

RESOLUTION No. 20-193

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING THE CITY CLERK AND TWO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COURT JUDGES AS THE CANVASSING BOARD IN THE EVENT A RUNOFF ELECTION IS NECESSARY ON DECEMBER 8, 2020 FOR THE CITY COUNCIL POSITIONS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, elections are taking place in the City of Doral (the “City”) on November 3, 2020 for three City Council positions; and

WHEREAS, two of the three offices on the ballot have three or more candidates, which may require run-off elections for one or more of the offices if no candidate in any of the races receives more than 50% of the votes in the general election; and

WHEREAS, the runoff election, if necessary, would be held on December 8, 2020, which is not otherwise a Countywide election day; and

WHEREAS, the City is responsible to provide the canvassing board for such runoff election when it falls on a day that is not a Countywide election day; and

WHEREAS, neither the City Charter nor the City Code currently address the appointment of a canvassing board for purposes of City elections; and

WHEREAS, applicable state law requires that the County Canvassing Board consist of one County Commissioner (or a County Court Judge in his / her place), one County Court Judge and the Supervisor of Elections; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes it is in the best interest of the City and its residents to follow that approach in this particular instance.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:**

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

Section 2. Appointment. The City Clerk and two Miami-Dade County Judges, as designated by the Chief Judge of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, pursuant to Administrative Order 20-33, attached hereto as Exhibit "A", which is incorporated herein and made a part hereof by this reference, as may be amended, to serve as the Canvassing Board pursuant to state law, if necessary, for a runoff election on December 8, 2020 for the election of any City Council positions.

Section 3. Implementation. The City Clerk and City Attorney are hereby authorized to take such further action as may be needed to implement the purpose and provisions of this Resolution

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

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

Mayor Juan Carlos Bermudez	Yes
Vice Mayor Christi Fraga	Yes
Councilwoman Digna Cabral	Yes
Councilman Pete Cabrera	Yes
Councilwoman Claudia Mariaca	Yes

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14 day of October, 2020.



JUAN CARLOS BERMUDEZ, MAYOR

ATTEST:



CONNIE DIAZ, MMC
CITY CLERK

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



LUIS FIGUEREDO, ESQ.
CITY ATTORNEY

EXHIBIT “A”

**THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

**CASE NO. 20-2
(Court Administration)**

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER
NO. 20-33**

**IN RE: DESIGNATION OF JUDGE
VICTORIA FERRER TO SERVE AS
PRIMARY MEMBER AND JUDGE
BETSY ALVAREZ-ZANE TO SERVE
AS ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE
CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA
CANVASSING BOARD FOR THE
RUN-OFF ELECTION TO BE HELD
ON DECEMBER 8, 2020**

WHEREAS, the City of Doral will hold a Run-off Election on December 8, 2020 to conduct the post-election certification voting system audit, as required by section 101.591, Florida Statutes, which will take place on December 8, 2020;

WHEREAS, undersigned was requested to appoint a County Court Judge to serve as the Primary Member and a County Court Judge to serve as the Alternate Member of the City of Doral's Canvassing Board for the Run-off Election and all proceedings relative thereto; and

WHEREAS, the **HONORABLE VICTORIA FERRER** is willing and able to serve as the Primary Member of the Canvassing Board; and

WHEREAS, the **HONORABLE BETSY ALVAREZ-ZANE** is willing and able to serve as the Alternate Member of the Canvassing Board;

WHEREAS, all Canvassing Board members, or a portion thereof, must be present during the proceedings in connection with the Run-off Election, to be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 and continuing through completion; and

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the authority vested in me as Chief Judge of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, under Rule 2.215, Rules of Judicial Administration, the following judicial officers are hereby appointed to serve as members of the Canvassing Board for the Run-off Election and all proceedings relative thereto and are hereby authorized to sign all documents pertaining to said Run-off Election and such proceedings:

1. Judge Victoria Ferrer is appointed to serve as the Primary Member.
2. Judge Betsy Alvarez-Zane is appointed to serve as the Alternate Member.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Miami-Dade County, Florida, this 31st day of August 2020.

**BERTILA SOTO, CHIEF JUDGE
ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA**