### Granado, Rafael

**From:** Fernandez, Alex

Sent: Saturday, March 25, 2023 3:00 PM

**To:** Granado, Rafael; Cardillo, Lilia; Salinas, Monica

**Subject:** Fwd: 3/24 Meeting with Washington Avenue Business Owners

Hi, please include the below email chain as part of the supplemental materials for item R9AD. It summarizes my meeting with Washington Avenue business owners and/or their representatives including:

- Michael Larkin
- Troy Wright, Washington Avenue Business Improvement District
- Andrew Resnick
- Mathieu Massa, Queen/Paris Theater
- Vahé Yacoubian, Washington Park Hotel
- Goodtime Hotel
- Moxy
- Anglers
- Twist

Alex Fernandez, Commissioner City of Miami Beach

Sent from my iPhone

From: Michael W. Larkin < MLarkin@brzoninglaw.com>

Sent: Saturday, March 25, 2023 2:47 PM
To: Fernandez, Alex < Alex@miamibeachfl.gov >

Subject: RE: 3/24 Meeting with Washington Avenue Business Owners

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The overwhelming majority of participants agreed with the concept of imposing a curfew during the third weekend in March is the appropriate thing to do in order to put an end to this violent weekend.



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From: Fernandez, Alex <Alex@miamibeachfl.gov>

Sent: Saturday, March 25, 2023 2:41 PM

To: Michael W. Larkin < MLarkin@brzoninglaw.com>

Subject: Re: 3/24 Meeting with Washington Avenue Business Owners

Did the Washington Avenue business stakeholders oppose any potential action by the city commission at Monday's meeting that would proactively endorse a curfew for the problematic, violent, and deadly third weekend in March 2024 with a time to be professionally determined by the City Manager in consultation with the businesses?

Alex Fernandez, Commissioner City of Miami Beach

Sent from my iPhone

From: Michael W. Larkin < MLarkin@brzoninglaw.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, March 25, 2023 2:34:02 PM **To:** Fernandez, Alex < <u>Alex@miamibeachfl.gov</u>>

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Yesterday afternoon Commissioner Fernandez met with multiple business owners along Washington Avenue to discuss his Spring Break Action Plan for March 2024. There was uniform support for converting Ocean Drive and Lummus Park to a secure compound. There was also uniform support for bringing an event that will encompass the entire area. There was some concern voiced over a potential curfew. However, one business owner stated that the ad hoc approach for which they have no warning is more damaging, leading to multiple reservation cancellations and driving down the daily room rate. The fear of a possible curfew is worse than not knowing in advance, no opportunity to plan for it. While the business owners acknowledged that a curfew may harm their profitability for the third weekend in March, they all agreed that if we have another Spring Break next year like we are experiencing right now it will substantially harm our brand which in turn will have a far greater impact on their profitability.



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