

To: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Arthur H. Sorey, III, Interim City Manager



Date: March 22, 2016

RE: PROPOSED RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE BETTER BUILDING INITIATIVE GOALS COMPILED AND REPORTED BY THE MAYORS CLIMATE PROTECTION CENTER DURING THE UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF MAYORS IN JANUARY 2016, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REDUCING FUTURE ENERGY USE AND CARBON EMISSIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff is requesting that the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby support the Better Building Initiative goals compiled and reported by the Mayors Climate Protection Center during the United States Conference of Mayors in January 2016, for the purpose of reducing future energy use and carbon emissions.

BACKGROUND

Commercial buildings and public buildings consume over twenty (20) percent of the energy in the United States economy; President Obama has laid out the Better Building Initiative, consisting of a set of goals to improve building efficiency by twenty (20) percent within ten (10) years. Improving energy efficiency in buildings can create new jobs, save energy costs to businesses and government, and help clean the environment. Achieving the Better Building Initiative goals can reduce business owners' energy expenses by Forty Billion Dollars per year which will improve energy efficiency and will also reduce taxpayer expenditures as cities become more efficient in adopting new technologies aimed at reducing energy use and harmful air emissions.

ATTACHMENT(s)

Proposed Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE BETTER BUILDING INITIATIVE GOALS COMPILED AND REPORTED BY THE MAYORS CLIMATE PROTECTION CENTER DURING THE UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF MAYORS IN JANUARY 2016, FOR THE PURPOSE OF REDUCING FUTURE ENERGY USE AND CARBON EMISSIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, commercial buildings and public buildings consume over twenty (20) percent of the energy in the United States economy; and

WHEREAS, President Obama has laid out the Better Building Initiative, consisting of a set of goals to improve building efficiency by twenty (20) percent within ten (10) years; and

WHEREAS, improving energy efficiency in buildings can create new jobs, save energy costs to businesses and government, and help clean the environment; and

WHEREAS, achieving the Better Building Initiative goals can reduce business owners' energy expenses by Forty Billion Dollars per year; and

WHEREAS, improving energy efficiency will also reduce taxpayer expenditures as cities become more efficient in adopting new technologies aimed at reducing energy use and harmful air emissions; and

WHEREAS, public buildings, outdoor lighting, waste water treatment, and traffic management are some of the broad areas currently targeted by cities for energy efficiency or reduced energy consumption; and

WHEREAS, the City of North Miami ("City") must place a priority on improving energy performance of City-owned buildings that are currently available for significant energy efficiency retrofit or improvement; and

WHEREAS, LED lighting, low-energy buildings and solar generation are listed as the three (3) most promising energy technologies for reducing future energy use and carbon emissions; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council are committed in deploying efforts, initiatives and the promulgation of Land Development Regulations aimed to advance these three (3) energy technologies for reducing energy use and carbon emissions in our region.

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

Section 1. Support for Better Building Initiative Goals. The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby support the Better Building Initiative goals compiled and reported by the Mayors Climate Protection Center during the United States Conference of Mayors in January 2016, for the purpose of reducing future energy use and carbon emissions.

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

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a _____ vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this ____ day of _____, 2016.

DR. SMITH JOSEPH
MAYOR

ATTEST:

MICHAEL A. ETIENNE, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

ROLAND C. GALDOS, ESQ.
INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR SMITH JOSEPH, D.O., PHARM. D.

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

Vote:

Mayor Smith Joseph, D.O., Pharm. D.
Vice Mayor Alix Desulme
Councilman Scott Galvin
Councilwoman Carol Keys, Esq.
Councilman Philippe Bien-Aime

_____ (Yes) _____ (No)
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