

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA PROVIDING FOR A TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES OFFICIAL ZONING CODE BY AMENDING ARTICLE 5, "DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS," DIVISION 11, "LANDSCAPING," SECTION 5-1104, "GENERAL REQUIREMENTS," LIMITING LOCATIONS FOR ARTIFICIAL TURF; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER PROVISION, SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, CODIFICATION, ENFORCEABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, At the direction of the City Commission, City Staff has proposed a Zoning Code text amendment restricting locations for artificial turf; and

WHEREAS, after notice was duly published, a public hearing was held before the Planning and Zoning Board on January 9, 2019, at which hearing all interested parties were afforded the opportunity to be heard; and

WHEREAS, the Board was presented with the text amendment to the Official Zoning Code, and after due consideration, recommended approval (vote: 6-0) of the text amendment; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing for First Reading was held before the City Commission on January 22, 2019, at which hearing all interested parties were afforded the opportunity to be heard; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission was presented with a text amendment to the Zoning Code, and after due consideration and discussion, (approved/denied) the amendment on First Reading (vote: 5-0);

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

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 Ordinance upon adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. The Official Zoning Code of the City of Coral Gables is hereby amended as follows¹:

ARTICLE 5 – DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

Division 11. Landscaping

¹ Deletions are indicated by ~~strike through~~. Insertions are indicated by underline.

Division 11. Landscaping

Section 5-1104. General requirements.

A. The following are general requirements that are applicable to all rights-of-way (r.o.w.) and private properties within the City, unless exempted herein:

	Type	Minimum Requirements

6.	Plant materials.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> vi. Lawn grass. All lawn areas shall be sodded. Sod shall be planted in species well adapted to localized growing conditions in Miami-Dade County and shall be clean and reasonably free of weeds and noxious pests or diseases. vii. Artificial Turf. Areas of recyclable artificial turf <u>require a permit and are allowed as a component of the overall design for landscape requirements as follows:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) <u>SFR and MF1 Zoning Districts: allowed within the rear yard, with an acceptable buffer, as determined by the Public Works Landscape Services Division. All other locations may be approved only if site conditions limit landscape options, as determined by the Public Works Landscape Services Division.</u> 2) <u>All other zoning districts: not allowed at ground-level. Other locations may be allowed in accordance with the open space requirements of the Zoning Code.</u>

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 City Commission that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of Ordinance No. 2007-01 as amended and known as the "Zoning Code" of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, which provisions may be renumbered or re-lettered and the word ordinance be changed to "section", "article", or other appropriate word to accomplish such intention.

SECTION 6. If the Official Zoning Code of the City of Coral Gables Tables of Contents or other reference portions is affected by these provisions, then changes are approved as a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWELFTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D., 2019.
(Moved: Quesada / Seconded: Keon)
(Yeas: Mena, Quesada, Keon, Lago, Valdes-Fauli)
(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote)
(Agenda Item: F-1)

APPROVED:




RAUL VALDES-FAULI
MAYOR

ATTEST:



BILLY Y. URQUIA
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS
CITY ATTORNEY