

ORDINANCE NO. _____

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 II, ENTITLED "CITY COMMISSION," BY AMENDING SECTION 2-12, ENTITLED "MEETING PROCEDURES AND AGENDAS," BY AMENDING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR CITY COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA ITEMS; AND PROVIDING FOR REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Mayor and City Commission wish to establish a best practices requirement that items published in a City Commission meeting agenda shall not only include sufficient detail and information for the City Commission and the public to evaluate the items in a reasonable and timely manner, but shall also sufficiently advise the City Commission and the public of the nature of any requested actions that may be taken on the items; and

WHEREAS, the amendment set forth in this Ordinance will foster greater transparency, efficiency, and meaningful participation by the City Commission members and by the public with regard to City Commission meeting agenda items.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That Section 2-12 of Article II of Chapter 2 of the Code of the City of Miami Beach, Florida, is hereby amended as follows:

**CHAPTER 2
ADMINISTRATION**

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ARTICLE II. CITY COMMISSION

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Sec. 2-12. Meeting procedures and agendas.

- (a) *Statement of legislative intent:* Consistent with the City of Miami Beach Charter, this section will help uphold the principles of separation of powers and checks and balances. It will also lend to improving transparency in government.

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(d) *Agenda items.*

(1) *Item details.* Items published in a city commission meeting agenda shall include sufficient detail and information for the city commission and the public to evaluate the items in a reasonable and timely manner and to sufficiently advise the city commission and the public of the nature of any requested actions that may be taken on the items.

SECTION 2. REPEALER.

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.

If any section, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, the remainder shall not be affected by such invalidity.

SECTION 4. CODIFICATION.

It is the intention of the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made part of the Code of the City of Miami Beach, Florida. The sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention, and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or other appropriate word.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall take effect on the _____ day of _____, 2018.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2018.

ATTEST:

Dan Gelber, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

Underline denotes additions

~~Strike through~~ denotes deletions

(Sponsored by Commissioner Michael Gongora)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney

2-27-18

Date