

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

DATE: October 13, 2020

SUBJECT: City Commission – At-Large Nominations for October 28, 2020 – Release # 2

Below please find the City Commission At-Large Nominations received to date for the October 28, 2020 Commission Meeting. Changes made since the issuance of Release # 1 are shown in red.

BOARD AND COMMITTEES:

BLACK AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

At-Large Category
(Two Appointment Seats Available)

- **Glendon Hall**
Nominated for **appointment** (At-Large Category) by Commissioner Góngora and Vice-Mayor Samuelian.
(Release # 1, Page 3)
- **DJ Irie**
Nominated for **appointment** (At-Large Category) by Vice-Mayor Samuelian and Commissioner Góngora. (Application pending.)
(Release # 1) (Release # 2)

SENIORS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

An individual selected by the Board of Director of Jewish Community Services of South Florida
(One Appointment Seat Available)

- **Sandra Ala**
Nominated for **appointment** (Jewish Community Services of South Florida Category) by the Board of Directors of the Jewish Community Services of South Florida and Commissioner Góngora.
(Release # 1, Page 15)

Resident of Federation Towers
(One Appointment Seat Available)

- **Magui Benitez**
Nominated for **appointment** (Federation Towers Category) by Commissioner Góngora.
(Release # 1, Page 27) (Release # 2, Page 3 – Updated Application)

Resident of Council Towers North
(One Appointment Seat Available)

- **Gladys Navarro**
Nominated for **appointment** (Council Towers North Category) by Commissioner Góngora.
(Application pending.)
(Release # 1)

PERSONNEL BOARD

At-Large Category
(One Appointment Seat Available)

- **Ricardo Barboza**
Nominated for **appointment** (International Sales Manager/Consultant Category) by Commissioner Góngora.
(Release # 1, Page 37)

At-Large Category
(Two Reappointment Seats Available)

- **Raquel Pacheco**
Nominated for **reappointment** (Translator Category) by Commissioner David Richardson and Vice Mayor Samuelian.
(Release # 1, Page 47) (Release # 2)

Magui Benitez

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BENITEZ MAGUI —
 Last Name First Name Middle Initial

717 WEST AVENUE #412 MIAMI BEACH FL 33139
 Home Address City State Zip Code

(776) 368-4449 — (776) 368-4449 MBENITEZ0450@GMAIL.COM
 Cellular Telephone Work Telephone Home Telephone Email address

N/A — RETIRED
 Business Name Occupation

N/A —
 Business Address City State Zip Code

Please list your preferences in order of ranking: [1] first choice, [2] second choice, and [3] third choice. **Please note that only three (3) choices will be observed by the Office of the City Clerk.**

Ad Hoc Anti-Bullying Task Force	Health Advisory Committee	Normandy Shores Local Government Neighborhood Improvement District Advisory Council
Affordable Housing Advisory Committee	Health Facilities Authority Board	Parks and Recreational Facilities Board
Animal Welfare Committee	Hispanic Affairs Committee	Personnel Board
Art in Public Places Committee	Historic Preservation Board ★	Planning Board
Audit Committee	Housing Authority	Police/Citizens Relations Committee
Board of Adjustment	Human Rights Committee	Production Industry Council
Budget Advisory Committee	LGBTQ Advisory Committee	Program for Public Information Committee
Committee for Quality Education in Miami Beach	Marine & Waterfront Protection Authority	Senior Affairs Committee
Committee on the Homeless	Mayor's 41st Street Committee	Sustainability Committee
Convention Center Advisory Board	Mayor's General Obligation Bond Oversight Committee	Transportation, Parking, and Bicycle-Pedestrian Facilities Committee
Cultural Arts Council	Mayor's Panel on Ocean Drive	Visitor and Convention Authority
Design Review Board	Miami Beach Commission for Women	Youth Commission
Disability Access Committee	Next Generation Council	

1. SENIOR AFFAIR COMMITTEE
2. AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
3. HISPANIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Professional License		
<u>REGISTERED CARDIOVASCULAR TECHNOLOGIST & CCT</u>	<u>RETIRED</u> <u>PROFESSIONAL TECH #640508721095</u>	
Type of Professional License	License Number	
<u>FLORIDA</u>	<u>OCT/1992</u>	<u>RETIRED</u>
State of Issuance	License Issuance Date	License Expiration Date
Note: If you are seeking appointment to a professional seat (e.g. attorney, architect, etc.), you must attach a copy of your currently effective corresponding professional license.		

AFFILIATION WITH THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH

Pursuant to City Code section 2-22(4) a, b, and c: Members of Agencies, Boards, and Committees shall be affiliated with the City. This requirement shall be fulfilled in the following ways:

- a. Resident of the City for a minimum of six months: Yes ☒ or ☐ No

• I am a resident of: South Beach ☒ Middle Beach ☐ North Beach ☐

Or

- b. Demonstrates an ownership interest (for a minimum of six months) in a business established in the City (for a minimum of six months): Yes ☐ or ☒ No

"Ownership Interest" shall mean the ownership of ten percent (10%) or more (including the ownership of 10% or more of the outstanding capital stock) in a business.

"Business" shall mean any sole proprietorship, sponsorship, corporation, limited liability company, or other entity or business association.

Or

- c. Full-time employee of such a business (for a minimum of six months); and I am based in an office or other location of the business that is physically located in Miami Beach (for a minimum of six months): Yes ☐ or ☒ No

Notwithstanding the requirements set forth herein, the qualified full-time employee of a business must be approved by a 4/7th vote of the Mayor and City Commission.

NOTE: Members of Agencies, Boards, and Committees shall be required to demonstrate compliance with the City affiliation requirements of sections 2-22 (4) a and b of the Miami Beach City Code by executing an affidavit, stipulating that they have met either (or both) of said affiliation requirements. The original affidavit shall be filed with the Office of the City Clerk prior to being sworn in as a member.

- I am applying for an appointment because I have special abilities, knowledge, and experience. Please list below:

I LIVE IN FEDERATION TOWER LOCATED IN 117 WEST AVE M.B.FL FOR 10 YEARS. MY RELATIONSHIP WITH THE BUILDING MANAGEMENT AND THE TENANTS ARE VERY GOOD, LIKE TO HELP & SERVICE MY COMMUNITY SHOULD BE MORE THAN HAPPY TO BE A LINK IN BETWEEN THE SENIOR AFFAIR COMMITTEE AND MY BUILDING. MY 13 YEARS WORKED IN ROYAL CARIBBEAN CRUISE LINE RECEIVING AND EMBARKING PASSENGERS MAKES MY SOCIAL (FRIENDLY) PERSONALITY BEING AN ASSET TO THE COMPANY. ALSO I WORKED AS A VOLUNTEER IN UNIDAD DE M.B. IN BRUNO BARBERA OFFICE IN THE CITY HALL ALSO HAD BEING PART OF SENIOR CITIZENS OF M.B. AND FLAMENCO OF M.B. AND HAVE MANY FRIENDS IN 1040 COLLINS & 117 COLLINS AVE ALSO IN THE CITY HALL.

• Are you a registered active lobbyist with the City of Miami Beach? Yes ☐ or No ☒

• Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes ☐ or No ☒ If yes, please explain in detail:

• Do you currently have a violation(s) of City of Miami Beach Code? Yes ☐ or No ☒ If yes, please explain in detail:

• Do you currently owe the City of Miami Beach money? Yes ☐ or No ☒ If yes, please explain in detail:

• Are you currently serving on any City Board or Committee? Yes ☐ or No ☒ If yes, which Board/Committee?

• In what organization(s) in the City of Miami Beach do you currently hold membership?

Name N/A Position —

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• List the address of all properties owned or in which you have an interest within the City of Miami Beach:

CASABLANCA CA OF MIAMI BEACH 6345 COLLINS AVE C1163
MD FL 33141

• Are you now employed by the City of Miami Beach? Yes ☐ or No ☒ If so, which department and title?

• Pursuant to City Code Section 2-25 (b): Do you have a parent ☐, spouse ☐, child ☐, brother ☐ or sister ☐ who is employed by the City of Miami Beach? Yes ☐ or No ☒

If "Yes," identify person(s) and department(s): N/A

★ **Note:** If applying for the At-Large position of the Historic Preservation Board, please answer the below questions:

• Have you ever resided in one of the City's Historic Districts for at least one year? Yes ☐ or No ☐

If you answered "Yes," please indicate:

Address _____ From: _____ To: _____
Dates _____

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Dates _____

NOTE: IF APPOINTED, YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO FOLLOW CERTAIN LAWS THAT APPLY TO CITY BOARD/COMMITTEE MEMBERS. THESE LAWS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- Prohibition from directly or indirectly lobbying City personnel. (Miami Beach City Code Section 2-459)
- Prohibition from contracting with the City. (Miami-Dade County Code Section 2-11.1)
- Prohibition from lobbying before the Board/Committee you have served on for period of one year after leaving office. (Miami Beach City Code Section 2-26)
- Requirement to disclose certain financial interests and gifts. (Miami-Dade County Code section 2-11.1)
- Sunshine Law - Florida's Government-in-the-Sunshine Law was enacted in 1967. Today, the Sunshine Law regarding open government can be found in Chapter 286 of the Florida Statutes. These statutes establish a basic right of access to most meetings of Boards, Commissions, and other governing bodies of state and local governmental agencies or authorities.
- Voting conflict – Form 8B is for use by any person serving at the county, city, or other local level of government on an appointed or elected Board, Council, Commission, Authority, or Committee. It applies equally to members of advisory and non-advisory bodies who are presented with a voting conflict of interest under Section 112.3143, Florida Statutes.

I HEREBY ATTEST TO THE ACCURACY AND TRUTHFULNESS OF THE APPLICATION; AND I HAVE RECEIVED, READ AND WILL ABIDE BY CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE VII, OF THE MIAMI BEACH CITY CODE, ENTITLED "STANDARDS OF CONDUCT FOR CITY OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND AGENCY MEMBERS AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE COUNTY AND/OR STATE LAWS AND STATUTES ACCORDINGLY."


Applicant's Signature

10/21/2020
Date

MAGUI BENITEZ
Name of Applicant (PLEASE PRINT)

Board and Committee Application Checklist: Please ensure you have provided all information before applying or reapplying to any Board and Committee

- ☒ I have answered all questions fully.
- ☐ I have attached additional sheets, if necessary, to provide required information.
- ☒ I have attached a current resume, photograph, and a copy of any applicable professional license.
- ☒ I have completed and attached the Board & Committee Financial Acknowledgement Statement.
- ☒ I have completed and attached the Diversity Statistics Report.
- ☐ Submit complete application package.
Via Email: BC@miamibeachfl.gov

Via U.S. Mail or in Person:

City of Miami Beach
Office of the City Clerk / Board and Committee Section
1700 Convention Center Drive, 1st Floor
Miami Beach, FL 33139

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the City Clerk via email: BC@miamibeachfl.gov or telephone: 305.673.7411.

Note: Florida Statutes §119.071: The role of the Office of the City Clerk is to receive and maintain forms filed as public records. If your home address, telephone numbers, and/or photograph are exempt from disclosure and you do not wish your home address, telephone numbers, and/or photograph to be made public, please: 1) Use your office or other address for your mailing address; 2) Use your office or other telephone number for your contact number; and 3) Do not attach a photograph.

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BOARD & COMMITTEE FINANCIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Acknowledgement of fines/suspension for Board/Committee Members for failure to comply with Miami-Dade County Financial Disclosure Code Provision Code Section 2-11.1(i) (2)

BENITEZ
Last Name

MAGUI
First Name

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Middle Initial

I understand that no later than **July 1, of each year** all members of Boards and Committees of the City of Miami Beach, including those of a purely advisory nature, are required to comply with Miami-Dade County Financial Disclosure Requirements.

One of the following forms **must be filed** with the City Clerk of Miami Beach, 1700 Convention Center Drive, Miami Beach, Florida, no later than 12:00 noon of **July 1, of each year**:

1. A "Source of Income Statement;" or
2. A "Statement of Financial Interests (Form 1)¹;" or
3. A Copy of your latest Federal Income Tax Return.

Failure to file one of these forms, pursuant to the Miami-Dade County Code, may subject the person to a fine of no more than \$500, 60 days in jail, or both.

M Benitez
Signature

10/21/2020
Date

¹ Members of the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment will be notified directly by the State of Florida, pursuant to F.S. §112.3145(1)(a), to file a Statement of Financial Interests (Form 1) with the Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections by 12:00 noon, July 1. Planning Board and Board of Adjustment members who file their Form 1 with the County Supervisor of Elections automatically satisfy the County's financial disclosure requirement as a Miami Beach City Board/Committee member and need not file an additional form with the Office of the City Clerk. However, compliance with the County disclosure requirement does not satisfy the State requirement.

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DIVERSITY STATISTICS REPORT

PENITEZ
Last Name

NIAGUI
First Name

-
Middle Initial

The following information is voluntary and has no bearing on your consideration for appointment. It is being asked to comply with City diversity reporting requirements.

Gender:

- ☐ Male
☒ Female
☐ Other
☐ I prefer not to answer.

Race/Ethnic Categories:

What is your race?

- ☐ African American/Black
☐ Asian or Pacific Islander
☐ Caucasian/White
☐ Native American/American Indian
☐ Other – Print Race: _____
☒ I prefer not to answer.

Do you consider yourself to be Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino/a?

- ☒ Yes
☐ No
☐ I prefer not to answer.

Do you consider yourself Physically Disabled?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No
☐ I prefer not to answer this question.