



Village of Biscayne Park Commission Agenda Report

Village Commission Meeting Date: March 1, 2016
Subject: Code Compliance Board Composition
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Sponsored By: Commission

Background

In December, the Commission approved Ord. 2015-09, which in part amends the composition of the Village planning board (P&Z), to read:

13.2.2 **Composition.** The five-member board shall be appointed by the village commission. Members of the planning board shall be property owners and residents of the Village of Biscayne Park. Residents who are not property owners may be appointed by the Village commission by at least a 4/5th super majority vote.

The Village's Code Compliance Board requires its members to be property owners and residents, without exception (Ch. 14.1.3):

14.1.3. **Composition.** The five-member board shall be appointed by the village commission. Members of the code compliance board shall be property owners and residents of the Village of Biscayne Park. Appointments shall be made on the basis of experience or interest and, when possible, include the following individuals: an architect, an attorney a business person, an engineer, a general contractor, a subcontractor and a licensed real estate person.

In order to provide for consistency in the composition of the two statutory boards, P&Z and Code Compliance, I propose that 14.1.3 be amended to add the sentence, "Residents who are not property owners may be appointed by the Village commission by a 4/5th super majority vote."

Waiving the requirement of property ownership, recognizes societal changes as to household members, and will allow for greater participation from dedicated residents in the Village.

Fiscal / Budget Impact

The cost of an ordinance, drafting and publication.

Recommendation

I recommend that we direct the Manager to arrange for the drafting of an ordinance to enact this amendment, as well as any other clarification that may be appropriate after Commission discussion and Village Attorney advice.