

# MIAMI BEACH

## COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

DATE: February 22, 2023

SUBJECT: BOARD AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS – CITY COMMISSION / AT-LARGE APPOINTMENTS

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

This Item will be heard during the February 22, 2023 Commission Meeting.

### **ANALYSIS**

The applicants that have filed with the Office of the City Clerk for the below At-Large appointments are included in Item R9 A.

### **BOARD AND COMMITTEES:**

#### **1. 2023 HALL OF FAME SELECTION COMMITTEE**

*VACANCIES (2):*

- Two at-large appointments, who may be representatives or owners of a local business or civic association, or residents. Appointees should be knowledgeable in the following fields of expertise: Business, Education, Arts & Entertainment, Philanthropy, Sports, Public Service, or Literature/History.

#### **2. AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

*VACANCIES (5):*

- One citizen actively engaged in the banking or mortgage banking industry in connection with affordable housing. (Category # 2)
- One citizen representing those areas of labor actively engaged in home building in connection with affordable housing. (Category # 3)
- One citizen actively engaged as a not-for-profit provider of affordable housing. (Category # 6)
- One citizen who actively serves on the local planning agency pursuant to Florida Statute §163.3174 (Planning Board member) (Category # 8)
- One citizen who represents essential services personnel, as defined in the local housing assistance plan. (Category # 11)

**Note:** If the City, due to the presence of a conflict of interest by prospective appointees, or other reasonable factors, is unable to appoint a citizen actively engaged in these activities in connection with affordable housing, a citizen engaged in the activity without regard to affordable housing may be appointed.

**3. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES**

VACANCIES (2):

- Two Citizens who shall possess a high degree of competence in the evaluation of art history and architectural history, art, architecture, sculpture, painting, artistic structure design, and other appropriate art media for display or integration in public places. *One vacant seat and one vacancy to replace term-limited member Michael McManus.*

**4. BLACK AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

VACANCY (1)

- One At-Large member who has personal or professional knowledge or expertise in at least one of the following areas: Licensed and actively practicing in the field of Real Estate, Hospitality, Tourism, or Banking; Licensed and actively practicing in the field of Human Relations/People Development, Communications/Entertainment, Art/Culture/ or Education; Economic Development/Business Development; Culture/Entertainment/Events; Hospitality/Tourism; Healthcare/Technology; People Development/Human Relations; Finance/Banking; Media/Communications/Public Relations; and/or Community Service/Social Justice.

**5. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (5/7 vote required)**

VACANCY (1):

- At large.

POSSIBLE REAPPOINTMENT TO BE MADE (1):

- Citizen At-Large.

1. Daniel J. Nagler – Vice-Chair

**6. BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

VACANCY (1):

- One Certified Public Accountant.

**7. COMMITTEE FOR QUALITY EDUCATION IN MIAMI BEACH**

VACANCY (1):

- One City Commission member to serve as City Commission liaison, who shall report to the City Commission actions of the Committee for Quality Education.

**8. CULTURAL ARTS COUNCIL (3-year term)**

VACANCIES (2):

- Two At-Large members - Best Interests of the Arts Within the City.

**9. DESIGN REVIEW BOARD**

VACANCIES (2)

- One architect registered in the United States; who resides in Miami Beach.  
*To replace Alexander Gorlin who no longer resides in the City or County.*
- One person who is a resident At-Large and who currently resides in the City and has resided in the City for at least (3) three consecutive years at the time of appointment or reappointment. Additionally, 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)  
*To replace term-limited member James Bodnar.*

POSSIBLE REAPPOINTMENTS TO BE MADE (2):

- One landscape architect registered in the State of Florida. (Category # 3)
  1. Orlando Comas
- One architect registered in the United States or a professional practicing in the fields of architectural or urban design, or urban planning, or a resident with demonstrated interest or background in design issues; or an attorney in good standing licensed to practice law within the United States. (Category # 4)
  1. Samuel Sheldon - Attorney

**Note:** Residency and or place of business - All regular members shall reside in or have their primary place of business in the county, except for the water management expert appointed pursuant to subsection (a)(6), who need not reside in or have a principal place of business in the county, and except as otherwise provided in subsection (a)(5). The two resident At-Large members and one of the registered landscape architects, registered architects, or professionals practicing in the fields of architectural or urban design or urban planning shall be residents of the City.

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

VACANCY (1)

- One City Resident North Beach Area.  
*To replace Carmen Browne, who is not seeking reappointment.*

## **11. HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

VACANCIES (4):

- One member shall be a health benefits provider. (Category # 5)  
*To replace term-limited member Marc Umlas.*
- One individual from the corporate level. (Category # 7a)  
*To replace term-limited member Daniel Nobel.*
- One private individual. (Category # 7b)
- Ex-Officio, Miami-Dade County Health Department.

## **12. HEALTH FACILITIES ADVISORY BOARD** (4-year term)

VACANCY (1):

- One attorney.

## **13. HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD**

VACANCY (1):

- One representative from Dade Heritage Trust (DHT) selected from three names nominated by such organization. (Category # 2)  
*To replace term-limited member Kirk Paskal.*

**Note:** All members of the Board except the architect, university faculty member, and water management expert shall be residents of the City; provided, however, that the City Commission may waive the residency requirement (if applicable) by a 5/7th vote, in the event a person not meeting the residency requirement is available to serve on the Board and is exceptionally qualified by training and/or experience in historic preservation matters. All appointments shall be made on the basis of civic pride, integrity, experience, and interest in the field of historic preservation.

## **14. HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE**

VACANCY (1):

- One member shall possess, in addition to the general qualifications set forth herein for members, a license to practice law in the State of Florida; be an active member of and in good standing with the Florida Bar, and have experience in civil rights law.

*POSSIBLE REAPPOINTMENT TO BE MADE (1):*

- One member who shall reflect, as nearly as possible, the diversity of individuals protected under the City's Human Rights Ordinance.

1. Jonathan Welsh

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

**Note:** Members must be eighteen (18) years through thirty-six (36) years of age at the time of appointment.

*VACANCIES (3):*

- One member must be a business owner in the City. (Category A)
- One member must be licensed and actively practicing in the field of real estate. (Category B)  
*To replace term-limited member Evan Salzberg.*
- One member must be licensed and actively practicing in the field of architecture or engineering. (Category C)

**16. PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITY**

*VACANCIES (2):*

- One member who has demonstrated a high degree of interest, participation, and/or expertise in the sport of golf.
- One member who has demonstrated a high degree of interest, participation, and/or expertise in the sport of tennis.

**17. PERSONNEL BOARD** (5/7 vote required)

*VACANCIES (2):*

- Two citizens of Miami Beach, not employed by the City, and not having the same vocation as any other member of the Personnel Board. (Excluded vocations: Executive Director/Political Party, Translator, International Sales Manager/Consultant, and Concert Producer/Impresario.)

*POSSIBLE REAPPOINTMENT TO BE MADE (1):*

- One citizen of Miami Beach, not employed by the City, and not having the same vocation as any other member of the Personnel Board.

1. Ricardo Barboza – International Sales Manager/Consultant

## **18. SENIORS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

### *VACANCIES (2):*

- One resident of the Blackstone Apartments who shall be recommended by the residents of the Blackstone Apartments and ratified by the City Commission. (Category # 4)
- One resident of Council Towers North who shall be recommended by the residents of Council Towers North and ratified by the City Commission. (Category # 7)

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

### *POSSIBLE REAPPOINTMENTS TO BE MADE (3):*

- One Mid-Beach neighborhood association. (Category # 4)
  1. Esteban Porcelli
- One North Beach neighborhood association. (Category # 6)
  1. Dean Campbell
- One North Beach business owner or a North Beach business association. (Category # 7)
  1. Patricia Henao-van Beek

## **20. VISITOR AND CONVENTION AUTHORITY**

### *VACANCY (1):*

- At-Large or Hotel Industry

**Note:** Members must reside in Miami-Dade County.