

**CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA
RESOLUTION 2007-65**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, CREATING A BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY BOARD TO OVERSEE THE CREATION OF A LANDSCAPING MASTER PLAN AND RECOMMEND PROJECTS TO IMPROVE THE NATURAL BEAUTY AND QUALITY OF THE CITY; ESTABLISHING MEMBERSHIP; SETTING BOARD MEETING GUIDELINES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Marathon (the “City”) desires to enhance the overall appearance of the community by the implementation of a City-wide beautification and appearance improvement program; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to provide a safe and welcoming environment for all of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to encourage its residents to become involved in the beautification of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to instill a sense of pride in the Community of Marathon that will result in an improvement of the City for its residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the US1 corridor and other certain areas of the City are currently in need of beautification and appearance improvement; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the creation of a Beautification Advisory Board would further the City’s Comprehensive Plan Objective 1-1.2 and its policies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THAT:

Section 1. Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and incorporated herein.

Section 2. Establishment of Board. The City Council hereby establishes the City of Marathon Beautification Advisory Board (the “Board”).

Section 3. Membership and Term. The Board shall be comprised of seven (7) members. The composition of the Board shall include a representative of each of the following four

organizations: the Greater Marathon Chamber of Commerce, the Marathon Garden Club, the Florida Department of Transportation, and the Department of Environmental Protection Scenic Highways and Heritage Trail programs, as well as a landscaping-related businessperson and two residents of Marathon. All members of the Board shall be appointed by majority vote of the City Council to serve a two (2) year term. The initial appointment of board members shall be made within sixty (60) days after adoption of this Resolution.

Board members serve without compensation, but are entitled to the reimbursement of expenses as provided in F.S. § 112.061. Should any Board member miss three (3) consecutive meetings, whether regular or special meetings, that member will automatically be disqualified as a member of the Board and the City Council shall immediately appoint a successor for the balance of the unexpired term.

Section 4. Authority. The Board shall oversee the creation of a Landscaping Master Plan study, working in cooperation with the Florida Department of Transportation. The Board also has the authority to make recommendations to the City Council concerning beautification needs of the City to help ensure that the natural beauty and quality of the environment is maintained and/or improved. The recommendations shall include, but are not limited to, procedures for the planting and maintenance of such types of vegetation suitable for planting and landscape treatments for all residences, businesses, streets, sidewalks or other public areas. The Board's recommendations shall be in an advisory capacity only. The Board shall encourage the participation of the citizens, residents and businesses of the City of Marathon.

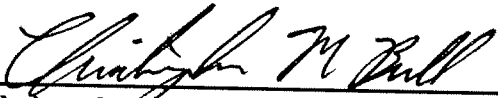
Section 5. Organization and Administration. The members of the Board shall elect a chair and vice-chair, for a one-year term each. The chair, or, in the absence of the chair, the vice-chair, shall preside at all meetings and may vote. The City Manager shall designate staff to advise and provide clerical support to the Board and to record the minutes of the meeting. The Board shall meet at least once per month at a date and time established by the Board, unless there is no business pending. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum, and the affirmative vote of a majority of those members present shall be required to take official action. On a quarterly basis, the Board shall prepare a report setting forth its activities and recommendations to the City Council.

Section 6. Annual Review. The City Council shall annually review the continued need for the Board and whether to amend the Board's duties.

Section 7. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the city of Marathon, Florida, this 24th day of April, 2007.


THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA



Christopher M. Bull, Mayor

AYES: Cinque, Tempest, Vasil, Worthington, Bull
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

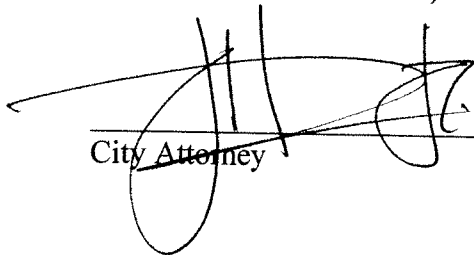
ATTEST:



Diane Clavier
City Clerk

(City Seal)

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA ONLY:



City Attorney