



MEMORANDUM

Supplement to
Substitute No. 2
Agenda Item 5(E)

TO: Honorable Chairman Jose “Pepe” Diaz and
Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: January 20, 2021

FROM: Honorable Harvey Ruvin, Clerk
Circuit and County Courts

Melissa Adames, Director
Clerk of the Board Division

SUBJECT: Supplemental report regarding Ordinance granting petition of Downtown Retail Associates, LLC., for establishment of a Community Development District generally bounded on the North by NW 7 Street, on the East by NW 2 Avenue, on the South by NW 6 Street, and on the West by NW 3 Avenue; creating and establishing Sawyer’s Landing Community Development District; providing for name, powers and duties; providing description and boundaries; providing initial members of Board of Supervisors; providing severability, exclusion from the Code and an effective date

Attached for your information and review is the Commission Auditor’s supplemental report relating to File Number 202454 on today’s agenda regarding Ordinance granting petition of Downtown Retail Associates, LLC., for establishment of a Community Development District generally bounded on the North by NW 7 Street, on the East by NW 2 Avenue, on the South by NW 6 Street, and on the West by NW 3 Avenue; creating and establishing Sawyer’s Landing Community Development District; providing for name, powers and duties; providing description and boundaries; providing initial members of Board of Supervisors; providing severability, exclusion from the Code and an effective date

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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION AUDITOR**

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Honorable Chairman Jose “Pepe” Diaz,
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Adeyinka Majekodunmi, CPA
Commission Auditor

DATE: January 20, 2021

SUBJECT: Ordinance Creating the Sawyer’s Landing Community Development District

Resolution No. R-636-14, adopted on July 1, 2014, requires the Office of the Commission Auditor (OCA) to complete background research on applicants being considered to serve on County Boards and Trusts that require nominations or appointments by the Board of County Commissioners (BCC).

Informational Findings: Pursuant to Resolution No. R-636-14, OCA completed the required background research regarding the initial members of the Board of Supervisors for the Sawyer’s Landing Community Development District, i.e., Sidney Atzmon, Sherie Swerdlow, Nicholas Swerdlow, Stephen Garchik and Alben Duffie, and found the following:

- *Alben Duffie: (1) Default Final Judgement for \$23,949.74 to AMERICAN EXPRESS BANK, FSB ordered on June 21, 2011 in the Miami-Dade County Circuit Court, Case No. 11-06208 CA10; (2) Default Final Judgement for \$49,994.57 plus costs, interest and attorneys fees to REGIONS FINANCIAL CORP ordered on April 26, 2012 in the Miami-Dade County Circuit Court, Case No. 11-12690 CA32; (3) Default Final Judgement for \$20,114.29 to MIDLAND FUNDING LLC ordered on May 7, 2012 in the Miami-Dade County Circuit Court, Case No. 11-08404 CA20; and (4) Default Final Judgement for \$20,000 to TRL 505 LLC ordered on August 7, 2012 in the Miami-Dade County Circuit Court, Case No. 12-20762 CA10.*

Other than what has been noted above, OCA’s background research did not yield any adverse findings, such as unsatisfied financial judgments and arrest records, regarding initial members. This report is being provided as a Supplement to BCC Agenda File Item Number 202454.

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C: Phillip G. Edwards, Esq., BCC Research Manager