

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-07-1602

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, OPPOSING ANY REDISTRICTING PROPOSALS FROM THE FLORIDA SENATE OR HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WHICH WOULD DIVIDE THE REPRESENTATION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS INTO MULTIPLE STATE HOUSE AND SENATE DISTRICTS; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, after each decennial census, the State of Florida is to undertake a study to determine whether State House and Senate districts should be revised, and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida is in the process of undergoing that process, and

WHEREAS, certain proposals from the House and Senate would dilute the voting strength of the residents of the City of Miami Gardens because they would divide the City of Miami Gardens into multiple Districts, and

WHEREAS, in the event the City is divided into multiple Districts, the residents will be voting for different representatives which would mean, that the City's overall voting power would be diluted, and

WHEREAS, Councilman Oliver Gilbert, III is recommending that the City Council express its desire, that the City of Miami Gardens not be divided into multiple Districts,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS: The foregoing Whereas paragraphs are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

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Section 2: AUTHORIZATION: The City Council of the City of Miami Gardens hereby opposes any redistricting proposals from the Florida Senate or House of Representatives, which would divide the representation of the City of Miami Gardens into multiple Districts.

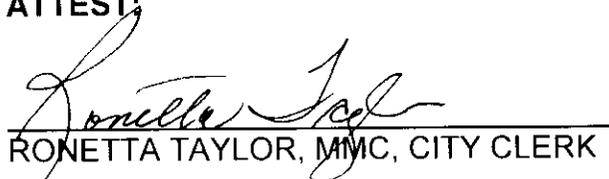
Section 3: DIRECTIONS TO THE CLERK: The City Clerk is hereby directed to submit a certified copy of this Resolution to the Committee on Reapportionment, President of the Senate, Speaker of the Florida House of Representatives, Representative Barbara Watson and Senator Oscar Braynon.

Section 3: EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its final passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS AT ITS REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 11, 2012.


SHIRLEY GIBSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:


RONETTA TAYLOR, MMC, CITY CLERK

PREPARED BY: SONJA KNIGHTON DICKENS, ESQ., CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMAN OLIVER GILBERT, III

Moved by: Councilman Gilbert
Second by: Councilwoman Davis

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VOTE: 6-0

Mayor Shirley Gibson	<u> </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)(recused)
Vice Mayor Aaron Campbell, Jr.	<u> X </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Councilman David Williams Jr	<u> X </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Councilwoman Lisa Davis	<u> X </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Councilman Oliver Gilbert, III	<u> X </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Councilwoman Felicia Robinson	<u> X </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Councilman Andre' Williams	<u> X </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)



City of Miami Gardens Agenda Cover Memo

Council Meeting Date: <i>(Enter X in box)</i>	January 11, 2012		Item Type: <i>(Enter X in box)</i>	Resolution	Ordinance	Other	
				X			
Fiscal Impact: <i>(Enter X in box)</i>	Yes	No	Ordinance Reading: <i>(Enter X in box)</i>	1st Reading		2nd Reading	
		X		Public Hearing: <i>(Enter X in box)</i>	Yes	No	Yes
		X			X		
Funding Source:			Advertising Requirement: <i>(Enter X in box)</i>	Yes		No	
					X		
Contract/P.O. Required: <i>(Enter X in box)</i>	Yes	No	RFP/RFQ/Bid #:	N/A			
		X					
Strategic Plan Related <i>(Enter X in box)</i>	Yes	No	Strategic Plan Priority Area:	Strategic Plan Obj./Strategy: <i>(list the specific objective/strategy this item will address)</i> N/A			
		X					
Sponsor Name	Councilman Oliver Gilbert, III		Department:	Mayor, City Council			

Short Title:

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Staff Summary:

After each decennial Census, the State of Florida undergoes a study of whether State House and Senate districts should be revised. In the event the City is divided into multiple State House and Senate Districts, the residents of the City of Miami would be voting for different representatives and the City overall voting power would be diluted. Councilman Gilbert is recommending that the City of Miami Gardens not be divided into multiple Districts.

**ITEM K-8) CONSENT AGENDA
RESOLUTION
Opposing any Redistricting Proposals**

Proposed Action:

The City Council approves the attached Resolution.

Attachment:

None