

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-061

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COCONUT CREEK, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE BROWARD COUNTY SOLID WASTE WORKING GROUP'S VOTE IN FAVOR OF AN INDEPENDENT SOLID WASTE DISTRICT IN BROWARD COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING COUNTYWIDE SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AND RECYCLING PROCESSING SERVICES; URGING BROWARD COUNTY AND BROWARD CITIES TO MOVE FORWARD THE NECESSARY BILL DRAFTING FOR THE INDEPENDENT SOLID WASTE DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR DISTRIBUTION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, in 2018, the City of Coconut Creek, along with Broward County and its municipalities, procured a study from Arcadis U.S., Inc. to study and evaluate solid waste and recycling issues in Broward County, and make recommendations regarding the development of a regional integrated solid waste and recycling system in Broward County; and

WHEREAS, based on the recommendations of the aforementioned study, Broward County requested that interested municipalities execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to guide the process of developing a regional solid waste and recycling management system moving forward; and

WHEREAS, on August 8, 2019, the City Commission approved the aforementioned MOU between Broward County and the City of Coconut Creek to provide for the establishment of the Broward County Solid Waste & Recycling Working Group to form a collaborative and cooperative effort towards the development of a regional integrated solid waste and recycling system; and

WHEREAS, on December 6, 2019, the members of the Broward County Solid Waste & Recycling Working Group nominated and elected a Board of voting members from amongst the elected officials for the member cities; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned Working Group members established a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) consisting of solid waste professionals from the member cities to review, research, and provide professional expertise regarding the various types of governing structures provided for in the Arcadis report; and

WHEREAS, an independent district is the only form of governance which guarantees countywide flow control, as well as has full taxing authority independent of Broward County's millage cap; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2021, after much discussion and careful thought of all the reports and presentations, the Broward County Solid Waste & Recycling Working Group voted in favor of pursuing an Independent Solid Waste District for Broward County; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek believes it is in the best interest of the City to support the formation of an Independent Solid Waste District for the purpose of providing a regional integrated system to manage solid waste disposal and recycling processing services in Broward County, Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COCONUT CREEK, FLORIDA:

Section 1: That the foregoing "WHEREAS" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this resolution.

Section 2: That the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida supports the formation of an Independent Solid Waste District for the purpose of providing a regional integrated system to manage solid waste disposal and recycling processing services in Broward County, Florida.

Section 3: That the City Commission of the City of Coconut Creek urges the Public, Broward County, and its municipalities to support an Independent Solid Waste District and begin drafting the necessary legislation to effectuate such district.

Section 4: That the City Manager, or designee, is hereby authorized to take any appropriate steps and actions necessary on behalf of the City to assist with the formation of the aforementioned independent district.

Section 5: That the City Clerk is hereby directed to distribute copies of this resolution to Broward County, all its municipalities, and the Broward League of Cities.

Section 6: That if any clause, section, other part or application of this resolution is held by any court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, in part or in application, it shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion or applications of this resolution.

Section 7: That this resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

Adopted this 8th day of April, 2021.

Rebecca A. Tooley, Mayor

Attest:

Leslie Wallace May, City Clerk

Tooley Aye_____

Rydell Aye_____

Sarbone Aye_____

Welch Aye_____

Railey Aye_____