

City of Coral Gables CITY COMMISSION MEETING August 24, 2022

ITEM TITLE:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, RE-ESTABLISHING AND SUPPORTING THE CONTINUATION OF THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT TO BE KNOWN AS THE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT ("BID") OF CORAL GABLES, FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY A MAJORITY OF THE AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS; PROVIDING FOR AN UPDATED VOTING PROCEDURE FOR ASCERTAINING WHETHER A MAJORITY OF THE AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS APPROVE CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF THE BID; PROVIDING FOR LEVY OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR LOCATION, NATURE AND ESTIMATED COST OF SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED; PROVIDING DETAILS OF ASSESSMENT PROCEDURE AND FUTURE INCREASES; AND PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION OF LEGAL NOTICE.

BRIEF HISTORY:

During the June 28th City Commission meeting the City Commission discussed the current petition process, and following discussion with the BID Executive Director and various residents, the Commission moved to cancel the current petition process; directed City staff to return with alternative methods of determining support for the continued existence of the BID; and directed to staff to review some of the concerns raised by residents and the Commission. The attached draft resolution and exhibits call for a new election period to be done via ballot, not petition process. The City Attorney's office has reviewed various election methods and acknowledges that other methods may exist. However, of the options considered, the most defensible method and the best practice is what is being presented in the attached resolution which is an alternative to the current methodology.

This item was on the July 25, 2022 City Commission meeting and was deferred to the August 24th City Commission meeting.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- 1. Draft Resolution
- 2. Exhibit A
- 3. Exhibit B

- 4. Exhibit C
- 5. Exhibit C- 2020-2021 BID Annual Report
- 6. Draft Preliminary Tax Roll 2022-2023
- 7. Draft Ballot Language
- 8. Alternative Draft Ballot Language