

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-_____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO INSTALL LUSH, MATURE PLANTS AT THE SOUTHERN LANDING OF THE 5TH STREET PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE BEHIND THE ICON CONDOMINIUM.

WHEREAS, the 5th Street Pedestrian Bridge is a critical infrastructure element that connects the Baywalk south of 5th Street with the Baywalk north of 5th Street, providing safe and efficient pedestrian access across the city's waterfront; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the construction of the 5th Street Pedestrian Bridge, mature landscaping located behind the Icon Condominium will need to be removed to accommodate the project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed replacement landscaping for the area includes the planting of seedlings, which will require several years to mature, potentially leading to a temporary loss of the lush, vibrant appearance of the area; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to maintain the beauty and aesthetic value of this important location by ensuring that the landscaping that replaces the trees and vegetation removed during construction will be dense, lush, and mature, providing an immediate enhancement to the area's visual appeal and creating a welcoming environment for residents and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, ideally, the replacement landscaping will include plants that are tolerant of sea spray such as Brazilian Beauty standard trees, clusia hedges and green island ficus hedges; and

WHEREAS, the planting of ficus repens vines around the bases of the concrete columns so the vines grow up along the columns would help beautify the landing area for the pedestrian bridge; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission seeks to ensure that the landscaping at the southern landing of the 5th Street Pedestrian Bridge behind the Icon Condominium will reflect the high aesthetic standards of the City and contribute to the overall beauty of the public spaces along the Baywalk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby direct the Administration to install lush, mature plants at the southern landing of the 5th Street Pedestrian Bridge behind the Icon Condominium, ensuring that the replacement landscaping is dense, lush, and aesthetically pleasing in order to maintain the beauty of the area during and after the completion of the bridge project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

Steven Meiner, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(Sponsored by Commissioner Laura Dominguez)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

City Attorney

1/24/2025

Date