## CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2025-79**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION FORMALLY ACCEPTING THE 2025 UPDATE TO THE SEA LEVEL RISE WHITE PAPER AND AUTHORIZING FUTURE AMENDMENTS TO THE PAPER.

- **WHEREAS,** in September of 2016 the City Commission was presented with a draft of a white paper on sea level rise which was formally accepted and finalized in Resolution No. 2016-233; and
- **WHEREAS**, the paper, titled "Legal Considerations Surrounding Adaptation to the Threat of Sea Level Rise" was made available online to the public and has been cited and shared as resource by numerous non-profit organizations and governmental entities, and discussed in various publications inducing the Florida Bar Journal; and
- **WHEREAS,** in January 2023, the City Commission directed the City Attorney to update the white paper given the numerous changes, environmental and legal, since the adoption of the paper in 2016; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City Commission has accepted this updated white paper and acknowledges that changes in the legal landscape and scientific predictions will necessitate periodic amendments to the paper over time; and
- **WHEREAS**, the City is interested in making the updated sea level rise white paper widely available to its residents and other interested parties;

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:

- **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 Resolution upon the adoption hereof.
- **SECTION 2.** That the City Commission hereby formally accepts and finalizes the 2025 update to Legal Considerations Surrounding Adaptation to the Threat of Sea Level Rise".
- **SECTION 3.** That the City Commission acknowledges that this paper is a living document and authorizes City staff and the City Attorney's office to amend the paper periodically, to reflect developments in the legal landscape and changes in the applicable scientific predictions.

**SECTION 4**. That the City Commission directs City staff to make the paper available to neighboring local governments and other interested organizations.

**SECTION 5.** That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS ELEVENTH DAY OF MARCH, A.D., 2025.

Moved: Castro / Seconded: Anderson)

Yeas: Castro, Fernandez, Menendez, Anderson, Lago)

(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote) (Agenda Item: I-1)

APPROVED:

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