

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE, AT ITS JULY 10, 2024 MEETING, DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO PROCEED WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SAFETY STRIPING AND THE PROPOSED REGULATORY SIGNAGE ON THE BEACHWALK; AND TO EXTEND THE SAFETY STRIPING AND REGULATORY SIGNAGE THROUGH THE CUTWALK AND BAYWALK TO 5 STREET, SUBJECT TO FUNDING AVAILABILITY; AND TO PROCEED WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROPOSED REGULATORY SIGNAGE AT THE LINCOLN ROAD MALL; AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORTED BY THE WORKING GROUP.

WHEREAS, at the December 13, 2023 City Commission meeting, the City Commission referred an agenda item (C4 I), sponsored by Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt and co-sponsored by Commissioner Laura Dominguez, to the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee ("PSNQLC") to discuss regulations pertaining to electric vehicles and devices, along with the City's enforcement efforts and any additional regulations that may be necessary to aid in ensuring the safe operation of electric vehicles and devices for all; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 70-67 of the City of Miami Beach Code of Ordinances (the "Code"), it is unlawful to operate any motorized means of transportation, in, on, or upon any sidewalk or sidewalk areas in the City, except for (a) wheelchairs or other motorized means of transportation when used by disabled persons and (b) electric personal assistive mobility devices, where otherwise not prohibited, which are restricted to a maximum speed of eight (8) miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, it is also unlawful for any person to engage in skateboarding, roller skating, and in-line skating at any time; to operate any motorized means of transportation at any time; or to engage in bicycling between 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 a.m., on Lincoln Road between Washington Avenue and Alton Road; and

WHEREAS, it is also unlawful to operate any motorized means of transportation (which excludes motorized devices and wheelchairs when used by disabled persons) at any time on the Beachwalk; the Lummus Park Promenade (Serpentine Walkway between 5th Street and 15th Street), the South Pointe Park Cutwalk (adjacent and parallel to Government Cut), the Marina Baywalk (adjacent and parallel to Biscayne Bay and south of 5th Street), the interior pathways within South Pointe Park and Collins Park; and the South Pointe Park Pier; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt, with the participation of the Administration, a multi-departmental working group, including a representative from the Mayor's Office and a City resident, is currently working on developing a comprehensive, multi-pronged, and unified approach to improve micromobility, bicycle, and pedestrian safety on the Beachwalk and other shared-use facilities as well as bicycle lanes throughout the City; and

WHEREAS, the working group has recommended replacing the existing advisory signs on the Beachwalk with simpler regulatory signage which is easier to understand; and

WHEREAS, the working group has recommended replacing the existing regulatory signs on Lincoln Road with simpler regulatory signage which is easier to understand; and

WHEREAS, provided the current budget allocation is sufficient, the City Administration (“Administration”) has recommended that the safety improvements would be extended to the Cutwalk and Baywalk; and

WHEREAS, at the July 10, 2024 PSNQLC meeting, the PSNQLC recommended that the Administration move forward with the safety striping and the proposed regulatory signage, as supported by the working group, on the Beachwalk; extend the safety striping and regulatory signage through the Cutwalk and Baywalk to 5th Street, subject to funding availability; and proceed with regulatory signage at the Lincoln Road mall.

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 accept the recommendation of the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee, at its July 10, 2024 meeting, directing the City Administration (“Administration”) to proceed with the implementation of the safety striping and the proposed regulatory signage on the Beachwalk; and to extend the safety striping and regulatory signage through the Cutwalk and Baywalk to 5th Street, subject to funding availability; and to proceed with the implementation of the proposed regulatory signage at the Lincoln Road mall; as recommended by the Administration and supported by the working group.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____ 2024.

Steven Meiner, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(Sponsored by Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt
Co-sponsored by Commissioner Laura Dominguez)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney

9/5/2024

Date