

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

ORDINANCE NO. 2026-__

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 74, "TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES," TO CREATE "ARTICLE X- PERSONAL DELIVERY DEVICES AND MOBILE CARRIERS" TO IMPOSE CERTAIN SAFETY AND OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONAL DELIVERY DEVICES AND MOBILE CARRIERS CONSISTENT WITH STATE LAW; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the presence of personal delivery devices (PDDs) and mobile carriers has become more widespread in Coral Gables and the surrounding areas in the last few years; and

WHEREAS, the City of Coral Gables wishes to impose additional regulations on the safe operation of these personal delivery devices consistent with Section 316.2071, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the City has received concerns about the operation of these PDDs in the City, particularly in those areas with narrower sidewalks where the operation of PDDs may create sidewalk obstructions, visual distractions, or limit accessibility on the City's public rights-of-way; and

WHEREAS; the City wishes to adopt reasonable regulations that require enhanced visibility measures, active monitoring ,sufficient insurance coverage, and proper documentation from operators of PDDs in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that adoption of this Ordinance is in the best interest of the public health, safety, and welfare as it addresses concerns regarding safety, aesthetics, and management of sidewalks in the City.

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

SECTION 1. That the foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Ordinance upon adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. That the City Commission does hereby amend Chapter 74, “Traffic and Vehicles,” to create Article X “Personal Delivery Devices and Mobile Carriers”¹, as indicated in the attached Exhibit A¹:

SECTION 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. If any section, part of section, paragraph, clause, phrase, or word of this Ordinance is declared invalid, the remaining provisions of this Ordinance shall not be affected.

SECTION 5. It is the intention of the Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made part of the City Code and that the sections of this “ordinance” may be changed to “section”, “article”, or such other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish such intentions.

SECTION 6. If the City Code Table of Contents or other reference portion is affected by these provisions, then changes are approved as a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, A.D. 2026.

APPROVED:

VINCE LAGO

MAYOR

¹ Deletions are indicated by ~~strikethrough~~. Insertions are indicated by underline.

ATTEST:

BILLY Y. URQUIA

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM

AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CRISTINA M. SUÁREZ

CITY ATTORNEY

