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Protesters demonstrate Wednesday after Kentucky authorities announced only a former Louisville police detective had been indicted in Breonna Taylor's death in March, and only for charges of reckless endangerment related to his shooting into a nearby apartment. The two officers who shot Taylor six times, resulting in her death, were not charged.

Would my screams save me? Would I have enough time to ask, "What's happening?" before being blown into eternity by the officers' guns. Oops. Sorry. Too late. Oh, well, just another Black person gone.

If I sound angry, I am. I, and too many other Blacks, have lived with the

consequences of the injustice that killed Breonna for way too long. I was born in America.

My parents and their parents were born here, and some of my family members were brought here as slaves.

Yet, we learned to love the land. We even loved the people who enslaved us.

I have often thought of the lynch mob and the men who were so eager to hang an innocent black man or woman. And I wondered: How many of them nursed at the breast of a Black woman? How many of them were lulled to sleep to the soothing humming of a Black mother, who had babies of her own, but was ordered to care for the white baby first?

Yet, we held onto our hope and faith. One of the reasons that I, and many other Blacks, have survived is because of the hope that is embedded deep inside our hearts. The hopes and dreams that these acts of injustices against my people would one day pass during my lifetime.

Now, I am not so sure. Maybe justice for Blacks and people of color won't happen until I have gone home to be with the Lord — and maybe not even then.

So, I am angry. But I am also sad. I am sad that although this is September 2020 and I am free to write this column for a major newspaper (for which I am thankful), and I no longer have to drink from water fountains with signs over them that say "White," and can ride in the first-class section on an airplane, if I have the fare, I can still feel the bruises from the shackles of slavery.

I can still hear the cries of the 1940s and 1950s in the deep South, where a mother wails for her son, stolen away in the middle of the night by a lynching party. I remember Emmett Till.

On Wednesday morning, such memories came rushing back to me, flung into my face.

But while I am hurting now, I believe this is no time to give up.

We can change things. We must change the way business is done in America against Blacks and other minorities. We can do this by using one of our greatest freedoms: Our right to vote.

I have entertained my anger long enough. I will not let it take root in my soul. I will keep the faith. We can change things. Let's do it. Let's vote.



Virtual Corridor Workshop #1 Notice

Project Idenlification Number: 438426-1-12-01 The Florida Department of Transportation (FOOT) will host Virtual Corridor Workshop #1 for the SR 948/NW 36 Street Multimodal Corridor Study, in Miami-Dade County. The study will evaluate existing transportation conditions and identify locations with multimodal needs. 6p.m.to 8p.m., Wednesday, September 30, 2020

oad (SR) 948/NW 36 Street from SR 826/Palmetto SR 5/US 1/Biscayne Boulevard Multimodal Corrido

Participants can also use their phone by dialing in to +1 (562)247-8421; Access code: 790-074-315.

This Virtual Corridor Workshop #1 will consist of a formal presentation followed by an open discussion. Questions will be responded to as time permits, in the order received. If your question is not responded to during the virtual workshop, a response will be provided in writing. Persons wishing to submit statements, in place of or in addition to oral statements, may do so at the Virtual Corridor Workshop #1 or by sending them to the Community Outreach Specialist (COS). All statements postmarked on or before October 7, 2020 will become part of the Virtual Corridor Workshop #1 record.

> For information about this Virtual Corridor Workshop #1 or project, contact: COS Maria Alzate at 305-560-8218 or by email at Maria@iscorgroup.com Visit www.fdotmiamidade.com/nw36stplanning for project information.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requining special accommodations to participate in this witual workshop is asked to advise the agency at least seven (71 days before the Virtual Condro Workshop #1 by contacting: Irene Varela at 305-470-5342 or in writing: FDOT, 1000 NW, 111 Avenue, Miam FL 33172, email: Irene. Varela@dot.lstate.fl.tus. If you are hearing or speech impated, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1-800-935-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-935-8770 (Voce).

## CITY OF MIAMI BEACH NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE

The City of Miami Beach has tentatively adopted a measure to increase its property tax levy.

Last year's property tax levy:		
A. Initially proposed tax levy	.\$	229,901,100
B. Less tax reductions due to Value Adjustment		
Board and other assessment changes	. \$	4,520,260
C. Actual property tax levy	.\$	225,380,840
This year's proposed tax levy	.\$	239,319,288
All concerned citizens are invited to attend a public hearing on the tax incr	ease	e to be held on:

Tuesday, September 29, 2020, 5:01 P.M.

The Virtual City Commission Meeting will be broadcast live on Miami Beach TV (MBTV), viewable on the City's website at https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/government/mbtv/, as well as on Atlantic Broadband Cable channel 660, AT&T U-verse channel 99, Hotwire Communications channel 395, and ROKU device on PEG.TV channel, and on social media at facebook.com/cityofmiamibeach. To participate or provide comments, the public may join the virtual meeting at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82602220652 or via telephone at: 1.312.626.6799 (U.S.) or 888.475.4499 (Toll Free). The Webinar ID is: 826 0222 0652. Members of the public wanting to speak on an item during the Virtual City Commission Meeting, must click the "raise hand" icon if using the Zoom app or press \*9 on the telephone to raise their hand.

A FINAL DECISION on the proposed tax increase and the budget will be made at this hearing.

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# MEETING NOTICES October 5 - 9, 2020

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https://miamibeachfl-gov

zoom.us/j/83941220808

Access ID 83941220808# General Public Entrance

1901 Convention Center Dr

MBCC, Art Deco Room 229 https://us02web.zoom.us/]/84330200941

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**MONDAY, October 5** 

Microsoft Team Meeting
DAY, October 6
Design Review Board* Zoom Meeting

9:30 a.m.	Convention Center Advisory Board Zoom Meeting
5:30 p.m.	Miami Beach Commission For Women

Zoom Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, October 7

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North Beach Elementary School PTA 8:00 p.m. Zoom Meeting

THUN	ISDAY, October 8
9:30 a.m.	Production Industry Council
	Zoom Meeting

Special Master Hearings 10:00 a.m Zoom Meeting 2:00 p.m. Washington Avenue BID/

Executive Board Zoom Meeting

### FRIDAY, October 9

No Meetings Scheduled

For any and/or all of the above meetings, one or more members of the Miami Beach City Commission, and or City board/committee members may be in attendance and participate in discussions. Aired live on MBTV-Allantic Broadband 660. Afat U-verse 99. Hotwire Communications 395 & ROKU device on PEG.TV "Commission Committee Aired Live on MBTV

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We are committed to providing excellent public service and safety to all who five, work and play in our vibrant, tropical, historical community. Members of the public may present audio/visual (AV) materials relating to Agenda Items at televised meetings held in the Commission Chamber by utilizing the City's AV equipment. In addressing and Communications by 8:30 A.M., one (1) business day prior to the meeting. Advance submitted to the Department to Marketing and Communications by 8:30 A.M., one (1) business day prior to the meeting. Advance submitted to a presentation will allow the Communications by 8:30 A.M., one (1) business day prior to the meeting. Advance submitted is a presentation will allow the Communications performent to plan for the use of the appropriate AV equipment. AV materials may be submitted via email at communications. 1701 Meridian Avenue, Fihh Floor, Miami Beach, FL 33139. Presentations, videos or links must include a label noling the name or group, contact person, daytime telephone number, email address, description/lite of the presentation and mounter and the Agenda Item number. Acceptable formats for relectronic submission are.pdf, ppt, optx, pps, ppsx, wmv, avi and .mov. (Note that pdf is the preferred format for PowerPoint presentations.)

With, and and allow, involve that, put is the preserved notation of presentations, presentations, City Hall is located at 1700 convention Center Drive; and the Miami Beach Convention Center is located at 1901 Convention Center Drive. Any meeting may be opened and continued, and under such circumstances, additional legal notice will not be provided. To request this material in atternate format, sign language interpreter (five-gian) notice required, information on access for persons with disabilities, and/or any accommodation to review any document or participate in any City-sponsored proceedings call 305.500.2489 and select 1 for English, them option 6; TTY users may call via 711 (Florida Relay Service). A meeting not incide in the Weekly Meeting Notice and and determined to be an emergency meeting will be posted on the bulletin boards throughout City Hall and will be available on the City's webbilies et: http://web.miambeeachi.gov/cityeler/defaul.aspx/fid+776

Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Fia. Stat., the City hereby advises the public that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

# BUDGET SUMMARY

CITY OF MIAMI BEACH - FISCAL YEAR 2021 THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH ARE 8.0% LESS THAN LAST YEAR'S TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES.

GENERAL G.O. DEBT RDA ENTERPRISE SPECIAL TOTAL FUND SERVICE FUND FUND FUND REVENUE FUNDS CASH BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD \$9,695,000 \$19,828,000 \$8,500,000 \$1,633,000 ESTIMATED REVENUES: Millage Per \$1,000 Taxes: Ad Valarem 5.7288 (Operating) 196,617,000 32,174,000 228,791,000 173.000 Ad Valorem 0,7497 (Norm. Shores) 173,000 12,798,000 Ad Valerem 0.3227 (Voted Dobt) 12,798,000 Franchise 9723.000 4.340.000 14.053.000 Utility 14,360,000 4,721,000 19,081,000 18,639,000 45,045,000 63,684,000 Resort 13,925,000 11,333,500 25,289,500 31,000 Licenses and Permits Internovernmental 11,254,000 (1,064,000) 6.759.000 16.949.000 Charges for Services 13,061,000 165,844,000 2,150,000 181.055,000 1,398,000 2,717.000 Fines and Forfeitures 1,069,000 250,000 1.383.000 9,112,500 2,769,000 4,960,500 Interest Earnings 7.492.000 5.954.000 48.000 1,490,000 Bents and Leases Miscellaneous 15,125,000 10,787,000 2.218.000 28,130,000 Bond Proceeds 0 Rate Stabilization Fund 8 53,745,000 16,910,000 3,750,000 33,085,000 Transfers Other Financing Sources 0 TOTAL REVENUES AND DTHER \$91,521,000 \$663,080,000 \$319,579,000 \$12,798,000 \$31,110,000 \$208,072,000 FINANCING SOURCES TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUES \$217,767,000 \$93,154,000 \$682,908,000 \$328,079,000 \$12,798,000 \$31,110,000 AND BALANCES EXPENDITURE/EXPENSES \$1,473,600 \$52,389,600 General Government \$50,916,000 239,278,500 212,786,000 16,596,000 9,896,500 Public Safety Physical Environment 9 212 500 104 869 000 2 226 000 116.307.500 5.938.000 33,118,000 51,596,000 Transportation 12,540.000 2.629.723 31,110,000 848.900 34,588,623 Economic Environment 3.037.777 0 3.037.777 Human Services 73,306,200 Culture & Recreation 35.340.000 24,809,300 12,156,900 Normandy Shores District 266.000 0 266.000 59,787,000 Debt Service 1,652,000 12,798,000 32,878,000 12,459,000 1,095,000 37,418,000 38,513,000 Transfers TOTAL EXPENDITURES/EXPENSES \$323,873,000 \$12,798,000 \$31,110,000 \$212,270,300 \$89.018.900 \$669.070.200 13,837,800 Contingency/Reserves 4,206,000 5,496,700 4,135,100 TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES \$328,079,000 \$12,798,000 \$31,110,000 S217.767.000 \$93,154,000 \$682.908.000 AND RESERVES THE TENTATIVE, ADOPTED, AND/OR FINAL BUDGETS ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED TAXING AUTHORITY AS A PUBLIC RECORD.

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