

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission
FROM: Commissioner Alex Fernandez
DATE: February 26, 2025
TITLE: INFORMATIONAL ITEM: BIKINI HOSTEL.

RECOMMENDATION

As Chair of the Land Use and Sustainability Committee, I am committed to ensuring that any discussions regarding the future of the Bikini Hostel site are approached with responsibility, transparency, and compassion—particularly for the individuals currently housed there.

As proposals regarding development in the West Avenue Neighborhood continue, I believe it's important that our committee discusses and dialogues on the following items:

1. A detailed timeline regarding its contract to purchase the Bikini Hostel at 1247 West Avenue, including key milestones and expected completion dates.
2. A comprehensive plan for the relocation of the displaced individuals currently housed at the Bikini Hostel, ensuring that they are placed in an appropriate, supportive environment with improved access to job placement, case management, medical services, and other essential social services.

To ensure a comprehensive approach is reviewed, I request that this information be shared prior to any related discussions at LUSC. Miami Beach has always been a city that values both responsible development and compassionate solutions for those in need. Prior to advancing full proposals, actionable items must be discussed at the committee level to avoid confusion and lack of transparency in the process.

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

ANALYSIS

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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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

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 Alex Fernandez

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Alex Fernandez

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Informational Item: Bikini Hostel. (Fernandez)

Previous Action (For City Clerk Use Only)