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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 CITY CODE SECTION 2-486 SHOULD BE AMENDED TO ESTABLISH AN EARLIER TERMINATION TIME FOR THE CONE OF SILENCE. OCCURRING UPON THE CITY MANAGER'S WRITTEN RECOMMENDATION OF CONTRACT AWARD INSTEAD OF UPON THE COMMISSION'S AWARD OF CONTRACT.

Pursuant to the request of City Commissioner Ricky Arriola, 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:

Code Section 2-486 "Cone of Silence": Establishing Cone's Earlier Termination (Upon Manager's Written Recommendation).

Code Section 2-486 establishes a "Cone of Silence" prohibiting communications with designated City personnel regarding City's procurement of contracts for certain goods and services, with the Cone terminating upon Commission's award of contract after it has evaluated the City Manager's written recommendation thereon.

Shall the Code be amended to provide for an earlier termination of the Cone, occurring upon the City Manager's written recommendation of contract award instead of upon Commission's award of contract?

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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ESTIMATE City of Miami Beach - Piggyback Election - August 23, 2022 Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk Estimate N°: MBEACH-PB-082322 City of Miami Beach Estimate Date: December 16, 2021 1700 Convention Center Dr., #200 Miami Beach, FL 33139 Registered Voters: 0 50,498 Early Voting Days: Precincts: 0 25 Early Voting Sites: Polling Places: Permanent Absentee Ballots: 15,218 \$ Personnel Salaries & Fringe Benefits, Overtime, Poll Workers Polling Places Security, Polling Place Rentals Supplies and Services Election Supplies, Communication Charges, Absentee Ballots Set Up Trucks and Vehicles Truck Rentals, GSA Vehicles Printing and Advertising 25,249.00 Absentee, Early Voting & Precinct Ballots, Temporary Polling Place Change Notices, Newspaper Ads Absentee Ballots Sent and Business Reply, Temporary Polling Place Change Notices, Letters 660.00 **Ballot Creation** In-House & Outside Contractual Services, Translations - Based on one question 2,590.90 Administrative Overhead Indirect Costs, Logic & Accuracy, Post-Election Audits *TOTAL 28,499.90 * Please note these costs are estimates and are subject to change. This estimate does include the cost of ballot printing; however, if your question(s)/race(s) creates an additional ballot page, the cost will be adjusted accordingly.

For more information, you may contact:

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