

# MIAMI BEACH

## COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission  
FROM: Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk  
DATE: February 20, 2025  
SUBJECT: City Commission – At-Large Nominations for February 26, 2025 – Release # 2

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Below are the City Commission At-Large Nominations received to date for the February 26, 2025, Commission Meeting. Changes made since the issuance of Release # 1 are shown in red.

### BOARD AND COMMITTEES:

#### AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Actively Engaged As A For-Profit Provider Of Affordable Housing.  
(Category # 5)  
(One Seat Is Available.)

- ~~Donahue Peebles, III~~  
Nominated for ~~appointment~~ (Actively Engaged As A For-Profit Provider Of Affordable Housing Category) by Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez.  
(Release # 1, Page 1)  
(Release # 2, Page 1) – Mr. Peebles will not be seeking an appointment to AHAC.

#### ART IN PUBLIC PLACES

Art History, Architectural History, Etc. Category.  
(Two Seats Are Available: One Seat Is Vacant And One Reappointment.)

- **Silvia Barisione**  
Nominated for appointment (Art/Architectural History Category) by Commissioner Rosen Gonzalez.  
(Release # 1, Page 3)

#### BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (5/7 vote required)

A Member Representing One Of The Following Professions: Engineering, Real Estate Development, Certified Public Accounting, Or Financial Consultation.  
(One Seat Is Available.)

- **Sarah S. Mirmelli**  
Nominated for appointment (Real Estate Development Profession) by Commissioner Dominguez.  
(Release # 1, Page 21)

## CULTURAL ARTS COUNCIL (3-year term)

At-Large Category.

*(Three Seats Are Available: Two Seats Are Vacant And One Reappointment.)*

- **Sarah H. Leddick**  
Nominated for reappointment (At-Large Category) by Commissioner Dominguez.  
(Release # 1, Page 33)
- **Judith A. Vigil**  
Nominated for appointment (At-Large Category) by Mayor Meiner and Commissioner Fernandez.  
(Release # 1, Page 43)  
(Release # 2, Page 2)

## HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

One Individual From The Corporate Level.

(Category # 7a)

*(One Seat Is Available.)*

- **Bradley Seldin**  
Nominated for appointment (One Individual From The Corporate Level Category) by Commissioners Dominguez and Fernandez.  
(Release # 1, Page 53)  
(Release # 2, Page 2)

## HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Members Who Shall Reflect, As Nearly As Possible, The Diversity Of Individuals Protected Under The City's Human Rights Ordinance.

(At-Large Category)

*(Four Vacant Seats Are Available.)*

- **Dale G. Stine, Vice-Chair**  
Nominated for reappointment (At-Large Category) by Vice-Mayor Bhatt.  
(Release # 1, Page 63)
  1. Subject to passage of Ordinance R5 G.
  2. The City Commission as a whole must find that Mr. Stine, during his tenure on the Human Rights Committee, has made contributions that were of special benefit to the City.

**TRANSPORTATION, PARKING, AND BICYCLE-PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

One Mid-Beach Neighborhood Association Member.  
(Category # 4)  
*(One Vacant Seat Is Available.)*

- **Oscar Vazquez**  
Nominated for **appointment** (Mid-Beach Neighborhood Association Member) by Commissioners Dominguez and Fernandez.  
Release # 2, Page 5)

Issued on February 21, 2025

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- **Oscar Vazquez**

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**AFFILIATION WITH THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH**

**Pursuant to City Code section 2-22(4) a, b and c:** Members of Agencies, Boards, and Committees shall be affiliated with the city. This requirement shall be fulfilled in the following ways:

- a. Resident of the City for a minimum of six (6) months: Yes
  - I am resident of: Middle BeachOr
- b. Demonstrate an ownership interest in a business established in the City for a minimum of six (6) months: Yes

*"Ownership Interest" shall mean the ownership of ten percent (10%) or more (including the ownership of 10% or more of the outstanding capital stock) in a business.*

*"Business" shall mean any sole proprietorship, sponsorship, corporation, limited liability company, or other entity or business association.*

Or
- c. Full-time employee of such a business (for a minimum of six months); and I am based in an office or other location of the business that is physically located in Miami Beach (for a minimum of six months): No

*Notwithstanding the requirements set forth herein, the qualified full-time employee of a business must be approved by a 4/7th vote of the Mayor and City Commission.*

*NOTE: Members of Agencies, Boards, and Committees shall be required to demonstrate compliance with the City affiliation requirements of section 2-22 (4) a ,b or c of the Miami Beach City Code by executing an affidavit, stipulating that they have met one or more of said affiliation requirements. The original affidavit shall be filled with the Office of the City Clerk prior to being sworn in as a member.*

● I am applying for an appointment because I have special abilities, knowledge and experience. Please list below:  
Commitment to the Miami Beach Transportation, Parking, and Bicycle-Pedestrian Committee  
With decades of experience in transportation logistics, contract management, and operational efficiency, I am eager to contribute to improving Miami Beach’s mobility infrastructure. My expertise in optimizing large-scale transportation networks and advocating for policy improvements will be valuable in addressing local challenges, including traffic flow, parking efficiency, and pedestrian and cyclist accessibility. I look forward to collaborating with the committee to implement data-driven solutions that enhance the city’s livability and sustainability

- Are you presently a registered lobbyist with the City of Miami Beach? No
- Have you ever been convicted of a felony: No If yes, please explain in detail:  
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- Do you currently have a violation(s) of City of Miami Beach codes: No If yes, please explain in detail:  
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- Do you currently owe the City of Miami Beach any money: No If yes, please explain in detail:  
\_\_\_\_\_
- Are you currently serving on any City Boards or Committees: No If yes, which board?  
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- In what organization(s) in the City of Miami Beach do you currently hold membership in?

No Organization Information Submitted.

- List the address of all properties owned or in which you have an interest within the City of Miami Beach:

Property

- Are you now employed by the City of Miami Beach: No If so, which department and title?

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● **Pursuant to City Code Section 2-25 (b) and 2-448:**

Do you have a parent, spouse, child, brother, or sister who is employed by the City of Miami Beach?

No

If "Yes", identify person(s) and department(s):

No relative's information submitted.

**NOTE: IF APPOINTED, YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO FOLLOW CERTAIN LAWS THAT APPLY TO CITY BOARD/COMMITTEE MEMBERS. THESE LAWS INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:**

- Prohibition from directly or indirectly lobbying city personnel (Miami Beach City Code section 2-459).
- Prohibition from contracting with the city (Miami-Dade County Code section 2-11.1).
- Prohibition from lobbying before board/committee you have served on for period of one year after leaving office (Miami Beach Code section 2-26)
- Requirement to disclose certain financial interests and gifts (Miami-Dade County Code section 2-11.1).
- Sunshine Law - Florida's Government-in-the-Sunshine Law was enacted in 1967. Today, the Sunshine Law regarding open government can be found in Chapter 286 of the Florida Statutes. These statutes establish a basic right of access to most meetings of Boards, Commissions, and other governing bodies of state and local governmental agencies or authorities.
- Voting conflict - Form 8B is for use by any person serving at the county, city, or other local level of government on an appointed or elected Board, Council, Commission, Authority, or Committee. It applies equally to members of advisory and non-advisory bodies who are presented with a voting conflict of interest under Section 112.3143. Florida Statutes.
- Commencing with terms beginning on or after January 1, 2024, and as a condition of applying for appointment to a City agency, board, or committee, each applicant must voluntarily agree that in the event the applicant files with the City Clerk a Statement of Candidate formally announcing candidacy for City elective office, such filing with the City Clerk shall be deemed a tender of resignation from the City agency, board or committee, and the member's automatic resignation shall thereby immediately create a vacancy in the agency, board, or committee.
- If an appointee is engaged to provide services, for compensation, to either (1) a candidate for City elected office, or (2) a political committee or electioneering communications organization expending funds for or against candidates for City elected office, such engagement shall be deemed a tender of resignation from such City agency, board, or committee. (Miami Beach City Code Section 2-22)

**BOARD & COMMITTEE FINANCIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT**

**Acknowledgement of fines/suspension for Board/Committee Members for failure to comply with Miami-Dade County Financial Disclosure Code Section 2-11.1(i)(2)**

I understand that no later than **July 1, of each year** all members of Boards and Committees of the City of Miami Beach, including those of a purely advisory nature, are required to comply with Miami-Dade County Financial Disclosure Requirements.

**One** of the following forms **must be filled** with the City Clerk of Miami Beach, 1700 Convention Center Drive, Miami Beach, Florida, no later than 12:00 noon of **July 1, of each year**:

1. A "Source of Income Statement;" or
2. A Copy of your latest Federal Income Tax Return.

Members of the Planning Board and the Board of Adjustment must electronically file a "Statement of Financial Interests (Form 1)"<sup>1</sup> directly with the Florida Commission on Ethics.

**Failure to file** one of these forms, pursuant to the Miami-Dade County Code, may subject the person to a fine of no more than \$500, 60 days in jail, or both.

#### **Acknowledgment to Comply with Miami Beach Code of Ordinances Sec. 2-22 (23)**

I understand that commencing with terms beginning on or after January 1, 2024, and as a condition of applying for appointment to a City agency, board, or committee, I voluntarily agree that in the event I file with the City Clerk a Statement of Candidate formally announcing candidacy for City elective office, such filing with the City Clerk shall be deemed a tender of resignation from the City agency, board, or committee.

#### **Acknowledgment to Comply with Miami Beach Code of Ordinances Sec. 2-22 (24)**

I understand that if I am engaged to provide services, for compensation, to either (1) a candidate for City elected office, or (2) a political committee or electioneering communications organization expending funds for or against candidates for City elected office, such engagement shall be deemed a tender of resignation from the City agency, board, or committee.

<sup>1</sup> Members of the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment will be notified directly by the State of Florida, pursuant to F.S. §112.3145(1)(a), to file a Statement of Financial Interests (Form 1) with the Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections by 12:00 noon, July 1. Planning Board and Board of Adjustment members who file their Form 1 with the County Supervisor of Elections automatically satisfy the County's financial disclosure requirement as a Miami Beach City Board/Committee member and need not file an additional form with the Office of the City Clerk. However, compliance with the County disclosure requirement does not satisfy the State requirement.

### **DIVERSITY STATISTICS REPORT**

The following information is voluntary and has no bearing on your consideration for appointment. It is being asked to comply with City diversity reporting requirements.

**Gender:** Male

**Race/Ethnic Categories**  
**What is your race?** White

Are you Spanish/Hispanic/ Latino? Mark the "No" box if not Spanish / Hispanic / Latino. Yes

**Other Description:** No details provided

**Physically Challenged:** No

**Board and Committee Application Checklist:** Please ensure you have provided all information before applying or reapplying to any Board and Committee.

- YES I have answered all questions fully.
- YES I have uploaded a current resume, photograph, and a copy of any applicable professional license.
- YES I have completed and attached the Board & Committee Financial Acknowledgment Statement.
- YES I have completed and attached the Diversity Statistics Report.
- YES I voluntarily agree to the resignation from the City agency, board, or committee, if I file a Statement of Candidate for a City Elective Office **(1)**.

**(1)** I understand that commencing with terms beginning on or after January 1, 2024, and as a condition of applying for appointment to a City agency, board, or committee, I must voluntarily agree that in the event I file with the City Clerk a Statement of Candidate formally announcing candidacy for City elective office, such filing with the City Clerk shall be deemed a tender of resignation from the City agency, board, or committee.

YES I understand that **(2)**.

**(2)** If am engaged to provide services, for compensation, to either (1) a candidate for City elected office, or (2) a political committee or electioneering communications organization expending funds for or against candidates for City elected office, such engagement shall be deemed a tender of resignation from the City agency, board, or committee.

If you have any questions, please contact the Office of the City Clerk via email: [BC@miamibeachfl.gov](mailto:BC@miamibeachfl.gov) or telephone: 305.673.7411

**Note: Florida Statutes 119.071:** The role of the Office of the City Clerk is to receive and maintain forms filed as public records. If your home address, telephone numbers, and/or photograph are exempt from disclosure and you do not wish your home address, telephone numbers, and/or photograph to be made public, please:

- 1) Use your office or other address for your mailing address;
- 2) Use your office or other telephone number for your contact number; and
- 3) Do not attach a photograph.

**UNDER PENALTIES OF PERJURY, I DECLARE THAT I HAVE READ THE FOREGOING APPLICATION AND THAT THE FACTS STATED IN IT ARE TRUE. ADDITIONALLY, I AGREE AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT ANY FALSE STATEMENTS OR FALSE INFORMATION SUBMITTED AS PART OF THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE A BASIS FOR MY REMOVAL FROM A CITY BOARD OR COMMITTEE. I HAVE RECEIVED, READ AND WILL ABIDE BY CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE VII, OF THE MIAMI BEACH CITY CODE, ENTITLED "STANDARDS OF CONDUCT FOR CITY OFFICERS, EMPLOYEES AND AGENCY MEMBERS" AND ALL OTHER APPLICABLE CITY, COUNTY, AND/OR STATE LAWS AND STATUTES ACCORDINGLY.**

I Oscar Vazquez agreed to the following terms on 2/13/2025 8:53:36 AM

Received in the City Clerk's Office by:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Deputy Clerk

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Control No.

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Date

**Granado, Rafael**

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**Subject:** FW: CORRECTED: Board and Committee Application Submitted by Oscar Vazquez

**From:** MidBeach Neighborhood Association <[mbna@midbeachna.com](mailto:mbna@midbeachna.com)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, February 19, 2025 6:37 PM

**To:** Fernandez, Alex <[Alex@miamibeachfl.gov](mailto:Alex@miamibeachfl.gov)>

**Cc:** Matteo-Salinas, Monica <[MonicaSalinas@miamibeachfl.gov](mailto:MonicaSalinas@miamibeachfl.gov)>; [omvhome@gmail.com](mailto:omvhome@gmail.com)  
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Dear Commissioner Fernandez,

On behalf of MBNA, I would like to request your support in appointing Oscar Vazquez to the Transportation, Parking, and Bicycle-Pedestrian Committee.

Since 2018, MBNA has been actively involved in this committee. I personally served for 18 months, followed by Esteban Porcelli, who has now reached his term limit. It is important for MBNA to maintain representation on this committee, and I strongly believe that Oscar Vazquez would be an excellent addition.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I appreciate your support.

Most sincerely,

Anamarie

Sent on behalf of the  
**MidBeach Neighborhood Association (MBNA)**  
**Board of Directors**

**Anamarie Ferreira de Melo**, President

**Alicia A. Casanova**, Vice President  
*Beachwalk Working Group, Chair*  
*Collins North 41-63 Working Group, Chair*

**Deborah Lake**, Secretary  
*Membership Working Group, Chair*

**Oscar Vazquez**, Treasurer  
*Beach and Water Quality Working Group, Chair*

**Esteban Porcelli**, Executive Officer  
*Indian Creek Drive Working Group, Chair*

**Randy Hollingworth**, Executive Officer  
*Public Space Working Group, Chair*

**Jose Eduardo Flores**, Executive Officer  
*Hotel Working Group, Chair*

**Avra Bank**, Executive Officer  
*Ex-Officio Member*

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