

MBU Opposes Efforts to Overturn New Ethics Ordinance

Resolution August 09, 2017

On June 28, 2017 the Miami Beach Commission voted 6-0 (one absent) to strengthen Miami Beach ethics ordinances.

City Attorney Raul J. Aguila

"The Ordinance prohibits campaign consultants from lobbying the City Commission for a period 12 months after the swearing in of elected officials for whom they provided services. It does not include consultants who work for no compensation or those who entered into contracts for lobbying prior to the effective date of the Ordinance."

With no notice or resident input; late in the evening on July 26, 2017 (only 5 Commissioners present), the Commission voted 3-2 to reconsider the ethics ordinance it passed the month before.

Miami Beach United strongly supports the ethics ordinance passed on June 28, 2017.

City Clerk Rafael Granado

8:21:58 p.m.

R9 AF DISCUSSION REGARDING THE RECONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2017-4110 (ITEM R5 I ON THE JUNE 28, 2017 COMMISSION AGENDA), WHICH PROHIBITS CAMPAIGN CONSULTANTS AND CERTAIN AFFILIATED PERSONS OR ENTITIES FROM LOBBYING THE CITY COMMISSION FOR 12 MONTHS SUBSEQUENT TO SWEARING IN OF SUBJECT ELECTED OFFICIAL(S).

Commissioner Kristin Rosen Gonzalez

ACTION: Motion made by Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez to reconsider the vote on Ordinance No. 2015-3954; seconded by Commissioner Michael Grieco; Roll Call: 3-2; Opposed: Commissioners Malakoff and Steinberg; Absent: Mayor Levine and Vice-Mayor Arriola. **See Clerk's Note for direction.**

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The New MBU Resident Scorecard

After our municipal elections this fall, Miami Beach United will compile a scorecard to educate and inform residents. The new "Resident Scorecard" measures Commission and Commission Committee votes to show how resident friendly the City of Miami Beach Mayor and Commissioners are.

Here's how it works:

- Miami Beach United identifies and tracks issues that affect Miami Beach residents quality of life.
- Official votes cast by elected officials are logged and scored on a scale from 0-100%. The highest score represents the most resident friendly voting record.
- The resident scorecard will be updated monthly, distributed over email and shared on social media.

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