



## RESOLUTION # 2024-55

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI, FLORIDA, CREATING THE GOOD CORPORATE CITIZEN PROGRAM; CALLING FOR THE VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION OF BUSINESS OWNERS WITHIN THE CITY TO POINT THEIR SECURITY CAMERAS AT PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAYS; ALLOWING THE CITY AND THE WEST MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ACCESS THE FOOTAGE IN CASE OF CRIMINAL ACTIVITY; PROVIDING FOR INCENTIVES FOR PARTICIPATING BUSINESS OWNERS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of West Miami ("City") is committed to enhancing public safety and security within its jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS**, security cameras have proven to be a valuable tool in deterring and solving criminal activity; and

**WHEREAS**, the City seeks to establish a partnership with local business owners to augment the City's efforts to ensure the safety and security of public spaces; and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to create the Good Corporate Citizen Program ("Program") to encourage business owners to voluntarily position their security cameras to cover public right-of-ways and to allow the City and the West Miami Police Department access to such footage in the event of criminal activity; and

**WHEREAS**, the City is committed to ensuring that the Program is designed and implemented in a manner that protects the privacy of West Miami residents; and

**WHEREAS**, the City will incentivize business owners to participate in the Program through a set of incentives proposed by the City Manager and approved by the City Commission;

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Commission of the City of West Miami as follows:

**Section 1:** The foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made specific part of this Resolution upon adoption thereof.

**Section 2. Creation of the Good Corporate Citizen Program.** The City hereby establishes the Good Corporate Citizen Program, aimed at enhancing public safety by encouraging business owners to voluntarily point their security cameras at public right-of-ways and allow the City and the West Miami Police Department to access the footage in the event of criminal activity.

**Section 3. Voluntary Participation.** Participation in the Program is voluntary for business owners within the City. Business owners who choose to participate will adjust their security cameras to cover public right-of-ways and grant access to the City and the West Miami Police Department to view and retrieve footage as necessary for investigating criminal activity.

**Section 4. Access to Footage.** Participating business owners will provide access to their security camera footage to the City and the West Miami Police Department upon request in connection with investigations of criminal activity.

**Section 5. Incentives for Participation.** The City Manager is authorized to propose a set of incentives to encourage participation in the Program. These incentives may include, but are not limited to, recognition awards, reduced business license fees, or other benefits. The proposed incentives must be approved by the City Commission.

**Section 6. Privacy Protection.** The Program will be designed and implemented in a manner that ensures the privacy of West Miami residents is not infringed upon.

**Section 7. Implementation.** The City Manager and City staff are directed to take all necessary actions to implement the Program, including outreach to local business owners and the development of procedures for accessing security camera footage.

**Section 8. Effective Date.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024.

APPROVED:

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**ERIC DIAZ-PADRON, MAYOR**

ATTEST:

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**ANNERY GONZALEZ, MMC  
CITY CLERK**

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND SUFFICIENCY:

  
DEXTER W. LEHTINEN, CITY ATTORNEY

ROLL CALL VOTE:

This Resolution was offered by Vice-Mayor Milian Orbis who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Chavez, Jr. The vote was as follows:

<b>MAYOR ERIC DIAZ-PADRON</b>	<u>Y</u>
<b>VICE-MAYOR NATALIE MILIAN ORBIS</b>	<u>Y</u>
<b>COMMISSIONER JUAN M. BLANES</b>	<u>Y</u>
<b>COMMISSIONER IVAN CHAVEZ, JR.</b>	<u>Y</u>
<b>COMMISSIONER LUCIANO SUAREZ</b>	<u>Y</u>