

MIAMI BEACH

COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

TO: Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee Members

FROM: Eric Carpenter, City Manager

DATE: May 14, 2025

TITLE: CONSIDER BEAUTIFICATION OF THE ALLEYWAYS BEHIND ROASTERS & TOASTERS AND CAFÉ AVANTI ON THE 41ST STREET CORRIDOR.

RECOMMENDATION

The Administration recommends prioritizing the milling and resurfacing of the alleys behind Roasters 'N Toasters and Café Avanti within the annual appropriation and refreshing the landscaped medians.

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

At its February 26, 2025 meeting, the Mayor and City Commission (City Commission) at the request of Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez, approved a dual referral item C4Z (Attachment A), to the Neighborhoods and Quality of Life Committee (PSNQLC) and Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee (FERC), to discuss the beautification of the 41st Street alleyways, behind Roasters 'N Toasters (533 Arthur Godfrey Road) and Café Avanti (732 West 41st Street).

Sponsoring Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez believes that the alleyways behind these establishments could benefit from an improved aesthetic appeal and enhancement of the overall neighborhood environment. Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez would like for Committee members to consider options for funding, design, and implementation of a pavement project, in which local stakeholders and property owners could collaborate in. The discussion was scheduled to be heard at the April 9, 2025, PSNQLC meeting, however, the item was not reached. It is scheduled for May 14, 2025.

ANALYSIS

Public Works conducted a search of the parcels and confirmed that both alleyways fall within the City's jurisdiction and are maintained by the Public Works Sanitation Division once a week. The alleyways provide access for both pedestrian and vehicular traffic (from deliveries, trash collection, to regular service of utility poles, manholes, grates, and other public utilities serviced from the alley). The alleyways also connect to two (2) parking lots. The parking lot across from Roasters 'N Toasters belongs to the City, and the parking lot across from Café Avanti belongs to CVS Pharmacy.

In its present condition, both alleyways could be improved with milling and resurfacing of the asphalt pavement. The estimated cost per alley is between \$30,000 - \$40,000 or about \$80,000 for both, currently funded.

With regards to beautification, since the parking lot across from Roasters 'N Toasters belongs to the City, Public Works Greenspace Management will be installing sod in the medians within the next couple of weeks. However, the private parking lot by Café Avanti would need to be enhanced by the property owner.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The estimated cost to for milling and resurfacing of both alleys is \$80,000, funded within the department’s annual appropriation.

CONCLUSION

The Administration recommends prioritizing the milling and resurfacing of the alleys behind Roasters 'N Toasters and Café Avanti within the annual appropriation and refreshing the landscaped medians.

Applicable Area

Middle Beach

<u>Is this a “Residents Right to Know” item, pursuant to City Code Section 2-17?</u>	<u>Is this item related to a G.O. Bond Project?</u>
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Yes

No

Department

Public Works

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez

Condensed Title

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