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OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(7)

TO:	Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa and Members, Board of County Commissioners	**DATE:**	December 2, 2014
FROM:	R. A. Cuevas, Jr. County Attorney	**SUBJECT:**	Resolution waiving by a two-thirds vote of members present term limit restriction for County board members; and reappointing Ricardo Gonzalez to the Fire Prevention and Safety Appeals Board Resolution No. R-1073-14

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

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(Revised)

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Please note any items checked.

_____ **"3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised**

_____ **6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing**

_____ **4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing**

_____ **Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget**

_____ **Budget required**

_____ **Statement of fiscal impact required**

_____ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing**

_____ **No committee review**

✓ **Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's ✓, 3/5's ____, unanimous _____) to approve**

_____ **Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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12-2-14

RESOLUTION NO. R-1073-14

RESOLUTION WAIVING BY A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF MEMBERS PRESENT TERM LIMIT RESTRICTION FOR COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS; AND REAPPOINTING RICARDO GONZALEZ TO THE FIRE PREVENTION AND SAFETY APPEALS BOARD

WHEREAS, on January 21, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners enacted Ordinance No. 10-06, amending Chapter 2, Section 2-11.38.2 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida to permit the waiver of term limits for members of County boards; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Section 2-11.38.2 of the Code, no board member shall serve more than eight (8) consecutive years on a board unless the Board of County Commissioners, by a two-thirds vote of the members present, votes to waive the eight (8) year term limit; and

WHEREAS, according to Section 14-46(B) of the Code, members on the Fire Prevention and Safety Appeals Board serve for three (3) year terms; and

WHEREAS, Ricardo Gonzalez has served on the Fire Prevention and Safety Appeals Board for more than eight (8) years; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to waive the applicable term limit and reappoint Ricardo Gonzalez to the Fire Prevention and Safety Appeals Board for another three (3) year term; and

WHEREAS, a copy of Ricardo Gonzalez's resumé is attached,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board, by a two-thirds vote of the members present, waives the restriction that a particular member of a board

may not serve more than eight (8) consecutive years on that board, and reappoints Ricardo Gonzalez to an additional three (3) year term as a member of the Fire Prevention and Safety Appeals Board.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. It was offered by Commissioner **Sally A. Heyman**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Rebeca Sosa** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

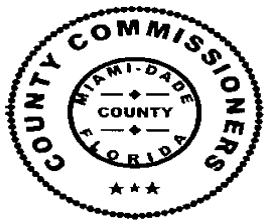
Rebeca Sosa, Chairwoman **aye**

Bruno A. Barreiro	**aye**	Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	**aye**
Daniella Levine Cava	**aye**	Jose "Pepe" Diaz	**aye**
Audrey M. Edmonson	**aye**	Sally A. Heyman	**aye**
Barbara J. Jordan	**aye**	Jean Monestime	**aye**
Dennis C. Moss	**absent**	Sen. Javier D. Souto	**absent**
Xavier L. Suarez	**aye**	Juan C. Zapata	**aye**

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 2nd day of December, 2014. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK



By: **Christopher Agrippa**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

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Daniel Frastai

Resume for Ricardo Gonzalez

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Home Phone: 305-821-1239 Cell Phone: 305-467-8069
E-Mail: rgonza@comcast

Objective: **RE-APPOINTMENT TO THE FIRE PREVENTION AND SAFETY APPEALS BOARD**

Experience: (Fire Dept. Related)

2004 – PRESENT (2014) **MIAMI DADE COUNTY FIRE DEPT** Miami, Fl.
FIRE PLANS EXAMINER
Fire Plans Processing of all Commercial Properties: Life Safety Review, Site Plan Review, and Fire Suppression Review.
Special Assignments – Office Work – Complete Computer Skills

1985 - 2004 **HIALEAH FIRE DEPT** Hialeah, Fl.
FIRE SAFETY INSPECTOR
Performed duties related to Fire Prevention and Life Safety such as:

Fire Plans Review	ALF Inspections
Code Enforcement work	Fire Investigations
Day Care & HRS Inspections	Hazardous Materials Inspections
Public Education	Life Safety Systems Inspections
Certificate of Occupancy Inspections	Complaint Inspections
Apartment Building Inspections	Occupational License Inspections
Special Assignments	Job Interviews

1999 - 2004 **HIALEAH FIRE DEPT** Hialeah, Fl.
1990 – 1997
CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FOR THE HIALEAH FIRE DEPARTMENT
Specialized in the field of Code Enforcement – Performed all Code Enforcement for the Fire Department – Sent out Notices of Violation and Citations – Followed up case until compliance and fine reduction – Presented cases before the Code Enforcement Board and before a Special Master.

1985 - 2004 **HIALEAH FIRE DEPT** Hialeah, Fl.
FIRE PLANS EXAMINER
Reviewed Plans uninterruptedly during all this time – Reviewed plans for the construction of New Buildings, Alterations, Repairs, and Life Safety Systems – Reviewed Site Plans, Plot Plans, & Concurrency Reviews – Served as a Liaison between the City of Hialeah Fire Department, the Building Department, and the Business Community.

2002 – 2004 **HIALEAH FIRE DEPT** Hialeah, Fl.
1997, 1995 - 1986
FIRE INVESTIGATOR
Specialized in this field and performed over 350 structure and vehicle fire investigations – Have testified twice in court as an expert witness and have had several depositions through the years.

Ricardo Gonzalez

Education (Fire Related)

1985 - PRESENT (2014) SEMINARS ATTENDED Florida
Have attended numerous seminars through the years dealing with all aspects of Fire Prevention, Code Enforcement, Building Construction, Plans Review, and Arson Investigation in order to maintain my certifications up to date every 3 years.

2002 FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT, INC. Orlando, Fl.
Obtained required re-certification in Level II

2000 FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT, INC. Orlando, Fl.
Obtained Code Enforcement Level II Certification

1998 FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT, INC. Orlando, Fl.
Obtained Code Enforcement Level I Certification

1991 – 1993 MIAMI DADE COMMUNITY COLLEGE Miami, Fl.
Obtained Associates Degree in Fire Science

1989 ALCOHOL, TABACCO, & FIREARMS SCHOOL Glynco, Ga.
Attended Arson for Profit Investigation classes provided by the U.S. Department Of the Treasury.

1985 MIAMI DADE COMMUNITY COLLEGE Miami, Fl.
Obtained the Life Safety Inspector Certification

Education (Non Fire Related)

1978 STAN FRIEDMAN REAL ESTATE SCHOOL North Miami, Fl.
Obtained Florida Real Estate Broker's License – Presently active as a part time Broker Salesman

1977 STAN FRIEDMAN REAL ESTATE SCHOOL North Miami, Fl.
Obtained Florida Real Estate Salesman's License – Currently active

1966 - 1969 BURNSIDE-OTT FLIGHT TRAINING SCHOOL Opalocka, Fl.
Obtained Private and Commercial Single Engine Land Flying license – Performed some Instrument and Simulator Training

1966 – 1968 MIAMI DADE COMMUNITY COLLEGE Miami, Fl.
Attended for 2 years – Aeronautical Studies

Committees (Fire Dept. Related)

1999 – PRESENT (2014)
MIAMI DADE COUNTY FIRE PREVENTION & SAFETY APPEALS BOARD
Co-Chair – Meets every other month to hear and resolve Life Safety issues throughout all of the municipalities in Miami Dade County.

1998 - 2004
FIRE LIFE SAFETY TECHNICAL COMMITTEE
Committee member – met monthly to resolve Life Safety issues that deal with the construction of any structure within the envelope of the Metro Rail Transit System.

1996 – 1997
SOUTH FLORIDA FIRE PREVENTION CODE REWRITE COMMITTEE
Co-Chair – Met weekly to revise the South Florida Fire Prevention Code.

Ricardo Gonzalez

Organizations (Fire Related)

1985 – PRESENT (2014)
NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION – (NFPA)
Receive Literature on all up to date fire related issues and code interpretations. Provide annual on going seminars on Life Safety related issues in order to maintain current with the new codes.

2004 – PRESENT (2014)
FLORIDA FIRE MARSHAL'S AND INSPECTOR'S ASSOCIATION
Provide seminars on all fire related items

1998 – 2004
FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT, INC.
Receive literature on all up to date Code Enforcement related issues on cases throughout the State of Florida. Provide annual meetings and continuing education seminars. Have received 2 levels of certification.

1995 – 2004
FLORIDA FIRE INSPECTORS ASSOCIATION, INC.
Monthly meetings of Inspectors throughout the County – Discussed current Life Safety and Code Enforcement issues throughout South Florida. Provided guest speakers on fire related issues.

2003 – 2004
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE INVESTIGATORS
Provide seminars dealing with fire investigations

1987 – 1991
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF ARSON INVESTIGATORS
Was an active member of the organization. Attended several seminars and received annual fire investigation literature

Active Licenses & Certifications (Fire Related)

LIFE SAFETY INSPECTOR
Obtained State License in 1985 and have maintained active by way of attending seminars for re-certification renewals.

FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT, INC
Have attained both Level I and Level II certifications

References

FIRE CHIEF HERMINIO LORENZO
Past Fire Chief of the following Cities and Counties: Miami Dade County, Broward County, City Of Hollywood Florida, and City of Hialeah, Florida.

CAPTAIN TONY TOLA
In charge of Fire Engineering in Miami Dade County

LT. DANIEL GAINES
Supervisor in the Fire Engineering Department in Miami Dade County

LT. RAY PEREZ
Current Fire Marshal for the City of Hialeah

LT. MARK RAMIREZ
Past Fire Marshal for the City of Hialeah

LT. BRUCE WARD
Past Fire Marshal for the City of Hialeah. Currently the Deputy Fire Chief & Fire Marshal for the City of Oakland Park, Florida

Ricardo Gonzalez

Civic Organizations	**1998 - 2010** **HIALEAH PAN AMERICAN LIONS CLUB** **Charter member of the club. Have served in the following capacities: Zone Chairman, Director, President, Vice-President, and Treasurer. The goal of the organization is to provide assistance to those individuals less fortunate than ourselves, such as: The Blind, Diabetic Children, Hearing Impaired, Etc.**