

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

ORDINANCE NO. 2022-__

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES CODE BY AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, SECTION 2-147 “MEMBERSHIP” IN DIVISION 4- SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY BOARD; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER PROVISION, SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2010-11 which was passed and adopted by the City Commission on July 13, 2010 established a Green Task Force to make recommendations to the City Commission regarding environmental sustainability; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 2015-20 was passed and adopted by the City Commission on July 7, 2015, renaming the Green Task Force as the Sustainability Advisory Board; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 2019-02 expanded the Board’s membership to include representation from the Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce, Florida International University, and the University of Miami; and

WHEREAS, the City of Coral Gables has become a leader in environmental initiatives and in developing sustainable communities based on environmental, cultural and economic policies that protect our natural resources and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainability Advisory Board has allowed for study and application of new technologies and philosophies promoting environmental sustainability measures; and

WHEREAS, the Sustainability Advisory Board has attracted numerous young people to its recent meetings and events and the Sustainability Advisory Board members and City Commission wish to increase the Board’s membership to provide representation for the youth of Coral Gables;

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 Chapter 2, Article III- Boards and Committees of the City Code of Coral Gables, Florida, Section 2-147 be amended as follows:

Sec. 2-147. Membership.

The advisory board shall be comprised of a total of ~~ten~~ eleven members, five of which shall be appointed by the commission. Each of the commissioners shall appoint one member for a total of five, and the advisory board as a whole is required to appoint one member at large and one youth appointee. The city manager shall appoint the one member. The University of Miami shall appoint one representative as a member. Florida International University shall appoint one representative as a member, and the Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce shall appoint one representative as a member. The members appointed by the University of Miami, Florida International University, and the Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce shall be exempt from the residency requirements of section 2-146. The youth member shall be a freshman, sophomore, or junior in high school at the time of their appointment. The youth member shall attend a high school located in Coral Gables and/or be a resident of Coral Gables. The youth member shall provide a letter of recommendation from a teacher or mentor prior to appointment and ideally will belong to a school or community organization that addresses sustainability. Members are required to have basic knowledge of sustainability and environmental issues, and most of all, are motivated and have a high level of interest in helping move the city in a more sustainable and environmentally focused direction.

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 of Coral Gables Code of Ordinances; 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 Official 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 immediately upon passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, A.D. 2022.

APPROVED:

VINCE LAGO

MAYOR

ATTEST:

BILLY Y. URQUIA

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS

CITY ATTORNEY