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TO: Mayor and City Commission

FROM: Joseph J. Kavanagh, City Clerk

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APPROVING RULES OF PROCEDURE AT MARGATE CITY COMMISSION MEETINGS FOR 2019.

BACKGROUND:

Sec. 2-2. - Rules governing conduct of commission meetings.

(a) The city commission shall adopt and shall have the right to amend formal rules of procedure for all meetings of said body. (b) Rules governing the procedure of the city commission shall be adopted by resolution as soon as practicable following the annual election and official seating of the commissioners of the city. (c) In order to preserve the public's confidence in the fairness and objectivity of the city commission and to avoid even the appearance of conflicts of interest, city commissioners shall abstain not only from voting; but also, from participation in discussion, at city commission meetings, on matters in which they would be required to abstain from voting pursuant to F.S. 112.3143(3).

(Ord. No. 77-17, § A, 8-24-1977; Ord. No. 79-20, § 1, 5-2-1979; Ord. No. 93-5, § 1, 2-17-1993; Ord. No. 2015-8, § 1, 11-18-2015)

Sec. 2-3. - Rules governing conduct of spectators at all public city meetings.

(a) The city commission shall adopt and shall have the right to amend formal rules governing conduct of public speakers and spectators at all public city meetings by resolution. (b) It shall be unlawful and a violation of this Code for any person to violate the rules of conduct at public city meetings adopted by the city commission.

(Ord. No. 77-17, § A, 8-24-1977; Ord. No. 79-20, § 2, 5-2-1979; Ord. No. 93-5, § 1, 2-17-1993)

Substantive changes to the proposed Rules of Procedure previously heard at the January 30, 2019, Regular City Commission Meeting include:

- Changing the previously proposed title of "PUBLIC COMMENTS" back to the original title of "PUBLIC DISCUSSION"
- Changing the order of the agenda to have PUBLIC DISCUSSION before COMMISSION COMMENTS
- Based on the guidance of the City Attorney, Section #14 was added to assure compliance with the Broward County Charter

RECOMMENDATION: N/A

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FISCAL IMPACT: None

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