

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, RELATING TO COMMISSION COMMITTEES, AND AMENDING AND RESTATING RESOLUTION NO. 94-21382 (AS AMENDED BY RESOLUTION NOS. 97-22607, 98-22693, 2003-25446, 2013-28437, 2015-28905, 2015-28962, 2019-31107, AND 2024-32896), TO REQUIRE THAT ANY AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OR LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS THAT ARE INITIATED BY THE CITY COMMISSION FIRST BE REFERRED TO THE LAND USE AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (“LUSC”), PRIOR TO REFERRAL TO THE PLANNING BOARD OR AS A JOINT REFERRAL TO THE LUSC AND PLANNING BOARD, SUBJECT TO WAIVER BY THE CITY COMMISSION ON A 6/7THS VOTE.**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Resolution No. 94-21382, the City Commission established City Commission Committees to examine facts and issues relating to matters relating to land use and development, capital improvements and finance, and community issues; and

**WHEREAS**, over the years, various amendments have been made to Resolution No. 94-21382 by Resolution Nos. 97-22607, 98-22693, 2003-25446, 2013-28437, 2015-28905, 2015-28962, 2019-31107, and 2024-32896 to amend the provisions for City Commission Committees relative to membership, participation, purpose, the selection of chairpersons and vice chairpersons, the calling and holding of meetings, and the sufficiency of information to be provided in items published in Commission Committee agendas; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Commission now desire to amend the Commission Committee requirements to require that any future amendment to the Comprehensive Plan or Land Development Regulations that is initiated by the City Commission shall be referred to the Land Use and Sustainability Committee (“LUSC”), subject to a waiver by the City Commission on a 6/7ths vote.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, as follows:**

1. Three (3) Committees shall be established to examine in depth facts and issues relating to matters in which the Mayor and City Commission may need to act and to advise the Mayor and City Commission of their findings and their recommendations relating to those matters. The three (3) Committees shall be as follows and shall generally have the following purposes:
  - a. the Land Use and Sustainability Committee (“LUSC”) shall hear matters related to planning, infrastructure, and zoning issues (including issues relating to land use, mobility, historic preservation, and sustainable development) and issues related to specific public and/or private development projects; additionally, amendments to the Comprehensive Plan

or Land Development Regulations that are initiated by the City Commission shall first be referred to the LUSC, prior to referral to the Planning Board, or shall jointly be referred to the LUSC and Planning Board, unless the City Commission waives this requirement by a 6/7ths vote;

- b. the Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee shall hear issues related to municipal finance, City-wide capital improvements projects, and efficiency in government, as well as issues affecting tourism, arts and culture, business, and education in the City; and
- c. the Neighborhood and Quality of Life Committee shall address issues related to residents' quality of life, including improvement programs relating to the various neighborhoods throughout the City, and shall address issues of concern or interest to the Miami Beach community, including public safety, parks and recreation facilities and programs, housing, and homelessness.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Mayor and City Commission reserve the right to assign such other matters they may deem appropriate, to be addressed by one or all of the aforestated Committees.

- 2. Each Committee shall have four (4) voting members, who shall be comprised of members of the City Commission selected by the Mayor. Notwithstanding the above, City Commission members who are not Committee members may participate in the discussion of any issue before any Committee (but such members cannot vote and cannot count toward quorum).
- 3. The Mayor shall annually appoint a chairperson and vice chairperson for each Committee. The term of service for each chairperson or vice chairperson shall be one year.
- 4. Meetings shall be held when called by the chairperson, or in his/her absence, by the vice chairperson and shall be held in the City Commission Chambers unless the chairperson or, in his/her absence, the vice chairperson determines that good cause exists for the holding of a meeting in another location. In addition, meetings shall be video and audio recorded and shall be broadcast live on the Miami Beach cable channel or videotaped for posting on the City's website within a reasonable time following the conclusion of the meeting.
- 5. Items published in Committee agendas shall include sufficient detail and information for the Committee and the public to evaluate the items in a reasonable and timely manner.
- 6. A Committee shall advance an agenda item to the full City Commission with a favorable recommendation when a majority of the members of the Committee vote in favor of the proposed measure (e.g., on a 3-1 or 4-0 vote).

7. A Committee shall advance an agenda item to the full City Commission with an unfavorable recommendation in the event of a tie vote of the Committee.
8. In lieu of an unfavorable recommendation as noted in Section 7 above, a Committee has the option, by majority vote of the Committee, to specifically recommend advancing the proposed measure to the City Commission with "no recommendation."
9. If three (3) or more Committee members vote against a proposed agenda item, the agenda item dies at Committee, unless the Mayor, at the Mayor's discretion, elects to place the item on the next regular City Commission agenda for consideration by the City Commission. Committee liaisons shall be responsible with furnishing the Mayor's office with a list of items lacking the required support at Committee, to allow the Mayor to timely determine whether to place any item that lacked support at Committee on the next available regular meeting of the City Commission.
10. Discussion items that do not involve any proposed action may be concluded at Committee by unanimous consent.

**PASSED** and **ADOPTED** this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.


**ATTEST:**

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Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

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Steven Meiner, Mayor

(Sponsored by Commissioner Alex J. Fernandez)

APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION

  
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City Attorney

3-26-24  
Date

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