

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-023

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COCONUT CREEK, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 13, "LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE," ARTICLE I, "ADMINISTRATION, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES," DIVISION 2, "ADMINISTRATION," SECTION 13-16, "PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD," TO ADD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AS AN OPTIONAL CRITERIA FOR PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD MEMBERSHIP; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 907 of the Charter of the City of Coconut Creek, the City Commission duly appointed a Charter Review Board in January 2025; and

WHEREAS, as part of their review and research the Charter Review Board submitted a final report to the City Commission dated April 16, 2025, recommending the City Commission consider revising the criteria for consideration for Planning and Zoning Board membership to include experience in economic development; and

WHEREAS, at its May 22, 2025 meeting, the City Commission directed City staff to revise the criteria for consideration in the appointment of Planning and Zoning Board members to include experience in economic development as an area of expertise particularly relevant to the duties of the Planning and Zoning Board; and

WHEREAS, at its June 11, 2025 meeting, the Planning & Zoning Board recommended approval of this Code amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF COCONUT CREEK HEREBY ORDAINS:

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

Section 2: Amendment. That the Code of Ordinances of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida, shall be amended by amending Chapter 13, "Land Development Code," Article I, "Administration, regulations and procedures," Division 2, "Administration," Section 13-16, "Planning and zoning board," to read as follows:

CHAPTER 13 - LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE

ARTICLE I. - ADMINISTRATION, REGULATIONS AND PROCEDURES

DIVISION 2. – ADMINISTRATION

Sec. 13-16. - Planning and zoning board.

(b) *Composition.* The planning and zoning board shall consist of five (5) members and one (1) alternate. Members shall, to the extent practicable, represent interests, specialties and qualifications in any of the following fields:

- (1) Architecture, construction, economic development, engineering, environmental science, land use, land development, landscape architecture, law, real estate, sustainability, or urban planning; or
- (2) Alternatively, demonstrate strong and sincere commitment to the intent set forth in this section or possession of an outstanding reputation for civic activity and interest, integrity, and responsibility, with preference to applicants who have completed Coconut Creek Citizen's Academy.

Section 3: Conflicts. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances, all City Code sections or parts of City Code sections, and all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4: Severability. That should any section or provision of this ordinance or any portion thereof, any paragraph, sentence, clause or word be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remainder hereof as a whole or part hereof other than the part declared invalid.

Section 5: Codification. That the provisions of this ordinance shall be codified within the Code of Ordinances of the City of Coconut Creek, Florida, and any paragraph or section may be renumbered to conform with the Code of Ordinances.

Section 6: **Effective Date.** That this ordinance shall become effective upon its passage on second and final reading.

PASSED FIRST READING THIS 10TH DAY OF JULY, 2025.

PASSED SECOND READING THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

Attest:

Jacqueline Railey, Mayor

Joseph J. Kavanagh, City Clerk

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| Railey | <u>Aye</u> | _____ |
| Wasserman | <u>Aye</u> | _____ |
| Welch | <u>Aye</u> | _____ |
| Rydell | <u>Aye</u> | _____ |
| Brodie | <u>Aye</u> | _____ |