

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE MIAMI BEACH CITY CODE, ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION," BY AMENDING ARTICLE III, ENTITLED "AGENCIES, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES," BY AMENDING DIVISION 14, ENTITLED "NEXT GENERATION COUNCIL," BY AMENDING SECTION 2-176, ENTITLED "ESTABLISHED; PURPOSE," SECTION 2-177, ENTITLED "POWERS AND DUTIES," AND SECTION 2-178, ENTITLED "COMPOSITION," TO REVISE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR SERVICE ON THE NEXT GENERATION COUNCIL; AND, PROVIDING FOR REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the original purpose of the Next Generation Council ("NGC") was to provide young people between the ages of 18 and 36 in Miami Beach with a vehicle to participate in City government, represent and articulate the needs of the City's next generation, provide recommendations to the Mayor and City Commissioners on issues and programs affecting the 18- to 36-year old population in the City, and to recommend strategies to attract and retain such persons in the City and to assist persons between the ages of 18 and 36 with, among other things, housing, career, and transportation opportunities or incentives; and

WHEREAS, the NGC has experienced difficulty maintaining a full roster of qualified members; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission directed the City Administration in May of 2024 to ensure the continuation of the NGC; and

WHEREAS, the NGC now has 8 of 11 positions filled, but the City Commission has experienced difficulty recruiting new members within the current age limitations; and

WHEREAS, even with its limited membership, the NGC has met monthly; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission desire to raise the age limit for membership on the NGC from 36 to 40 and increase the term of members from one to two years, in order to recruit and retain qualified members; and desires to allow the NGC to meet as often as it deems productive.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. Sections 2-176, 2-177, and 2-178, of Division 14, of Article III, of Chapter 2 of the City Code, are hereby amended as follows:

CHAPTER 2

ADMINISTRATION

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ARTICLE III. AGENCIES, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

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DIVISION 14. – NEXT GENERATION COUNCIL

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Sec. 2-176. - Established; purpose.

There is hereby created the next generation council which is an advisory board of the city. The purpose of the next generation council is to provide persons between the ages of 18 and 36 40 in Miami Beach with a vehicle to participate in city government, represent and articulate the needs of the city's next generation, provide recommendations to the mayor and city commissioners on issues and programs affecting the 18- to 36 40-year old population in the city, and to recommend strategies to attract and retain such persons in the city and to assist persons between the ages of 18 and 36 40 with, among other things, housing, career, and transportation opportunities or incentives.

Sec. 2-177. - Powers and duties.

The next generation council shall have the following powers and duties:

- (a) Serve in an advisory capacity to the mayor and city commission concerning issues and programs affecting the city's 18- to 36 40-year old population with regard to, among other things, housing, career opportunities, and transportation;
- (b) Foster increased involvement by the city's 18- to 36-40 year-old population in the affairs of city government;
- (c) Research, discuss, and formulate recommendations on issues, activities, and concerns of persons 18 to 36 40 years old in the city;
- (d) Comment upon existing or proposed legislation, ordinances, resolutions, and policies that impact persons 18 to 36 40 years old in the city;
- (e) Meet no more than once quarterly on a schedule deemed appropriate and productive by a majority vote of the current members, which schedule may be adjusted from time-to-time as the committee deems prudent.

Sec. 2-178. Composition.

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- (b) Members must be 18 years through 36 40 years of age at the time of appointment, must have proven involvement in Miami Beach or South Florida community-based organizations, and must demonstrate a high degree of interest in or have a background in community-based activity in one of the following areas: transportation, sea level rise, affordable housing, entrepreneurship, or technology. Council members shall be selected as follows:
 - (1) Seven at-large appointments shall be made by the mayor and city commission.
 - (2) Three additional at-large appointments shall be made by the mayor and city commission as follows:

- a. One member must be a business owner in the city;
 - b. One member must be a licensed and actively practicing in the field of real estate;
 - c. One member must be a licensed and actively practicing in the field of architecture or engineering;
- (3) A member of the Millennial Action Council of the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce shall be selected by the chamber's executive board of governors.
- (c) The term of office for each member shall be ~~one year~~ two years. Members may be appointed for one subsequent ~~one~~ two-year term; provided, however, that no member shall serve on or after his/her ~~37th~~ 41st birthday. In addition, board member terms shall automatically expire upon the latter of December 31 of the year the appointing city commission member leaves office or upon the appointment/election of the successor city commission member.

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SECTION 2. CODIFICATION

It is the intention of the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this ordinance shall become and be made part of the Miami Beach City Code. The sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention, and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or other appropriate word.

SECTION 3. REPEALER

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY

If any section, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance is held invalid, the remainder shall not be affected by such invalidity.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall take effect 10 days after passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

Steven Meiner, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(Sponsored by Commissioner Joseph Magazine)

Underline denotes additions
~~Strikethrough~~ denotes deletions

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

City Attorney
1/24/2025
Date
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