CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-174

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISISON APPROVING THE PROPOSED BALLOT QUESTIONS AND CITY CHARTER AMENDMENTS AS STATED BELOW, FOR SUBMISSION TO THE ELECTORS FOR APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 2016.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:

An Amendment Providing for Removal of the Trial Board Appeal Process for Employees

Presently City employees not represented in a bargaining unit may appeal their removal, suspension, lay-off or reduction in grade to a Trial Board made up of five (5) City of Coral Gables' citizens. Shall the City Charter be amended to remove the Trial Board and related procedure?

New Provision for Suspension of a Member of the City Commission for Reason of Incapacity

Presently the City Charter does not address incapacity of a member of the Commission. Shall a provision be added allowing for a temporary suspension of a member of the Commission for incapacity?

An Amendment Providing that the Mayor Appoints the Vice Mayor and Any Replacement Thereof

Presently City Commission practice is for the Mayor to appoint the Vice Mayor and any replacement thereof, who shall perform the duties of the mayor during his or her absence. Shall the City Charter be amended to require that the Mayor appoints the Vice Mayor and any replacement for the Vice Mayor?

Amendment Providing Procedures for Removal of City Commissioners Consistent with Gubernatorial Procedures Under State Law

The Charter presently allows a member of the Commission to be removed by a four-fifths vote for misconduct in office or neglect of duty. Shall this provision be amended to allow the City Commission to censure its own members and require that any removal of members be tied to suspension procedures under State law?

An Amendment Providing for Run-Off Elections in City Commission and Mayoral Races

Presently the Mayor or a Commissioner may be elected with a plurality vote (the most votes) even if this does not constitute a majority. Shall this provision be amended to require a runoff between the two candidates with the highest vote totals where no candidate received a majority (50% + 1)?

SECTION 1. That the City Commission does hereby approve the proposed ballot questions and City Charter amendments as stated above, for submission to the electors for approval or disapproval at the Special election to be held on November 8, 2016.

SECTION 2. That this resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-SIXTH DAY OF JULY, A.D., 2016.

(Moved: Lago / Seconded: Slesnick) (Yeas: Keon, Lago, Slesnick, Cason)

(Majority: (4-0) Vote) (Absent; Quesada) (Non-Agenda Item)

APPROVED:

JIM CASON

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

WALTER J. FOEMAN

CITY CLERK

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CITY ATTORNEY