RESOLUTION No. 24-126

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, URGING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO EXPEDITE THE DESIGNATION OF A PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE WEBSITE TO HOST LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS AND PUBLIC NOTICES PURSUANT TO SECTION 50.0311 OF FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR TRANSMITTAL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, section 50.0311 of the Florida Statutes allows a municipality to use the publicly accessible website of the County in which it lies to publish legally required advertisements and public notices if the cost of publishing advertisements and public notices on such website is less than the cost of publishing advertisements and public notices in a newspaper and other conditions are satisfied; and

WHEREAS, the newspaper that the City of Doral customarily utilized to publish legal advertisements and public notices, the Daily Business Review, is no longer offered in print, forcing the City to use alternative publications and resulting in significantly higher costs; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2024, the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners passed Resolution No. 281-24 directing the County Mayor, or her designee, to take all necessary steps to provide for publication of legal advertisements and public notices on a publicly accessible website of the County; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 281-24 also directed the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to develop an interlocal agreement for use by the County and another local government in Miami-Dade County when such local government wishes to utilize the County's website to publish legal advertisements and notices; and

WHEREAS, in anticipation, of utilizing Miami-Dade County's website in the future to transition from print to online publication of legal advertisements and public notices, the City Council adopted Ordinances Number No. 2024-03 and 2024-04 to make necessary amendments to the City of Doral Code and Land Development Code; and

WHEREAS, while Miami-Dade County Resolution 281-24 provides for a timeline for implementation, that timeline can be extended in 90-day intervals until implementation is complete, and the City, along with numerous other similarly situated municipalities, stands to realize substantial savings, along with an overall process improvement; and

WHEREAS, the City Council therefore urges Miami-Dade County to expedite the designation or development of a publicly accessible website to host legal advertisements and public notices and to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City as contemplated in Resolution No. 281-24.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.

Section 2. Urging Miami-Dade County. The Mayor and City Council urge Miami-Dade County to expedite the designation or development of a publicly accessible website to host legal advertisements and public notices pursuant to Section 50.0311 of the Florida Statutes, as well as enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the City to host its legal advertisements and public notices as contemplated in Resolution 281-24 as expeditiously as possible.

<u>Section 3.</u> Transmittal. The City Clerk for the City of Doral is hereby directed to transmit copies of this resolution to Miami-Dade County Mayor Daniella Levine Cava, as well as the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners.

Section 4. Effective Date. The Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

The foregoing Resolution was offered by Vice Mayor Puig-Corve who moved its adoption.

The motion was seconded by Councilmember Pineyro and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Christi Fraga	Yes
Vice Mayor Oscar Puig-Corve	Yes
Councilwoman Digna Cabral	Yes
Councilman Rafael Pineyro	Yes
Councilwoman Maureen Porras	Yes

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12 day of June, 2024.

CHRISTI FRAGA, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CONNIE DIAZ, MMC

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF DORAL ONLY:

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CITY ATTORNEY