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COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Dan Gelber and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Alina T. Hudak, City Manager

DATE: October 18, 2023

SUBJECT: **Report of the September 27, 2023, Land Use and Sustainability Committee (LUSC) Meeting.**

A Land Use and Sustainability Committee (LUSC) meeting was held on September 27, 2023. Committee Members participating were Commissioners Ricky Arriola, Laura Dominguez, and David Richardson. Alternate Committee Member Commissioner Alex Fernandez also participated. Members from the Administration, including Eric Carpenter, Thomas Mooney, David Martinez, Joe Gomez, and Nick Kallergis from the City Attorney's Office, as well as members of the public, participated.

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m.

NOTE: The October 25, 2023 LUSC meeting was moved to October 11, 2023 at 3:30 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

1. INCREASING ALLOWABLE FLOOR AREA RATIO FOR WORKFORCE HOUSING.

Commissioner Ricky Arriola
Planning
November 16, 2022 (C4 V)

The item was discussed and continued to the October 11, 2023 LUSC meeting.

2. AMEND CERTAIN LANDSCAPING REQUIREMENTS IN CHAPTER 126 OF THE CITY CODE RELATING TO PALM TREES, TO PERMIT PALMS TO COUNT TOWARD THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF STREET TREES (Dual Referral to Planning Board).

Commissioner Steven Meiner
Planning
February 1, 2023 C4 C

The item was deferred to the January 2024 LUSC meeting with no discussion.

3. DISCUSS LDR INCENTIVES TO RETAIN AND REHABILITATE HISTORIC BUILDINGS (Dual Referral to Planning Board).

Commissioner Alex Fernandez
Planning
April 28, 2023 C4 D

The item was deferred to the October 11, 2023, LUSC meeting with no discussion.

4. ESTABLISHING A POLICY FOR THE REVIEW OF FUTURE FAR INCREASE REQUESTS, INCLUDING ANALYSIS OF IMPACTS, AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH/PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT (Dual Referral to the Planning Board).

Commissioner Alex Fernandez
Planning
May 17, 2023 C4 B

Motion – By Acclamation: Recommend that the City Commission approve the proposed ordinance.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

5. EXPEDITE THE OPENING OF THE BAYWALK AND MOVE THE REOPENING OF THE BAYWALK UP ON THE G.O. BOND PRIORITIZATION LIST; AND PRESENT THE BAYWALK PLAN TO THE LUSC COMMITTEE.

Commissioners Alex Fernandez and Laura Dominguez
Capital Improvement Projects
March 17, 2021 C7 Q

The item was discussed and continued to the October 11, 2023, LUSC meeting.

6. DISCUSSION PERTAINING TO PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 46 OF THE CITY CODE PERTAINING TO HERITAGE TREE DESIGNATION.

Commissioner Steven Meiner
Planning / Environment and Sustainability
December 8, 2021 R5 N

The item was deferred to the January 2024 LUSC meeting with no discussion.

7. DISCUSS FPL'S STORM SECURE UNDERGROUND PROGRAM (THE "PROGRAM") AND OPPORTUNITIES TO IDENTIFY THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH NEIGHBORHOODS THAT MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR UNDERGROUNDING OF POWER LINES THROUGH THE PROGRAM, AT NO COST OR EXPENSE TO CITY RESIDENTS OR BUSINESSES.

Commissioners Ricky Arriola and Steven Meiner
Public Works
May 17, 2023 R9 F

The item was discussed and continued to the October 11, 2023, LUSC meeting.

8. DISCUSS POTENTIAL INCENTIVES FOR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, INCLUDING BOTH THE RETENTION OF EXISTING RESIDENTIAL USES AND CONVERSION OF TRANSIENT ESTABLISHMENTS (INCLUDING HOTELS, SUITE HOTELS, APARTMENT HOTELS, HOSTELS, AND SHORT-TERM RENTALS) TO LONG-TERM RESIDENTIAL USE.

Commissioner Laura Dominguez
Planning
July 26, 2022 C4 E

The item was discussed and continued to the October 11, 2023, LUSC meeting.

9. DISCUSSS EXPANDING THE GEOGRAPHY OF THE FORMULA RETAIL RESTRICTIONS IN SUNSET HARBOUR.

Commissioner Ricky Arriola
Planning
September 13, 2023 (C4 G)

Motion – By Acclamation: Move the item to the City Commission for discussion with a recommendation to refer an ordinance amendment to the Planning Board.

10. DISCUSS THE EXPIRED NORTH BEACH TOWN CENTER MOBILITY FEE INCENTIVE.

Commissioner Ricky Arriola
Planning
September 13, 2023 (C4 O)

Motion – By Acclamation: Move the item to the City Commission with a recommendation to refer an ordinance amendment to the Planning Board.

The meeting adjourned at 11:57 p.m.