

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: City Attorney Ricardo J. Dopico

DATE: June 25, 2025

TITLE: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO ESTIMATE THE COST TO PHASE OUT THE USE OF PORTABLE, GAS-POWERED FLOODLIGHTS IN LUMMUS PARK, PARTICULARLY DURING SEA TURTLE NESTING SEASON EACH YEAR (APRIL 1 – OCTOBER 31), AND TO SUBSTITUTE WITH MORE SUITABLE LIGHTING ALTERNATIVES, SUCH AS SHIELDED, LOW-MOUNTED AMBER, OR RED LED LIGHTS, IN ORDER TO PROTECT SEA TURTLES, ENHANCE OCEAN DRIVE AESTHETICS, AND MAINTAIN ADEQUATE ILLUMINATION FOR PUBLIC SAFETY; AND FURTHER, DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO INCLUDE THE COST FOR THIS PROJECT AS A POSSIBLE BUDGET ENHANCEMENT DURING THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET PROCESS.

RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

ANALYSIS

The attached Resolution was prepared at the request of the sponsor, Vice-Mayor David Suarez.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The sponsor of this item requests that the Administration be prepared to address the fiscal impact of this proposed measure and to identify funding in the FY 2026 budget process.

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

South Beach

Is this a "Residents Right to Know" item, pursuant to City Code Section 2-17?

No

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

City Attorney

Sponsor(s)

Vice-Mayor David Suarez

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Remove Lummus Park Flood Lights to Protect Sea Turtles and Improve Ocean Drive Aesthetics. (Suarez) CA

Previous Action (For City Clerk Use Only)