## CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

## ORDINANCE NO. 2019-\_\_\_

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR TEXT AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES OFFICIAL ZONING CODE, ARTICLE 3, "DEVELOPMENT REVIEW," SECTION 3-606, "PROCEDURES FOR APPEALS," TO AFFORD STAFF AN ADDITIONAL 72 HOURS TO APPEAL CITY BOARD DECISIONS IF A FILED APPEAL IS DETERMINED TO BE DEFICIENT

WHEREAS, Section 3-606(B) of the City's Zoning Code sets forth regulations for procedures for appeals of the Board of Adjustment, Board of Architects, Historic Preservation Board, and Planning and Zoning Board; and

**WHEREAS**, the City's Zoning Code currently does not afford staff any additional time beyond the appeal period for City staff to review said appeals for completeness and standing; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission wishes to ensure that all appeals of decisions by the Board of Adjustment, Board of Architects, Historic Preservation Board, and Planning and Zoning Board are properly reviewed and that City staff is given sufficient time to complete said review.

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

**SECTION 1.** That 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.** The Official Zoning Code of the City of Coral Gables is hereby amended as follows<sup>1</sup>:

## **ARTICLE 3 – DEVELOPMENT REVIEW**

**Division 6. Appeals** 

Section 3-606. Procedures for appeals.

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B. Appeals of Board of Adjustment, Board of Architects, Historic Preservation Board, and Planning and Zoning Board. Any aggrieved party desiring to appeal a decision of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Deletions are indicated by strikethrough. Insertions are indicated by <u>underline</u>.

the Board of Adjustment, Board of Architects or Historic Preservation Board, or a tentative plat decision of the Planning and Zoning Board, shall, within ten (10) days from the date of such decision, file a written Notice of Appeal with the City Clerk, whose duty it shall then become to send a written notice of such appeal to all persons previously notified by the Board in the underlying matter. If after the initial ten (10) day appeal period has lapsed it is determined by City Staff that the written Notice of Appeal is deficient or that the Appellant lacks standing, then City Staff has seventytwo (72) hours from the moment of that determination to appeal the decision. The appeal shall then be heard by the City Commission at its next meeting, provided at least ten (10) days has intervened between the time of the filing of the Notice of Appeal, as well as at least ten (10) days from the date of mailed notice as required pursuant to subsection E below, and the date of such meeting. If ten (10) days shall not intervene between the time of the filing of the notice and the date of the next meeting or (10) days shall not intervene between the sending of the mailed notice and the date of the next meeting, then the appeal shall be heard at the next regular meeting of the City Commission and the City Commission shall render a decision, without any unnecessary or undue delay, unless application for deferral has been made as permitted in Section 3-608 of this Division.

**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 part of Ordinance No. 2007-01 as amended and known as the "Zoning Code" of the City of Coral Gables, Florida; and that the sections of this "ordinance" may be changed to "section", "article", or such other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish such intentions.

**SECTION 6.** If the Official Zoning 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 adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS .	DAY OF	, A.D. 2019
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APPROVED:	
	RAUL VALDES-FAULI MAYOR
ATTEST:	
BILLY Y. URQUIA CITY CLERK	
	APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:
	MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS CITY ATTORNEY