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COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Steven Meiner and Members of the City Commission
Eric Carpenter, City Manager

FIRST READING

FROM: Ricardo J. Dopico, City Attorney

DATE: September 25, 2024

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 1 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, ENTITLED "GENERAL PROVISIONS" BY AMENDING SECTION 1-15, ENTITLED "FEE SCHEDULE," BY AMENDING APPENDIX "A" THEREOF TO REPEAL AUTOMATIC 5-YEAR CONSUMER PRICE INDEX ADJUSTMENTS TO PARKING RATES; AND PROVIDING FOR REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The attached Ordinance was prepared at the request of Vice-Mayor Alex J. Fernandez, Commissioner David Suarez, Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt, Commissioner Laura Dominguez, Commissioner Joseph Magazine, Mayor Steven Meiner, and Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez for consideration at the September 25, 2024 City Commission meeting.

In 2019, the Mayor and City Commission adopted Ordinance No. 2019-4299, providing, among other things, for an annual adjustment by the City Manager to certain specified fees and charges in Appendix A to the City Code, entitled "Fee Schedule," to reflect increases in the Consumer Price Index ("CPI"). The Parking fees were scheduled to adjust every five (5) years consistent with the CPI, rounded up to the nearest dollar, with the first five 5-year adjustment scheduled to occur on October 1, 2024.

Some of the changes to parking rates resulting from this 5-year adjustment include increasing the fee for the Resident Parking Discount Program from \$1 to \$2 per hour and increasing the parking meter rate for the Entertainment District Parking Zone from \$4 to \$6 per hour for on-street parking.

In order to mitigate the financial burden of the CPI adjustment on the City's residents, the workforce, and its visitors, the Mayor and City Commission now wish to repeal the automatic 5-year CPI adjustment. The Administration has determined that the repeal of the automatic 5-year CPI adjustment for parking rates will reduce revenues by approximately \$4,800,000 in FY 2025-26 but will not impact City's operational budget or affect the operations of the Parking Department.

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