

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-303

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION
URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO AMEND
F.S. 163.08 TO ADD SEAWALL CONSTRUCTION
AND OTHER FLOOD PROTECTION IMPROVEMENTS
AS QUALIFYING IMPROVEMENTS FOR PROPERTY
ASSESSED CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAMS.

WHEREAS, the City of Coral Gables has been a member of Property Assessed Clean Energy (“PACE”) financing programs since 2012; and

WHEREAS, over two hundred projects have been completed in the City of Coral Gables with a value of over seven million dollars; and

WHEREAS, current regulations limit PACE improvements to improvements affixed to a building or facility that is part of the customer’s property and are limited to renewable energy improvements, wind resistance improvements, and energy conservation and efficiency improvements; and

WHEREAS, current qualified improvements include installation of solar photovoltaic systems, installation of hurricane impact windows, as well as various electrical upgrades; and

WHEREAS, given the numerous homes on waterways in the City of Coral Gables, and the potential for flooding and storm surge throughout the City, the City Commission urges the Florida Legislature to include seawall improvements, as well as other flood prevention improvements, as qualified improvements for PACE program funding;

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 urges the Florida Legislature to amend F.S. 163.08 and any other relevant statutes to allow seawall and other flood protection improvements as qualified improvements for PACE program funding, and to repeal the requirement that qualified improvements be affixed to a building or facility on the subject property.

SECTION 3. That the City Commission hereby directs the City Clerk to send a certified copy of this resolution to the City's delegation in the Florida Legislature.

SECTION 4. That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS EIGHTH DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D., 2019.

(Moved: Lago / Seconded: Mena)

(Yeas: Keon, Lago, Mena, Valdes-Fauli)

(Absent: Fors, Jr.)

(Majority: 4-0)

(Agenda Item: G-2)

APPROVED:



RAUL VALDES-FAULI
MAYOR

ATTEST:



BILLY Y. URQUIA
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS
CITY ATTORNEY