

RESOLUTION NO. 25-2138

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE “RESI-PAY TREE TRIMMING MAINTENANCE PROGRAM”; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Miami Lakes (the “Town”) recognizes the importance of maintaining a healthy, safe, and resilient urban tree canopy as part of its commitment to environmental stewardship and quality of life; and

WHEREAS, at the June 17, 2025, Regular Town Council Meeting, Councilmember Alex Sanchez introduced a new business item proposing the creation of a resident-initiated tree trimming program modeled after the Town’s successful Black Olive Tree Replacement Program; and

WHEREAS, the proposal sought to provide homeowners with the opportunity to request trimming of overhanging branches from Town-owned trees adjacent to their property, provided that such trimming does not impair the structural integrity or long-term health of the tree; and

WHEREAS, Town staff, through the Parks and Recreation Department, have developed the **Resi-Pay Tree Trimming Maintenance Program** (“Program”)—a voluntary, fee-based service that allows residents to request trimming of Town-owned trees before their next regularly scheduled maintenance cycle; and

WHEREAS, under the Program, all work will be performed by Town-approved vendors in accordance with ANSI-A300 professional pruning standards, with trimming fees determined by tree size (DBH) and an additional Twenty-Five Dollar and 00/100 (\$25.00) administrative fee applied per approved application; and

WHEREAS, the Program will provide flexibility for residents seeking interim maintenance, support the Town’s storm-preparedness efforts, and promote the long-term health and structure of the Town’s tree canopy; and

WHEREAS, there is no fiscal impact to the Town for the trimming services, as all costs will be borne by participating residents, and only minimal staff time will be required for processing and coordination; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds that authorizing the implementation of the Resi-Pay Tree Trimming Maintenance Program serves a valid public purpose and is in the best interest of the residents of the Town of Miami Lakes.

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 incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Authorization of the Program. The Town Council hereby authorizes the Town Manager to implement and administer the Resi-Pay Tree Trimming Maintenance Program in substantial conformity with the program overview and application attached to the accompanying memorandum, and to take any necessary administrative actions to effectuate the purpose of this Resolution.

Section 3. Fiscal Impact. There is no fiscal impact to the Town as all trimming services shall be paid by participating residents. Minimal staff time will be required for coordination, inspection, and processing.

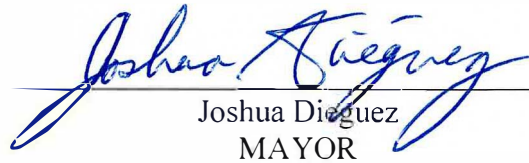
Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

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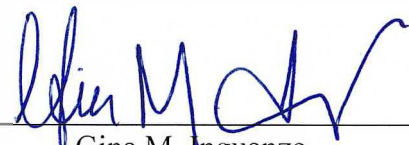
Passed and adopted this 21st day of October 2025.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Councilmember Sanchez who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Garcia and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Joshua Dieguez	Yes
Vice Mayor Bryan Morera	Absent
Councilmember Juan Carlos Fernandez	Absent
Councilmember Angelo Cuadra Garcia	Absent
Councilmember Ray Garcia	Yes
Councilmember Steven Herzberg	Yes
Councilmember Alex Sanchez	Yes


Joshua Dieguez
MAYOR

Attest:


Gina M. Inguanzo
TOWN CLERK

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:


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DEPUTY TOWN ATTORNEY

EXHIBIT A