

MIAMI BEACH

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

NO. LTC# **036-2021**

LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Dan Gelber and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Interim City Manager Raul J. Aguila

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Raul Aguila
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DATE: January 26, 2021

SUBJECT: **MBPD Final ADCD Policing Plan December 2, 2020 - January 24, 2021**

I am respectfully submitting this Letter to Commission to provide a cumulative summary update of the MBPD's Art Deco Cultural District's (ADCD) Safe Plan covering December 2, 2020 through January 24, 2021. This LTC is the **final** cumulative report of the results of eight weeks of an eight-week plan aimed at addressing crime and the unsafe behavior and disregard of the COVID-19 Emergency Orders. The intent of the plan is to further enhance our abilities to address the challenges of the ADCD by providing additional proactive enforcement measures throughout the ADCD and include the following:

- Enhanced the current staffing plan with up to an **additional 28 officers**, all from our Specialized Units and Investigations Division, that will be specifically deployed during the ADCD on peak days, and hours, to address crime and COVID related issues.
- MBPD Command Staff will also be worked into the midnight shift hours and be there to provide additional leadership and guidance.

The following is the **final** update on the last eight-week totals for the ADCD Safe initiative:

- Four-hundred-one (401) arrests have been made in the ADCD over the eight-week period, an increase of twenty-four (24) arrests from Week 7.
- Thirty-five (35) of those arrested reside in Miami Beach, an increase of three (3) arrests from Week 7.
- Fifty-four (54) of those arrested reside in Miami, an increase of three (3) arrests from Week 7.
- Sixty-nine (69) of those arrested reside in other parts of Florida, an increase of three (3) arrests from Week 7.
- One hundred-seventy-two (172) arrestees reside out of the state, an increase of ten (10) arrests from Week 7.
- Seventy-six (76) arrestees self-reported to be homeless from Miami, an increase of five (5) arrests from Week 7.
- One hundred-eleven (111) of the total arrests have been drug related, an increase of three (3) arrests from Week 7.
- Eighty-seven (87) of the total arrests have been alcohol related, an increase of one (1) arrest from Week 7.

- There have been eighteen (18) arrests where a firearm was recovered that had a nexus with a crime. There have been a total of twenty-two (22) firearms seized, (3 rifles and 19 handguns) during this operational plan.
- There have been eighteen (18) reckless driving citations issued, an increase of one (1) from Week 7.
- There have been a total of seven-hundred-eighty-two (782) Uniform Traffic Citations issued within the ADCD during our enhanced staffing effort, an increase of thirty-seven (37) from Week 7.
- There have been one hundred-forty-two (142) vehicles associated with a criminal incident, that have been impounded during our enhanced staffing effort, an increase of three (3) from Week 7.
- MBPD undercover personnel have seized twelve hundred twenty-four (1244) grams of marijuana, an increase of one-hundred-eighty (180) grams from Week 7, thirty-four (34.83) grams of cocaine, and seven (7.4) grams of MDMA during this seven-week period of enhanced staffing that occurs each week.

In addition to these law enforcement actions, during this seven-week period, the MBPD and Code were involved in the closing of twenty-two (22) area businesses in violation of the ambient noise regulations or curfew/emergency order violations. Of these twenty-two (22) closings, sixteen (16) were for loud music and six (6) were for violating the curfew/emergency orders. The businesses are as follows:

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| • Vita Restaurant | 1906 Collins Avenue |
| • Harold's Shrimp & Chicken Restaurant | 1311 Washington Avenue |
| • Do Not Sit On The Furniture Restaurant | 423 16 th Street |
| • Uncut LLC Bar | 124 Collins Avenue |
| • Tapelia Restaurant | 551 Lincoln Road |
| • Catalina Hotel/Restaurant | 1720 Collins Avenue |
| • Claremont Partners Restaurant/Hotel | 1700 Collins Avenue |
| • El Sole Restaurant/Hotel | 1116 Ocean Drive |
| • Exchange Miami/Bar | 1532 Washington Avenue |
| • Divine/Merchant Sales | 1437 Collins Avenue |
| • Claridge Hotel/Restaurant | 3500 Collins Avenue |
| • RP Hotel Holdings/Restaurant/Hotel | 1545 Collins Avenue |
| • Espanola Cigar/Restaurant | 409 Espanola Way |
| • Al Basha Grill/Restaurant | 1533 Washington Avenue |
| • Caffè Milano/Restaurant | 850 Ocean Drive |
| • Clevelander Hotel/Restaurant | 1020 Ocean Drive |
| • Palace/Restaurant | 1052 Ocean Drive |
| • Sweet Liberty/Restaurant | 237 20 th Avenue |
| • Club Madonna/Adult Entertainment | 1527 Washington Avenue |
| • Miami Live/Restaurant | 912 71 st Street |
| • Charlotte Bakery (2 nd Notice) | 1499 Washington Avenue |
| • Villa Azur Restaurant | 309 23 rd Street |

To date, and over the eight-week operational period, MBPD personnel have handed out 16,720 protective masks, intended to help limit the spread of the COVID Virus.

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