



Council Report

To: The Honorable Mayor and Council Members

From: Theresa Therilus, Esq., City Manager

Date: March 24, 2026

RE: **A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO INITIATE THE PROCESS OF UTILIZING THE UNIFORM METHOD FOR THE LEVY, COLLECTION, AND ENFORCEMENT OF NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS, PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE SECTION 197.3632, FOR THE COLLECTION OF FEES RELATED TO RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE, TRASH, AND RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Staff is requesting that the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, authorize the City Manager to initiate the process of utilizing the Uniform Method for the levy, collection, and enforcement of Non-Ad Valorem assessments.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Mayor and Council approve the attached Resolution.

BACKGROUND

The City of North Miami currently provides residents and commercial customers within the City with garbage, trash, and recycling collection services. The City's Code of Ordinances, found in Chapter 9, Article V, allows the City to impose fees for these services. The Mayor and Council would like to pursue the option to utilize the Uniform Method of Collection found in the Florida Statutes, Section 197.3632, for the collection of the service fees. It allows the City to do the following:

- to enter into a written agreement with the property appraiser and tax collector to provide for reimbursement of administrative costs
- set forth the requirement of the City to conduct a public hearing prior to January 1
- for the public notice of the City's intent to use the Uniform Method for collecting the assessment to be published for four (4) consecutive weeks preceding the hearing
- first class U.S. mail to the Owner of each parcel of assessed property within the City, at least twenty (2) days prior to the public hearing

The City Administration believes this change will provide clear and accurate information regarding sanitation fees and requests the authorization to initiate discussions with the Miami-Dade County Property Appraiser and Tax Collector to develop a written agreement and to start the publication process to ensure that the statutory notice requirements are met prior to the January 1st deadline.

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FUNDING SOURCE

N/A

ATTACHMENTS

Proposed Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO INITIATE THE PROCESS OF UTILIZING THE UNIFORM METHOD FOR THE LEVY, COLLECTION, AND ENFORCEMENT OF NON-AD VALORUM ASSESSMENTS, PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTE SECTION 197.3632, FOR THE COLLECTION OF FEES RELATED TO RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE, TRASH, AND RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of North Miami (“City”) provides garbage, trash, and recycling collection services (the “Services”) for residential and commercial customers within the City; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 9, Article V, of the City Code of Ordinances authorizes the City to impose fees for the Services; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council are desirous of utilizing the Uniform Method of Collection set forth in in the Florida Statutes for the collection of the Service fees; and

WHEREAS, Section 197.3632 of the Florida Statutes requires the City to enter into a written agreement with the property appraiser and tax collector to provide for reimbursement of administrative costs and sets forth the requirement of the City to conduct a public hearing prior to January 1, and for public notice of the City’s intent to use the Uniform Method for collecting the assessment to be published for four (4) consecutive weeks preceding the hearing, and by first class U.S. Mail to the Owner of each parcel of Assessed Property within the City, at least twenty (20) days prior to the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, City Administration is desirous of obtaining authorization from the Mayor and City Council to initiate discussions with the Miami-Dade County Property Appraiser and Tax Collector to develop a written agreement and to start the publication process to ensure that the statutory notice requirements are met prior to the January 1 deadline; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council find that the non-ad valorum assessment of sanitation fees, is in the best interest of the City and its residents and hereby authorize the City Manager to initiate the process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Section 1. **Authority of City Manager.** The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby authorize the City Manager to initiate the process of utilizing the uniform method for the levy, collection, and enforcement of non-ad valorem assessments, pursuant to Florida Statute Section 197.3632, for the collection of fees related to residential garbage, trash, and recycling collection services.

Section 2. **Effective Date.** This Resolution shall be effective upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a _____ vote of the Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, this _____ day of _____, 2026.

ALIX DESULME, ED.D.
MAYOR

ATTEST :

VANESSA JOSEPH, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

JEFF P. H. CAZEAU, ESQ.
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

Vote:

Mayor Alix Desulme, Ed.D.	_____ (Yes) _____ (No)
Vice Mayor Kassandra Timothe, MPA	_____ (Yes) _____ (No)
Councilman Kevin A. Burns	_____ (Yes) _____ (No)
Councilwoman Mary Estimé-Irvin	_____ (Yes) _____ (No)
Councilman Pierre Frantz Charles, M.Ed.	_____ (Yes) _____ (No)