

# MIAMI BEACH

## COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission  
FROM: Commissioner Alex Fernandez  
DATE: January 20, 2022

SUBJECT: REFERRAL TO THE LAND USE AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS STORM DRAIN COVERS AND DIRECT THE ADMINISTRATION TO REPORT AT COMMITTEE ON THE FEASIBILITY AND COST OF INSTALLING STORM DRAIN COVERS CITYWIDE.

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### **ANALYSIS**

Attached please find a photograph of a plastic bag wedged onto a City storm drain. Debris such as plastic bags, fast food containers, plastic bottles, food, aluminum cans, cardboard containers, and other such waste materials can create clogs in the City's storm drains. Many of these items are not biodegradable and slowly accumulate in the system over time.

I hereby request for the Land Use and Sustainability Committee to discuss storm drain covers to prevent large objects such as trash, waste, and other debris from getting into the City's sewer system causing potential flooding as well as environmental and pollution issues. I would like the Administration to report to the Committee on the feasibility and cost of installing storm drain covers Citywide.

### **SUPPORTING SURVEY DATA**

N/A

### **Applicable Area**

Citywide

### **Is this a "Residents Right to Know" item, pursuant to City Code Section 2-14?**

Yes

### **Does this item utilize G.O. Bond Funds?**

No

### **Legislative Tracking**

Commissioner Alex Fernandez

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

#### **Description**

- [Photograph](#)