

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission
FROM: Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez
DATE: February 3, 2025
TITLE: REFERRAL TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOODS QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS THE BEAUTIFICATION OF SIDEWALKS ON COLLINS AVENUE WITH MOSAIC DESIGNS, LANDSCAPING AND DECORATIVE UPLIGHTING.

RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

ANALYSIS

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Please place on the February 3, 2025 agenda a referral to the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee (the "Committee") to discuss the beautification of sidewalks on Collins Avenue with mosaic designs, landscaping and decorative uplighting.

I would like to discuss with my colleagues on the Committee the possibility of beautifying the sidewalks along Collins Avenue with geometric mosaic designs, similar to the renowned calçada (sidewalk) along the beach in Rio de Janeiro, designed by Roberto Burle Marx. This design, known for its artistic aesthetic and cultural significance, could greatly enhance the visual appeal of Collins Avenue, transforming it into a vibrant and attractive pedestrian corridor that celebrates both art and history.

In addition to the mosaic designs, the Committee should explore the installation of landscaping and decorative landscape uplighting to further enhance the overall aesthetic, safety, and ambiance of the area. The goal is to create a cohesive and inviting environment that draws residents, visitors, and tourists to Collins Avenue, enriching their experience in this iconic part of Miami Beach.

As Collins Avenue is a state road, the Administration should be prepared to discuss the relevant Florida Department of Transportation ("FDOT") requirements for implementing such a project. Additionally, the Administration should provide an estimated cost for beautifying Collins Avenue between 5th Street and 15th Street, with a phased (segmented) approach to ensure the project can be implemented in stages.

Does this Ordinance require a Business Impact Estimate?

(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-notice/>

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CONCLUSION

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

Office of Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Ref: PSNQLC - Beautify Sidewalks on Collins Ave w/ Mosaic Designs/Landscaping/Decorative Uplighting. (KRG)

Previous Action (For City Clerk Use Only)