

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE AND ECONOMIC RESILIENCY COMMITTEE, AT ITS OCTOBER 18, 2024, MEETING, DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO REQUEST A DONATION FROM THE FIVE PARK DEVELOPER FOR A MATURE SHADE TREE FOR THE CANOPY PARK PLAYGROUND, AND TO COMBINE AND REINVIGORATE THE MARKETING OF THE VARIOUS COMMEMORATIVE PARK PROGRAMS.

WHEREAS, during the September 11, 2024 Commission meeting, Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez referred a discussion on installing shade above the children's playground equipment in Canopy Park to the Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee ("FERC") and the Public Safety and Neighborhood quality of Life Committee ("PSNQLC"); and

WHEREAS, during the October 18, 2024 FERC meeting, the Committee discussed and passed a unanimous recommendation for the City Commission to direct the Administration to request a donation from the Five Park developer for a mature shade tree for the Canopy Park playground, and to combine the various commemorative programs and reinvigorate the marketing of the programs (Adopt A Bench, Brick Paver Program and Commemorative Tree Program); and

WHEREAS, the playground at Canopy Park was originally designed to be shaded by mahogany trees as they grow in over the years along with other trees planted by the City; and

WHEREAS, currently, there are several points in the day in which the temperatures are very high, making it unpleasant for parents to take their children to the playground; and

WHEREAS, during the FERC meeting, the Parks and Recreation Department proposed two shade solutions for the Canopy Park playground; and

WHEREAS, the first option involved the installation of multiple shade sails strategically placed around the existing tree canopy; while this approach did not offer complete coverage of the playground, it presented a more budget-friendly alternative, with an estimated cost of \$265,000; and

WHEREAS, the second option entailed constructing a shade structure that would envelop the entire playground area; however, this would necessitate the relocation of several trees; and

WHEREAS, this more extensive solution comes with a higher budget, estimated at \$429,000, reflecting the significant alterations required to the current landscape; and

WHEREAS, Administration will be contacting the developer regarding the tree donation; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department will work on the recommended shade solution and the Marketing and Communications Department will lead efforts on reinvigorating the marketing of the City's commemorative programs.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City

Commission hereby accept the recommendation of the Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee, at its October 18, 2024 meeting, and direct the Administration to request a donation from the Five Park developer for a mature shade tree for the Canopy Park playground, and to combine and reinvigorate the marketing of the various commemorative park programs.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 20th day of November 2024.


Steven Meiner, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION



City Attorney 

11/19/2024
Date