

**ORDINANCE NO. 23-316**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA APPROVING, ADOPTING AND RATIFYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT RATES FOR SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO SECURITY GUARD AND MULTIPURPOSE MAINTENANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, as of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018, the Town of Miami Lakes (the “Town”) operates special assessments for four security guard services; Loch Lomond Guard Gate District, Miami Lakes Section One, Royal Oaks East, and Royal Oaks Section One, and two lake maintenance districts: Lake Patricia and Lake Hilda (the “Neighborhood Service Districts”); and

**WHEREAS**, the Town has created advisory committees composed of members from the different Neighborhood Service Districts to aid the Town in the administration of the different Special Taxing Districts; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 31, 2023, the Town held a workshop to discuss the Neighborhood Service District budgets and their operations, and listened to concerns from the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town is desirous of revisiting the existing Neighborhood Service District budgets and rates; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council, as the governing body of the Neighborhood Service Districts, has a responsibility to set a non-ad valorem rate for all Neighborhood Service Districts, pursuant to Florida Statute § 197.3632.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.**    **Recitals.** The foregoing Recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by this reference.

**Section 2.**    **Adoption of Non-Ad Valorem Rate for Neighborhood Service Districts.** The non-ad valorem rate for the Town’s Neighborhood Service Districts, attached hereto as Exhibit “A,” are hereby adopted.

**Section 3.**    **Severability.** The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance shall for any reason be held invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, and phrases of this ordinance but they shall remain in effect, it being the legislative intent that the Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

**Section 4.**    **Effective Date.** That this Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its adoption on second reading.

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**FIRST READING**

The foregoing Ordinance was offered by Councilmember Fernandez who moved its adoption on first reading. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Manny Cid	Absent
Vice Mayor Carlos O. Alvarez	Yes
Councilmember Luis E. Collazo	Yes
Councilmember Josh Dieguez	Yes
Councilmember Tony Fernandez	Yes
Councilmember Ray Garcia	Yes
Councilmember Marilyn Ruano	No

Passed and adopted on first reading this 8<sup>th</sup> day of August 2023

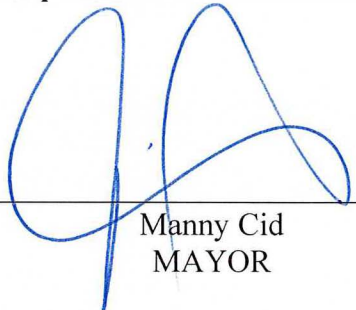
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**SECOND READING**

The foregoing Ordinance was offered by Councilmember Fernandez who moved its adoption on first reading. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Manny Cid	Yes
Vice Mayor Carlos O. Alvarez	Absent
Councilmember Luis E. Collazo	Yes
Councilmember Josh Dieguez	Yes
Councilmember Tony Fernandez	Yes
Councilmember Ray Garcia	Yes
Councilmember Marilyn Ruano	No

Passed and adopted on first reading this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023



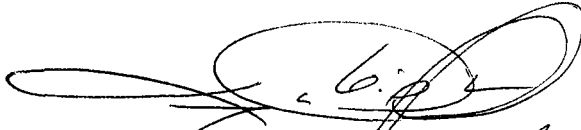
Manny Cid  
MAYOR

Attest:



Gina M. Inguanzo  
TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Gastesi, Jr.', is written over a horizontal line.

Raul Gastesi, Jr.  
Gastesi, Lopez and Mestre, PLLC  
TOWN ATTORNEY