

City of Coral Gables CITY COMMISSION MEETING October 22, 2019

ITEM TITLE:

Resolution.

A Resolution of the City Commission of Coral Gables, Florida issuing a Zoning in Progress, in accordance with Article 3, "Development Review," Division 7, "Moratorium," Section 3-703, "Zoning in Progress Request" and 3-704, "City Commission Zoning in Progress Resolution Review and Decision" for the consideration of Zoning Code Text Amendments to address the operation of retail vape shops within the City; providing for an effective date.

BRIEF HISTORY:

The Florida Legislature recently passed Senate Bill 7012 ("SB 7012"), an extension of the Florida Clean Indoor Air Act, which among other things, prohibits vaping in an enclosed indoor workplace except as provided therein.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (the "CDC"), the long-term health effects associated with vaping are still unknown.

This is an evolving area of law and regulations and the City intends to study the impact of SB 7012 and to propose amendments to the Zoning Code and if necessary, the City Code, in order to better promote the safety and general welfare of the City businesses, residents, and visitors.

Thus, the City Manager has filed this request with the City Commission for a Zoning in Progress Resolution pursuant to Zoning Code Section 3-703 to address the operation of retail vape shops within the City. The Zoning in Progress Resolution request requires review, preliminary findings, and approval or denial by the City Commission, pursuant to Zoning Code Section 3-704.

The proposed Zoning in Progress will temporarily suspend the processing of applications for, and the issuance of permits, site plan approvals, business tax receipts, or any other official action of the City of Coral Gables permitting or having the effect of allowing the operation of a retail vape shop.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Draft Resolution