

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor Dan Gelber and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Commissioner Steven Meiner

DATE: May 8, 2020

SUBJECT: R9 E - WAIVING SIDEWALK CAFE PERMIT FEES CITYWIDE

Given the economic impact caused by the COVID-19 pandemic on Miami Beach businesses, Item R9 E is being amended to waive all outdoor sidewalk cafe permit fees Citywide. This is an extension from the initial sponsored item to waive these fees for 41st Street businesses. This Citywide initiative will incentivize cafes, restaurants, and bars to expand their services to outdoor seating. Outdoor seating capacity will also better allow for social distancing per CDC safety guidelines. These permit fees would be waived for six months with a possible extension of another six months to be considered during the fiscal year 2021 budget process.

Signed,

Commissioner Steven Meiner

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