



City of Hallandale Beach City Commission Agenda Cover Memo

Meeting Date:	Item Type:		1 st Reading	2 nd Reading
11/17/2021	<input type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ordinance <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Ordinance Reading	10/20/2021	11/17/2021
		Public Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Advertising Required	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		Quasi Judicial:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
File No.:				
21-464				
Fiscal Impact (\$):	Account Balance (\$):	Funding Source:	Project Number :	
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Contract/P.O. Required		RFP/RFQ/Bid Number:	Sponsor Name:	Department:
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	N/A	Michele Lazarow Anabelle Lima-Taub	City Commission
Strategic Plan Focus Areas:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Finance & Budget		<input type="checkbox"/> Organizational Capacity		<input type="checkbox"/> Infrastructure/Projects
Implementation Timeline:				
Estimated Start Date: N/a Estimated End Date: N/A				

SHORT TITLE:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HALLANDALE BEACH, FLORIDA, CREATING CHAPTER 6, DIVISION 3, "TRADE OF FUR PRODUCTS," OF THE HALLANDALE BEACH CODE PROHIBITING THE SALE, OFFER FOR SALE, DISPLAY FOR SALE, TRADE, OR OTHER DISTRIBUTION FOR MONETARY OR NONMONETARY CONSIDERATION OF FUR PRODUCTS; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING APPLICABILITY; PROVIDING PENALTIES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

STAFF SUMMARY:

The proposed ordinance would ban the sale of furs in the City.

Sources for the findings section of the Hallandale Beach fur ordinance can be found in the following links:

- **Animal cruelty:** The following investigations are from China, where the majority of fur products come from, Finland, a country the fur industry commonly touts as having high welfare standards, and the United States, one of the top trapping countries in the world:
 - 2021 fur farm investigation in China: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CR1zd_qDhW4&t=6s
 - 2020 fur farm investigation in Asia: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YtNXaYk12e4&t=2s>
 - 2019 fur farm investigation in Finland: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IHM1x1xYyX4>
 - 2015 fox and raccoon dog fur farm investigation in China: <https://newsroom.humanesociety.org/video/video.php?bctid=4752416793001&channel=973092892001>
 - 2012 trapping investigation by Born Free USA: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VBbIX-7HigE&t=178s>
- **COVID-19:** Since April 2020, mink on more than 430 fur farms across Europe and North America – including four US states – have tested positive for SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. Farmed mink are the only species known to transmit COVID-19 to humans, and the mutations might reduce the efficacy of vaccines. Nearly 20 million mink were killed to protect public health. Foxes and raccoon dogs have also tested positive for coronaviruses. Fur farms are reservoirs for infectious diseases and possibly the next pandemic.
 - World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) statement on COVID-19 and mink: <https://www.oie.int/en/oie-statement-on-covid-19-and-mink/>
 - Humane Society Veterinary Medical Association Statement on Fur-Farmed Animals and the Risk of Disease: https://www.hsvma.org/fur_riskofdisease
 - Humane Society International White Paper on Fur Farming, COVID-19 and Zoonotic Disease Risks: <https://www.hsi.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/HSI-white-paper-on-fur-production-and-zoonotic-disease.pdf>
- **Environment:** On fur factory farms, waste runoff from animal pollutes the soil and waterways, and the tanning and dying process uses toxic chemicals, such as chromium and formaldehyde, to prevent the skin from decaying. Luckily, warm and fashion alternatives are readily available.
 - The Humane Society of the United States Toxic Fur report: The Impacts of Fur Production on the Environment and the Risks to Human Health:

https://www.humanesociety.org/sites/default/files/docs/2009-toxic-fur-production-impact.pdf?credit=blog_post42315

- The Farm in My Backyard documentary:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kfW9Jc0sgHY>
- CE Delft report: Natural mink fur and faux fur products, an environmental comparison: https://cedelft.eu/wp-content/uploads/sites/2/2021/04/CE_Delft_22203_Natural_mink_fur_and_faux_fur_products_FINAL_1375779267.pdf
- Material Innovation Initiative report on KOBAs faux fur:
<https://www.materialinnovation.org/ecopel-koba-innovator-profile>

PROPOSED ACTION:

Consideration of the proposed surface.

ATTACHMENT(S):

Exhibit 1 – Proposed Ordinance

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