



COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Eric Carpenter, City Manager

DATE: September 11, 2024

TITLE: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACTING IN ITS CAPACITY AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BISCAYNE BEACH SECURITY GUARD SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT, ADOPTING THE OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE BISCAYNE BEACH SECURITY GUARD SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt the Resolution which establishes the operating budget for the Biscayne Beach Security Guard Special Taxing District ("District") for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 in the amount of \$256,000, subject to adoption of the non-ad valorem assessment roll of \$2,485.15, per Residential Unit, to fund the continued operation and maintenance of the guardhouse gates, and security guard services in the District, including but not limited to the making of building, infrastructure, and security-related improvements, as authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes.

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY**

In 1989, the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach and the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners approved the creation of a Special Taxing District pursuant to City Resolution No. 88-19368 and County Ordinance No. 89-126 to provide twenty-four (24) hour security guard services to Biscayne Beach.

Pursuant to a Miami-Dade County Charter Amendment approved by the electorate on November 8, 2016, County Ordinance No. 16-14 was given effect which created a new Section 18-3.1 in the Miami-Dade County Code. This new County Code section provides, in part, that by joint resolutions of the Board of County Commissioners and the governing body of a municipality, the governing body of a municipality may be designated as the governing body of an existing Special Taxing District located entirely within the boundaries of such municipality, subject to a majority vote of the qualified electors residing in the Special Taxing District at an election called by and conducted as provided by the Board of County Commissioners and with the County Tax Collector and Property Appraiser would be needed to effectuate a transfer of control.

On December 17, 2019, the voters approved the transfer of control of the Special Taxing District to the City. As a result of this vote, and pursuant to the terms of the Transfer Agreement between the County and the City, the City became the governing body of the Special Taxing District pursuant to Section 102.168 of the Florida Statutes.

As such, the City of Miami Beach intends to use the uniform method for collecting non-ad valorem assessments to fund the continued operation and maintenance of the guardhouse gates, and security guard services in the District, including but not limited to the making of building, infrastructure, and security-related improvements, as authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, because this method will allow such special assessments to be collected annually.

## **ANALYSIS**

The non-ad valorem assessment roll and operating budget for this District must be adopted in accordance with Florida Statutes. This procedure requires that this Resolution be considered immediately after the non-ad valorem assessment roll for the District has been adopted (see accompanying Biscayne Beach Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Roll agenda item for details).

## **PROPOSED BUDGET**

The proposed FY 2025 budget summarized below for the Biscayne Beach Security Guard Special Taxing District is \$256,000 and reflects the funding necessary to provide security services, as well as improvements to the security guardhouse for the upcoming fiscal year, as requested by the District. This represents a \$12,000 increase from the adopted FY 2024 budget of \$244,000 for the District, which includes \$5,000 in one-time funding from the District's prior year fund balance for the replacement of the gate arm at the guardhouse for FY 2025.

<b>Expenditures in FY 2025 Budget</b>	<b>\$</b>
Contracted Security Services for District	210,000
City of Miami Beach Internal Service Charges and Fees	16,000
Guardhouse Utilities (Water, Sewer, Storm Water, Electricity, etc.)	11,300
Guardhouse Gate Arm Replacement (One-Time)	5,000
Contingencies (based on budgeted collection allowance)	5,000
Guardhouse Repairs and Preventive Maintenance	3,900
Guardhouse Lighting	2,300
Guardhouse Janitorial Services	1,500
Advertising and Mailing Services for Required Notice of Public Hearing	1,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 256,000</b>

In order to provide the level of services and improvements requested by the District, an assessment of \$2,485.15, per Residential Unit, is proposed for real property located within the boundaries of the District commencing FY 2025, which will generate approximately \$251,000 in FY 2025. The proposed non-ad valorem assessment is \$81.21, or 3.4%, more than the non-ad valorem assessment of \$2,403.94, per Residential Unit, that was adopted for FY 2024. The proposed assessment, combined with the use of \$5,000 of the District's prior year fund balance for the replacement of the gate arm at the guardhouse that was requested by the District for FY 2025, would fund the proposed FY 2025 budget.

## **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

See information provided above.

## **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-notices/>

## **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

See information provided above.

## **CONCLUSION**

The Mayor and City Commission, acting in its capacity as the governing body of the Biscayne Beach Security Guard Special Taxing District, should adopt the Resolution which establishes the operating budget of \$256,000 for the Biscayne Beach Security Guard Special Taxing District for FY 2025.

Attachment A – Biscayne Beach Budget

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## **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**

Management and Budget

## **Sponsor(s)**

## **Co-sponsor(s)**

## **Condensed Title**

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