

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014 – 011**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF  
SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A POLICY  
FOR THE TOWN COUNCIL SEAT LOCATION AND VOTING  
ORDER; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, on December 12, 2013, at a noticed meeting, the Town Council recognized that it did not have a formal policy relating to the Town Council seat location and voting order; and

**WHEREAS**, after much debate, and public discussion, the Town Council adopted by motion establishing its seat location and voting order; and

**WHEREAS**, to memorialize the Town Council's policy, the Town Council requested that its motion be placed in Resolution form; and

**WHEREAS**, this Resolution seeks to effectuate the intent of the Council in establishing a policy for the Town Council seat location and voting order.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida:

**Section 1.** The above-referenced recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by reference.

**Section 2.** The Town Council hereby establishes a policy concerning Town Council seat location. Currently, when facing the dais, the seats from left to right are as follows: the Town Administrator; seat one; seat two; Vice Mayor; Mayor; seat three; the Town Attorney; and the Town Clerk. Each year, at the next meeting following the election of the Vice Mayor, the Council Member in seat one shall move to seat two, the Council Member in seat two shall move to seat three, and the Council Member in seat three shall move to seat one. The Council Member appointed as Vice Mayor shall take the Vice Mayor seat and the former Vice Mayor shall take the seat that the new Vice Mayor would have occupied had that Council Member not been elected Vice Mayor. In the event that a Council Member has a disability that would prevent that Council Member from sitting in a particular seat, such accommodation shall be considered by the Council at the same meeting where the appointment of the Vice Mayor occurs.

**Section 3.** The Town Council hereby establishes a policy concerning the Town Council voting order. When facing the dais, the votes shall be called, as

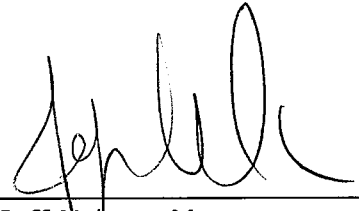
more clearly delineated in Section 2 above, from left to right as follows: seat one; seat two; seat three, Vice Mayor; and Mayor.

**Section 4.** This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Town Council of the Town of Southwest Ranches, Florida, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2013, on a motion by Council Member Fisikelli and seconded by Council Member Breitkreuz.

Nelson	<u>YES</u>
Jablonski	<u>YES</u>
Breitkreuz	<u>YES</u>
Fisikelli	<u>YES</u>
McKay	<u>YES</u>

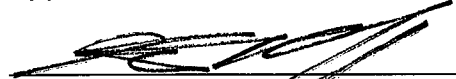
Ayes	<u>5</u>
Nays	<u>0</u>
Absent	<u>0</u>

  
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Jeff Nelson, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, CMC, Town Clerk

Approved as to Form and Correctness:

  
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Keith M. Poliakoff, J.D., Town Attorney

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