

**ORDINANCE #2006-01**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, CREATING A NEW SECTION OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF DORAL ENTITLED "QUALIFYING PERIOD;" PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING PROVISIONS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

WHEREAS, Section 2.04 of the City of Doral's Charter requires that the City set qualifying dates for candidates seeking the office of Mayor and Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to repeal any conflicting provisions of the County Code pertaining to qualifying periods for candidates running for election and establish its own qualifying period for candidates;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL:

**Section 1.** The foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are hereby ratified and confirm as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Ordinance upon adoption hereof.

**Section 2.** That the "Code of the City of Doral," is hereby amended to create a new section entitled, "Qualifying Period," as follows:

**Sec. . Qualifying Period.**

Candidates for the office of Mayor or City Council shall qualify with the City Clerk no earlier than noon on the first Tuesday of September and no later than noon on the third Tuesday of September in every year a municipal general election is held and in the method provided for in the City Charter and under the rules of elections prescribed in the Florida Statutes.

**Section 3.** Severability. That if any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, word or amount of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid by competent authority, then the remainder of the ordinance shall not be affected thereby, and shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 4.** Repeal of Conflicting Provisions. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances or resolutions of the County Code made inconsistent or in conflict herewith

shall be and they are hereby repealed in their entirety insofar as there is conflict or inconsistency.

**Section 5. Inclusion in Code.** It is the intention of the City Council and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and made a part of the City of Doral Code; that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intentions; and that the word "Ordinance" shall be changed to "Section" or other appropriate word.

**Section 6. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall be effective upon adoption on second reading.

The foregoing Ordinance was offered by Councilman Van Name who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Cabrera and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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| Mayor Juan Carlos Bermudez     | Yes |
| Vice Mayor Peter Cabrera       | Yes |
| Councilmember Michael DiPietro | Yes |
| Councilwoman Sandra Ruiz       | Yes |
| Councilmember Robert Van Name  | Yes |

PASSED AND ADOPTED upon first reading the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2006.

PASSED AND ADOPTED upon second reading the 8<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2006.

  
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JUAN CARLOS BERMUDEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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BARBARA HERRERA-HILL, CITY CLERK

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

  
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JOHN J. HEARN, CITY ATTORNEY