

RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE AND ECONOMIC RESILIENCY COMMITTEE, AT ITS JUNE 4, 2025 MEETING, DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO CONSIDER, AS PART OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET PROCESS, DIVIDING MID-BEACH ("AREA 2") INTO TWO (AREAS/ZONES): EAST OF INDIAN CREEK AND WEST OF INDIAN CREEK, AND TO ALLOCATE FUNDING FOR ANY ADDITIONAL POLICE OFFICERS NECESSARY TO PROPERLY STAFF THIS INITIATIVE.**

**WHEREAS**, at the October 30, 2024, City Commission meeting, the Mayor and City Commission approved a referral to the Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee ("FERC") to discuss dividing Mid-Beach ("Area 2") into two (areas/zones): east of Indian Creek and west of Indian Creek, and funding for any additional police officers necessary for Fiscal Year 2026 to properly staff this initiative; and

**WHEREAS**, the item was subsequently heard at the June 4, 2025 FERC meeting, and the Committee unanimously agreed to move the item to the full City Commission with a favorable recommendation to be considered as part of the FY 2026 budget process; and

**WHEREAS**, the current configuration of Area 2 begins at Dade Boulevard to the south, and extends west along the Venetian Causeway, east to 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, and north to 63<sup>rd</sup> Street, and is currently staffed with patrol coverage, beat officers, and overtime detail; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission's proposal to create a stand-alone area, which would adhere to the requirements and the same standards of service as the four (4) current official MBPD geographical areas, would necessitate thirty-four (34) personnel and three (3) specialized units; and

**WHEREAS**, estimated costs to establish and maintain a proposed new Area as a stand-alone zone are approximately \$7,000,000.00 for the first year, including personnel salaries and benefits, specialized equipment and vehicles, and other operational costs; and

**WHEREAS**, the Administration recommends an alternative staffing solution through the creation of an Area 2 Seaside designation, permanently assigning ten (10) officers, two (2) supervisors, and specialized units to provide targeted coverage; and

**WHEREAS**, based on budget enhancement projections, the estimated total cost to implement this alternative solution is approximately \$2,500,000 for the first year; and

**WHEREAS**, for immediate and temporary implementation, an overtime detail for one (1) sergeant and five (5) officers could be considered with an estimated cost of \$1,900,000 for the first year; and

**WHEREAS**, the Administration has determined that the long-term implementation of the requested enhancements is not feasible without significant additional funding as outlined above.

**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 accept the recommendation of the Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee, at its June 4, 2025 meeting, directing the Administration to consider, as part of the Fiscal Year 2026 budget process,

dividing Mid Beach ("Area 2") into two (areas/zones): east of Indian Creek and west of Indian Creek, and to allocate funding for any additional police officers necessary for Fiscal Year 2026 to properly staff this initiative.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

**ATTEST:**

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Steven Meiner, Mayor

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Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(sponsored by Commissioner Alex J. Fernandez)

APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney

6/16/2025

Date