup> from (9am-12pm): Coral Gables Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event in the City Hall Parking Lot (405 Biltmore Way). The event is free. Please visit [www.coralgables.com/electronicrecycling](http://www.coralgables.com/electronicrecycling) for more event information. Through the events over the last 2 years, the city has been able to collect over 67,000 pounds of electronic waste, 23,800 pounds of household hazardous waste and shredded over 5,000 pounds of sensitive documents.
- Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup> from (9am-12pm): Baynanza Biscayne Bay Cleanup Event. If interested in attending, please register at [www.miamidade.gov/environment/baynanza.asp](http://www.miamidade.gov/environment/baynanza.asp) (Please note: this event is coordinated by Miami Dade County). Cleanup sites located within Coral Gables include Matheson Hammock Park and Chapman Field Park.

*Sharon* – Partnering up with the University of Miami Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science on water issues. Matt suggested Sharon assist with the Wyland Institute, to pledge water conservation. The City during the month of April will be encouraging residents and businesses to pledge to conserve water. Below is information taken from the Wyland Institute’s website describing the water pledge ([www.mywaterpledge.com](http://www.mywaterpledge.com))

*Whether it's drought conditions in the West or the high costs of energy related to water use in the East, saving water has become one of the most talked about issues in the nation today. The National Mayor's Challenge for Water Conservation was created to reward residents for positive conservation behavior, provide immediate feedback with real time city by city results that can be measured against their neighboring cities, set goals to promote positive changes in consumer behavior and put a spotlight on public role models to encourage behavioral change.*

*The overall campaign is designed to:*

- *Save costs for consumers*
- *Save infrastructure and operating costs for cities*
- *Promote drought resiliency*
- *Protect watersheds and ecosystems*

*Greg* – Greg participated last night in a climate debate with James Taylor of The Heartland Institute. James was invited to speak as part of the 2018 Journalists & Editors Workshop on Climate Change in the Americas, sponsored by Knight Foundation and FIU. The event was at

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FIU's Miami Beach Urban Studio campus (Lincoln Road).

*Rhonda* – encouraged the board to participate in the Wyland Institute pledge. She attended the Waterway Advisory Board meeting last month but they did not make quorum. She will try again this month. She was at the commission meeting yesterday; the commissioners will like to see more samples of the metal roofs.

*Irela* – On May 4, 2018 the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce partnered with the office of the Miami Dade County Commission Chairman, Esteban Bovo Jr. They will be celebrating the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Resilience Solution Summit Business Expo. Below is a link to the flyer.



The Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce in partnership with  
The Office of the Chair of the Miami-Dade County Commission presents

**THE 2018 RESILIENT SOLUTIONS SUMMIT & BUSINESS EXPO**

The one-day event will provide an update from the Rockefeller 100 Resilient Cities – Resilient 305 strategy and panel discussions focused on developing implementable solutions to our community's biggest challenges: transportation, sea level rise, affordable housing, healthcare, economic development & poverty.



**MORNING KEYNOTE**  
The Honorable Esteban Bovo, Jr.  
Chairman of the Miami-Dade County Commission

**EXPERT PANELS TOPICS:**

- RESILIENT 305  
THE RETURN ON RESILIENCE  
MIAMI 2060:  
A RESILIENT FUTURE**
- NETWORKING RECEPTION & BUSINESS EXPO**  
Network and participate in demonstrations of resilient solution-oriented products and services

**Presenting Sponsors**



**Friday  
May  
4**  
Registration & Continental Breakfast  
7:45 AM - 8:30 AM  
Program & Lunch  
8:30 AM - 2:30 PM  
Networking Reception  
3:00 PM

**REGISTER ONLINE AT  
MiamiChamber.com**

For Sponsorship Information:  
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**Rusty Pelican**  
3201 Rickenbacker Causeway, Key Biscayne, FL 33149  
Special valet parking rate with registration

**ADVANCE REGISTRATION 72-hour cancellation policy**  
\$85 per member  
\$100 per nonmember  
On-site: \$130 per person

Esteban Bovo, Jr.  
Miami-Dade County  
Commissioner  
District 13

**Next Meeting:** Thursday May 24, 2018

**ADJOURNED: 6:23pm**