



COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez

DATE: February 3, 2025

TITLE: REFERRAL TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE – DISCUSSION REGARDING AN INSTALLATION OF A BUST OF GENERAL DON JOSE DE SAN MARTIN AT THE NORMANDY FOUNTAIN PLAZA.

RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

Please place on the February 3, 2025 agenda a referral to the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee (the “Committee”) to discuss an installation of a bust of General Don Jose de San Martin at the Normandy Fountain Plaza.

At its January 16, 2025 meeting, the City’s Hispanic Affairs Committee made a motion recommending that the City install a bust of General Don Jose de San Martin, Liberator of Argentina, Chile and Peru, at the Normandy Fountain Plaza to honor City residents representing the communities of Argentina, Chile, and Peru.

Whenever there is a proposal to establish a monument or memorial on public property in the City, Section 82-504 of the City Code requires the sponsor to place the proposal as a referral to an appropriate committee (in this case, the PSNQLC).

General Don José de San Martín is a revered figure in the history of Argentina, Chile, and Peru, recognized for his pivotal role in the independence movements of these nations, and his legacy continues to inspire generations. The Normandy Fountain Plaza serves as a central location within our City and provides an ideal setting for the installation of a bust that reflects the diversity and heritage of our community, particularly given the concentration of residents of South American descent who live, work and play in the North Beach area.

The installation of a bust of General Don José de San Martín at the Normandy Fountain Plaza would not only pay tribute to his significant contributions to the cause of freedom and independence, but also serve as a symbol of unity, diversity, and inclusivity within our City.

ANALYSIS

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

NA

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 Kristen Rosen Gonzalez

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Ref: PSNQLC - Install Bust of General Don Jose De San Martin at Normandy Fountain Plaza.
(Rosen Gonzalez)

Previous Action (For City Clerk Use Only)