

ORDINANCE No. 2025-12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE V, “PURCHASING AND PROCUREMENT”, FOUND IN CHAPTER 2, “ADMINISTRATION,” OF THE CITY’S CODE OF ORDINANCES, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 2-318 AND 2-323; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Section 2-318, of the City of Doral (the “City”) Code of Ordinances, currently provides the City Manager with purchase authority of up to Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) without City Council approval, and up to Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) without City Council approval, provided that the City Manager obtains three (3) quotes for the purchase; and

WHEREAS, since Section 2-318 was enacted, the City has grown in population attracting new businesses and industry, and has been affected by inflationary increases in the cost of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County municipalities have provided for increases in managerial authority to purchase goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the current limitations provide for an overburdensome and costly procurement of goods and services process that is neither feasible nor in the best interest of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DORAL, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing “WHEREAS” clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a part of this Ordinance upon adoption hereof.

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Section 2. Amending Chapter 2, Article VII, Division 2, Sections 2-385 and 2-

386 as follows:

CHAPTER 2 ADMINISTRATION

ARTICLE V. PURCHASING AND PROCUREMENT

DIVISION 1. GENERALLY

Sec. 2-318. - Purchasing limitations; competitive bidding.

- (a) *Purchases less than \$10, \$50,000.00.* Purchases of or contracts for materials, supplies, equipment, improvements or services for which funds are provided in the budget, where the total amount to be expended is not in excess of \$10 \$50,000.00, may be made or entered into by the city manager without submittal to the city council and without competitive bidding. Single purchases or contracts in excess of \$50,000.00 shall not be broken down to amounts less than \$50,000.00 to avoid the requirements of this subsection.
- ~~(b) *Purchases more than \$10,000.00 but less than \$30,000.00.* Purchases of or contracts for materials, supplies, equipment, improvements or services for which funds are provided in the budget, where the total amount to be expended is in excess of \$10,000.00 but which does not exceed \$30,000.00, may be made or entered into by the city manager without submittal to the city council and without competitive bidding, but shall require that the city manager obtain quotes from at least three different vendors. Single purchases or contracts in excess of \$30,000.00 shall not be broken down to amounts less than \$30,000.00 to avoid the requirements of this subsection.~~
- ~~(c) (b) *Purchases in excess of \$10 \$50,000.00.* The city council shall approve all purchases of or contracts for materials, supplies, equipment, public improvements or services where the total amount to be expended is more than \$10 \$50,000.00. Purchases in excess of \$10 \$50,000.00 shall be in compliance with the competitive bidding requirements set forth in [section 2-319](#).~~
- ~~(d) (c) *Exceeding budget appropriation.* The city manager may not purchase or contract for any item or service which exceeds any budget appropriation until such a time as the city council amends the budget to increase the appropriation to the applicable level.~~
- ~~(e) (d) *Change orders or contract amendments.* The city manager may approve any change orders or contract amendments so long as the total sum of all change orders or contract amendments does not exceed the total amount awarded by the city council by more than either ten percent of the contract cost or \$10 \$50,000.00, whichever is less.~~

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No increase in contract price shall be approved unless there are sufficient funds available for such purpose.

(f) (e) *Purchases made during declared emergencies.* The city manager may, upon declaration of an emergency by local, state or federal officials, or when there exists an immediate threat or danger to public health, safety or welfare, loss of public or private property, or interruption in the delivery of an essential governmental service, authorize purchases that exceed the city manager's authority. However, all such purchases must be approved by the city council at the earliest regular or special public meeting thereafter.

Sec. 2-323. - Exemptions from competitive bidding.

The following types of payments and purchases shall be exempt from the competitive procurement procedures outlined in this article but must be approved in accordance with the authorized individual thresholds as established in [section 2-318](#):

(1) Transactions described in [sections 2-321](#) and [2-322](#).

(2) *Contracts for professional services* ~~As used herein, "professional services" means those services within the scope of the practice of architecture, professional engineering, landscape architecture, or registered surveying and mapping, as defined by the laws of the state, except for those contracts that exceed the purchasing category thresholds for professional services governed by F.S. § 287.055 (the Consultants Competitive Negotiations Act).~~ Shall mean those services defined by applicable local, State, or Federal law.

Section 3. Conflicts. All ordinances, or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be, and the same, are hereby repealed.

Section 4. Severability. If any section, subsection, clause of provision of this Ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder shall not be affected by such invalidity.

Section 5. Incorporation into the Code. In is the intention of the Mayor and the City Council, that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Doral, and that the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intentions.

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Section 6. Effective Date This Ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage by the City Council on second reading.

The foregoing Ordinance was offered by _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by _____ upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Mayor Christi Fraga	_____
Vice Mayor Maureen Porras	_____
Councilwoman Digna Cabral	_____
Councilman Rafael Pineyro	_____
Councilwoman Nicole Reinoso	_____

PASSED AND ADOPTED on FIRST READING this 12 day of February, 2025.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on SECOND READING this 12 day of March, 2025.

CHRISTI FRAGA, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CONNIE DIAZ, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY
FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF DORAL ONLY:

LORENZO COBIELLA
GASTESI, LOPEZ, MESTRE & COBIELLA, PLLC
CITY ATTORNEY

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