

of hope for parents just hearing about their child's disability and want them to know they are not alone," said Farides Garcia, the nonprofit's president and CEO. "We, too, are parents on the same path and know our kids with disabilities can do great things with the right supports and services."

### BROWARD GROUP ADVOCATING FOR DECADES

For those who need assistance in Broward County, the Ann Storck Center has been working with children and adults with disabilities for more than 70 years.

In 1951, pediatric nurse Ann Storck retired to South Florida to help children with developmental disabilities and opened the Pediatric Care Center four years later, serving 55 children.

The Pediatric Care Center has since evolved into the Ann Storck Center, which runs a preschool and elementary school for children with developmental disabilities, works with high schools to train students in vocational skills, teaches adults life skills and operates group homes for families who can no longer care for their loved one.

Pat Murphy, the center's CEO, estimates more than 500 people benefit annually from Ann Storck's programs.

"We help empower caregivers to advocate on behalf of their child, whether it's in the school system or getting benefits," she said.

The center also has a respite program that enables parents or guardians to run errands or get a break for a few hours, leaving a child in the hands of a trained caregiver.

"We have kids in our respite program and early intervention that are weeks and months old," she said.

For longer-term needs, the center runs 10 homes in Broward. Six of the homes house medically fragile adults, complete with nurses and therapists. The other

four house people with developmental and physical disabilities and those with behavioral challenges.

"The oldest person in our home is close to 80," Murphy said.

"Probably 80% of them don't have family," Murphy said of the residents in the homes. "We are their family. We are it."

The nonprofit's main campus is in Fort Lauderdale; its satellite campus is in Pembroke Pines.

The center runs a preschool for children needing early intervention and a K-5 private school for students of all abilities. For older students, the nonprofit works with four Broward high schools, teaching students employment skills and helping them secure summer internships.

Although the Agency for Persons with Disabilities and Medicaid fund the group homes, Murphy said, donors help support the music therapy teacher and the school. The center's annual budget is \$23 million.

"Our school is always running at a deficit, especially the early-intervention programs," she said.

### MAKING DONATIONS GO FURTHER

The Community Foundation of Broward, founded 40 years ago, helps fund nonprofits like Ann Storck.

One of the groups it works with is Schott Communities in Cooper City, a nonprofit that helps those who are deaf or disabled live independently.

One of Schott's programs is "Welcome to My World," which offers people a glimpse of what life is like for a disabled person. Simulation exercises, like walking with a blindfold while using a cane, help people understand the life of someone who has lost their sight.

Schott also teaches adults with disabilities life skills and vocational training. Its Art from the Heart program, taught by professional artists, helps people express themselves, while learning about acrylic and oil painting.

The Exceptional Theater Company in Davie, where teens and adults with physical and developmental disabilities learn how to act, sing and dance to build their self-confidence, also receives funding through the foundation.

Incorporating arts and culture to benefit those living with disabilities is one of the key tenets of the Community Foundation of Broward, said Jennifer O'Flannery Anderson, the foundation's CEO.

"It's our commitment to people with special abilities and finding new and expansive ways to support them."



### NORTH BAY VILLAGE

#### ANNUAL NOTICE OF PUBLISHING LEGALLY REQUIRED ADVERTISEMENTS AND PUBLIC NOTICES ON MIAMI-DADE COUNTY'S DESIGNATED PUBLICLY ACCESSIBLE WEBSITE

North Bay Village (the "Village") intends to utilize Miami-Dade County's designated publicly accessible website to publish legally required advertisements and public notices beginning **February 1, 2025**. The Village's legally required advertisements and public notices will be in searchable form and will indicate the date each advertisement or public notice was first published. To access the Village's legally required advertisements and notices, please visit Miami-Dade County's designated website at <http://legalads.miamidade.gov/> and filter by municipality.

Residents and property owners may request to receive legally required advertisements and public notices via email or first-class mail by providing their name and mailing address or email address to the Village Clerk's Office by e-mail at [villageclerk@nbvillage.com](mailto:villageclerk@nbvillage.com); by mail to Village Hall at 1666 Kennedy Causeway, Suite 300, North Bay Village, FL 33141, by phone at (305)756-7171 or TDD (800) 955-8771, or by visiting the Village Clerk's Office in person at Village Hall. This notice is given pursuant to Section 50.0311(6), Florida Statutes.

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## CITY OF MIAMI BEACH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

**CANOPY PARK - COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FLUM AMENDMENT**  
**ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE CATEGORY AND DESIGNATION FOR A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED AT 701 WEST AVENUE, WHICH IS COMPRISED OF LESS THAN 10 ACRES, FROM THE CURRENT DESIGNATION OF CD-2, "COMMERCIAL, MEDIUM INTENSITY", TO THE FUTURE LAND USE CATEGORY OF ROS, "RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE"**

**FEBRUARY 3, 2025  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on **February 3, 2025, at 5:01 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, the Mayor and City Commissioners of the City of Miami Beach will hold a **Second Reading/Public Hearing** on the following proposed Ordinance:

### CANOPY PARK - COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FLUM AMENDMENT

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE CATEGORY PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.4.1 OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, AND PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTES, SECTIONS 163.3181 AND SECTION 163.3187, BY CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE DESIGNATION FOR A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED AT 701 WEST AVENUE, AND WHICH IS COMPRISED OF LESS THAN 10 ACRES, FROM THE CURRENT DESIGNATION OF CD-2, "COMMERCIAL, MEDIUM INTENSITY", TO THE FUTURE LAND USE CATEGORY OF ROS, "RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE"; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; TRANSMITTAL; REPEALER; SEVERABILITY; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance is being heard pursuant to Chapter 2, Article IV of the Resiliency Code. Inquiries may be directed to the Planning Department at 305.673.7550.

During the **February 3, 2025**, Commission Meeting, the City of Miami Beach will host a Hybrid Commission Meeting. During the Hybrid Commission Meeting, the City Commission will be physically present in the **Commission Chamber, located at 1700 Convention Center Drive, 3rd Floor, Miami Beach, Florida 33139**.

Members of the public who wish to attend this Commission Meeting or provide public comment in person may appear at the Commission Chamber. Applicants and members of the public who wish to participate or provide comment virtually during the Commission Meeting may join the webinar at: <https://miamibeachfl-gov.zoom.us/j/81392857671> or via telephone at: 1.305.224.1968 (U.S.) or 888.475.4499 (Toll-Free). Webinar ID: 81392857671#. Members of the public wanting to speak virtually on an item during the meeting must click the "raise hand" icon if using the Zoom app or press "9" on the telephone to raise their hand.

INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to take part in this meeting or be represented by an agent. The public may submit written comments on Commission Meeting items by either submitting an eComment through the agenda page at <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/city-clerk/agenda> and clicking the comment bubble icon in the "Current and Upcoming Meetings" section or by emailing [CityClerk@miamibeachfl.gov](mailto:CityClerk@miamibeachfl.gov) with the Agenda Item Number in the subject line. Comments received, in either format, will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. the day before the meeting. All submissions will be forwarded to the Mayor and Commissioners and included in the meeting record.

Copies of Agenda items are available for public inspection at: <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/city-clerk/agenda>. This meeting, or any item therein, may be continued, and under such circumstances, additional legal notice need not be provided.

Pursuant to Section 286.0105, Fla. Stat., the City hereby advises the public that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Commission concerning any matter considered at its meeting or its hearing, such person must ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. This notice does not constitute consent by the City for the introduction or admission of otherwise inadmissible or irrelevant evidence, nor does it authorize challenges or appeals not otherwise allowed by law.

To request this material in an alternate format, a sign language interpreter (five-day notice required), information on access for persons with disabilities, and/or any accommodation to review any document or participate in any City-sponsored proceedings, call 305.604.2ADA (2232) and select 1 for English or 2 for Spanish; TTY users may call via 711 (Florida Relay Service).

The City Commission Meeting will be broadcast live on Miami Beach TV (MBTV), viewable on the City's website at <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/government/mbtv/>, as well as on Breezeline Cable channel 660 or 2004 (HD), AT&T U-verse channel 99, Hotwire Communications channel 395, and ROKU device on PEG.TV channel, and on social media at <https://www.facebook.com/cityofmiamibeach>.

To review the Business Impact Estimates for the above proposed Ordinance, please visit <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/city-clerk/meeting-notices/>.

To access additional advertisements and notices, visit Miami-Dade County's designated website at <http://legalads.miamidade.gov/> and filter by municipality.

### Parking

Meeting attendees can park at the City Hall Garage, 1755 Meridian Avenue, Miami Beach, FL 33139.

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