

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING, IN CONCEPT, THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE EMPLOYEE SUGGESTION PROGRAM TO (1) REQUEST THE CITY TO PROMOTE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES IN SOUTH POINTE PARK, AND (2) REQUEST THE CITY TO HOST AN ANNUAL 5K RACE TO BRING BUSINESS TO SPECIFIC AREAS OF NEED; AND FURTHER DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO EVALUATE THE COST AND FEASIBILITY OF IMPLEMENTING SUCH SUGGESTIONS AND TO REPORT THE ADMINISTRATION'S FINDINGS TO THE CITY COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, the Employee Suggestion program ("Program") is one of the City's five Reward and Recognition programs implemented June 16, 2015, which allows employees to share innovative ideas, which may enhance productivity, efficiency, effectiveness, safety, and/or the quality of local government services; and

WHEREAS, at the end of each fiscal year ("FY"), prizes are awarded based on a recommendation from the Program's Procedure team, including intangible recommendations; one award of \$1,000 goes to an employee for the suggestion of the year resulting in cost savings/revenues for the City, and up to three other awards go to the runners-up at \$500 each; and

WHEREAS, for FY 2020, a suggestion to request the City to promote art in public spaces in South Pointe Park was selected for an award of \$1,000 and possible implementation; and

WHEREAS, public artwork improves the image and identity of the local community and directly influences how people see and connect with a specific place; and

WHEREAS, public artwork ecosystem supports local artists and other creatives by validating their contribution to the community; and

WHEREAS, public artwork is a visual mechanism for understanding different cultures and perspectives and reinforcing a social connectivity with others; and

WHEREAS, in addition, a suggestion to request the City to host an annual 5K race to bring business to specific areas of need was selected for an award of \$500 and possible implementation; and

WHEREAS, this type of event is popular and common in the community, and draws many participants such as City employees, residents, and visitors into the area; and

WHEREAS, at the end of the 5K race, participants and spectators would remain in the area to support local restaurants, bars, and retailers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA that the Mayor and City Commission hereby approve, in concept, the recommendation from the Employee Suggestion Program to (1) request the City to promote art in public places in South Point Park, and (2) host an annual 5K race to bring business to specific areas of need; and further direct the City Manager to evaluate the costs and feasibility of implementing such suggestions and to report his findings to the City Commission.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of January 2021.

ATTEST:

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

Dan Gelber, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

City Attorney

12-29-20

Date