

**City of Coral Gables
Planning Department Staff Report**

To: Planning and Zoning Board Members

From: Planning Department

Date: January 14, 2009

Subject: **Zoning Code Text Amendment – Article 2, Section 2-709, “Zoning Administrator”.** An Ordinance of the City of Coral Gables amending Zoning Code Article 2, Section 2-709, “Zoning Administrator”, amending title to “Zoning Official”, consistent with other Building and Zoning Department titles; and providing for severability, repealer, codification, and an effective date.

Background

Attached are proposed Zoning Code text amendments requested by the Building and Zoning Department. The Building and Zoning Department has provided for the Planning and Zoning Board's review and information a completed Planning Department Zoning Code Text Amendment Request form and a draft Ordinance containing the specific language in ~~strike thru~~ / underline format (see Attachments A and B).

Building and Zoning Department Staff will present the proposed amendments to the Board at the meeting and secure input and testimony.

Public Hearing Timeline

This Zoning Code amendment is under the purview of the Planning and Zoning Board and City Commission since it requires public hearing review. Upon recommendations from the Planning and Zoning Board, the proposed text amendments are tentatively scheduled to proceed forward for public hearing before the City Commission as follows:

*City Commission, 1st Reading – February 10, 2009, 9:00 a.m.
City Commission, 2nd Reading – February 24, 2009, 9:00 a.m.*

The above dates and times are subject to change.

Public Notification

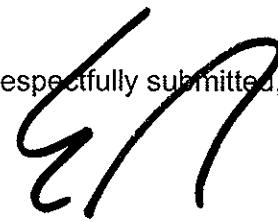
The Planning and Zoning Board meeting agenda has been advertised and posted on the City web page. The Planning Department staff report and attachments are also posted on the City web page.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Eric Riel, Jr.
Planning Director

Attachments:

- A. Planning Department Zoning Code Text Amendment Request form.
- B. Draft Ordinance.

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City of Coral Gables Zoning Code Text Amendment Request

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Date of request:

12.09.08

Sponsoring department(s):

Building and Zoning

Code section(s) to be amended (attach additional sheets as necessary):

Section 2-709. Zoning Administrator.

Purpose or explanation of text amendment (attach additional sheets as necessary):

"Zoning Administrator" title has been changed to "Zoning Official", consistent with other Building and Zoning Department titles such as "Building Official"

Proposed text amendment (attach additional sheets as necessary):**Section 2-709. Zoning Administrator Official.**

The Zoning Administrator Official is the Building and Zoning Department representative responsible for the Department's duties under this Code.

Sponsoring department(s) signature:

Martha Salazar-Blanco

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12.09.08

Print name

Signature

Date

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES AMENDING ZONING CODE ARTICLE 2, SECTION 2-709, "ZONING ADMINISTRATOR", AMENDING TITLE TO "ZONING OFFICIAL", CONSISTENT WITH OTHER BUILDING AND ZONING DEPARTMENT TITLES; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Building and Zoning Department has requested an amendment to the text of the Zoning Code amending the title "Zoning Administrator" to "Zoning Official", to be consistent with other Building and Zoning Department titles; and,

WHEREAS, after notice duly published, a public hearing was held before the Planning and Zoning Board on January 14, 2009, at which hearing all interested parties were afforded the opportunity to be heard; and

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

WHEREAS, after notice duly published, a public hearing for First Reading was held before the City Commission on February 10, 2009 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 the amendment on First Reading (vote:); and

WHEREAS, after notice duly published, a public hearing for Second Reading was held before the City Commission on February 24, 2009 at which hearing all interested parties were afforded the opportunity to be heard.

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 Zoning Code of the City of Coral Gables is hereby amended as follows (changes in strikethrough / underline format):*

Article 2. Decision Making and Administrative Bodies

Division 7. Administrative decision makers and enforcement officers

Section 2-709. Zoning Administrator Official.

The Zoning Administrator Official is the Building and Zoning Department representative responsible for the Department's duties under this Code.

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. This ordinance shall become effective upon the date of its adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, A.D., 2009.
(Moved: _____ / Seconded: _____)
(_____, ____, ____, ____, ____,)
(Vote: _____ - _____)
(Agenda Item _____)

DONALD D. SLESNICK II
MAYOR

ATTEST:

WALTER J. FOEMAN
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

ELIZABETH M. HERNANDEZ
CITY ATTORNEY

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