



Broward County

Legislation Text

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Broward County Commission Regular Meeting

Director's Name: Andrew J. Meyers

Department: County Attorney

Information

Requested Action

MOTION TO ENACT Ordinance, the title of which is as follows: **(continued from December 1, 2020 - Item No. 73):**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, CREATING THE BROWARD COUNTY RACIAL EQUITY TASK FORCE; CREATING ARTICLE VII OF CHAPTER 1 OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES ("CODE"); PROVIDING FOR APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS AND FOR MEETINGS; DESIGNATING A SUNSET DATE; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Sponsored by Commissioner Dale V.C. Holness)

Why Action is Necessary

A Resolution directing the County Administrator to publish notice of public hearing to consider enactment of the Ordinance was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners at its meeting of November 10, 2020.

What Action Accomplishes

Allows the Board's consideration of an Ordinance to create and allow for appointment of members to the Racial Equity Task Force.

Is this Action Goal Related

Yes

Previous Action Taken

Summary Explanation/Background

The proposed Ordinance supports the Board Goal to "Collaborate with public and private partners to find creative, equitable, and responsible solutions to systemic community problems."

The Board's consideration of this item will be based on the Substitute Ordinance distributed by Commissioner Dale V.C. Holness as Additional Material #82(4) for Item No. 82 on the November 10, 2020, Board Agenda, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 1. A memorandum from the Office of the County Attorney summarizing the differences between the version of the proposed Ordinance that

printed with the November 10, 2020, agenda item and Commissioner Holness's Substitute Proposed Ordinance is attached as Exhibit 2. This item was continued from the December 1, 2020, meeting. Additional Material from the November 10, 2020, meeting is attached as Exhibit 3 and Additional Material from the December 1, 2020, meeting is attached as Exhibit 4.

This item would enable the Board to consider establishing a Racial Equity Task Force ("Task Force") to make recommendations to the Board to assist in identifying racial inequities in Broward County, developing policies aimed at eliminating racism, and working toward greater racial equity in Broward County.

The proposed Task Force would consist of thirty-five members (35), twelve (12) of whom would be nominated by a member of the Board and the remaining members nominated by various community organizations and governmental entities.

Source of Additional Information

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Fiscal Impact

Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary

Per the Office of Management and Budget, the estimated impact on the budget does not exceed the threshold required for a Fiscal Impact Statement.