

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING THE "AD HOC SOUTH SHORE COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE," FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR (SUBJECT TO EARLIER OR LATER SUNSET BY CITY COMMISSION) TO ADVISE THE ADMINISTRATION AND CITY COMMISSION ON THE ACTIVATION AND UTILIZATION OF THE SOUTH SHORE COMMUNITY CENTER, AS WELL AS THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE 6TH STREET CORRIDOR; AND PRESCRIBING THE PURPOSE, COMPOSITION, POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, the South Shore Community Center (the "Community Center" or the "SSCC"), located at 833 6th Street, was built in 1971 and designed by renowned architect Morris Lapidus; and

WHEREAS, the Community Center was established to address changing demographics and social issues, symbolizing the rise of the elderly as a significant and politically active group in America; and

WHEREAS, the South Shore Community Center provided programs for the elderly and became a national model for aging services; and

WHEREAS as the neighborhood changed in the 1980s and 1990s, the Community Center adapted by partnering with the Little Havana Activities Center to address both the social needs of the elderly and the childcare needs of new residents; and

WHEREAS, this partnership resulted in the creation of the Rainbow Intergenerational Daycare Center, which continues to operate within the Community Center today; and

WHEREAS, the SSCC was one of the locations considered as the site for the new Fire Station 1; and

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2024, in a Countywide referendum, Miami-Dade County voters gave their approval for the construction of a new Fire Station No. 1 in Flamingo Park, instead of the previously proposed location at 833 6th Street, thus preserving the SSCC from demolition; and

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2024, Commissioner Alex Fernandez, in collaboration with the Administration, hosted an Open House at the SSCC to gather

feedback on activating and utilizing the spaces within the building to best serve the community's needs and interests; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission wish to establish an Ad Hoc South Shore Community Center Advisory Committee to consider the input received at the Open House and provide informed recommendations on the revitalization, activation and utilization of the South Shore Community Center, as well as the enhancement of the 6th Street corridor; and

WHEREAS, the purpose, composition, and powers and duties of the Committee members, and administrative liaison to the Committee are set forth in Exhibit "A" attached to this Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby establish the "Ad Hoc South Shore Community Center Advisory Committee," for a period of one year (subject to earlier or later sunset by City Commission) to advise the Administration and City Commission on the activation and utilization of the South Shore Community Center, as well as the enhancement of the 6th Street corridor; and prescribing the purpose, composition, powers and duties of the Committee.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____ 2024.

Steven Meiner, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(Sponsored by Vice-Mayor Alex J. Fernandez)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

City Attorney

10/22/2024

Date

EXHIBIT "A"

Ad Hoc South Shore Community Center Advisory Committee

A. Purpose

1. To provide informed input and recommendations on the activation and utilization of the South Shore Community Center, as well as the enhancement of the 6th Street corridor. This includes ensuring that these spaces are effectively integrated to serve the community while preserving their unique character, improving safety, and enhancing the overall quality of life for residents and visitors along the 6th Street corridor.
2. The Committee will meet on a monthly basis preferably at the South Shore Community Center . The Committee will sunset in twelve (12) months unless determined by the Mayor and City Commission that it should be extended.
3. The Committee will offer feedback on programming ideas, including a calendar of activities and other initiatives aimed at enhancing the overall quality of life of residents and visitors while maintaining the unique character of the South Shore Community Center and the 6th Street Corridor. The committee's input would be critical in transforming the South Shore Community Center and the 6th Street corridor into vibrant, safe, and inclusive community spaces that reflect the spirit and identity of the area.

B. Membership Composition

1. The Committee shall be composed of seven members, with seven (7) direct appointments made by individual city commissioners and the mayor, all of whom shall be appointed to serve for a term of no more than one (1) year at a time.
2. *Membership criteria:* individuals must be residents of the city for a minimum of two (2) years, or demonstrate ownership/interest in, or employment relationship with, a business established in the city for a minimum of two (2) years.
 - a. All members must be residents or local business owners with residencies or businesses within the area north of 5th Street and south of 11th Street, between Alton Road and Washington Avenue.
 - b. One (1) member must be a representative from the Lulav Square Apartments.
 - c. There shall be one nonvoting, ex officio representative from the Rainbow Intergenerational Daycare Center.
 - d. Exceptions to the membership criteria may be approved, by a majority vote of the City Commission for individuals with relevant knowledge or expertise relative to the South Shore Community Center and the 6th Street Corridor.

C. Conflict of interest.

In accordance with Florida law, under circumstances presenting a conflict of interest, an advisory board member should abstain from voting with respect to any measure in which the advisory board member has a personal, private, or professional interest and which inures to his special private gain or the special gain of a principal by whom he is retained. The City Attorney's Office liaison shall assist advisory board members in addressing any potential voting conflicts, as necessary.

D. Administrative Liaison

The supporting departments for the Committee shall be the City Manager's Office, and Public Works Department.