

MIAMI BEACH

COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

TO: Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee Members

FROM: Eric Carpenter, City Manager

DATE: April 9, 2025

TITLE: DISCUSS INCREASE IN GRAFFITI AND STICKERING ACROSS THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH

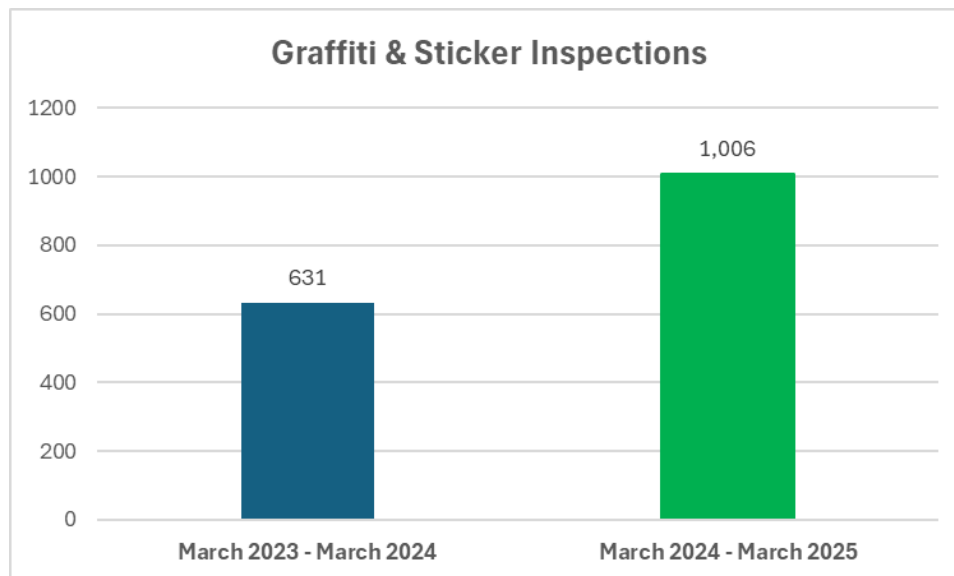
RECOMMENDATION

The Administration will address the increasing issue of graffiti and sticker tagging on public property by having our neighborhood Code Compliance Officers (CCO) assigned in North, Middle, and South Beach prioritize these violations while patrolling. The CCOs will work closely with our Facilities and Fleet Department to ensure the prompt removal of graffiti and stickers.

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

At the February 26, 2025 City Commission meeting at the request of Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez, the Mayor and City Commission approved a referral to the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee (PSNQLC) to discuss the increase in graffiti and stickering across the City of Miami Beach.

ANALYSIS



From March 2023 to March 2025, Code Compliance referred 207 incidents to Facilities and Fleet for graffiti and sticker removal on public properties.

Graffiti and sticker tagging have become a persistent issue on public property across Miami Beach. By prioritizing graffiti and sticker patrols throughout the City and coordinating with our Facilities and Fleet Department for immediate clean up, we can maintain a cleaner and more

visually appealing environment. Issuing citations when violators can be identified will serve as a deterrent, discouraging future infractions.

Graffiti is a crime and Police has recently made significant arrests of persons tagging throughout the City.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

Does this Ordinance require a Business Impact Estimate? (FOR ORDINANCES ONLY)

The Business Impact Estimate (BIE) was published on .

See BIE at: <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/city-clerk/meeting-notices/>

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CONCLUSION

This initiative will enhance the cleanliness and aesthetic appeal of Miami Beach while reinforcing our commitment to maintaining public spaces. Through dedicated enforcement and collaboration with our Facilities and Fleet Department, we aim to reduce graffiti and sticker tagging incidents. Staff will be present to discuss the existing fine schedule as well as the recent amendments to the ordinance shortening the time to cure unsightly graffiti.

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

Code Compliance

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Disc. Increase in Graffiti and Stickers Across CMB (KRG)