

Discussion Item 6. Diversity & Inclusion in Historic Preservation*Background*

Following up on the Board's discussion of Historic Preservation and Equity in the July 31, 2020 meeting, one action was to research possible legislative recommendations. Please see below for a Social Equity Statement requirement for certain ordinances in the Miami-Dade County rules of procedure:

Sec. 2-1. - Rules of procedure of County Commission

(t) Social equity statement required for ordinances; exceptions.

- (1) Prior to the public hearing on any ordinance, the Mayor shall prepare a written social equity statement (a) identifying the possible non-monetary benefits and burdens of the policy to be implemented by the proposed ordinance and describing how those benefits and burdens would affect the community (e.g., geographically, demographically, by income levels, etc.), and (b) identifying the possible increase or decrease in monetary impacts anticipated to be borne by the residents of the County if the proposed ordinance is adopted and describing how those increased or decreased monetary impacts would affect the community (e.g., geographically, demographically, by income levels, etc.) ("social equity statement"). No public hearing on any ordinance shall be held, if the social equity statement is not submitted with the ordinance as part of the agenda.
- (2) If the Mayor initially determines that an ordinance has no social equity impact, but later determines that the ordinance does have a social equity impact (such as during the process of implementation), then the Mayor shall so advise the Board in a memorandum. Additionally, if, due to the social equity impact of an ordinance, the Mayor has not fully implemented all or any part of the program or policy provided for in an ordinance within one year of the effective date, or such other date as set forth in the ordinance, then the Mayor shall so advise the Board in a memorandum. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this rule shall be construed to authorize the Mayor not to comply with the policy direction contained in an ordinance without Board approval.
- (3) The Mayor shall not be required to provide a social equity statement for budget or emergency ordinances.
- (4) The social equity statement shall be based on information that is currently available and known by the administration.

This is a small step that we could adopt at the City level for zoning changes to provide visibility into the equity impact of land use legislation.

*Proposed Motion*

A motion by the Historic Preservation Board urging the Mayor and Commission to adopt a City requirement for a social equity statement for proposed zoning changes modeled after the County requirement in the rules of procedure.