CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-42

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION, AMENDING THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES CODE CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, SECTION 2-53 ENTITLED "TERMS OF MEMBERS"; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER PROVISION, SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, CODIFICATION, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission has established policies for the creation of boards and committees for the City of Coral Gables; and

WHEREAS, certain boards, including the Code Enforcement Board, Construction Regulation Board, and Retirement Board are exempted from the term limit provision under Sec. 2-53 (b) of the City Code; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Commission to include the Board of Architects as an exempted board under the Code;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA:

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. Chapter 2, Article III, Section 2-53 of the City Code of the City of Coral Gables entitled "Terms of members" is hereby amended to read as follows:¹

Sec. 2-53. - Terms of members.

- (a) Unless otherwise specifically provided in the Charter or the Code, the terms of office of the members of each board shall be for two years or until the appointing Commissioner leaves office, whichever occurs first. A board member shall serve until a successor has been selected and qualified. When the appointing Commissioner leaves office, the board member's term shall expire. Vacancies on boards shall be filled by the appointing Commissioner or City Manager with confirmation by the City Commission for the unexpired term.
- (b) No person shall serve more than eight consecutive years on any one board, and no person shall serve concurrently on more than one board unless the second board is an ad hoc board. This provision shall not apply to members of the Code Enforcement Board, the Construction Regulation Board, the Board of Architects, or the Retirement Board. All board members whose

¹ Deletions are indicated by strikethrough. Insertions are indicated by <u>underline</u>.

- terms exceed eight years shall fulfill the remainder of their term, upon approval by a four-fifths vote of the members of the City Commission.
- (c) Except as provided in subsections (a) and (b) of this section, once a person has served eight consecutive years on a board, that person shall not be eligible for re-appointment to the same board for a length of time equal to one full term on the board.
- (d) The City Commission may extend the terms of all board members whose terms exceed eight years to coincide with the remainder of the appointing Commissioner's term in office, upon the approval of four-fifths vote of the members of the City Commission.
- **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 a part of the City Coral Gables Code of Ordinances; and, that the sections of this "ordinance" may be changed to "section" or "article", or other appropriate word or phrase to accomplish such intention.
- **SECTION 6.** If the Official Code of the City of Coral Gables Tables of Contents or other reference portions is affected by these provisions, then changes are approved as a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TENTH DAY OF DECEMBER, A.D., 2019.

(Moved: Lago / Seconded: Mena)

(Yeas: Mena, Fors, Jr., Lago, Valdes-Fauli)

(Absent: Keon) (Majority: 4-0 Vote) (Agenda Item: F-1)

APPROVED:

RAUL VALDES-FAULI MAYOR

ATTEST:

BILLY Y. URQUIA

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS

CITY ATTORNEY