

C7 AT A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO IMPLEMENT IRRIGATION, LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS IN LUMMUS PARK DURING THE 2025 OFF-SEASON AS PART OF THE VOTER-APPROVED G.O. BOND LUMMUS PARK ENHANCEMENT PROJECT; AND FURTHER, DIRECTING THE ADMINISTRATION TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF LANDSCAPING THE SPOIL AREA IMMEDIATELY WEST OF THE DUNES AS PART OF THIS PROJECT SO THAT ALL 30 ACRES OF LUMMUS PARK MAY BE FULLY UTILIZED.

Applicable Area:

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: City Attorney Ricardo J. Dopico

DATE: February 3, 2025

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RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

ANALYSIS

The attached Resolution was prepared at the request of the sponsor, Commissioner Alex Fernandez.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

G.O. Bond funding will be used for the cost of the improvements.

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-notices/>

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CONCLUSION

Applicable Area

Citywide

Is this a "Residents Right to Know" item, pursuant to City Code Section 2-17?

No

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

City Attorney

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Alex Fernandez

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Implement Irrigation, Landscaping, and Lighting Improvements at Lummus Park. (Fernandez)
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Previous Action (For City Clerk Use Only)

RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - _____

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WHEREAS, on November 6, 2018, Miami Beach voters approved the \$439 million G.O. Bond Program (the "Program") in a City-wide voter referendum to fund critical infrastructure improvements, including projects focused on enhancing public spaces, such as Lummus Park; and

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2022, the City Commission approved the issuance of Request for Qualifications (RFQ) No. 2022-436-ND for Architectural Design Services for the Ocean Drive Corridor Improvement and Lummus Park Enhancement Project ("Ocean Drive/Lummus Park Project Services"); and

WHEREAS, the Lummus Park Enhancement Project is a key element of the broader vision for improving public spaces in Miami Beach, providing for the revitalization of the park's landscaping, irrigation systems, and lighting infrastructure to enhance the visitor experience; and

WHEREAS, on June 6, 2023, the City entered into a Professional Services Agreement with Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc. ("CGA") for the provision of architectural design services for the Ocean Drive/Lummus Park Enhancement Project; and

WHEREAS, Lummus Park, as a prominent public space within the City, plays a vital role in the community's social, cultural, and recreational life, and improvements to its landscaping, irrigation, and lighting systems are essential to elevate the park's aesthetics and functionality for residents and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission recognizes the importance of implementing these park improvements during the off-season to minimize disruption to park activities and maximize the use of the park by the public during peak seasons; and

WHEREAS, a phased approach to carry out the enhancements for Lummus Park, with a focus on initially addressing irrigation, landscaping, and lighting systems can help advance the goal of creating a safer, more attractive, and sustainable public space for all users in a more efficient manner; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires that the Administration explore the possibility of landscaping the spoil area immediately west of the dunes so that all 30 acres of Lummus Park may be enjoyed by residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission finds that advancing the Lummus Park Enhancement Project during the 2025 off-season is critical to meeting community needs, improving safety and accessibility, and contributing to the long-term goals of the G.O. Bond Program without disrupting use of the park during the busiest months of the year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED 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 take all necessary steps to implement irrigation, landscaping and lighting improvements in Lummus Park during the 2025 off-season as part of the voter-approved G.O. Bond Lummus Park Enhancement Project, and further, directing the administration to explore the possibility of landscaping the spoil area immediately west of the dunes as part of this project so that all 30 acres of Lummus Park may be fully utilized.

PASSED and ADOPTED THIS ____ day of _____ 2025.

ATTEST:

Steven Meiner, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

(Sponsored by Commissioner Alex J. Fernandez)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

for Nickallegas 1/28/25
City Attorney Date