

ORDINANCE #2014-19

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AMENDING SECTION 2-392 OF THE CITY CODE OF ORDINANCES, PROVIDING FOR EXPANDED METHODS BY WHICH COUNCIL MEMBERS MAY SATISFY THE ETHICS TRAINING REQUIREMENT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE CITY CODE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Section 2-392 of the Code of Ordinances (the “Code”) of the City Of Doral (the “City”) currently requires all City Councilmembers to attend, at least once annually, ethics training courses offered by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics and Public Trust; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council desire to expand the methods by which Councilmembers may satisfy the annual training requirement by providing for additional and equally credible ethics education opportunities; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council find that expanding ethics education opportunities that satisfy the annual training requirement will facilitate greater training of ethical standards, guidelines, rules and regulations, will empower the Councilmembers, and will be in the best interests of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals. The above Recitals are confirmed, adopted, and incorporated herein and made a part hereof by this reference.

Section 2. Code Amended. The City Code of the City of Doral is hereby amended as follows:

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Sec. 2-392. Ethics Training

(1) All members of the council shall attend and complete annually at least one an governmental and/or public service ethics training course ~~at least once annually.~~ This requirement may be satisfied by attending a course, seminar, and/or similar training offered by the Miami-Dade County Commission on Ethics and Public Trust, the Florida League of Cities, the Miami-Dade County League of Cities, an ethics center of a Florida university or college, and/or a duly licensed and/or accredited institution or organization providing continuing legal or professional education classes. The training requirement may also be satisfied by attending an ethics presentation prepared and offered by the City Attorney for the benefit of members of the council, members of city boards and committees, and/or city employees.

Section 3. Implementation. The City Manager, City Clerk, and City Attorney are hereby authorized and directed to implement the provisions of this Ordinance and to take any and all necessary administrative actions as may be appropriate by their position to execute the purpose of this Ordinance.

Section 4. Incorporation into the Code. The provisions of this Ordinance, to the extent appropriate, shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Doral. The City Clerk is authorized to take all actions necessary to incorporate the provisions of this Ordinance into the Code of Ordinances, including, but not limited to, renumbering or relettering sections and to change and that the word “ordinance” may be changes to “section,” “article,” or such other appropriate word or phrase in order to accomplish such intention.

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Section 5. 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 to be 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 this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

Section 6. Conflicts. All ordinances or parts of ordinances, resolution or parts of resolutions, in conflict herewith, are repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately

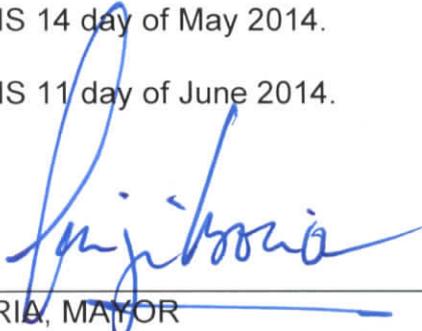
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The foregoing Ordinance was offered by Councilmember Ruiz, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rodriguez, and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Luigi Boria	Yes
Vice Mayor Christi Fraga	Yes
Councilwoman Ana Maria Rodriguez	Yes
Councilwoman Bettina Rodriguez Aguilera	Yes
Councilwoman Sandra Ruiz	Yes

PASSED AND ADOPTED on FIRST READING THIS 14 day of May 2014.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on FIRST READING THIS 11 day of June 2014.



LUIGI BORIA, MAYOR

ATTEST:



BARBARA HERRERA, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM AND SUFFICIENCY
FOR THE SOLE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF DORAL



WEISS SEROTA HELFMAN PASTORIZA COLE & BONISKE, PL
CITY ATTORNEY

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