

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

DATE: February 26, 2025

SUBJECT: BOARD AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS – CITY COMMISSION / AT-LARGE APPOINTMENTS

RECOMMENDATION

We respectfully request that this Item be heard during the Commission Meeting on February 26, 2025.

ANALYSIS

Item R9 A includes the applicants who have filed with the Office of the City Clerk for the At-Large appointments below.

BOARD AND COMMITTEES:

1. AD HOC CITY LIGHTING PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

VACANCIES (2):

- One North Beach resident.
- One Technical Member – Electrical engineer, preferably with expertise in urban lighting.

2. AD HOC CITY SANITATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

VACANCIES (2):

- One North Beach resident.
- One member from the City as a whole.

3. AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

VACANCIES (5):

Five members shall be appointed at large by a majority vote of the Mayor and City Commission. These appointments must come from the following categories, with no more than one member representing each category.

- Representing those areas of labor actively engaged in home building in connection with affordable housing. (Category # 3)
- Actively engaged as a for-profit provider of affordable housing. (Category # 5)
- Actively engaged as a not-for-profit provider of affordable housing. (Category # 6)
- Actively serves on the local planning agency pursuant to Florida Statutes §163.3174 (Planning Board member) (Category # 8)
- Resides within the jurisdiction of the local governing body making the appointments. (Category # 9)
- Represents essential services personnel, as defined in the local housing assistance plan. (Category # 11)

Note: If the City, due to the presence of a conflict of interest by prospective appointees or other reasonable factors, is unable to appoint a citizen actively engaged in these activities in connection with affordable housing, a citizen engaged in the activity without regard to affordable housing may be appointed.

4. ART IN PUBLIC PLACES

VACANCY (1):

- One member who shall possess a high degree of competence in the evaluation of art history and architectural history, art, architecture, sculpture, painting, artistic structure design, and other appropriate art media for display or integration in public places. *To replace term-limited member Aaron Resnick.*

POSSIBLE REAPPOINTMENT TO BE MADE (1):

- One member who shall possess a high degree of competence in the evaluation of art history and architectural history, art, architecture, sculpture, painting, artistic structure design, and other appropriate art media for display or integration in public places.

1. Ann-Kathrin Seif, Chair

5. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (5/7 vote required)

VACANCY (1):

- One member representing one of the following professions (no more than one member per profession): 2) engineering, 3) real estate development, 4) certified public accounting, and 5) financial consultation. *To replace term-limited member Andres Asion.*

Currently, the committee has one member in Category 1 Law and one member in Category 6 General Business.

6. BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

VACANCY (1):

- One Certified Public Accountant.

7. CULTURAL ARTS COUNCIL (3-year term)

VACANCIES (2):

- Two At-Large members - Best Interests of the Arts Within the City.

POSSIBLE REAPPOINTMENT TO BE MADE (1):

- One At-Large member - Best Interests of the Arts Within the City.
 1. Sarah Leddick

8. GENERAL OBLIGATION (G.O.) BOND OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

VACANCY (1):

- One City resident from the Mid-Beach Area. *To replace term-limited member Jack Glottmann.*

9. HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

VACANCIES (6):

- One member shall be an administrator from an adult congregate living facility (ACLF); and/or an assisted living facility (ALF). (Category # 3)
- One (1) member shall be a representative of the nursing profession. (Category # 4)
- One member shall be a health benefits provider. (Category # 5)
- One individual from the corporate level. (Category # 7a)
- Ex-Officio, Miami-Dade County Health Department.
- Ex-Officio, Health Council of South Florida.

10. HEALTH FACILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD

VACANCY (1):

- One individual in the field of general business who possesses good standing in the community.

11. HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

VACANCY (1):

- A representative from the Miami Design Preservation League (MDPL), selected from three names nominated by such organization. (Category # 1) *To replace Laura Weinstein-Berman, who is not seeking reappointment. The MDPL Executive Director has requested that this vacancy be addressed at the March 19, 2025, Commission Meeting.*

Note: All members of the Board except the architect, university faculty member, and water management expert shall be residents of the City; provided, however, that the City Commission may waive the residency requirement (if applicable) by a 5/7th vote in the event a person not meeting the residency requirement is available to serve on the Board and is exceptionally qualified by training and/or experience in historic preservation matters. All appointments shall be made on the basis of civic pride, integrity, experience, and interest in the field of historic preservation.

12. HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

VACANCIES (4):

- Four members who shall reflect, as nearly as possible, the diversity of individuals protected under the City's Human Rights Ordinance. *Three true vacancies and one vacancy to replace term-limited member Dale Stine.*

13. NEXT GENERATION COUNCIL (1-year term)

Members must be between 18 and 36 years old at the time of appointment. *(Note: An Ordinance currently on the agenda proposes raising the age limit to 40.)*

VACANCIES (2):

- One member must be a business owner in the City. (Category A)
- One member must be licensed and actively practicing in the field of architecture or engineering. (Category C)

14. NORTH BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

VACANCY (1):

- One member who is an attorney with experience in land use, real estate, or other related practice area, residing generally within the City of Miami Beach or maintaining a full-time law practice and physical office located in North Beach. (Category # 4)

Each member must have demonstrated interest in neighborhood leadership issues, including, without limitation, neighborhood business groups, homeowner or condominium associations and cooperatives, civic groups, and/or other similar qualifications.

15. PERSONNEL BOARD (5/7 vote required)

VACANCY (1):

- One citizen of Miami Beach, not employed by the City and not having the same vocation as any other member of the Personnel Board. (Excluded vocations: Human Resources Director, International Sales Manager/Consultant, Clinical Pharmacist, Concert Producer/Impresario, and Assistant General Manager.) *One vacancy to replace term-limited member Raquel Pacheco.*

16. SENIORS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

VACANCIES (5):

- One at-large member.
- One resident of the Blackstone Apartments who shall be recommended by the residents of the Blackstone Apartments and ratified by the City Commission. (Category # 4)
- One resident of Stella Maris House selected by the board of directors of Stella Maris House. (Category # 5) *To replace term-limited member Gaby Baglietto.*
- One resident of Council Towers North who shall be recommended by the residents of Council Towers North and ratified by the City Commission. (Category # 7)
- One resident of Council Towers South who shall be recommended by the residents of Council Towers South and ratified by the city commission. (Category # 8)

POSSIBLE REAPPOINTMENT TO BE MADE (1):

- An individual selected by the board of directors of Jewish Community Services of South Florida.
1. Jessica Perez Waleck

17. TRANSPORTATION, PARKING, AND BICYCLE-PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES COMMITTEE

VACANCIES (2):

- One South Beach neighborhood association member. (Category # 2)
- One Mid-Beach neighborhood association member. (Category # 4) *To replace term-limited member Esteban Procelli.*