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# COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO:

Mayor Dan Gelber and Members of the City Commission

City Manager Alina T. Hudak

FROM:

Rafael A. Paz, City Attorney

DATE:

May 4, 2022

SUBJECT:

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA CALLING FOR AN AUGUST 23, 2022 CITY OF MIAMI BEACH SPECIAL ELECTION, FOR THE PURPOSE OF SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORATE OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH A QUESTION ASKING WHETHER ARTICLE I, SECTION 2 OF CITY'S RELATED SPECIAL ACTS ESTABLISHING THE CITY'S BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT SHOULD BE AMENDED TO PROVIDE THAT APPOINTMENT OF ONE MEMBER FROM THE ARCHITECTURE PROFESSION SHALL BE REQUIRED INSTEAD OF

PERMISSIBLE.

Pursuant to the request of City Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez, the attached Resolution has been prepared calling for a City of Miami Beach Special Election to be held on August 23, 2022 for the purpose of submitting to the City's voters the following question:

### RSA Article I: Board of Adjustment-Changing "Architecture" Membership Category from Permissible to Required Membership.

City's Related Special Acts Article I, establishes a Board of Adjustment ("BOA") appointed by City Commission, composed of two citizens at-large and five persons each representing one of these professions: Law, architecture, engineering, real estate development, certified public accounting, financial consultation, general business.

Article I thus permits, but does not require, appointment of architect to BOA.

Shall Article I be amended for limited purpose of requiring appointment of one member from the architecture profession?

The County's deadline for City Commission adoption of a Resolution placing a matter on the August 23, 2022 CMB Special Election ballot is May 27, 2022. Accordingly, it should be noted that other than the Commission's May 25, 2022 Presentation and Awards meeting, the May 4, 2022 City Commission meeting is the last regularly-scheduled meeting of the City Commission at which a Resolution may be adopted placing a ballot question on the City's August 23, 2022 Special Election ballot.

#### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The Miami-Dade County Elections Department has provided the City Clerk with an estimate of approximately \$28,499.90 (Cost Estimate for One Page Ballot) and \$56,449.80 (Cost Estimate in the Scenario Multiple Questions Triggers an Additional Page) to conduct the August 23, 2022 Special Election, which includes the costs associated with 14 days of Early Voting. (See Department of Election Estimates). Additionally, the City will incur approximately \$42,000 in legally mandated advertisements, required by the Florida Statutes and the City Code, to notice this Special Election.

# Amount(s)/Account(s):

\$28,499.90 - Estimate 1-page ballot (Scenario 1)

\$56,449.80 – Estimate 2-page ballot (Scenario 2)

\$42,000.00 - Legally Mandated Advertisements

Maximum Estimated Amount: \$98,449.80

Account: 011-9322-000312-90-400-592-00-00-00

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