RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE AND ECONOMIC RESILIENCY COMMITTEE, AT ITS MAY 21, 2021 MEETING, DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO OBTAIN AN INDEPENDENT COST ESTIMATE ON ALL PROJECTS WITH AN ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST GREATER THAN \$5 MILLION, AND REQUIRING THAT ANY ESTIMATE EXPECTED TO COST IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 BE SUBMITTED TO THE CITY COMMISSION FOR PRIOR APPROVAL.

WHEREAS, at its April 21, 2021 meeting, the City Commission referred an item to the Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee (the "Committee") for a discussion on requiring independent cost estimates on capital projects prior to the issuance of a competitive solicitation; and

WHEREAS, typically, construction cost estimating is performed at specific milestones along a project's design cycle; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of professional service agreements, design consultants retained by the City are required to provide cost estimates at intervals as deemed necessary by the Administration to assure that projects are being designed to the budget determined by the City for construction costs; and

WHEREAS, additionally, it has been the Administration's practice to retain the services of independent (third-party) estimators on select projects as warranted; and

WHEREAS, at its May 21, 2021 meeting, the Committee discussed the item; and

WHEREAS, to minimize budgetary risks and the potential for bids received to be in excess of available project budgets, the Committee recommends that, on projects with an estimated construction cost greater than \$5 million dollars, the City Commission require that an independent cost estimate be obtained prior to the issuance of a solicitation; and

WHEREAS, the Committee further recommended that City Commission approval be obtained prior to engaging a consultant to complete a cost estimate on a project when the consultant's fee is expected to be greater than \$100,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby accept the recommendation of the Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee, at its May 21, 2021 meeting, directing the Administration to obtain an independent cost estimate on all projects with an estimated construction cost greater than \$5 million, and requiring that any estimate expected to cost in excess of \$100,000 be submitted to the City Commission for prior approval.

PASSED and **ADOPTED** this _____ day of _____2021.

ATTEST:

RAFAEL E. GRANADO, CITY CLERK

DAN GELBER, MAYOR

