CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-179

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION ADOPTING RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR VIRTUAL MEETINGS OF THE CORAL GABLES BOARD OF ARCHITECTS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2-305 OF THE CITY'S ZONING CODE, DURING THE PENDENCY OF THE STATES OF EMERGENCY DECLARED IN RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention has advised that in order to slow the spread of the Coronavirus/COVID-19, individuals should adopt far-reaching social distancing measures; and

WHEREAS, finding it necessary and appropriate to take action to ensure that Coronavirus/COVID-19 remains controlled and that residents and visitors in Florida remain safe and secure, on March 20, 2020, the Governor of the State of Florida issued Executive Order No. 20-69 ("Order"), which has been extended by subsequent order, suspending any Florida Statute, "that requires a quorum to be present in person or requires a local government body to meet at a specific public place;" and

WHEREAS, the Order also expressly permits local government bodies to utilize communications media technology, such as telephonic and video conferencing, as provided in section 120.54(5)(b)(2), F.S., and

WHEREAS, the Board of Architects held a virtual meeting on August 13, 2020, to discuss the adoption of these rules of procedure and unanimously approved said rules; and

WHEREAS, the City's Zoning Code, Section 2-305, requires that any rules of procedure for the Board of Architects shall be approved by the City Commission;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:

SECTION 1. The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. That the City Commission hereby adopts the Rules of Procedure attached hereto as Exhibit A for virtual meetings of the Coral Gables Board of Architects. The City Attorney is authorized to make changes to the rules, consistent with the Commission's intent and in order to comply with best practices, as they are developed.

SECTION 3. That said resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-FIFTH DAY OF AUGUST, A.D., 2020.

(Moved: Lago / Seconded: Mena)

(Yeas: Lago, Mena, Fors, Jr., Keon, Valdes-Fauli)

(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote) (Agenda Item: G-2)

APPROVED:

RAUL VALDES-FAULI

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS

CITY ATTORNEY