

RESOLUTION NO. 14-1206

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO COLLABORATE WITH THE GOOD GOVERNMENT INITIATIVE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI TO PROVIDE A MUNICIPAL CANDIDATE DEBATE FOR TOWN COUNCIL AND MAYOR CANDIDATES ON ELECTION YEARS AT MIAMI LAKES TOWN HALL; DIRECTING THE TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO GIVE EFFECT TO THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town Council for the Town of Miami Lakes wishes to provide the citizens of the Town with greater opportunities to become informed about candidates for municipal office within the Town of Miami Lakes; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council for the Town of Miami Lakes desires to host a municipal candidate debate at Miami Lakes Town Hall ("Town Hall") every election cycle prior to municipal elections for Town Council and Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council for the Town of Miami Lakes has determined that it is in the public interest to host a municipal candidate debate at Town Hall; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council for the Town of Miami Lakes has determined that it is in the public interest to provide Town Hall as a space for a municipal candidate debate; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council for the Town of Miami Lakes has determined that it is in the public interest to provide live webcasting of municipal candidate debates held at Town Hall; and

WHEREAS, the Good Government Initiative at the University of Miami is a program designed to educate elected officials at the state and local level of important issues of governance; and

WHEREAS, it is the stated mission of the Good Government Initiative at the University of Miami to cultivate leaders of excellence in South Florida through the development and training of elected officials as well as those aspiring to run for office, and to engage the community in its governance through outreach and education; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council wishes to collaborate with the Good Government Initiative to facilitate a municipal candidate debate at Town Hall prior to municipal elections for Town Council and Mayor;

NOW, 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 are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. Directions to and Authorization of Manager. The Town Manager and/or his designee is directed to collaborate with the Good Government Initiative at the University of Miami to host a municipal candidate debate at Miami Lakes Town Hall during each election cycle prior to municipal elections for Town Council and Mayor. The Town Manager is directed to ensure that live webcasting of municipal candidate debates held at Town Hall is available. The Town Manager is authorized to take all reasonable actions that may be needed to host a municipal candidate debate at Miami Lakes Town Hall prior to municipal elections for Town Council and Mayor, and take such other actions as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution.


Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

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Passed and adopted this 8th day of April, 2014.

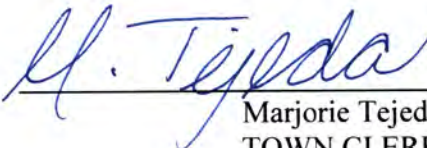
The foregoing resolution was offered by Nelson Rodriguez who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Cesar Mestre and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Wayne Slaton	<u>yes</u>
Vice Mayor Manny Cid	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Tim Daubert	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Tony Lama	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Cesar Mestre	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Frank Mingo	<u>yes</u>
Councilmember Nelson Rodriguez	<u>yes</u>



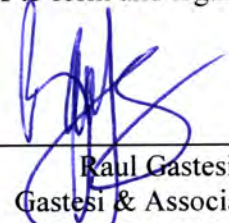
Wayne Slaton
MAYOR

Attest:



Marjorie Tejada
TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:



Raul Gastesi, Jr.
Gastesi & Associates, P.A.
TOWN ATTORNEY