

City of Delray Beach

Legislation Text

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TO: Mayor and Commissioners FROM: R. Max Lohman, City Attorney

DATE: October 16, 2018

RESOLUTION NO. 130-18: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT 13 TO PHASE OUT THE CRUELTY OF COMMERCIAL GREYHOUND RACING BY DECEMBER 2020 AND DECOUPLE LIVE RACING FROM OTHER FORMS OF GAMBLING IN FLORIDA; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Recommended Action:

Motion to approve Resolution No.130-18.

Background:

Voters in Florida will be presented constitutional amendments on the November 6, 2018, ballot, one of which will eliminate commercial greyhound racing in Florida by 2020. Records indicate a greyhound dies on average every three days at a Florida racetrack and since 2008 more than 400 greyhounds tested positive for drugs, including cocaine. Greyhounds are routinely kept in warehouse -style kennels in cages barely large enough to stand up or turn around. Resolution 130-18 encourages the City's residents to consider these factors when voting on the November 6, 2018, ballot and formalizes the City's support and approval for the amendment.

City Attorney Review:

Approved as to legal sufficiency and form.

<u>Timing of Request:</u>

N/A