

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission
FROM: Commissioner Alex Fernandez
DATE: May 21, 2025
TITLE: REFERRAL TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS IMPLEMENTING A TEXT NOTIFICATION SYSTEM FOR BUILDING INSPECTION QUEUE UPDATES.

RECOMMENDATION

Please place on the May 21, 2025 agenda a referral to the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee to discuss potential implementation of a text message notification system that would alert residents and property owners when they are next in the queue for a scheduled building inspection on a given day.

Currently, residents and contractors awaiting building inspections are often left uncertain about when inspectors will arrive, resulting in potential inefficiencies, missed inspections, and unnecessary waiting. A real-time text notification system could enhance communication, improve scheduling transparency, and increase overall satisfaction with the inspection process.

I would like for City Staff to be ready to explore the feasibility, cost, and logistics of implementing such a system—including integration with existing inspection scheduling platforms—and provide recommendations to the Committee for further consideration.

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

ANALYSIS

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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-notice/>

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 Alex Fernandez

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Alex Fernandez

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Ref: PSNQLC - Implement Text Notification System for Building Inspection Queue Updates.
(AF)

Previous Action (For City Clerk Use Only)