## **RESOLUTION No. 25-124**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, UPDATING THE LIEN SEARCH AND SPECIAL MAGISTRATE ADMINISTRATIVE FEES FOR THE CODE COMPLIANCE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, in 2013 the City of Doral Mayor and Council passed Resolution No. 13-42, which established a fee of Eight Five Dollars (\$85) for lien and code violation searches; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 the City of Doral Mayor and Council passed Resolution No. 14-33, which established an Eight Five Dollars (\$85) administrative fee associated with Special Magistrate hearings; and

WHEREAS, the lien and code violation search and Special Magistrate hearings fees have remained unchanged for over ten years; and

WHEREAS, over the past decade, the administrative burden, staffing costs, and complexity of processing code compliance cases and conducting lien searches have increased significantly; and

WHEREAS, a comparative analysis of similar fees charged by other municipalities and counties in South Florida demonstrates that the City of Doral's current fees are substantially below regional averages; and

WHEREAS, adjusting these fees will better reflect the cost of providing these services and bring the City's fee schedule into closer alignment with those of neighboring jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, it is advisable that the City Council adjust the fees to One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150) in order to help offset administrative and operational costs

associated with lien searches and code enforcement proceedings, and support continued investment in code compliance services; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that the proposed fee adjustments are reasonable, justified, and necessary to ensure continued efficiency and sustainability in the provision of code compliance services;

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

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

<u>Section 2.</u> <u>Approval & Authorization.</u> The Mayor and City Councilmembers hereby approve the revised fees, as presented, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

<u>Section 3.</u> <u>Fee Updates.</u> The fees for lien and code violation searches and special magistrate administrative fees shall be set at One Hundred Fifty Dollars and 00/100 (\$150.00) per request and per case, respectively.

**Section 4. Implementation.** The City Manager and the City Attorney are hereby authorized to take such action as may be necessary to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

**Section 5. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall be effective June 01, 2025.

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

Mayor Christi Fraga	Yes
Vice Mayor Maureen Porras	Yes
Councilwoman Digna Cabral	Yes
Councilman Rafael Pineyro	Yes
Councilwoman Nicole Reinoso	Yes

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14 day of May, 2025.

CHRISTI FRAGA, 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:

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