

MIAMI BEACH

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COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Dan Gelber and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE: May 20, 2019

SUBJECT: **UPDATE REGARDING CLEANLINESS IN MIAMI BEACH**

HISTORY

At the March 20, 2019 Sustainability and Resiliency Committee meeting, the Administration was asked to evaluate residential concerns for contractor negligence. Additionally, it was requested that recommendations for improving enforcement, communications and ordinance revisions be provided.

ANALYSIS

Through assessing calls for service via Egov requests and calls to Code Compliance, the number of complaints were nominal. This could be due to the lack of clarity on what and how residents can report issues. Currently residents can call 305-604-CITY (2489) or submit a ticket through the Egov app. Through both, Code Compliance is given notice and they investigate and address accordingly.

Currently, contractors working with an associated right-of-way permit are responsible for cleaning up their debris. In the event they fail to do so, notice will be given to the contractor that they are to remedy the area promptly and future permits will be suspended until such time. For instances where the contracted work is being done on private property, it is handled as a civil matter as the homeowner is responsible for the actions of their contractor. Neighbors can call Code Compliance to assess and document if a violation for littering is an option. As a courtesy, Code Compliance or other City departments can document the damage; providing a homeowner with an inspection number documenting the incident. This can be used when filling a claim against the construction bond held by the contractor.

CONCLUSION

Based on the direction from Committee members, staff has identified that an opportunity does exist to inform residents of their "rights". Staff will work with the Communications Department to add information on the "residents" page, informing of them of how to address issues stemming from contractors doing work on an adjacent property.