

# MIAMI BEACH

## COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

DATE: January 31, 2023

SUBJECT: City Commission – At-Large Nominations for February 1, 2023 – Release # 5

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Below please find the City Commission At-Large Nominations received to date for the February 1, 2023 Commission. Changes made since the issuance of Release # 4 are shown in red.

### BOARD AND COMMITTEES:

#### ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE

Sobe Cats Spay & Neuter Inc. Representative  
(Category # b2)  
*(One Reappointment Seat Available)*

- **Linda Diamond - Chair**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (Sobe Cats Spay & Neuter Inc. Category) by Commissioners **Dominguez**, Fernandez, and Rosen Gonzalez.  
(Release # 2, Page 11)  
(Release # 4, Page 1)  
**(Release # 5, Page 1)**

#### AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Residential Home-Building Industry in Connection With Affordable Housing  
(Category # 1)  
*(One Reappointment Seat Available)*

- **Jean Marie Echemendia**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (Residential Home-Building/Affordable Housing Category) by Commissioners **Dominguez**, Fernandez, and Rosen Gonzalez.  
(Release # 1, Page 11)  
(Release # 4, Page 1)  
**(Release # 5, Page 1)**

Miami Beach Resident  
(Category # 9)  
*(One Reappointment Seat Available)*

- **Barbara Montero**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (Miami Beach Resident Category) by Commissioners **Dominguez** and Rosen Gonzalez.  
(Release # 1, Page 21)  
**(Release # 5, Page 1)**

## ART IN PUBLIC PLACES

Art History, Architectural History, Etc. Category  
(Two Vacant Seats Available)

- **Sara M. de los Reyes**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Art/Architectural History Category) by Commissioner **Dominguez** and Vice-Mayor Meiner.  
(Release # 1, Page 31)  
(Release # 5, Page 2)
- **Gina Rosenblum**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Art/Architectural History Category) by Vice-Mayor Meiner.  
(Release # 1, Page N/A)  
**Pending Application**
- **Gabriel J. Paez**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Art/Architectural History Category) by Commissioners **Dominguez** and Fernandez.  
(Release # 4, Page 11)  
(Release # 5, Page 2)

## BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (5/7 vote required)

Architect  
(Category A)  
(One Vacant Seat Available)

- **James R. Silvers**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Architect Category) by Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez.  
(Release # 2, Page 21)

## CULTURAL ARTS COUNCIL (3-year term)

At-Large Category  
(One Vacant Seat Available)

- **Teresa M. Cesario**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Best Interests of the Arts Within the City Category) by Commissioner Richardson.  
(Release # 1, Page 47)
- **Lauren Cohen**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Best Interests of the Arts Within the City Category) by Commissioners Dominguez and Fernandez.  
(Release # 1, Page 59)  
(Release # 4, Page 2)
- **Ami Glottmann**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Best Interests of the Arts Within the City Category) by Mayor Gelber.  
(Release # 1, Page 69)

## **GENERAL OBLIGATION (G.O.) BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

### *City Resident North Beach Area Category (One Reappointment Seat Available)*

- **Laura Veitia**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (City Resident North Beach Area Category) by Mayor Gelber.  
(Release # 1, Page 79)

### *City Resident South Beach Area Category (Two Reappointment Seats Available)*

- **Jason Greene, Vice-Chair**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (City Resident South Beach Area Category) by Mayor Gelber.  
(Release # 1, Page 89)
- **Scott A. Needelman**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (City Resident South Beach Area Category) by Commissioners Dominguez and Fernandez.  
(Release # 3, Page 11)  
(Release # 4, Page 2)

### *City Resident Mid-Beach Area Category (One Vacant Seat Available)*

- **Jason S. Koslowe**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (City Resident Mid-Beach Area Category) by Vice-Mayor Meiner.  
(Release # 1, Page 101)

### *City Resident With Experience in Cultural/Arts Organizations - Operations, Facilities Management, or Design (Two Vacant Seats Available)*

- **Susan Askew**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Cultural/Arts Organizations) by Commissioner **Dominguez** and Mayor Gelber.  
(Release # 1, Page 113)  
**(Release # 5, Page 3)**
- **Dennis Scholl**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Cultural/Arts Organizations) by Mayor Gelber.  
(Release # 1, Page 127)

## HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) - Mount Sinai Medical Center  
(Category # 1)  
*(One Reappointment Seat Available)*

- **Gino Santorio**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (CEO Mount Sinai Category) by Commissioner Fernandez and Mayor Gelber.  
(Release # 1, Page 139)  
(Release # 4, Page 3)

Chief Executive Officer (CEO) - Miami Beach Community Health Center  
(Category # 2)  
*(One Reappointment Seat Available)*

- **Mark L. Rabinowitz**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (CEO of Miami Beach Community Health Center Category) by Mayor Gelber.  
(Release # 4, Page 21)

Administrator From an Adult Congregate Living Facility (ACLF) and/or an Assisted Living Facility  
(ALF)(Category # 3)  
*(Two Reappointment Seats Available)*

- **Frank C. Mena**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (ACLF/ALF Category) by Commissioner Dominguez.  
(Release # 1, Page 153)
- **Mark J. Sinnreich**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (ACLF/ALF Category) by Mayor Gelber.  
(Release # 1, Page 165)

Physician  
(Category # 6)  
*(One Vacant Seat Available)*

- **Dr. Vilma Biaggi-Lombardi**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Physician Category) by Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez.  
(Release # 1, Page 199)

Physician or Individual With Medical Training/Experience  
(Category # 8)  
*(One Vacant Seat Available)*

- **Dr. Aimee Kamat**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Physician/Medical Training or Experience Category) by Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez.  
(Release # 1, Page 209)

**HEALTH FACILITIES ADVISORY BOARD** (4-year term)

General Business Who Possesses Good Standing in the Community Category  
*(One Reappointment Seat Available)*

- **Sidney Goldin – Vice-Chair**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (General Business Category) by Commissioner Arriola and Fernandez.  
(Release # 1, Page 223)  
(Release # 4, Page 5)

Health Provider Category  
*(One Vacant Seat Available)*

- **Dr. Tomas A. Salerno**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Health Provider Category) by Commissioner Arriola.  
(Release # 1, Page 231)

**HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD**

Miami Design Preservation League (MDPL) Representative  
(Category # 1)  
*(One Reappointment Seat Available)*

- **Laura A. Weinstein-Berman**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (MDPL Representative Category) by Commissioners Arriola and Fernandez and the Miami Design Preservation League.  
(Release # 1, Page 241)  
(Release # 4, Page 5)

Dade Heritage Trust (DHT) Representative  
(Category # 2)  
*(One Vacant Seat Available)*

- **Roger A. Baumann**  
Nominated for **appointment** (DHT Representative Category) by the Dade Heritage Trust.  
(Release # 1, Page 253)
- **Dr. Bruce M. Halpryn\*\*\***  
Nominated for **appointment** (DHT Representative Category) by the Dade Heritage Trust.  
(Release # 1, Page 265)
- **Linsey Lovell**  
Nominated for **appointment** (DHT Representative Category) by the Dade Heritage Trust.  
(Release # 1, Page 281)

\*\*\* Note: Pursuant to City Code § 118-103 (2) The City Commission must select the representative for the Dade Heritage Trust (DHT) Category from three names nominated by DHT. Ms. Christine Rupp, Executive Director of DHT notifies the Commission that “after careful consideration and thoughtful discussion, it is the opinion of Dade Heritage Trust that Dr. Bruce Halpryn is DHT’s candidate of choice.”

At-Large/Resided In One Of The City's Historic Districts For At Least One Year  
(Category # 3)  
(One Vacant Seat Available)

- **Brian Ehrlich**  
Nominated for **appointment** (At-Large/Resided in One of the City's Historic Districts for at Least One Year Category) by Commissioners Fernandez and Rosen Gonzalez.  
(Release # 1, Page 291)  
(Release # 4, Page 5)

**HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE**

At-Large Category  
(Three Reappointment Seats Available)

- **Amanda Knapp**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (At-Large Category) by Mayor Gelber and Commissioners **Dominguez**, Fernandez, and Rosen Gonzalez.  
(Release # 1, Page 303)  
(Release # 2, Page 5)  
(Release # 4, Page 5)  
(Release # 5, Page 6)
- **Dale Stine, Vice-Chair**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (At-Large Category) by Commissioner Fernandez.  
(Release # 1, Page 315)

At-Large Category  
(Two Vacant Seats Available)

- **Cindy Mattson**  
Nominated for **appointment** (At-Large Category) by Commissioner Rose Gonzalez.  
(Release # 2, Page N/A)  
(Release # 3, Page 21; Application)

**NEXT GENERATION COUNCIL** (1-year term)

Millennial Action Council Member/Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce  
(Category # 3)  
(One Reappointment Seat Available)

- **Gabriella L. Kalmanowics**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (Millennial Action Council/Chamber of Commerce Category) by Commissioner Arriola and the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce.  
(Release # 1, Page 325)

## NORMANDY SHORES LOCAL GOVERNMENT NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT

Member of the Executive Committee of the Normandy Shores Homeowners Association Category  
(One Reappointment Seat Available)

- **Diane Klein**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (Normandy Shores Homeowners Association Category) by the Executive Committee of the Normandy Shores Homeowners Association.  
(Release # 1, Page 335)

Member of the Executive Committee of the Normandy Shores Homeowners Association Category  
(One Vacant Seat Available)

- **Laura D. Taylor**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Normandy Shores Homeowners Association Category) by the Executive Committee of the Normandy Shores Homeowners Association.  
(Release # 1, Page 347)

### PERSONNEL BOARD - (5/7 vote required)

At-Large Category/Not Having Same Vocation as Another Member Category  
(Two Reappointment Seats Available)

- **Raquel A. Pacheco, Chair - Translator**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (At-Large Category) by Commissioners Fernandez, Richardson, and Meiner and Mayor Gelber.  
(Release # 1, Page 359)  
(Release # 2, Page 7)  
(Release # 4, Page 5)

### PLANNING BOARD

Individuals With Education and/or Experience in Historic Preservation Issues  
(Category # 4)  
(One Reappointment Seat Available)

- **Tanya K. Bhatt**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (Education/Experience In Historic Preservation Issues Category) by Commissioners Dominguez, Fernandez, and Rosen Gonzalez and Vice-Mayor Meiner.  
(Release # 1, Page 373)  
(Release # 2, Page 7)

Note: For purposes of this section, the term "education and/or experience in historic preservation issues" shall be a person who meets one or more of the following criteria: a. Has earned a college degree in historic preservation; b. Is responsible for the preservation, revitalization, or adaptive reuse of historic buildings; or c. Is recognized by the City Commission for contributions to historic preservation, education, or planning.

Architect, Faculty Member, Landscape Architect, Architectural or Urban Design, or Urban Planning  
(Category # 1)  
*(One Vacant Seat Available)*

- **Joseph R. Magazine**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Urban Planning – Category ) by Commissioners Arriola and Fernandez and Vice-Mayor Meiner.  
(Release # 1, Page 385)  
(Release # 4, Page 5)

At-Large Category/Currently Residing in the City and has Resided in the City for at Least (3) Three Consecutive Years at the time of Appointment or Reappointment  
(Category # 5)  
*(One Vacant Seat Available)*

- **Melissa Beattie**  
Nominated for **appointment** (At-Large Category – Category ) by Commissioners Arriola, Dominguez, and Fernandez and Vice-Mayor Meiner.  
(Release # 1, Page 397)

Note: Strong preference shall be given to individuals who have previously served on a Miami Beach board or committee and/or completed the Miami Beach Leadership Academy course, and to individuals not currently working in the fields of real estate development, real estate brokerage/sales, real estate law, or architecture. (Category # 5)

### **SENIORS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

*A Resident of Four Freedoms House Recommended by the Residents of Four Freedoms House  
(Category # 3)  
(One Reappointment Seat Available)*

- **Enilda F. Thomas**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (Four Freedoms House Category) by Commissioner Richardson.  
(Release # 1, Page 409)

*A Resident of Stella Maris House Selected by the Board of Directors of Stella Maris House  
(Category # 5)  
(One Reappointment Seat Available)*

- **Gaby Baglietto**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (Stella Maris House Category) by Commissioner Richardson.  
(Release # 1, Page 421)



An Individual Selected by the Board of Directors of UNIDAD of Miami Beach  
(Category # 10)  
*(One Reappointment Seat Available)*

- **Maria Larissa Cajiao**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (UNIDAD Category) by Commissioners **Dominguez** and Richardson.  
(Release # 1, Page 431)  
**(Release # 5, Page 9)**

An Individual Selected by the Board of Directors of Jewish Community Services of South Florida  
(Category # 1)  
*(One Vacant Seat Available)*

- **Jessica Perez Waleck**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Jewish Community Services Category) by Commissioner Richardson and Mayor Gelber.  
(Release # 1, Page 443)

## **TRANSPORTATION, PARKING, AND BICYCLE-PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce's Transportation and Parking Committee  
(Category # 1)  
*(One Reappointment Seat Available)*

- **Linsey Lovell**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce Category Representative) by the Miami Chamber of Commerce's Transportation and Parking Committee.  
(Release # 1, Page 455)

A South Beach Business Owner or a South Beach Business Association  
(Category # 3)  
*(One Reappointment Seat Available)*

- **Al Feola**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (South-Beach Business Owner/South-Beach Business Association Category) by Mayor Gelber.  
(Release # 1, Page 465)

Mid-Beach Business Owner or a Mid-Beach Business Association  
(Category # 5)  
*(One Reappointment Seat Available)*

- **Linda Kolko**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (Mid-Beach Business Owner/Mid-Beach Business Association Category) by Commissioners Dominguez, Fernandez, and Richardson.  
(Release # 1, Page 475)  
(Release # 4, Page 9)

South Beach Neighborhood Association  
(Category # 2)  
(One Vacant Seat Available)

- **Marcia Duprat Lepori**  
Nominated for **appointment** (South Beach Neighborhood Association Category) by Commissioner Arriola.  
(Release # 1, Page 489)

**VISITOR AND CONVENTION AUTHORITY**

Note: Members must be permanent residents of Miami-Dade County.

Hotel Category  
(One Reappointment Seat Available)

- **Christopher Rollins – Vice-Chair**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (Hotel Category) by Commissioners Fernandez and Richardson.  
(Release # 1, Page 499)  
(Release # 4, Page 10)

At-Large Category  
(One Reappointment Seat Available)

- **David V. Suarez**  
Nominated for **reappointment** (At-Large Category) by Commissioners **Dominguez**, Fernandez, and Rosen Gonzalez.  
(Release # 2, Page 33)  
(Release # 4, Page 10)  
(Release # 5, Page 10)

**DIRECT APPOINTMENTS REQUIRING A 4/7TH VOTE**

Pursuant to Section 2-22(4)c of the Miami Beach City Code, a direct appointee that does not reside in the City for a minimum of six months, that does not demonstrate an ownership interest in a business established in the City for a minimum of six months, but who is a full-time employee of a business for a minimum of six months and is based in an office or other location of the business that is physically located in Miami Beach for a minimum of six months is eligible to serve on a Board/Committee if approved by a 4/7<sup>th</sup> vote of the Mayor and City Commission.

A request is hereby made to approve the following direct appointment:

- **Elba Machado**  
Nominated for **appointment** to the Hispanic Affairs Committee as Commissioner Dominguez's direct appointment.  
(Release # 1, Page 509)

- **Elaine M. Roden**

Nominated for **reappointment** to the Marine and Waterfront Protection Authority as Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez's direct appointment. This appointment is being Co-sponsored by Commissioner Fernandez.  
(Release # 1, Page 519)

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