

**RESOLUTION NO. 21R-04-91**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA ESTABLISHING A SUSTAINABILITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY BOARD; DESCRIBING ITS COMPOSITION, AND STATING ITS GOALS, DUTIES, AND FUNCTIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (REQUESTED BY VICE MAYOR DESNISE D. GRANT)**

WHEREAS, there is a consensus among the world`s leading scientists that global climate change is a national crisis facing the world today; and

WHEREAS, the extraction and combustion of fossil fuels are significant sources of greenhouse gas emissions and major contributors to climate change and pollution; and

WHEREAS, local, regional, and global economies are transitioning to low-carbon energy sources, and businesses are leaders in providing energy efficiency and renewable energy technologies and services; and

WHEREAS, scientists have found that climate change poses a significant threat to the economy and impacts that are likely to include longer and more intense hurricane seasons, diminished fish and wildlife habitat, and changes in precipitation patterns that will affect agriculture; and

WHEREAS, local and regional tide data show a trend of rising sea levels and factors suggest this trend may accelerate in the future; and

WHEREAS, Southeast Florida is considered one of the most vulnerable areas in the country with respect to climate change and sea level rise.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF LAUDERHILL, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1. Recitals. The above Recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 2. Sustainability and Environmental Advisory Board; Purpose.

There is hereby created and established a advisory board to be known as the City of Lauderhill Sustainability and Environmental Advisory Board (hereinafter referred to as the "Advisory Board") for the purpose of providing technical assistance and advise the Lauderhill City Commission and make recommendations to respond to climate change and environmental protection.

Section 3. Duties and Functions.

The primary responsibility of the Advisory Board is to advise the Lauderhill City Commission as to strategies and policies with respect to measures to be taken in response to the challenge of global warming, climate change, and other environmental concerns.

SECTION 4. Membership, Appointments, and staggered Terms.

The Advisory Board shall consist of seven (7) members appointed by the Mayor, Vice-Mayor and the Commissioners. Two members shall serve at large (do not have to be a city resident). All Advisory Board members shall serve without compensation. Members shall be residents of the City (except at-large members).

Members shall serve in conjunction with the term of the Mayor, Vice-Mayor or Commissioner who appointed them.

SECTION 5. Limitation of Authority

The Advisory Board shall have no authority to commit the City to any policies, to incur any financial obligations or to create any liability on the behalf of the City. The actions and recommendations of the Advisory Board are strictly advisory only and shall not be binding upon the City of Lauderhill.

SECTION 6. Severability.

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

SECTION 7. Effective Date. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on first reading this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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