

MIAMI BEACH

Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee

City Hall, Commission Chambers, 3rd Floor, 1700 Convention Center Drive; or

<https://miamibeachfl.gov.zoom.us/j/86360595462>; or Dial: 1-301-715-8592 or 888-475-4499 (Toll Free)

Webinar ID: 86360595462

February 17, 2023 - 9:30 AM

Commissioner David Richardson, Chair

Commissioner Alex Fernandez, Vice-Chair

Commissioner Ricky Arriola, Member

Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez, Alternate

Kathie Brooks, Liaison

Nattaly Cuervo, Support Staff

Visit us at www.miamibeachfl.gov for agendas and video streaming of City Commission Committee Meetings.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **DISCUSS THE POTENTIAL IMPLEMENTATION OF LOCAL HIRING PREFERENCES FOR CITY EMPLOYMENT.**

September 14, 2022 - C4 T

Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez

Human Resources

ACTION:

Commissioner Fernandez directed the City Attorney's office, together with the City Manager's office to return to the March 31, 2023 FERC Committee with a proposed resolution providing a certain area, including Miami Beach, to have a hiring preference. Based on the City's resident population, the area for resident preference would be expanded beyond Miami Beach.

2. **DISCUSS A MAXIMUM FEE FOR WASTE HAULER SERVICES FOR MULTI-FAMILY DWELLINGS OF LESS THAN 25 UNITS**

May 4, 2022 - C4 P

Sponsored by Commissioner Alex Fernandez

Public Works

ACTION:

Commissioner Richardson asked the Administration to explore the option of having 3 contract franchise companies along with awarding a fourth company as an alternate. Joe Gomez was asked to meet with the City Manager's office to determine if 4 haulers would be a good fit as opposed to the 3 recommended. Commissioner Richardson also asked Joe Gomez to work with Commissioner Fernandez and Commissioner Arriola on a yearly percentage escalation fee. Item to return to the March

31, 2023 FERC meeting, with the possibility of awarding an alternate.

3. **DISCUSS THE SOLID WASTE COMMERCIAL FRANCHISE HAULER PRESENTATION**

April 6, 2022 - C4 A

Sponsored by Commissioner David Richardson

Public Works

ACTION:

Heard together with Item #2.

4. **UPDATE FROM THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT REGARDING STEPS TAKEN TO STREAMLINE THE BUSINESS PERMITTING PROCESS, IMPROVE BUSINESS RETENTION, AND ATTRACT NEW BUSINESSES**

December 12, 2018 -C4 E

Sponsored by Commissioner Ricky Arriola

Economic Development

ACTION:

Item heard together within item #14.

5. **DISCUSSION ON THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH COMMITTEE FOR QUALITY EDUCATION'S MOTION REQUESTING THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION MAKE A PRIORITY THAT STUDENTS SAFETY DURING DROP OFF AND PICK UP AT MIAMIBeach SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL BE SECURED BY URGING OUR TRANSPORTATION AND MOBILITY DEPARTMENT TO COME UP WITH A WORKING PLAN.**

C4 AE - December 8, 2021

Sponsored by Commissioner David Richardson

Transportation & Mobility

ACTION:

Commissioner Richardson stated he would communicate with the Miami Dade County School Board, and Miami Dade County to equally split the cost of this project. Transportation has identified within their budget \$160,000 for the design phase of the project. Commissioner Richardson directed this item be heard at the March 27th Commission meeting with a resolution, recommending commencing the design of the drop off lane.

6. **DISCUSS THE GREATER MIAMI CONVENTION AND VISITORS' BUREAU PARTNERSHIP PLANNING WITH THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH**

January 20, 2022 - C4 AD

Sponsored by Commissioner Richardson

Economic Development and Marketing & Communications

ACTION:

Last heard at the March 20, 2022 FERC meeting. To be heard at the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

7. **DISCUSSION ON COST ALLOCATIONS OR PERCENTAGES TO CAPITAL PROJECTS TO FUND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT DEPARTMENT AND ANY CHANGES RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMITTEE.**

June 22, 2022 - C4 D

Sponsored by Commissioner Richardson

Office of Capital Improvement Projects

ACTION:

Currently all CIP projects have an additional 6.5% associated with the cost of the project to cover project management costs. A consultant for the CIP Department looked at actual costs and recommended a tiered approach be considered, instead of a flat 6.5%.

Commissioner Fernandez motioned this item be heard at the March 27, 2023 Commission meeting with a resolution adopting the recommended tiered approach to be implemented in the 2024 Fiscal Year as well as charging for projects in development but have not yet been budgeted to the appropriate fund rather than as overhead to budgeted capital projects.

Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. All in favor.

8. **ESTABLISH UNIVERSAL RENTAL APPLICATION FEE PROCESSING PROGRAM.**

October 26, 2022 - C4 K

Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez

Office of Housing and Community Services

ACTION:

Commissioner Fernandez explained at times residents pay multiple application fees causing financial complications. Alba Tarre presented a pilot program option in which the applicant could be reimbursed for their application fee. Commissioner Richardson directed the Administration to return to the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting with a plan on how they would use federal dollars to assist low-income applicants with an application reimbursement. Commissioner Fernandez and Commissioner Richardson agreed the applicants should only get 80% of the application fee reimbursed and up to a certain amount. Commissioner Richardson asked Alba to return to the April 21, 2023 FERC meeting with a proposed budget to also assist those residents who are not low-income but would still have financial difficulties.

9. **DISCUSS PROTECTIONS FOR TENANTS**

October 26, 2022 - C4 M

Sponsored by Commissioner Arriola

Office of Housing and Community Services

ACTION:

Commissioner Arriola explained tenants at times need financial, or legal assistance with Landlords. Often Landlords are not as responsive leaving the tenant live in subpar conditions. Alba Tarre, Director of Housing and Community Affairs, explained the Housing department used available Home ARPA dollars to fund Legal Services of Greater Miami to provide tenants legal services. They have had 13 referrals following their agreement commencement in January 2023. The City Attorney's office along with

Commissioner Arriola's office will be preparing a letter requesting Legal Services of Greater Miami provide recommendations on what the City could be doing to better tenant protections. Commissioner Richardson directed this item return to the April 21, 2023 FERC meeting with an update.

NEW BUSINESS

10. **A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING THE "AD HOC IGUANA REMEDIATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE," FOR A PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS (SUBJECT TO EARLIER OR LATER SUNSET BY THE CITY COMMISSION), TO STUDY WHAT ACTIONS OTHER JURISDICTIONS HAVE TAKEN TO ADDRESS IGUANA INVASIONS AND MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION REGARDING IGUANA MITIGATION AND REMOVAL OPTIONS; PRESCRIBING THE PURPOSE, COMPOSITION, POWERS, AND DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE; FURTHER, APPROVING RFQ NO. 2022-251-W G FOR IGUANA REMEDIATION SERVICES; AND FURTHER, DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO EXPLORE OPTIONS TO COORDINATE WITH OTHER JURISDICTIONS DEALING WITH IGUANA REMEDIATION ISSUES, SUCH AS THE FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION AND MIAMI-DADE ANIMAL CONTROL; AND FURTHER EXPLORE COLLABORATING ON IGUANA REMEDIATION THROUGH A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH NEIGHBORING MUNICIPALITIES SUCH AS THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, NORTH BAY VILLAGE, AND THE CITY OF MIAMI.**

September 14, 2022-C2 K

Sponsored by Commissioner Alex Fernandez

Facilities and Fleet Management

ACTION:

Commissioner Fernandez motioned to have this item heard at the March 27, 2023 Commission meeting recommending the funding increase by \$200,000 this fiscal year. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. All in favor.

11. **DISCUSS THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AND THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY HOMELESS TRUST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000.**

December 14, 2022 - C4 C

Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez

Office of Housing and Community Services

ACTION:

Commissioner Arriola motioned to have the MOU be heard at the March 27, 2023 Commission meeting including recommending \$500,000 from resort tax and \$500,000 from general fund be added to the funding for the rehabilitation of the Homeless Trust building. Commissioner Fernandez asked staff to explore the opportunity of providing benchmarks in the contract, making funds available after certain benchmarks have been met. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion.

12. **A DISCUSSION ON THE HOMELESS TRUST FUND CONTRIBUTION FROM THE CITY, INCLUDING THE POSSIBILITY FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING.**

February 1, 2023 - C4 G

Sponsored by Commissioner Richardson
Housing & Community Services

ACTION:

Item heard together with item #11

13. **DISCUSS THE USE OF TECHNOLOGICAL CAPABILITIES TO COMPLIMENT AND ENHANCE THE OPERATIONS OF THE PARKING DEPARTMENT INCLUDING THE ISSUANCE OF CITATIONS AND PREVENTING THE ABUSE OF DISABLED PARKING PERMITS.**

December 14, 2022 - C4 F

Sponsored by Commissioner Richardson
Parking Department

ACTION:

CEO of Pave Mobility offered to provide a pilot program of license plate recognition solutions. Pave Mobility will install cameras in up to 5 parking lots, at no cost to the City, for 3-6 months and collect data, and share all data with the City. The system they will use will be interfaced with the City's Parking apps to gather accurate information. Commissioner Richardson asked that there be no citations issued during this study period in an effort to identify revenues that are currently being lost by the abuse of disabled parking permits. Commissioner Richardson asked Moncia Beltran, Parking Department to work with his office to identify which 3 commercial lots and which 2 residential lots will be used during this pilot program. Commissioner Arriola motioned to have this item heard at the March 27th Commission meeting. Commissioner Richardson seconded the motion. All in favor. Commissioner Richardson asked for this item be heard at the April 21, 2023 FERC meeting to discuss the loss of revenue.

14. **DISCUSS CREATION OF A CITY OMBUDSMAN OR "PERMIT ADVOCATE" TEAM TO POTENTIALLY RESIDE WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER, AND ASSIST BUSINESSES AND RESIDENTS WITH PERMITTING ISSUES AND IMPROVE COORDINATION BETWEEN REGULATORY DEPARTMENTS, INCLUDING THE BUILDING, FIRE, ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY, PLANNING AND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTS, WITH THE GOAL OF IMPROVING THE CUSTOMER SERVICE EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO PERMITTING MATTERS.**

December 14, 2022 - C4 G

Sponsored by Commissioner Richardson and Vice- Mayor Meiner
Building Department | Office of the City Manager

Status: A verbal report will be provided at the February 17, 2023 FERC meeting.

ACTION:

A discussion was held on creating an ombudsman position to improve coordination between the department and the residents / businesses. Commissioner Richardson motioned to have this item heard

at the March 27th Commission to discuss which department this position should report to. Commissioner Richardson also requested to have a meeting with the Administration prior to the March 27th Commission meeting to discuss the salary, job description, and if this position should focus on only residents or businesses as well. Commissioner Arriola seconded the motion.

15. **DISCUSS A \$10,000 GRANT FOR MIAMI BEACH FIENBERG FISHER K-8 AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT**

December 14, 2022 - C4 H

Sponsored by Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez
Education and Performance Initiatives

ACTION:

Item deferred to the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

16. **DISCUSSION REGARDING ANCHOR LIMITATION AREAS BEYOND THE AREA OF THE PROPOSED MOORING FIELD.**

December 14, 2022 - C4 I

Sponsored by Commissioner Arriola
Environment & Sustainability

ACTION:

Item deferred to the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting

17. **DISCUSS THE ADOPTION OF AN OPTIONAL CITY REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT FOR PERSONS WITH DISABLED PARKING PERMITS, PLACARDS OR LICENSE PLATES, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE SUCH REGISTERED PERSONS WITH EXTENDED FREE PARKING AT ON-STREET PARKING METERS, BEYOND THE MAXIMUM FREE PARKING PERIOD SET FORTH IN STATE LAW - TO HELP CURB THE ABUSE AND MISUSE OF DISABLED PARKING PERMITS.**

December 14, 2022 - C4 J

Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez
Parking Department

ACTION:

Commissioner Fernandez asked staff to prepare a recommendation on a registration system that will extend the time permitted to park (4 hours) for those who have a disabled parking placard. This registration process can assist in identifying the abuse of disabled parking permits. Commissioner Richardson asked Monica Beltran, Parking Director, to present disabled registration suggestions at the March 27th Commission meeting

DEFERRED ITEMS

18. **AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION" BY AMENDING ARTICLE IV, ENTITLED "OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES," BY AMENDING DIVISION 4, ENTITLED "INDEPENDENT**

CITY AUDITOR," TO CREATE SECTION 2-254 THEREOF, ENTITLED "CITY'S INTERNAL AUDIT" TO ESTABLISH A CITY INTERNAL AUDITOR; AMENDING ARTICLE IV, ENTITLED "OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES," BY AMENDING DIVISION 5, ENTITLED "OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL," BY AMENDING SECTION 2-256 THEREOF, ENTITLED "OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL," TO REFLECT THE REASSIGNMENT OF THE INTERNAL AUDIT FUNCTION UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATION; AND, PROVIDING FOR REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

July 20, 2022 - R5 R

Sponsored by Commissioner Arriola and Commissioner Richardson
Office of the Inspector General

Status: Item deferred to the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

19. **DISCUSS THE NORTH BEACH CRA COMMERCIAL FACADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

December 14, 2022 - C4 A

Economic Development

Status: Item deferred to the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

20. **DISCUSS EXPLORING DIFFERENT FINANCIAL AND FUNDING MODELS FOR RENOVATING OR BUILDING A NEW BYRON CARLYLE THEATER, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS:**

(1) A STAND-ALONE CITY OWNED PROJECT BUILT ENTIRELY BY THE CITY WITH THE CITY'S OWN FUNDS;

(2) A PRIVATELY FUNDED LONG -TERM LEASE PROJECT, WITH THE CITY TO CONTROL THE GROUND FLOOR CULTURAL ARTS SPACE; AND

(3) A CITY-OWNED PROJECT, DEVELOPED AS A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP WITH PROJECT REVENUE BONDS (AND NO SALE OR LEASE OF THE PROPERTY); AND

(4) OTHER OPTIONS THAT MAY BE IDENTIFIED, WITH ALL OF THE FOREGOING OPTIONS TO IDENTIFY FUNDING SOURCES AND PUBLIC OR PRIVATE FINANCING ALTERNATIVES.

February 9, 2022 - C4 G

Sponsored by Commissioner Richardson
Facilities and Fleet Management

Status: Item deferred to the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

21. **A DISCUSSION WITH POSSIBLE ACTION AS NEEDED REGARDING THE G.O. BOND FOR ARTS AND CULTURE APPROVED BY THE VOTERS ON NOVEMBER 8, 2022.**

November 16, 2022 - C4 AB

Sponsored by Commissioner Richardson
Office of the City Manager | Finance

Status: Item to be brought back to the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

22. **DISCUSS AND REVIEW OF THE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR THE LICENSING OF BOAT OPERATORS**

October 13, 2021 - R9 AJ

Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez
Finance I Code Compliance

Status: Last heard at the January 27, 2023 FERC meeting. To be heard at the March 21, 2023 FERC meeting.

23. **DISCUSS UPCOMING EXPIRATION OF NIKKI BEACH LEASE**

October 26, 2022 - C4 L

Sponsored by Commissioner Arriola
Facilities and Fleet Management

Status: Last heard at the January 27, 2023 FERC meeting. Item to be brought back to the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

24. **DISCUSS EXPLORING THE CITY'S PURCHASE OF 7605 COLLINS AVE, FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF DEDICATING THE PROPERTY AS PART OF THE ADJACENT ALTOS DEL MAR PARK**

November 16, 2022 - C4 A

Sponsored by Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez
Facilities and Fleet Management

Status: Item withdrawn by Sponsor.

25. **DISCUSS POTENTIAL FOR PEDESTRIAN ENHANCEMENTS IN THE OCEAN DRIVE, LINCOLN ROAD, AND ESPANOLA WAY COMMERCIAL CORRIDORS**

April 29, 2021 - C4 Q

Sponsored by Commissioner Richardson
Facilities and Fleet Management

Status: Last heard at the November 14, 2022 FERC meeting. To be heard at the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

26. **DISCUSS MOTION FROM THE AD HOC NEIGHBORHOOD RESILIENCE PROJECTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

June 22, 2022 - C4 B

Sponsored by Commissioner Arriola
Public Works

Status: Item to be heard at the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

27. **DISCUSS A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT DATED DECEMBER 28, 2015 BY AND BETWEEN THE MIAMI BEACH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, A PUBLIC BODY CORPORATE POLITIC (RDA), (LANDLORD) AND CUBICHE 105, LLC (TENANT), FOR THE USE OF SUITES NOS. 1-3 OF THE ANCHOR SHOPS, LOCATED AT 1555 WASHINGTON AVENUE, MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA; SAID AMENDMENT MODIFYING THE FINANCIAL TERMS OF THE LEASE.**

December 14, 2022 - C4 A

Facilities and Fleet Management

Status: Item to be heard at the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

28. **DISCUSSION REGARDING A PROPOSAL FOR A MIXED-USE WORKFORCE HOUSING AND OFFICE PROJECT ON THE CITY PARKING LOT AT 1000 WASHINGTON AVENUE**

June 23, 2021 - C4 N

Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez

Facilities and Fleet Management

Status: Item deferred to the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

29. **DISCUSS RELAUNCHING SLEEPLESS NIGHT.**

February 1, 2023 - C4 H

Sponsored by Commissioner Arriola

Tourism and Culture Department

Status: Item to be heard at the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

30. **DISCUSS FINANCIAL INCENTIVES FOR PRIVATE SEAWALL RESILIENCY PROJECTS, AS WELL AS AN UPDATE ON THE STATUS OF THE CITY'S PRIVATE PROPERTY ADAPTATION PROGRAM.**

February 1, 2023 - C4 I

Sponsored by Commissioner Dominguez

Environment & Sustainability

Status: Item to be heard at the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

31. **REVIEW CAPITAL PROJECTS REQUIRING ADDITIONAL FUNDING**

February 1, 2023 - C4 AA

Sponsored by Commissioner Richardson

Budget

Status: Item to be heard at the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

32. **DISCUSS EXPANDING FREEBEE RIDE SERVICE**

February 1, 2023 - C4 AB

Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez

Transportation & Mobility

Status: Item to be heard at the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

33. **FUNDING FOR CERTAIN COMMUNITY EVENTS/OUTREACH**

February 1, 2023 - C4 AD

Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez

Economic Development Department

Status: Item to be heard at the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

34. **CREATE HOMELESS HOTLINE W/TEXTING CAPABILITIES**

February 1, 2023 - C4 AE

Sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez

Housing & Community Services

Status: Item to be heard at the March 31, 2023 FERC meeting.

35. **DISCUSSION REGARDING TYLER TECHNOLOGIES PERFORMANCE AND STRATEGY FOR THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH**

October 13, 2021 - C4 J

Sponsored by Commissioner Arriola
Information Technology

Status: Item deferred to the July 28, 2023 FERC meeting.

WITHDRAWN ITEMS

36. **CITY'S SPENDING ON EMAIL HACKING TESTS**

October 13, 2021 - C4 J

Sponsored by Commissioner Richardson

Information Technology

Status: Item withdrawn by sponsor