EXPEDITE BUILDING PERMIT REVIEW FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINSTRATION TO PRIORITIZE AND EXPEDITE THE REVIEW OF BUILDING PERMITS ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING FOR NON-ELDERLY OR ELDERLY INDIVIDUALS.

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2020, the Miami Beach Affordable Housing Advisory Committee (AHAC) unanimously recommended that the City prioritize building permits for affordable housing developments; and

WHEREAS, on November 18, 2020, at the request of Commissioner Michael Góngora, the City Commission referred a discussion item to the Land Use and Sustainability Committee (LUSC) pertaining to the AHAC's recommendation to prioritize building permits for affordable housing developments; and

WHEREAS, on January 20, 2021, the LUSC discussed this proposal and recommended that the City Commission adopt a Resolution to establish a policy to prioritize building permits for affordable housing developments; and

WHEREAS, the 2040 Miami Beach Comprehensive Plan ("Comprehensive Plan"), at Guiding Principle 6: Prioritize Workforce Housing, states that "[t]he City shall encourage redevelopment that provides workforce and affordable housing"; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan, at Goal HE 1: Equitable Community, states that the City will "[s]upport vulnerable populations with attainable housing options that are proximate to transportation services and basic needs to improve economic mobility within the community"; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan, at Objective HE 1.1: Creation and/or preservation of workforce and affordable housing, states that the City shall "[h]ave available a minimum of 6,800 housing units of workforce, affordable low and moderate income households and special needs populations during the period through 2030"; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan, at *Policy HE 1.1.3*, calls for the City to "[c]ooperate with affordable and workforce housing developers' efforts to leverage Miami-Dade Surtax funds and other financial incentives for the provision of housing affordable to workforce, very low to moderate-income households, including those with special needs, in Miami Beach"; and

WHEREAS, expediting the review of building permits for affordable housing developments (i) is consistent with and supports the goals, objectives, and policies, of the Comprehensive Plan; and (ii) will facilitate the development of affordable housing developments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby direct the City Administration to prioritize and expedite the review of building permits associated with the development of low and moderate income housing for non-elderly or elderly individuals.

PASSED and ADOPTED this	day of, 2021.
	Dan Gelber, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk	
	APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LANGUAGE AND FOR EXECUTION
	City Attorney NK Date