

## **MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(11)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** May 5, 2026


**FROM:** Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution urging the City of  
Doral to codesignate that portion  
of Northwest 117th Avenue  
between Northwest 34th Street  
and Northwest 25th Street as  
“Father Elkin Sierra Way”; and  
approving such codesignation

Resolution No. R-409-26

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Juan Carlos Bermudez.

  
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Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

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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**
- Statement of social equity required**
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor’s report for public hearing**
- No committee review**
- Requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3’s present \_\_\_\_, 2/3 membership \_\_\_\_, 3/5’s \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_, majority plus one \_\_\_\_, CDMP 7 votes (majority of membership) \_\_\_\_, CDMP 2/3 members present but not less than 7 votes (majority of membership) \_\_\_\_, CDMP 9 votes (2/3 membership) \_\_\_\_\_) 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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5-5-26

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ R-409-26

RESOLUTION URGING THE CITY OF DORAL TO CODESIGNATE THAT PORTION OF NORTHWEST 117TH AVENUE BETWEEN NORTHWEST 34TH STREET AND NORTHWEST 25TH STREET AS “FATHER ELKIN SIERRA WAY”; AND APPROVING SUCH CODESIGNATION

**WHEREAS**, Father Elkin Sierra (“Father Sierra”) was a devoted priest of the Archdiocese of Miami, whose life reflected a profound commitment to service for the community; and

**WHEREAS**, prior to entering the priesthood, Father Sierra dedicated himself to saving lives and protecting the community through more than 20 years of service as a firefighter, paramedic, and public information officer with Miami-Dade Fire Rescue; and

**WHEREAS**, answering a call to save lives in a spiritual rather than physical capacity, Father Elkin entered the seminary and was ordained to the priesthood in 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, during his ministry, Father Sierra served at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Doral and St. Louis Catholic Parish in Pinecrest, where he led with a joyful spirit, compassion, and strong connection with his parishioners; and

**WHEREAS**, throughout his life, Father Sierra remained deeply connected to the first responder community, offering pastoral care and support during times of crisis; and

**WHEREAS**, Father Sierra passed away on April 11, 2023, leaving behind a legacy of selfless service, faith, and dedication to others throughout the community; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board desires to urge the City of Doral (the “City”) to honor Father Sierra’s heroic career as a firefighter and his impactful ministry as a priest, reflecting a life devoted

entirely to serving the community, by codesignating that portion of Northwest 117th Avenue between Northwest 34th Street and Northwest 25th Street as “Father Elkin Sierra Way”; and

**WHEREAS**, that portion of Northwest 117th Avenue between Northwest 34th Street and Northwest 25th Street is a City-maintained road located in the City and within County Commission District 12,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that this Board:

**Section 1.** Urges the City of Doral to codesignate that portion of Northwest 117th Avenue between Northwest 34th Street and Northwest 25th Street as “Father Elkin Sierra Way”.

**Section 2.** Approves such codesignation.

**Section 3.** Directs the Clerk of the Board to send certified copies of this resolution to the City Council of the City of Doral, the United States Postal Service, the Traffic Signals and Signs Division of the Department of Transportation and Public Works, the Development Services Division of the Regulatory and Economic Resources Department, the City of Doral Police Department, and the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Juan Carlos Bermudez. It was offered by Commissioner **Marleine Bastien** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Vicki L. Lopez** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

	Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman	<b>aye</b>	
	Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman	<b>aye</b>	
Marleine Bastien	<b>aye</b>	Juan Carlos Bermudez	<b>aye</b>
Sen. René García	<b>aye</b>	Oliver G. Gilbert, III	<b>aye</b>
Roberto J. Gonzalez	<b>absent</b>	Keon Hardemon	<b>aye</b>
Danielle Cohen Higgins	<b>aye</b>	Vicki L. Lopez	<b>aye</b>
Natalie Milian Orbis	<b>aye</b>	Raquel A. Regalado	<b>aye</b>
Micky Steinberg	<b>aye</b>		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 5<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2026. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.



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

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: Basia Pruna  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.

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