

ORDINANCE NO. 34-24

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH CODE OF ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 32, "DEPARTMENTS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS", SECTION 32.26, "COMPOSITION; APPOINTMENT; TERMS" TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE EDUCATION BOARD; AMENDING SECTION 32.28. "QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS" TO REQUIRE DIVERSE PROFESSIONS AND EXPERTISE FROM INDIVIDUALS WHO WISH TO SERVE ON THE BOARD; AMENDING SECTION 32.29, "DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES" TO UPDATE THE PURPOSE OF THE BOARD; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE, GENERAL REPEALER CLAUSE; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, deems the state of Delray Beach public schools to be priority; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to update the composition, qualifications, and duties of the Education Board to strengthen the purpose and mission of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission deems approval of this Ordinance to serve a public purpose and is in the best interest of the City of Delray Beach.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The recitations set forth above are incorporated herein.

Section 2. Chapter 32, "Departments, Boards and Commissions", Section 32.26, "Composition; Appointment; Terms," of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, be the same and is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 32.26. - COMPOSITION; APPOINTMENT; TERMS.

The Education Board shall be composed of ~~eleven (11)~~ seven (7) regular members, ~~and two (2) student members.~~ All Board members shall be appointed by the City Commission and are subject to the provisions of Sections 32.06 to 32.18 of the Code of Ordinances and any limitations herein. ~~Eleven (11) regular members shall be appointed by the City Commission for terms of two (2) years, except that the members of the first Board to serve shall be appointed so that three (3) members shall serve one year terms, and four (4) members shall serve two year terms, and except that the eighth and ninth regular members shall initially serve for one year terms and the tenth and 11th regular members shall serve for two year terms. Their successors shall be appointed to two year terms. It is further provided that no member may serve more than two (2) successive terms on this board. Two (2) student members shall be appointed by the City Commission for a one year term and a two year term, respectively, except that the first student members appointed shall serve as follows: One year term ending July 31, 1995; two year term ending July~~

~~31, 1996. Their successors shall be appointed thereafter to full one and two year terms. No student member may serve more than one term.~~

Section 3. Chapter 32, “Departments, Boards and Commissions”, Section 32.28. “Qualifications of Members,” of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, be the same and is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 32.28. - QUALIFICATIONS OF MEMBERS.

~~It is the intent, if possible, that the membership of the Education Board shall include members who have a background in business, real estate, and/or education. be comprised of an early childhood expert or professional, an executive director of an educational nonprofit organization located in Delray Beach, a Delray Beach property owner that offers internships and workforce opportunities through their business, a Delray Beach educator or administrator currently employed with the School District of Palm Beach County, a higher education or adult and career education professional serving Delray Beach residents, a mental and behavioral health professional, and a parent, legal guardian, or a student enrolled at a Delray Beach public high school. The members of the Education Board shall be residents of the City of Delray Beach or shall be a person with a child or children attending Delray Beach public schools, or shall own property in the City and/or own or operate a business within the City. Should a member of the Education Board not be a resident of the City of Delray Beach, or a property owner and/or the owner/operator of a business within the City, and should that member's child or children cease attending Delray Beach public schools, then such member shall no longer be qualified to serve on the Board. The student members shall be residents of the City of Delray Beach or attend Delray Beach public schools.~~

Section 4. Chapter 32, “Departments, Boards and Commissions”, Section 32.29, “Duties and Responsibilities,” of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Delray Beach, Florida, be the same and is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 32.29 DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

The duties and responsibilities of the Education Board shall be as follows:

- ~~A. Attend monthly School Advisory Council (SAC) meetings at an assigned school and provide a summary report at the Education Board meeting; Analyze the status of education in Delray Beach and the education programs and opportunities available to Delray Beach residents, including early childhood education, K-12 education, postsecondary education, and vocational, trade, and career programs; advise the City Commission regarding findings and make recommendations for the development and improvement of education programs in Delray Beach;~~
- ~~B. Review and advocate for education related Goals and Policies of the City's Comprehensive Plan and provide advice and guidance for implementation as needed; Formulate a three-year strategic plan, which shall be reviewed and updated every three (3) years, utilizing current student performance data to promote advancement and opportunities in early childhood education, K-12 education, post-secondary education, and vocational, trade and career programs to guide recommendations made to the City Commission;~~
- ~~C. Support and advocate for the Campaign for Grade Level Reading Initiative to help increase third grade reading proficiency both at the City level and within the community; Identify~~

and provide feedback on partnerships with other state, county, or local agencies and recommend opportunities to collaborate with community-based providers local businesses, nonprofits, and professional organizations to support educational initiatives that promote instructional learning and workforce development withing the City;

- D. ~~Present a "State of Education" report to the City Commission annually. The report shall include but not be limited to such items as: School Board policies affecting Delray Beach Schools, updates on the Education Master Plan, progress on the Campaign for Grade Level Reading, partnership programs with non profits and/or our schools, and any additional information concerning education programs of interest to the City Commission. Analyze the workforce in Delray Beach, to include: employment rates, wages, career opportunities, and the effects of education and training programs on the workforce; advise the Commission on findings and make recommendations for the development of related educational programs to support findings; and~~
- E. ~~Offer an open platform at the Education Board meeting for community organizations to share education initiatives. Perform all tasks as may be directed by the City Commission or the City Manager pertaining to City-related educational matters.~~

Section 5. Should any section or provision of this ordinance or any portion thereof, any paragraph, sentence, clause or word be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remainder hereof as a whole or part hereof other than the part declared invalid.

Section 6. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED in regular session on second and final reading on this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

ATTEST:

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Alexis Givings, Interim City Clerk

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Thomas F. Carney, Jr., Mayor

First Reading \_\_\_\_\_

Second Reading \_\_\_\_\_

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

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Lynn Gelin, City Attorney