

#### **ITEM TITLE:**

# Ordinance on First Reading. Zoning Code Text Amendments.

An Ordinance of the City Commission providing for text amendments to the City of Coral Gables Official Zoning Code, Article 5, "Architecture," Section 5-309, "Trellises;" Section 5-310, "Wood decks," and Section 5-311, "Pavers and walkways," to incorporate composite recycled materials as an approved material for trellises, decks, and walkways; providing for a repealer provision, severability clause, codification, and providing for an effective date.

## **DEPARTMENT HEAD RECOMMENDATION:**

Approval.

## PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning and Zoning Board has not yet reviewed the proposed text amendment.

#### **BRIEF HISTORY:**

Article 5 of the Zoning Code currently limits the allowed materials of various exterior elements on a property. For example, trellises must be constructed of specific types of wood, composite, or metal; and likewise, decks are strictly limited to 2-inch thick wood. The City Architect, however, may approve similar types of wood for trellises and decks.

The proposed text amendments allows composite recycled materials for trellises, decks, and walkways. To be utilized on decks and trellises, the composite recycled materials must be manufactured with a minimum of 60% recycled content. The composite decking boards must also be 1-inch thick.

## **PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS:**

| Date      | Form of Notification                                   |
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| 10.7.2025 | City Commission meeting agenda posted on City webpage. |

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

| No.                 | Amount | Account No. | Source of Funds |  |  |
|---------------------|--------|-------------|-----------------|--|--|
| 1.                  | \$0    |             |                 |  |  |
| 2.                  | \$0    |             |                 |  |  |
| Total:              | \$0    |             |                 |  |  |
| Fiscal Impact: None |        |             |                 |  |  |

#### **EXHIBITS:**

A. Draft Ordinance.