

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO ORGANIZE AND PRODUCE AN EXHIBIT ENTITLED "MIAMI BEACH ART DECO" IN LUMMUS PARK FOR APRIL 2025 TO CELEBRATE THE HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE, UNIQUE AESTHETICS, AND COMMUNITY EFFORTS THAT DEFINE MIAMI BEACH'S ART DECO HERITAGE, WITH A BUDGET OF \$75,000 TO BE UTILIZED FROM THE CITY'S LARGE SCALE SPECIAL EVENT FUND; AND FURTHER, ACCEPTING THE CITY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION AND WAIVING, BY 5/7 OF THE VOTE, THE COMPETITIVE BID REQUIREMENT UNDER SECTION 2-367(E) OF THE CITY CODE TO ALLOW EASTERN HARBOUR GROUP, A LONGSTANDING CITY-APPROVED VENDOR, TO BE THE SOLE VENDOR FOR THE EXHIBIT, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE ANY AND ALL AGREEMENTS AND DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH THIS EXHIBIT.

WHEREAS, Art Deco is one of Miami Beach's top tourist attractions, contributing significantly to the city's cultural identity and generating substantial revenue for our local economy; and

WHEREAS, 2025 marks the global centennial celebration of Art Deco, commemorating 100 years since the opening of the Art Deco exhibition in Paris in April 1925; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach recognizes the importance of celebrating its Art Deco heritage, which has shaped the City's aesthetic, history, and tourism industry; and

WHEREAS, the City Administration is hereby directed to organize and produce an exhibition entitled "Miami Beach Art Deco" in Lummus Park with a budget of \$75,000, which includes production, setup, and promotional expenses, to celebrate the historical significance, unique aesthetics, and community efforts that define Miami Beach's Art Deco heritage; and

WHEREAS, the Galeria Ocean Drive, located at Lummus Park at 11th Street and Ocean Drive, will serve as the location for the exhibition, and the existing WWII-themed display plates will be replaced with new plates highlighting Miami Beach's Art Deco history.; and

WHEREAS, the central space of the Galeria will be transformed into an immersive environment with engaging, social-media-friendly activations to encourage participation

and sharing, complemented by striking photo opportunities with Art Deco-inspired installations that blend historic motifs with modern design; and

WHEREAS, the “Miami Beach Art Deco” exhibition would not only a celebration of the past but also a reinvention of how the City engages with its heritage, combining public art with a forward-thinking social media campaign and marketing to make Art Deco relevant and captivating for modern audiences; and

WHEREAS, the exhibits planned for the central area, along with other installations, will be large-format and must be weather- and wind-resistant; and

WHEREAS, Eastern Harbour Group, a vendor with proven expertise in producing high-quality exhibits, was responsible for the successful fabrication and maintenance of the WWII exhibits for Veterans Day; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager recommends that the Mayor and City Commission waive the competitive bid requirement under Section 2-367(e) to allow Eastern Harbour Group to be the sole vendor for the Miami Beach Art Deco exhibition, ensuring that the exhibition meets the City’s standards for quality and timely delivery; and

WHEREAS, due to their proven reliability and expertise, the Mayor and City Commission wish to accept the City Manager’s recommendation and waive, by 5/7 of the vote, the competitive bid requirement under Section 2-367(e) of the Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby direct the City Administration to organize and produce an exhibit entitled “Miami Beach Art Deco” in Lummus Park for April 2025 to celebrate the historical significance, unique aesthetics, and community efforts that define Miami Beach’s Art Deco heritage, with a budget of \$75,000 to be utilized from the City’s Large Scale Special Event Fund; and further, accept the City Manager’s recommendation and waive, by 5/7 of the vote, the competitive bid requirements under Section 2-367(e) of the City Code to allow Eastern Harbour Group, a longstanding City-approved vendor, to be the sole vendor for the Exhibit, and authorize the City Administration to negotiate and execute any and all agreements and documents in connection with this Exhibit.

PASSED and ADOPTED THIS ____ day of _____ 2025.


ATTEST:

Steven Meiner, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(sponsored by Mayor Steven Meiner)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney

2/21/2025

Date