



Legislation Text

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TO: Mayor and City Commission

FROM: Samuel A. May, Interim City Manager

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RESOLUTION - URGING THE BROWARD COUNTY COMMISSION TO ADOPT A COUNTYWIDE ORDINANCE WHICH HOLDS VENUES, BUSINESSES, AND OTHER RESPONSIBLE PARTIES ACCOUNTABLE FOR SNIPE SIGNS AND POSTERS UNLAWFULLY PLACED ON UTILITY POLES, UTILITY BOXES, TRAFFIC CONTROL BOXES, BUS SHELTERS, BENCHES, TREES, OR ANY OTHER PUBLIC PROPERTY; DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO BROWARD COUNTY, THE BROWARD LEAGUE OF CITIES, AND EACH MUNICIPALITY WITHIN BROWARD COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BACKGROUND: The proliferation of illegally placed snipe signs and posters on utility poles, utility boxes, traffic control boxes, bus shelters, benches, trees, or any other public property are an ongoing issue for the citizens of Margate. Section 1-8(c)(4) of the City Code provides that a violator shall include the perpetrator of the violation, the owner of the real property or personal property, or person legally responsible for the property upon which the violation occurred, including when the violation is caused or allowed to be caused by tenant(s) at said property. It is a challenge for code compliance officers to catch the person in the process of posting the sign and signs are frequently posted by businesses not associated with the property at which they are posted.

This resolution is urging Broward County to adopt a countywide ordinance which will hold the business or venue responsible for the signs posted illegally on their behalf.

RECOMMENDATION: For approval.

FISCAL IMPACT: none

CONTACT PERSON: Douglas R. Gonzales, City Attorney