

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-32955

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING THE "AD HOC CITY LIGHTING PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE," FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR (SUBJECT TO EARLIER OR LATER SUNSET BY THE CITY COMMISSION), TO REVIEW EXISTING LIGHTING INFRASTRUCTURE, IDENTIFY AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT, AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE CITY REGARDING A COMPREHENSIVE LIGHTING PLAN FOR THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH.

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach is committed to enhancing the safety, aesthetics, functionality and energy efficiency of lighting in public spaces, rights of way and commercial and residential areas for the benefit of residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, an effective and comprehensive lighting plan is essential for promoting public safety, improving the overall atmosphere, and ensuring the vitality of the City; and

WHEREAS, a lighting plan should consider functional aspects, such as visibility and security, as well as aesthetic elements like ambiance and architectural lighting; and

WHEREAS, these aspects must be carefully balanced against the equally important objective of protecting sea turtles, nesting birds and other wildlife that grace our beautiful City by limiting glare and the adverse ecological impact of artificial lighting; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission recognizes the need for collaboration with, and input from, various stakeholders, including residents and businesses, to develop a well-informed and complete City-wide lighting plan; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Commission wish to establish an Ad Hoc City Lighting Plan Advisory Committee (the "Committee") for the purpose of making recommendations to the City regarding a comprehensive lighting plan for the City of Miami Beach; and

WHEREAS, the purpose, composition, power and duties of the Committee are set forth in **Exhibit 1** attached hereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby establish the "Ad Hoc City Lighting Plan Advisory Committee," for a period of one (1) year (subject to earlier or later sunset by the City Commission), to review existing lighting infrastructure, identify areas for improvement, and make recommendations to the City regarding a comprehensive lighting plan for the City of Miami Beach.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13 day of March, 2024.

ATTEST:

RS MAR 15 2024
Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

Steven Meiner
Steven Meiner, Mayor

(Sponsored by Commissioner David Suarez)



APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

JD 3-6-24
City Attorney Date

Exhibit 1
Ad Hoc City Lighting Plan Advisory Committee Powers, Duties and Composition

A. Purpose

1. The purpose of the Ad Hoc City Lighting Plan Advisory Committee (the "Committee") would be to review existing lighting infrastructure, identify areas for improvement, and make recommendations to the City regarding a comprehensive lighting plan for the City of Miami Beach that addresses safety, aesthetics, functionality and energy efficiency of lighting in public spaces, rights of way and commercial and residential areas for the benefit of residents and visitors.
2. The Committee consider functional aspects, such as visibility and security, as well as aesthetic elements like ambiance and architectural lighting.
3. The Committee shall make recommendations regarding the following elements that would be addressed in a Comprehensive Lighting Plan:
 - a. Safety and Security (Street Lighting and Public Spaces)
 - b. Environmental Impact
 - c. Architectural Lighting for Landmarks, Public Buildings and Monuments
 - d. Energy Efficiency
 - e. Lighting Design Guidelines for Commercial and Residential Structures
 - f. Such other matters as the Mayor and City Commission shall determine by Referral to the Committee
4. The Committee will meet on a monthly basis, or as frequently as the Committee deems necessary to make final recommendations. The Committee will sunset at the end of one (1) year unless determined by the Mayor and City Commission that it should be extended.

B. Membership Composition

1. The Committee shall be composed of seven (7) at-large appointments made by the Mayor and City Commission as a body.
2. Minimum membership criteria for the Committee: individuals must be residents of the City for a minimum of two (2) years, or demonstrate ownership/interest in, or employment relationship with a business established in the City for a minimum of two (2) years. Exceptions to the foregoing may be approved by a majority vote of the City Commission for the electrical engineer member.
3. The composition of the Committee shall be as follows:
 - a. Resident Members.
 - i. At least two (2) of the seven members must currently reside within the North Beach area, generally considered as that portion of Miami Beach located north of 63rd Street
 - ii. At least two (2) of the seven members must currently reside within the Mid Beach area, generally considered as that portion of Miami Beach located south of 63rd Street and north of 23rd Street
 - iii. At least two (2) of the seven members must currently reside within the South Beach area, generally considered as that portion of Miami Beach located south of 23rd Street

- b. Technical Member. At least one (1) of the seven members must be an electrical engineer, preferably with expertise in urban lighting
- 4. The Mayor and City Commission will consider the following additional criteria when making appointments:
 - a. Applicable knowledge and experience relevant to the Committee's purpose
 - b. Past and present community service, especially leadership roles and experience on other advisory committees or boards

C. Conflict of interest.

In accordance with Florida law, under circumstances presenting a conflict of interest, an advisory board member should abstain from voting with respect to any measure in which the advisory board member has a personal, private, or professional interest and which inures to his special private gain or the special gain of a principal by whom he is retained. The City Attorney's Office liaison shall assist advisory board members in addressing any potential voting conflicts, as necessary.

D. Administrative Liaisons

The supporting departments for the Committee shall be the City Manager's Office, the Planning Department and the Public Works Department. The City Attorney's Office shall provide counsel to the Committee.

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission
FROM: Rafael A. Paz, City Attorney
DATE: March 13, 2024

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BACKGROUND/HISTORY

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 name of lobbyist(s) and principal(s): N/A

ANALYSIS

The attached Resolution was prepared at the request of the sponsor, Commissioner David Suarez.

SUPPORTING SURVEY DATA

N/A

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

N/A

Is this a "Residents Right to Know" item, pursuant to City Code Section 2-14?

No

Does this item utilize G.O. Bond Funds?

No

Legislative Tracking

Office of the City Attorney

Sponsor

Commissioner David Suarez

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

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