

# MIAMI BEACH

## COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM

TO: Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee Members

FROM: Rickelle Williams, Interim City Manager

DATE: July 10, 2024

TITLE: **DISCUSS EXPANDING THE CRIME DASHBOARD, WITH PHASE 2 TO COMPRISE THE OVERLAPPING OF CRIME AND ARREST DATA, AND WITH PHASE 3 TO INCORPORATE AND MERGE CODE COMPLIANCE DATA THEREIN.**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

The Administration recommends the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee (PSNQLC) discuss the item and provide a recommendation to the City Commission, as applicable.

### **BACKGROUND/HISTORY**

At the May 15, 2024 City Commission meeting, item C4 K was referred by the Mayor and City Commission to the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee at the request of Commissioner Alex Fernandez. The item requests a discussion regarding expanding the Crime Dashboard, with Phase 2 to comprise of the overlapping of crime and arrest data, and with Phase 3 to incorporate and merge Code Compliance data therein.

### **ANALYSIS**

As shared via Letter to Commission (LTC) #239-2024 dated June 10, 2024, the Miami Beach Police Department, in collaboration with the Information Technology Department, launched two (2) public safety dashboards, the Monthly Crimes Dashboard and the Daily Arrest Dashboard. The Monthly Crimes Dashboard provides a comprehensive overview of citywide monthly crime incidents, systematically categorized by the four (4) patrol areas: South Beach, Mid-Beach, North Beach, and the Entertainment District. This tool provides our community with a clearer understanding of the policing efforts across our city. In addition, the Daily Arrest Dashboard provides a daily arrest report featuring arrest statistics by the four (4) patrol areas, arrest information by primary charge, and arrest trends by hour of the day.

The Monthly Crime Dashboard is being implemented in an effort to foster transparency and to empower City leaders and the public by providing a tool to monitor crime across the entire City in a more comprehensive manner. Such overlapping data may also be utilized as an effective tool to acquire a detailed understanding surrounding the type of criminal conduct taking place in the City, the area(s) of such offenses, and any potential nexus between code violations and criminal activities.

### **FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

N/A

**Does this Ordinance require a Business Impact Estimate?**  
(FOR ORDINANCES ONLY)

The Business Impact Estimate (BIE) was published on . See BIE at:  
<https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/city-clerk/meeting-notice/>

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

N/A

**CONCLUSION**

The City Administration, including the Police, Information Technology, and Code Compliance Departments, is prepared to discuss the expansion of the Monthly Crime Dashboard as referred to herein, in addition to providing any recommendations, issues, or concerns.

**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**

Information Technology

**Sponsor(s)**

Commissioner Alex Fernandez

**Co-sponsor(s)**

Commissioner Laura Dominguez  
Commissioner David Suarez

**Condensed Title**

EXPANDING THE CRIME DASHBOARD