

September 5, 2022

From: Residents of Century Lane, Miami Beach, FL

To: Miami Beach Commissioners

Re: The “Manhattanization” of Miami Beach

Dear Esteemed Miami Beach Commissioner:

This letter is to address the concerns of the residents of Century Lane, Belle Isle, Miami Beach. Due to the irregular zoning on this street, developers are taking advantage of this to build single family homes higher than what is allowed in the neighborhood. While the current local government has been proponents of development on the beach, this particular Lane is not big enough to support the additional density that has made its way through the approval process.

We have no sidewalk, no green space, and the current monstrosity being built at 11 Century Lane (picture below) has had construction workers blocking the entrance to our building for months. The dimensions of this building looks like it belongs in Manhattan, and looks completely out of place, towering over small, single story homes that have been on this quiet street for 50+ years.

We have been informed of additional developers planning to use this zoning loophole to tear down and build skyscraper single-family homes on the rest of the lots on Century Lane. The street is simply not big enough to accommodate additional cars, or large numbers of residents living in these high-rise mansions. What will the additional plumbing for the multiple toilets, showers, baths and pools demand on the current sewer pipes (that seem to rupture quite often lately)?

Emergency vehicles cannot even turn around on this street because it is so narrow. Construction vehicles consistently block the street, additional construction projects would essentially shut down the street to residents.

We would like to host you to come see the street to show you what we are talking about. Thank you in advance for your time for this important issue for this neighborhood and concerned voters of Century Lane.

Thank you,

Century Lane Residents

