

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-_____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, CHAPTER 26, “FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION,” TO ADD A NEW SECTION 26-7 TO REQUIRE ELECTRONIC REPORTING OF FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEM REPORTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, REPEALER, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City’s Fire Department enforces the provisions of the Florida Fire Protection Code relating to the inspection, testing, and maintenance of fire protection systems; and

WHEREAS, the City’s Fire Department is transitioning from a manual, paper-based reporting system, to an electronic reporting system that will facilitate a more efficient method to review, track, and follow-up on fire protection system inspections; and

WHEREAS, the City’s Fire Department wishes to implement mandatory electronic reporting of fire protection system reports to further increase efficiency and achieve higher compliance with inspection requirements, thereby ensuring that fire protection systems are maintained in operable conditions to save lives and property; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to amend the City Code to require electronic reporting of fire protection system inspections, having determined that doing so is in the best interests of the health, safety, and welfare of the residents, visitors, and property owners of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED 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 Ordinance upon adoption hereof.

SECTION 2. That Chapter 26 – FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION of the City Code of the City of Coral Gables be amended to add the following as a new Section 26-7:

Sec. 26-7. – Electronic Reporting

All reports related to fire protection system inspection, testing, and maintenance that are required to be reported to the Coral Gables Fire Department shall be submitted electronically through a web-based fire inspection reporting system approved by the City.

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 All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.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 City Code 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 City of Coral Gables City Code Table of Contents or other reference portions is affected by these provisions, then charges are approved as a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2025.

APPROVED:

VINCE LAGO
MAYOR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

BILLY Y. URQUIA
CITY CLERK

CRISTINA M. SUÁREZ
CITY ATTORNEY