

MIAMI BEACH

Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee
March 7, 2022 - 3:00 PM

Commissioner Steven Meiner - Chair
Commissioner Alex Fernandez - Vice Chair
Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez - Member
Commissioner Mark Samuelian - Alternate

Mark Taxis - Liaison
Christina Baguer - Support Staff

OLD BUSINESS

1. **DISCUSSION REGARDING POSSIBLE WAYS TO IMPROVE THE HOMELESS ISSUE.**

February 12, 2020 - C4 S

Commissioner Steven Meiner
Office of Housing and Community Services/ Police

Commissioner Meiner introduced the item.

Alba Tarre, Director of Housing and Community Services addressed the Committee and provided an update on encampments and the City's strategy.

Chief Clements updated the Committee on his Department's dedicated officers to address the homeless population.

Direction: Return to the April 27, 2022 PSNQLC with information on the homeless establishing residency.

2. **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE TOPS PROGRAM:
OFF- DUTY POLICE.**

October 30, 2019 - C4 G

Commissioner Samuelian
Police

Commissioner Samuelian introduced the item.

Major Doce of the Police Department provided the Committee with an update on the positivity of the program after the rate increase.

Direction: Return to the June 15, 2022 PSNQLC meeting with an update, providing data on off duty jobs offered and taken now versus before the rate increase.

NEW BUSINESS

3. **DISCUSSION REGARDING A RECOMMENDATION, AS REQUIRED BY THE CITY'S NAMING ORDINANCE, REGARDING THE PROPOSED RENAMING OF THE NORTH BEACH BANDSHELL FACILITY LOCATED AT 7275 COLLINS AVENUE, AS THE "MIAMI BEACH BANDSHELL."**

January 20, 2022, C4R

Mayor Dan Gelber

Parks and Recreation

Motion: Move to full Commission. Motioned by Commissioner Fernandez and seconded by Commissioner Meiner.

Remove the item from PSNQLC.

4. **A DISCUSSION REGARDING THE NAMING OF THE 500-700 ALTON ROAD PARK.**

December 8, 2021, C7L

Commissioner Fernandez

Parks and Recreation

Motion: Move to full Commission - Sunset Park as first choice and Gateway Park as second choice for naming of the park. Motioned by Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez and seconded by Commissioner Fernandez.

Remove item from PSNQLC.

5. **A DISCUSSION REGARDING RENAMING INDIAN BEACH PARK TO MID-BEACH PARK.**

October 13, 2021, C4D

Commissioner Ricky Arriola and Commissioner Meiner

Parks and Recreation

John Rebar, Director of the Parks and Recreation Department provided the Committee with an overview of the item.

Motion: Move to full Commission. Motioned by Commissioner Fernandez and seconded by Commissioner Meiner.

Remove the item from PSNQLC.

6. **DETERMINE IF IT IS IN THE CITY'S BEST INTEREST TO RUN WEBSITE-ONLY LEGAL NOTICES, AS ALLOWED BY HB 35.**

January 20, 2021 - C4 S

Office of the City Clerk

Motion: Move to full Commission for notice procedure to remain the same. Motioned by Commissioner Fernandez and seconded by Commissioner Meiner. Remove the item from PSNQLC.

7. **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE SAFETY OF PROTECTED BIKE LANES.**

January 20, 2022 - C4B

Commissioner David Richardson

Transportation & Mobility

Jose Gonzalez provided the Committee with an overview.

The Committee asked questions regarding safety features used by the Department.

Direction: Return to the April 27, 2022 PSNQLC meeting with an update on safety issues and incorporating different measures to ensure safety.

8. **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE 63RD STREET BRIDGE SCHEDULE**

December 12, 2021 - C4 Q

Commissioner Steven Meiner

Transportation & Mobility

Direction: Defer to the March 23, 2022 PSNQLC meeting.

9. **DISCUSSION REGARDING ESTABLISHMENT OF A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS FOR THE HOMELESS ("ACE").**

December 8, 2021 - C4 K

Commissioner Meiner

Office of Housing and Community Services

Commissioner Meiner introduced the item.

Alba Tarre, Director of Housing and Community Services provided the Committee with an overview of the program.

Direction: Remove item from PSNQLC.

10. **DISCUSS/TAKE ACTION ON \$25,000 DONATION THAT WAS GIVEN TO THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH IN 2013.**

October 13, 2021 - R9 R

Commissioner Richardson

Environmental and Sustainability

Direction: Defer to the May 17, 2022 PSNQLC meeting.

11. **A DISCUSSION REGARDING THE RESOLUTION OF THE MARINE AND WATERFRONT PROTECTION AUTHORITY BOARD TO COMMEMORATE DR. MORRIS SUNSHNE BY NAMING THE RECENTLY INSTALLED NON-MOTORIZED VESSEL FLOATING DOCK AT MAURICE GIBB PARK IN HIS HONOR.**

December 8, 2021, C4C
Commissioner Mark Samuelian
Parks and Recreation

**Motion: By acclamation, the Committee moved to full Commission.
Remove the item from PSNQLC.**

12. **DISCUSS POTENTIAL OPTIONS TO MORE EFFECTIVELY SECURE THE SWORN TESTIMONY OF MIAMI BEACH CRIME VICTIMS WHO RESIDE OUT-OF-TOWN, IN ORDER TO FURTHER AID IN THE PROSECUTION OF OFFENDERS COMMITTING CRIMES IN MIAMI BEACH.**

December 18, 2021 - C4 B

Commissioner Meiner
Police

This item was heard in conjunction with item #28.

Captain Daniel Morgalo from the Police Department provided the Committee with an overview of the process for obtaining statements from out-of-town victims.

Direction: Return to the June 15, 2022 PSNQLC meeting with information on subpoena power and sworn victim statement policy.

Combine this item with item #28.

13. **DISCUSS THE SURVEY CONDUCTED OF MIAMI BEACH RESIDENTS REGARDING CRIME LEVELS IN THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH.**

December 8, 2021 - C4 D

Commissioner Samuelian
Police

Commissioner Samuelian introduced the item.

Hank Lemieux, from e.pluribus.US, gave an overview of the survey and explained his experience in the field.

Direction: Return to the July 27, 2022 PSNQLC meeting with an updated survey.

14. **DISCUSS METHODS TO PROACTIVELY MITIGATE SHOPLIFTING, PETIT THEFT, AND SMASH-AND-GRAB CRIME.**

January 20, 2022 - C4 V

Commissioner Meiner
Police

Commissioner Meiner introduced the item.

Rick Clements, Chief of the Police Department, explained what's happening in the City with shoplifting crimes.

Commissioner Fernandez inquired about the Homeless and these types of crimes and asked Rob Rosenwald, Chief Deputy City Attorney, to research the City's ability to ensure businesses are reporting all crimes, including shoplifting

Direction: Return to the July 27, 2022 PSNQLC meeting with an update on mandating businesses to report all crimes using their BTR and the possibility of offering trainings during their BTR process.

15. **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE MANNER AND MECHANISM IN WHICH THE CITY'S RESIDENTS CAN OBTAIN UPDATED INFORMATION REGARDING THE PENDING STATUS OF CRIMINAL OFFENSES PROSECUTED BY THE STATE ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.**

October 13, 2021 - C4 V

Commissioner Samuelian and Commissioner Meiner
Police

Commissioner Samuelian introduced the item.

Paul Acosta, Assistant Chief of Police, provided the Committee an overview.

Captain Garcia of the Police Department provided information on the status of court cases and Zoom links for courtrooms.

Direction: Return to the June 15, 2022 PSNQLC meeting for an update on the availability of public information regarding crimes, chronic offenders, and outcome of cases.

16. **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE IMPACTS ON QUALITY OF LIFE EMANATING FROM THE 5TH AND ALTON ROAD MALL COMPLEX.**

December 8, 2021 - C4 AL

Commissioner Meiner
Facilities and Fleet Management

Ozzie Dominguez, Asset Manager for the Facilities and Fleet Management Department, provided the Committee with an overview of the status of the 5th and Alton Road Mall complex.

The Committee expressed an interest in visiting the area to look for solutions to current issues.

Direction: Return to the June 15, 2022 PSNQLC meeting with an update.

17. **DISCUSSION REGARDING CO-NAMING OF MERIDIAN AVENUE, BETWEEN DADE BOULEVARD AND 18TH STREET/HARVEY MILK WAY, AS CELIA CRUZ WAY IN HONOR OF THE LATE CELIA CRUZ**

December 08, 2021 - R5 F

Mayor Dan Gelber and Commissioners David Richardson, Alex Fernandez and Kristen Rosen- Gonzalez

Transportation & Mobility

Motion: Move to full Commission. Motioned by Commissioner Fernandez and seconded by Commissioner Meiner.

Remove the item from PSNQLC.

18. **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE "ADOPT-A-BENCH" RESOLUTION AND THE 2019 REPEAL OF THE "BRICK PAVER" PROGRAM FOR THE POTENTIAL AMENDMENT OF SAID RESOLUTION.**

December 8, 2021, C4 G

Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez

Parks and Recreation

Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez introduced the item and explained the benefits of the program and the needed changes.

Motion: By acclamation the Adopt A Bench program was moved to the full Commission.

Direction: Return to the April 27, 2022 PSNQLC meeting to discuss the brick paver program and the possibility of removing the City process for reviewing what goes on the purchased brick.

19. **DISCUSSION REGARDING A CABLE/INTERNET COUPON OR DISCOUNT FOR SENIOR CITIZENS ON A FIXED INCOME.**

January 20, 2022 - C4 O

Commissioner Rosen-Gonzalez

Office of Housing and Community Services

Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez introduced the item.

Alba Tarre, Director of Housing and Community Services explained the various discounts and options already available to residents.

Direction: Remove item from PSNQLC.

20. **DISCUSS REMOVAL OF BUS ROUTE 115 IN MIAMI BEACH AND ITS EFFECT ON MIAMI BEACH RESIDENTS.**

January 20, 2022 - C4 H

Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez

Transportation and Mobility

Jose Gonzalez, Director of Transportation and Mobility provided the Committee with an explanation on the bus routes and the effects on residents.

Direction: Return to the April 27, 2022 PSNQLC meeting with costs for adding services and an update on discussions with the County.

21. **A DISCUSSION REGARDING THE CREATION OF A PARK CONSERVANCY TO ASSIST IN THE STEWARDSHIP AND CONSERVANCY OF THE CITY'S PARKS.**

January 20, 2022, C4N

Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez
Parks and Recreation

Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez introduced the item.

John Rebar, Director of Parks and Recreation, discussed the different conservancies and asked for more time to research.

Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez suggested Mr. Rebar meet with the Botanical Gardens and explore their model.

Commissioner Fernandez discussed exploring a conservancy for Monument Island.

Direction: Return to the June 15, 2022 PSNQLC meeting to discuss all possible options. Add Commissioner Fernandez as a sponsor.

22. **DISCUSS CREATING A DOG PARK IN FAIRWAY PARK**

January 20, 2022, C4 K

Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez
Parks and Recreation

Direction: Defer to the March 29, 2022 PSNQLC meeting.

23. **A DISCUSSION REGARDING THE RENAMING OF THE MIAMI BEACH SKATE PARK ON 82ND STREET THE "ISRAEL HERNANDEZ SKATE PARK."**

January 20, 2022, C4M

Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez
Parks and Recreation

Direction: Defer to the March 29, 2022 PSNQLC meeting.

24. **DISCUSSION REGARDING STATUS ON SPEED STUDY ON SOUTH SHORE DRIVE TO DETERMINE IF SPEED CALMING MEASURES ARE NEEDED**

January 20, 2022 - C4 J

Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez
Transportation & Mobility

Direction: Defer to the March 29, 2022 PSNQLC meeting.

25. **DISCUSS THE LACK OF PARKING AT FISHER PARK AND POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS**
January 20, 2022, C4 P
Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez
Parks and Recreation

Direction: Defer to the March 29, 2022 PSNQLC meeting.

26. **DISCUSSION REGARDING RELOCATING THE CAT COLONY AT NORTH SHORE OPEN SPACE PARK.**
January 20, 2022 - C4 Q
Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez
Public Works

This item was withdrawn from PSNQLC.

ADDENDUM

27. **DISCUSSION REGARDING FAMILY-FRIENDLY ACTIVATION IN LUMMUS PARK PASSED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION AT THE APRIL 21, 2021 COMMISSION MEETING.**
December 8, 2021, C4 AJ
Commissioner Steven Meiner
Parks and Recreation

Commissioner Meiner introduced the item.

**Motion: Move to full Commission with a recommendation to negotiate with the vendor and add a free option. Motioned by Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez and seconded by Commissioner Meiner.
Remove item from PSNQLC.**

28. **DISCUSSION REGARDING A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION AND CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO EXPLORE POTENTIAL OPTIONS, BASED UPON THE NEEDS OF THE MIAMI-DADE STATE ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, TO MORE READILY AND EFFECTIVELY SECURE THE SWORN TESTIMONY OF MIAMI BEACH CRIME VICTIMS WHO RESIDE OUT-OF-TOWN, IN ORDER TO FURTHER AID IN THE PROSECUTION OF OFFENDERS COMMITTING CRIMES IN THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH.**
December 8, 2021 - R7 AA
Commissioner Fernandez
Police

This item was heard in conjunction with item #12.

Captain Daniel Morgalo from the Police Department provided the Committee

with an overview of the process for obtaining statements from out-of-town victims.

Direction: Return to the June 15, 2022 PSNQLC meeting with information on subpoena power and sworn victim statement policy.

Combine this item with item #12.