



RESOLUTION # 2025-22

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI, FLORIDA, RELATING TO PERMITTING; DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO STUDY AND RECOMMEND IMPROVEMENTS TO STREAMLINE THE PERMITTING PROCESS, TO EXPAND ONLINE SERVICES, AND TO ESTABLISH ESTIMATED TIMELINES FOR PERMIT REVIEW; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Sponsored by Vice Mayor Milian Orbis)

WHEREAS, an efficient and transparent permitting process is essential for residents and businesses seeking to make improvements to their properties, where possible the city needs to move at the speed of business; and

WHEREAS, streamlining the permitting process will reduce wait times, improve customer service, and enhance government efficiency; and

WHEREAS, implementing online permitting services where feasible will increase accessibility and convenience for residents while reducing administrative burdens; and

WHEREAS, AI (Artificial Intelligence) may provide timely assistance in evaluating permit applications; and

WHEREAS, providing clear estimated timelines for permit review will ensure transparency and set reasonable expectations for applicants.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WEST MIAMI THAT:

Section 1: Study and Recommendations for Permitting Efficiency

The City Manager is directed to conduct a study on the current permitting process and provide recommendations for streamlining procedures, eliminating unnecessary delays, and improving efficiency. The study shall include an evaluation of best practices from other municipalities and the possible utilization of AI (Artificial Intelligence).

Section 2: Expansion of Online Services

The City Manager shall assess the feasibility of expanding online permitting services, including electronic application submission, fee payments, document uploads, and real-time tracking of permit status.

Section 3: Establishing Estimated Permit Review Timelines

The City shall develop and publish estimated permit review timelines for different types of permits, ensuring applicants have clear expectations regarding processing times.

Section 4: Reporting and Implementation

The City Manager shall report findings and recommendations to the City Commission within **90 days** of the adoption of this resolution, including a proposed implementation plan for streamlining permitting and enhancing online services.

Section 5: Effective Date

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

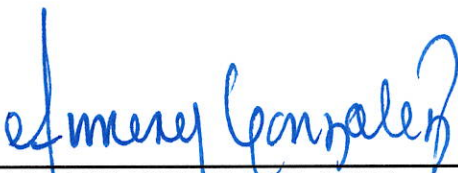
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2nd day of April 2025.

APPROVED:



ERIC DIAZ-PADRON, MAYOR

ATTEST:



**ANNERY GONZALEZ, MMC
CITY CLERK**

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL 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:

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