

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-R-49

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, AMENDING CITY OF NORTH MIAMI'S CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PLAN; TO REFLECT THE NEW COMMENTING PERIOD, INCLUDE THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF DECLARED DISASTERS AND/OR EMERGENCY EVENTS, UTILIZE ADDITIONAL CHANNELS TO FACILITATE PUBLIC HEARING/PARTICIPATION, AND TO REFLECT THE NEW HOUSING AND SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, since 1994, the City of North Miami ("City") has received Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), in order to provide a source of funding for various community and economic development programs and projects; and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 and HUD regulations require the City to adopt a citizen participation plan which will set forth the policies and procedures for citizen participation related to the HUD Consolidated Plan process as well as in its housing and community development programs; and

WHEREAS, on October 27, 2015, the City adopted its Citizen Participation Plan in compliance with HUD requirements to encourage citizen participation especially by persons of low to moderate income, providing citizens reasonable and timely access to public hearings and information, technical assistance, and a public review and comment period; and

WHEREAS, on March 27, 2020, the President of the United States signed the Coronavirus Aid Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136, to respond to the growing effects of the public health crisis; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate a speedy process to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis, HUD through its memoranda dated April 10, 2020, allowed certain waivers and suspensions, one of them being a shorter commenting period for all substantial amendments to the consolidated/action plan; and

WHEREAS, this proposed amendment wishes to reflect the new commenting period, the different types of declared disasters and/or emergency events, additional channels to facilitate public hearing/participation, and the new Housing and Social Services department; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami find the proposed amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan to be in the best interest of the City and as such, approve the attached amendment to the Citizen Participation Plan.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Approval. The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby amend the Citizen Participation Plan, attached hereto as Exhibit "1."

Section 2. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a 5-0 vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this 12th day of May, 2020.


PHILIPPE BIEN-AIME
MAYOR

ATTEST:



VANESSA JOSEPH, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



JEFF P. H. CAZEAU, ESQ.
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

Moved by: Keys

Seconded by: Bien-Aime

Vote:

Mayor Philippe Bien-Aime

 X (Yes) (No)

Vice Mayor Alix Desulme, Ed.D.

 X (Yes) (No)

Councilman Scott Galvin

 X (Yes) (No)

Councilwoman Carol Keys, Esq.

 X (Yes) (No)

Councilwoman Mary Estimé-Irvin

 X (Yes) (No)