

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-R-139

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, APPOINTING RODERICK DARRELL VEREEN, A MEMBER OF THE FLORIDA BAR TO SERVE AS LEGAL COUNSEL TO THE CITIZENS' INVESTIGATIVE BOARD IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2-263(3), NORTH MIAMI CODE OF ORDINANCES; FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH MR. VEREEN; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the North Miami Citizens' Investigative Board ("CIB") is to create a mechanism for external community fact-finding and dispute resolution and for the impartial review panel to conduct independent reviews and hold public hearings concerning complaints or grievances made against sworn officers of the North Miami Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 2, Article III, Division 12, Section 2-263(3), of the City of North Miami ("City") Code of Ordinances, states that the CIB shall be represented by an independent legal counsel selected by the city attorney and confirmed by the city council; and

**WHEREAS**, Roderick Darrell Vereen, Esq. has been selected by the City Attorney to be the independent legal counsel to the CIB; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council desire to confirm the appointment of Roderick Darrell Vereen, Esq. as independent legal counsel to the CIB.

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

**Section 1. Confirmation of Legal Counsel.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby confirm the appointment of appoint Roderick Darrell Vereen, Esq. as independent legal counsel to the North Miami Citizens' Investigative Board, in accordance with Section 2-263(3), of the North Miami Code of Ordinances.


**Section 2. Authority of City Manager and City Attorney.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to execute an agreement with Roderick Darrell Vereen, Esq.

**Section 3. 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 13th day of September, 2022.

  
PHILIPPE BIEN-AIME  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

  
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VANESSA JOSEPH, ESQ.  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM  
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

  
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JEFF P. H. CAZEAU, ESQ.  
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ATTORNEY

Moved by: Desulme

Seconded by: Estime-Irvin

**Vote:**

Mayor Philippe Bien-Aime	<u>X</u>	(Yes)	_____	(No)
Vice Mayor Alix Desulme, Ed.D.	<u>X</u>	(Yes)	_____	(No)
Councilman Scott Galvin	<u>X</u>	(Yes)	_____	(No)
Councilwoman Cassandra Timothe, MPA	<u>X</u>	(Yes)	_____	(No)
Councilwoman Mary Estimé-Irvin	<u>X</u>	(Yes)	_____	(No)