

**CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-361**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION DIRECTING THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PROCEED WITH DRAFTING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, ELIMINATING SECTION 58-57 "WORK REQUIRED IN NEW BUILDING CONSTRUCTION AND/OR ALTERATIONS EXCEEDING \$15,000.00 IN VALUE OR EXCEEDING 600 SQUARE FEET IN FLOOR AREA," IN ITS ENTIRETY.

**WHEREAS**, on January 26<sup>th</sup>, 1988, the City of Coral Gables Commission adopted Ordinance No. 2765, amending the City Code to include Sec. 28-25.1 titled "Construction, reconstruction or repair of sidewalks, curbs and/or gutters required in new building construction and/or alterations exceeding fifteen thousand dollars in value or exceeding six hundred square feet in floor area," which required the construction of sidewalks in conjunction with new construction or renovations above a certain threshold in order to increase the availability of sidewalks throughout the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission continues its desire to increase the availability of sidewalks throughout the City in order to improve revoking mobility for people with disabilities, to provide safe routes to schools for all children in the City, and to promote and encourage use of its parks through non-motorized means in a safe and convenient way, but does not believe the existing mechanism is the most equitable or efficient in achieving that goal; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission believes that any future sidewalks will require further discussions and planning which would be better managed on a case by case basis and not a City-wide process affecting all properties within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission desires to amend the City Code by removing Section 58-57 "Work required in new building construction and/or alterations exceeding \$15,000.00 in value or exceeding 600 square feet in floor area" to eliminate the existing sidewalk requirements;

**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 directs the City Attorney to proceed with drafting an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, eliminating Section 58-57 "work required in new building construction and/or alterations exceeding \$15,000.00 in value or exceeding 600 square feet in floor area" in its entirety.

**SECTION 3.** That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

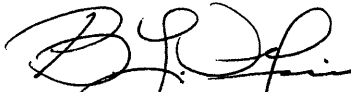
PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TENTH DAY OF DECEMBER, A.D., 2019.  
(Moved: Mena / Seconded: Keon)  
(Yeas: Fors, Jr., Keon, Lago, Mena, Valdes-Fauli)  
(Majority: 5-0 Vote)  
(Agenda Item: G-7)

APPROVED:

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RAUL VALDES-FAULI  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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BILLY Y. UROQUIA  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

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MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS  
CITY ATTORNEY