January 17, 2018 Commission Meeting/Presentations & Awards

10:30:57 a.m.

R5 F UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT SITES - FAR:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 118, "ADMINISTRATION AND REVIEW PROCEDURES" ARTICLE I "IN" GENERAL," TO CLARIFY THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE FLOOR AREA RATIO ("FAR") FOR UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT SITES CONTAINING BUILDINGS WITH NONCONFORMING FAR AND/OR ELEVATED OPEN-AIR BRIDGES, PASSAGEWAYS OR CONNECTIONS USED SOLELY FOR PEDESTRIAN CIRCULATION BETWEEN BUILDINGS; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER; SEVERABILITY; CODIFICATION; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

10:25 a.m. Second Reading Public Hearing First Reading on December 13, 2017 - R5 Y
Planning

Vice-Mayor John Elizabeth Alemán

ACTION: Title of the Ordinance read into the record. Public Hearing held. **Ordinance 2018-4162 adopted.** Motion made by Vice-Mayor Alemán to adopt the Ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Arriola. Ballot vote: 7-0. **Thomas Mooney to handle.**

Thomas Mooney, Planning Department Director, introduced the item. This Ordinance creates new criteria for unified development sites located within local Historic Districts and contain contributing buildings to allow those lots to retain legal non-conforming FAR and be part of a larger unified development site without the site receiving a larger FAR penalty. One minor change was made during first reading to limit the applicability of this proposal within the Ocean Terrace Overlay. The Administration recommends its adoption.

Christopher Machado, representing Ocean Terrace Holdings, stated that this item was received favorably on first reading, and is willing to answer any questions the City Commission may have.

Handouts or Reference Materials:

1. Ad 1-011718 & 2-011718 published in The Miami Herald

10:33:29 a.m.

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL 1: ORDINANCES - OPTION A & OPTION B

R5 G AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION," BY AMENDING ARTICLE III, ENTITLED "AGENCIES, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES," BY AMENDING DIVISION 3, ENTITLED "PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES BOARD," BY AMENDING SECTION 2.171, ENTITLED "ESTABLISHED; PURPOSE; COMPOSITION" TO ADD TWO ADDITIONAL BOARD MEMBERS WITH A HIGH DEGREE OF INTEREST, PARTICIPATION, AND/OR EXPERTISE IN YOUTH RECREATIONAL PROGRAMS; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

10:30 a.m. Second Reading Public Hearing First Reading on December 13, 2017-R5 AC

Office of the City Attorney

Vice-Mayor John Elizabeth Alemán & Co-sponsored by Commissioner Michael Góngora

ACTION: Title of the Ordinance read into the record. Public Hearing held. **Ordinance 2018-4163 adopted.** Motion made by Vice-Mayor Alemán to adopt the Ordinance; seconded by Commissioner Góngora. Ballot vote: 7-0. **John Rebar to handle.**

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REFERRALS:

Neighborhood/Community Affairs Committee to discuss the right number of seats for the Parks and Recreational Facilities Board. Kathie G. Brooks to place on the Committee agenda. **John Rebar to handle.**

MOTION 1: Passed

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Alemán to adopt the Ordinance; Seconded by Commissioner Góngora. Ballot vote: 7-0.

MOTION 2: Passed

Motion made by Commissioner Steinberg to refer the topic of the number of seats for the Parks and Recreational Facilities Board to the Neighborhood/Community Affairs Committee; Seconded by Commissioner Góngora. Voice vote: 7-0.

Debbie Turner introduced the item that amends the Parks and Recreational Facilities Board to add two members with expertise in youth programming.

Commissioner Steinberg recounted how in 2013 there was a move to combine the tennis, golf, parks and recreation, and youth center advisory committees into one large committee so that it could holistically look at all aspects that would influence/affect these activities. The members of this new Committee came to the City Commission and claimed that they needed to lower the amount of people on the Board from 13 to 9, because it was too dysfunctional. Now they would like to add two more members because the nine members was too low a number for the amount of work required. In her experience, the size of the Board does not matter. What matters is the quality of people who are on the Board. Members need to be qualified and have good intent.

Vice-Mayor Alemán stated that in her opinion this is the most popular Board. She receives many requests from residents wanting to be on it. Many residents want to give their input on these matters, and she believes nine seats is too low a number. She does not oppose the Board going back to 13 seats, but if the City Commission does not pass this item today, it will remain at nine seats. She is in favor of the item.

Commissioner Góngora agreed with Vice-Mayor Alemán. This is a very popular Board, and if they do not approve of its expansion today, there will be many angry residents.

Handouts or Reference Materials:

1. Ad 2-011718 & 3-011718 published in The Miami Herald