

RESOLUTION NO. 2018- 2486

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO FUND THE STUDY OF FOREIGN SAND USE IN BEACH NOURISHMENT PROJECTS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; DIRECTING THE TOWN CLERK TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE OFFICIALS STATED HEREIN; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION AND IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Town of Surfside (“Town”) adopted Resolution No. 15-2320 on September 8, 2015 expressing support for the Miami-Dade County Beach Erosion Control and Hurricane project, and urging Miami-Dade County, the State of Florida and the United States Army Corps of Engineers (the “Army Corps”) to provide recurring appropriations to advance beach nourishment in Surfside and Miami-Dade County on or ahead of schedule; and

WHEREAS, on December 16, 2016, the United States Congress passed the 2016 Water Resources Development Act as a part of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016, authorizing the Army Corps to study the benefits of replenishing Florida Beaches with foreign sand; and

WHEREAS, the Town Commission adopted Resolution No. 17-2420 on February 16, 2017, supporting the use of foreign sand in beach nourishment projects and urging the United States Congress to expedite and fund the study addressing the benefits of replenishing beaches with foreign sand; and

WHEREAS, the study remains unfunded in the Army Corps’ budget; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Beach Erosion Control and Hurricane Protection Project schedule includes the Town’s beach renourishment for 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Town desires to utilize the study’s findings in any beach renourishment planning and project for the Town’s beaches and urges the United States Congress to fund the study and expedite the use of foreign sand where necessary and beneficial for beach renourishment; and;

WHEREAS, the Town Commission finds that this Resolution is in the best interest of the Town and its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Recitals Adopted. That the above-stated recitals are hereby adopted and confirmed.

Section 2. Urging Members of the United States Congress to Fund Study. The Town urges the United States Congress to expedite funding for the study of foreign sand use in beach renourishment projects in order to support and assist in the replenishing of local and Florida beaches with foreign sand.

Section 3. Direction to the Town Clerk. The Town Clerk is hereby directed to send a copy of this Resolution to United States Senators Bill Nelson and Marco Rubio, Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz, the Members of the Florida Congressional Delegation, the Governor of Florida and mayors of coastal communities throughout Miami-Dade County.

Section 4. Authorization and Implementation. The Town Manager and/or his designee is hereby authorized to take any and all action necessary to implement this Resolution.

Section 5. Effective Date. That this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 13th day of February, 2018.

Motion By: Commissioner Karukin

Second By: Commissioner Gielchinsky

FINAL VOTE ON ADOPTION

Commissioner Daniel Gielchinsky	<u>yes</u>
Commissioner Michael Karukin	<u>yes</u>
Commissioner Tina Paul	<u>yes</u>
Vice Mayor Barry Cohen	<u>yes</u>
Mayor Daniel Dietch	<u>yes</u>

Attest:

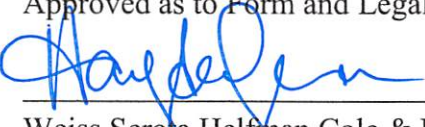


Sandra Novoa, MMC
Town Clerk



Daniel Dietch, Mayor

Approved as to Form and Legal Sufficiency:



Weiss Serota Helfman Cole & Bierman, P.L.
Town Attorney