

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-33041

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO PREPARE A PLAN AND A COST ESTIMATE FOR TRAPPING, SPAYING OR NEUTERING, AND RELEASING ALL COMMUNITY CATS IN MIAMI BEACH WITHIN AN EFFICIENT AND EXPEDITED TIMELINE, WITH THE PLAN TO BE PRESENTED TO THE FINANCE AND ECONOMIC RESILIENCY COMMITTEE ("FERC") AT ITS JULY 26, 2024 MEETING.

WHEREAS, the issue of uncontrolled community cat populations poses significant challenges to public health, safety, and animal welfare in Miami Beach; and

WHEREAS, trapping, spaying/neutering, and releasing ("TNR") community cats is a proven method for managing their populations humanely and effectively; and

WHEREAS, due to the amount of community cats present in the City, a comprehensive plan and cost estimate are necessary to undertake a successful spaying and neutering initiative; and

WHEREAS, as such, the Administration is directed to prepare a detailed TNR plan for spaying and neutering all community cats within Miami Beach over a period of six (6) months, with the plan to include, but not be limited to: (1) identification and mapping of community cat colonies within the city, (2) coordination with local animal welfare organizations and veterinarians to conduct spaying and neutering procedures, and (3) outreach and education efforts to engage residents to assist with the initiative; and

WHEREAS, the Administration shall also provide a comprehensive cost estimate for implementing the TNR plan, including expenses for veterinary services, staff, equipment, and outreach materials; and

WHEREAS, both the TNR plan and the cost estimate shall be presented to the Finance and Economic Resilience Committee ("FERC") at its July 26, 2024 meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby direct the City Administration to prepare a plan and a cost estimate for trapping, spaying or neutering, and releasing all community cats in Miami Beach within an efficient and expedited timeline, with the plan to be presented to the Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee ("FERC") at its July 26, 2024 meeting.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 15 day of May 2024.

ATTEST:

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Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(Sponsored by Commissioner David Suarez)

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Steven Meiner, Mayor



APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

City Attorney

5/28/2024
Date