

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: City Clerk Rafael E. Granado

DATE: September 11, 2024

TITLE: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACKNOWLEDGING THAT EARLY VOTING SHALL BE PROVIDED BY MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024 CITY OF MIAMI BEACH SPECIAL ELECTION.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve a Resolution acknowledging Early Voting for the City of Miami Beach Special Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, in conjunction with the General Election.

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

N/A

ANALYSIS

On November 5, 2024, Miami-Dade County ("County") will be conducting the General Election, at which time the City of Miami Beach Commission has authorized a Special Election to be held, to submit 8 ballot questions to the electorate of the City of Miami Beach.

Section 101.657(1)(d), Florida Statutes, which governs Early Voting, requires that each County's Supervisor of Elections commence early voting on the 10th day before an election that contains State or Federal races and end on the 3rd day before the election; providing Early Voting for no less than 8 hours and no more than 12 hours per day at each site during the applicable period. In addition, Early Voting may be offered at the discretion of the Supervisor of Elections on the 15th, 14th, 13th, 12th, 11th, or 2nd day before an election that contains State or Federal races for at least 8 hours per day, but not more than 12 hours per day.

Florida's Election Code states that municipalities may provide Early Voting only in municipal elections that are not held in conjunction with County or State elections. Therefore, the County will be responsible for conducting the Early Voting activities related to the City's Special Election on November 5, 2024. Accordingly, the Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections has designated the following early voting schedule for the November 5, 2024 City Special Election, and has designated Miami Beach City Hall, 1700 Convention Center Drive, and the North Shore Branch Library, 7501 Collins Avenue, as the Early Voting locations within the City of Miami Beach:

Dates
Monday, October 21 through Sunday, November 3, 2024
Times
7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. daily

The Miami-Dade County Elections Department's final Early Voting schedule hours and locations for the November 5, 2024 General Election and City of Miami Beach Special Election, have yet to be finalized.

Secure ballot intake stations (Vote-by-Mail Drop Boxes) will be available and staffed at each of the Miami-Dade County Early Voting locations, including the two Early Voting locations in Miami Beach: Miami Beach City Hall, 1700 Convention Center Drive, and North Shore Branch Library, 7501 Collins Avenue during Early Voting hours of operation. Drop boxes are drive-up and are safe.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The Miami-Dade County Elections Department has provided the City Clerk with an estimate of approximately \$66,640 to conduct the November 5, 2024 Special Election, which includes the costs associated with 14 days of Early Voting. (See Department of Election Estimates.)

Does this Ordinance require a Business Impact Estimate? N/A
(FOR ORDINANCES ONLY)

If applicable, the Business Impact Estimate (BIE) was published on:
See BIE at: <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/city-clerk/meeting-notices/>

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

011-9502-000312-90-400-579-00-00-00

CONCLUSION

It is recommended that the Mayor and City Commission acknowledge Early Voting for the November 5, 2024 City of Miami Beach Special Election, said Early Voting is to be conducted in accordance with the provisions of this Resolution. Once the Miami-Dade County Elections Department finalizes the hours and locations of Early Voting for the November 5, 2024 General Election and the City of Miami Beach Special Election, the City Clerk will transmit the information via Letter to Commission (LTC).

Applicable Area

Citywide

Is this a "Residents Right to Know" item, pursuant to City Code Section 2-17?

Yes

Is this item related to a G.O. Bond Project?

No

Was this Agenda Item initially requested by a lobbyist which, as defined in Code Sec. 2-481, includes a principal engaged in lobbying? No

If so, specify the name of lobbyist(s) and principal(s):

Department

City Clerk

Sponsor(s)

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Acknowledging Early Voting - November 5, 2024, Miami Beach Special Election. (CC/CA)