

CERTIFICATION AND DECLARATION OF RESULTS
CITY OF CORAL GABLES BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (BID)
PETITIONING PROCESS

(MAY 1ST, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30TH, 2022)

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE

CITY OF CORAL GABLES

I, Billy Y. Urquia, the undersigned City Clerk for the City of Coral Gables, Florida, in accordance with Resolution No. 2022-95, do hereby certify that all necessary administrative and legal steps were taken in connection with the petition filing to ascertain whether the majority of the affected property owners within the Business Improvement District (BID) are desirous of the continued existence of the BID; said period for filing of a petition was from May 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022.

I. April 5, 2022

Received Preliminary Assessment Roll from the Finance Department and made available for public inspection.

II. April 5, 2022

Information Technology Department staff/Geographical Information Systems Unit developed a map of the boundary of the Business Improvement District containing a list of folio numbers (Master List) within the BID boundary.

III. April 26, 2022

Following the passage and adoption of Resolution No. 2022-95, the City Clerk approved the petition, procedures for tabulation in furtherance of ascertaining whether the majority of the property owners are favorable toward re-establishment of the BID.

IV. May 6, 2022

Business Improvement District, as circulator of the petitions, mailed out petition packages to all property owners within the affected geographical boundary of the BID; said packages containing blank petitions and instructions on how to complete same with notarized signatures.

V. June 28, 2022

The City Commission after having considered comments from the Executive Director of the Business Improvement District and concerned residents, adopted Resolution No. 2022-172 cancelling the current petition process and directed staff to study alternative methods of determining support for the continued existence of the Business Improvement District.

VI. August 24, 2022

The City Commission adopted Resolution 2022-198 re-establishing the petition process and supporting the continuation of the Business Improvement District for a one-year period, and further instructing the City Clerk to canvass all petitions received by June 30th, 2022.

VII. August 25, 2022

At approximately 3:45 p.m. the City Clerk's Office received the list of petitions submitted by the Executive Director of the BID, Aura Reinhardt. The City Clerk's staff reviewed the Master List to ascertain whether the documents received were consistent with the criteria established for tabulation.

The City Clerk's staff reviewed each of the 91 petitions filed to verify that what was received was consistent with what was mailed out. We also reviewed the contents of said petitions to ascertain they were consistent with the established criteria regarding who is authorized to sign said documents and as further substantiated in Miami-Dade Property Appraiser's database and Florida Division of Corporations, SUNBIZ Website.

Upon completion of said task, the City Clerk's staff contacted those property owners who were not the clear authorized representatives for their respective properties. Each authorized representative in question was given an opportunity to submit additional documentation to substantiate their claim.

I further certify and declare that the results of the Coral Gables Business Improvement District tabulation via the petition process, held from May 1st through June 30th, 2022 are as follows:

Tabulation of Petitions to be filed by affected Property Owners in Coral Gables	178	100%
Vote count of Petitions Filed	91	51.12%
Vote count for Continued Existence of BID	80	44.94%
*(Number of affected properties failing to file a petition)	87	48.88%
Petitions Rejected	11	6.18%

Note: The vote count was as follows: 91 (51.12%) votes were cast by property owners within the Business Improvement District for the continued existence of the BID, and no petitions were received for 87 properties, which is tabulated as a vote against the continued existence of the BID (48.88%). Finally, there were 11 votes (on 8 petitions filed) which were rejected for issues with the notarization and/or failure to meet the established signature verification/authorization criteria.



Billy Y. Urquia
City Clerk