

MIAMI BEACH

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

NO. LTC #

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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Honorable Mayor Dan Gelber and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk



DATE: May 12, 2023

SUBJECT: **Motion from the Police Citizen Relations Committee
May 9, 2023, Hybrid Meeting**

The purpose of this Letter to the Commission (LTC) is to inform the Mayor and the Commission of an amended motion made by the Police Citizen Relations Committee at their May 9, 2023, Hybrid Meeting.

Background:

The original motion was made at the meeting on Tuesday, April 11, 2023. In addition to the below motion, a motion was made by Committee Member Jill Shockett and seconded by Committee Member Joanna Kravitz and passed to reiterate their support of the Miami Beach Police Department and share the mission statement of the Police Citizen's Relations Committee which reads:

Motion regarding the creation of a Task Force Regarding Spring Break 2024 & Beyond

The mission of the Police/Citizen Relations Committee is to recommend and endorse programs and projects that will enhance the well-being of the residents and visitors of Miami Beach and to provide advice to the city commission pertaining to community/police relations with the aim of improving the public's confidence in government and in particular, the police department of the city.

Recognizing that human lives have been lost, people have been critically injured, and that public safety and the reputation of Miami Beach has been significantly impacted by negative news coverage from the shootings that have occurred during the month of March every year for several years, the Committee suggests with urgency that the Miami Beach City Commission establishes a Blue Ribbon / Ad Hoc Task Force to support the City Commission and City Administration with their endeavors to create a more hospitable and safe environment for all residents, employees, and visitors immediately.

We urgently recommend this committee be established, by no later than June 1, 2023, with proposed recommendations submitted by the end of summer 2023, in order to ensure that this collaborative message is heard as the city moves into the planning stages for Spring Break 2024.


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