

C7 E A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE AND ECONOMIC RESILIENCY COMMITTEE AT ITS JANUARY 24, 2025 MEETING TO ACCEPT THE ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDED BLEND ON USES AT THE SOUTH SHORE COMMUNITY CENTER AND TO OPERATE A SUMMER CAMP STARTING THE SUMMER OF 2025.

Applicable Area:



COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Eric Carpenter, City Manager

DATE: February 26, 2025

TITLE: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE AND ECONOMIC RESILIENCY COMMITTEE AT ITS JANUARY 24, 2025 MEETING TO ACCEPT THE ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDED BLEND ON USES AT THE SOUTH SHORE COMMUNITY CENTER AND TO OPERATE A SUMMER CAMP STARTING THE SUMMER OF 2025.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Administration (Administration) recommends that the Commission accept the recommendation of the Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee at its January 24, 2025 meeting to accept the Administration's recommended blend on uses at the South Shore Community Center (SSCC) and to begin operating a summer camp starting in summer of 2025.

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

On September 11, 2024, at the request of Commissioners Tanya K. Bhatt, the Mayor and City Commission ("City Commission") referred Item C4K to the FERC, to discuss future programming for the South Shore Community Center (the "South Shore Community Center" or the "SSCC") located at 833 6th Street.

At the January 24, 2025 FERC meeting, this item was discussed and linked with Commissioner Magazine's referral Item C4 AO Highlight Demand for the Miami Beach Summer Camp Program and Explore the Expansion of the Miami Beach Summer Camp Program if Needed.

The necessary chiller upgrade and elevator repair, which were previously deferred due to the impending demolition, was budgeted during the FY 2025 annual budget process. Additionally, the reactivation of the senior lunchroom was budgeted at \$175,000 under the Housing and Community Services department.

Current operators include:

- Little Havana Activities and Nutrition Center ("LHANC") which has operated the Rainbow Childcare Center on the ground floor of the SSCC for over three decades
- South Florida Seniors in Action, Inc ("SFSIA") occupies office space on the ground floor of the SSCC and provides a variety of services to the elderly community in Miami Beach. (i.e., food distribution, healthcare eligibility, etc.)
- Miami Dade County Community Action Agency ("CAA") occupies office space on the ground floor at the SSCC from where it operates the South Beach Community Enrichment Center which empowers economically disadvantaged individuals, families and communities to achieve self-sufficiency through resource mobilization, service delivery, education, and advocacy.

The South Shore Community Center can be considered to have four (4) quadrants. See attached Exhibit A for the SSCC floor plans. Three of the quadrants are located on the ground floor with

the fourth being the second-floor space.

- Ground floor eastern quadrant
 - Occupied by the LHANC/Rainbow Childcare Center and has no additional space for programming.
- Ground floor center quadrant
 - Currently utilized for by South Florida Seniors in Action, Inc and Miami Dade County Community Action Agency, but has capacity for additional programming and services with direct access to the kitchen.
- Ground floor western quadrant
 - No current utilization. Primarily comprised of the large open auditorium which also has direct access to the kitchen.
- Second floor quadrant
 - No current utilization. Primarily comprised of the large open space with office and conference rooms at the front.

ANALYSIS

Community Outreach

On October 20, 2024, an Open House, suggested by Vice-Mayor Fernandez at the September 11, 2024 Commission meeting was held to engage with the community and receive input on potential uses of the SSCC. Over ninety (90) comments cards were filled out and a summary is attached as Exhibit B.

Below outlines various community center use comments received by the public:

- **Children/Youth Programs:** After-school care, summer camps, indoor playgrounds, educational programs, and youth activities such art, chess, games, martial arts, and sports.
- **Senior Programs:** Senior activities, including wellness programs, lunches, and social clubs.
- **Classes:** A wide variety of classes including art, dance, ESL (English as a Second Language), cooking, and fitness.
- **Community Spaces:** Shared spaces for events and outreach.
- **Specialized Services:** Support for the homeless, employment programs, psychological services, and LGBTQ+ workshops.
- **Community Gardens and Cultural Events:** Library, film screenings, music rooms, art exhibitions, concerts, cooking events, arts programs, community garden, and "Blue Zone" health programs.
- **Police Substation**
- **Fire Station**
- **Social and Wellness Events:** Book clubs, wine tastings, wellness workshops, and holiday meals.

While some of these programs/services are currently provided by the three existing providers, the Administration believes that the SSCC can serve a larger more diverse intergenerational population with a range of programs, while also incorporating a public safety element.

Administration Recommendation

Based on the community input and in discussion with various operational City departments below is a recommended use of each quadrant:

Ground floor eastern quadrant

No change to existing programming and services.

Ground floor center quadrant

The Office of Housing and Community Services is working with the Procurement Department to procure a vendor to operate a senior meal lunchroom in this space. This facility will serve healthy meals and provide a welcoming environment for seniors to gather, socialize, and participate in activities. The program would aim to improve the quality of life for seniors by addressing dietary needs and promoting social connections. The designated area would be cleared and cleaned to ensure a safe and sanitary environment for meal preparation and dining.

This would require the department to work with the two existing service providers to reorganize the use of space more efficiently. During the program implementation the Housing & Community Services department will determine if there is any unutilized space that could potentially provide an opportunity for additional programming by the department or an external non-profit organization.

This program was budgeted at \$175,000 for FY 2025. It is anticipated that the budget appropriation will be sufficient to implement this program.

Ground floor western quadrant

The Parks & Recreation department would utilize the space for additional programming site not only for summer camp, but also for multi-generational programs for toddlers, adults, and seniors. The space on the community center's first floor can be used for programs such as Playtime, martial arts, senior yoga, senior chair aerobics, and most importantly, summer camp. The space can host up to 80 campers from ages Kindergarten through 3rd grades for the summer. Having this additional location will alleviate the waitlist, which reached up to 190 during the summer of 2024.

There would also be opportunities for utilize this space for general community events, open houses, etc. during the evening hours after other parks programming had ended for the day.

To begin operating daily programming and summer camp from the South Shore Community Center, there are some immediate one-time purchases/renovations that need to be made for approximately \$110,000. These purchases include repairs, furniture, technology, amongst other items. Long-term capital improvement projects can be requested through the budget process.

Using the space for year-round programming and summer camp also comes with an increase in operating expenses and personnel expenses, which are not currently part of the Department's approved FY 2025 budget. As per the FERC recommendation, the Administration will return with a budget amendment to fund a summer camp to start in the summer of 2025. Anticipated expenditures are estimated at \$190,000 with revenues of \$45,000 for an overall subsidy of \$145,000.

Second floor quadrant

The Police department would primarily utilize the space as their Police Training Unit. The Training Unit would continue its regular activities here, including essential police training, while hosting community programs such as the Citizens' Police Academy, women's self-defense classes, neighborhood meetings, and summer camps. This would enhance our community outreach and increase police presence, which could help deter crime in the area. The Police Department would also work with PAL to incorporate some PAL programming on the second floor.

The additional police presence would naturally increase security for the child daycare center and Parks & Recreation programs on the first floor and the various senior citizen events held at the center quadrant, creating a safer environment for these vulnerable groups.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

FY 2025 - ~\$110,000 for one-time Parks and Recreation department purchases/renovations and anticipated expenditures are estimated at \$190,000 with revenues of \$45,000 for an overall subsidy of \$145,000.

Other one-time purchases/renovations and recurring costs would be developed and presented as part of the FY 2026 budget process.

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

Below is a summary of the FERC endorsed recommended blend of uses at the SSCC:

1. Ground Floor Central Quadrant be utilized by the Housing and Community Services department to run a senior meal lunchroom, social meeting space, and to work with the existing providers on efficient use of space.
2. Ground Floor Western Quadrant be utilized by the Parks and Recreation department for year-round programming and a summer camp.
3. Second Floor Quadrant be utilized by the Police Department to relocate their Police Training Unit, hosting community and PAL programs.

Applicable Area

South Beach

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

Finance

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt

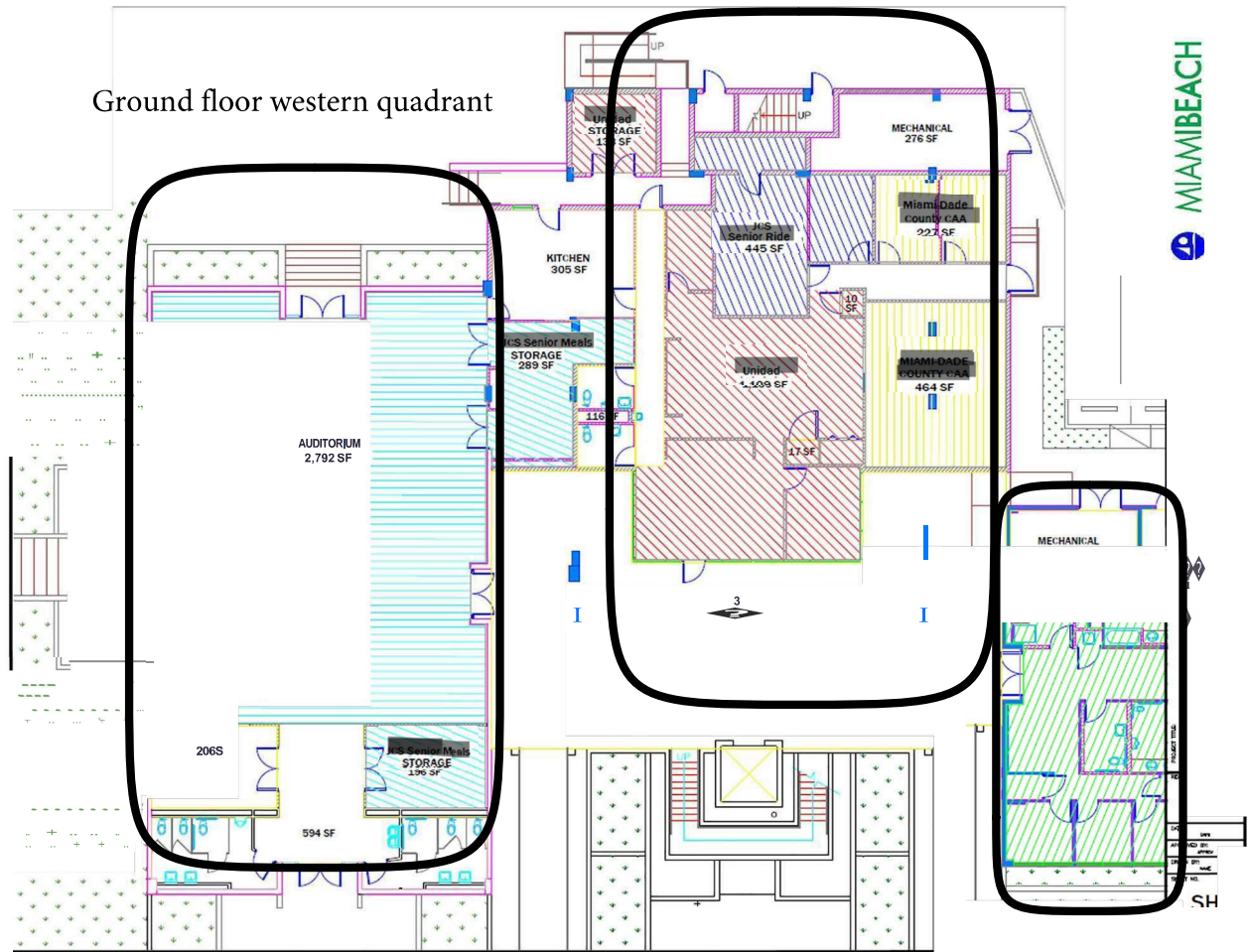
Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Accept Recommendation/Blend on Uses at SSCC to Operate Summer Camp in 2025. (Bhatt)
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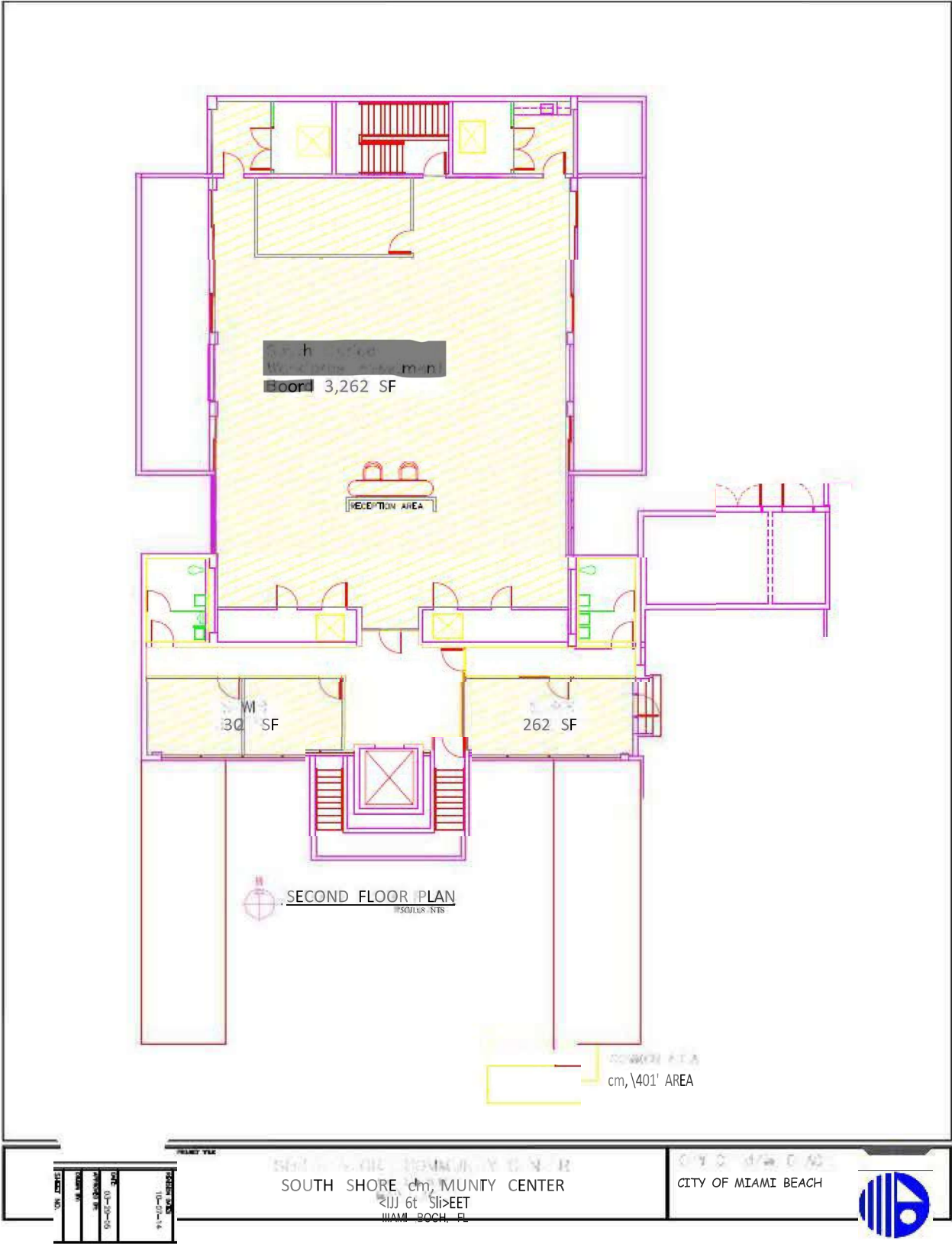
Previous Action (For City Clerk Use Only)

Ground floor center quadrant



Ground floor eastern quadrant

Second floor quad'ant



South Shore Community Center Open House

October 20, 2024

Column1	Comment:	Key words:
1	Big rooms Upstairs and downstairs: Art exhibitions, yoga dance, bootcamp. Rent for Birthdays. Upstairs rooms: Coworking space, big room with desk to share and 2 small can be rented. Incubator for Startups in South Beach. Senior center that can interact with youth next door and have events to build the friendship in the community.	Fitness, Coworking, Art, Seniors. Rental space
2	Spanish Classes for beginners. Pilates, Ballet, Bootcamp Classes . Adult Dance Classes. Stretch Classes.	Fitness, Spanish
3	Sunday/Wednesday: Fitness (Yoga with beat the gym, they provide a perfect workout at convenient locations and have more than 8 years of experience in the greater Miami area: andres@beatthegym.com, @tonythomassport @beatthegym).	Fitness
4	Activate the Space for LGBTQ social justice/social welfare activities including: Coffee morning for seniors, Readings, volunteer get together, Workshops/panels/art.	Senior, art, LGBTQ. Coffee Workshops.
5	Spanish classes, Fitness	Fitness, Spanish, Classes
6	Assistance for Housing Evictions. Children events when raining kids can be indoor. Lots of space upstairs for yoga, Tai Chi, Help for small businesses, Art events, dog events, flea market, working mothers update day. Turf needs maintenance. We want lots of events like North Shore Club, Youth Center.	Homeless, Children, Fitness, Small business, Art, dogs, Flea market. Recreational Activities. Fitness.
7	Music Room: Have a room that musicians in the Community can reserve for teaching or practice without bothering neighbors. Have the possibility to do outreach concerts for the older community and kids. New World Symphony can play chamber music for seniors. Daycare program and senior center.	Music Room, Outreach concerts, Senior, Daycare
8	Gym/ coed Daycare at the Gym	Fitness. Daycare
9	Afterschool. Summer camp. Art Studio. Senior Program	Afterschool. Summer Camp. Art. Senior.
10	Restarted Senior Lunch Program. Integrate seniors with Children in the preschool. It would be a win-win situation	Senior. Children
11	Tear it down and build a fire station	Fire Station
12	Recreative Center for Families that offers different classes in: Music, Dance, Art for kids, ceramics for adults. Art Exhibitions	Art Exhibition, Classes, Music, Art, Rental Space
13	Beautiful Center with so much potential as a shared space for the community. Thank you for giving the opportunity to come see and share ideas. With smart design many of the ideas can be combined and integrated.	Shared community space
14	Litter Police Office Department	Police Substation
15	Build a firehouse and save flamingo park and \$19,000,000 Budget. Keep our Flamingo park parking Available	Fire Station

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October 20, 2024

Column1	Comment:	Key words:
16	Create an Advisory Board and a working committee. Space: Community Garden with raised beds, butterfly hunt, composting (work with botanical garden). Senior services, classes, art therapy, music, computer classes, ESL, Pride Office, Career Counseling, Artist in Residence + exhibition. Mobile: Library blood services. A banquet/hall rental space downstairs a mix of community information gatherings and paying events. theater group, small concerts, tournaments: ex. chess, dominoes, localspeakers, etc.	Community Garden. Senior. Classes. Art. ESL. Library. Career Counseling. Concerts. Tournaments. Rental Space. Music. Pride Office
17	Afterschool, Classes for Community	Classes. Afterschool
18	Much space that could be activated. Parks and recs always has a great resident focused programs. More benefits by having more indoor space. Local nonprofits like MiamiBeach Pride can have events here.	Pride events. Resident focused programs
19	Bad weather indoor events for children. Senior lunch Program. Reading club for all ages (clubs by age)	Children events. Senior. Reading club
20	Library, ESL, Afterschool, Adult continuing education.	Library. ESL. Afterschool. Adult continuing education.
21	Psychological services for seniors to help with depression. Services for documents and correspondence for seniors. Part time jobs	Psychological services. Seniors. Correspondence. Part time.
22	Summer Camp, Kids activities: Dance, Jiu Jitsu	Children. Summer camp. Dance. Martial Arts.
23	Parks and recs indoor programming. Pride Space. Offices. Community driven educational learning events.	Pride space, offices, Classes, Indoor programming
24	For holidays soup kitchen. Access for groups to meet (Youth groups, recovery groups) Fitness classes	Fitness. Soup Kitchen for holidays. Groups
25	Please don't use for political events! More activities: Biotherapy, culture, arts, computer, dance, flowers.	Classes. Art. Dance. Events
26	Cooking, Dance, music (kids day and adults evening). Afterschool. Chess Tournaments. Vegetable garden for kids education. Movie Nights	Classes. Afterschool. Chess. Garden. Movie nights. Cooking
27	Activities for seniors	Seniors
28	Senior and youth programs. Summer camps	Seniors. Children. Summer Camps.
29	Community Focused Space: Neighbors tool library. Space resident can work on projects	Community Space
30	Community meal space. Space for rent for parties and meetings	Rental Space. Community meal Space

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31	Activity Room for seniors with lunch. Monthly lectures from doctors we had previously. Monthly special occasion event celebrating achievements. Guest lectures about Miami Beach topics. Dance decades contest (1940s,1950s,etc). Trolley run through 6th St. from Lenox Ave to Wash Av	Seniors. Lectures. Dance. Trolley. Lunch.
32	Function similarly to how 1001 Ocean, The auditorium now art deco welcome functional. There are several decades of used documented in the history of the space. Recreate that there.	
33	Karate and jiu jitsu for Adults and Children. Stretching and Taichi for Seniors	Classes. Fitness. Seniors, Children. Martial Arts
34	Marketing campaign to communicate current events (I had no idea about this center and history) Programs where senior can talk with those who need advice. Help through senior wisdom and experience.	Seniors. More marketing
35	An office for ACCESS. Employment bank jobs for businesses for Miami Beach residents only	ACCESS. Employment Bank.
36	Multifunctional Space for the community Early learning play space(outdoor and indoor) A place where children, parents, volunteers and seniors can come together to help foster the next generation as a true village for the children.	Indoor Playground. Community Space.
37	Work with AARP to move some of the classes at Senior Planet to this center	Senior
38	Upstairs: Younger crowd. Music venue idea. Mixed space: Morning/lunch for seniors. Afternoon kids free programs: (Arts, martial arts, P.E). Social Space to talk.	Music. Lunch. Seniors. Classes. Art. Martial Arts. Social Space
39	Dance events, Family friendly parties, after school.	After school. Dance. Family events
40	Dance and Jiu Jitsu for Kids/Youth.	Dance. Martial Arts. Children
41	Tear it down and build a fire station	Fire Station
42	Fix the flooding in the parking lot	Flooding parking lot
43	Community center with seniors in action, activities for seniors like: Yoga, Health and wellness classes, and community meetings	Fitness. Seniors. Classes. Community meetings
44	We are short of indoor space for kids after school, or mom get together when weather doesn't allow to go out. We would need local trolley adjusted for strollers.	Indoor After school Playground. Trolley
45	Police Substation upstairs	Police Substation
46	More frequent police activity. More activities for residents, a trolley service that serves this street and in general more frequent trolley service. Food Bank for residents	Food Bank. Police substation. Trolley
47	Let's use the main space for a library	Library

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October 20, 2024

Column1	Comment:	Key words:
48	In the summer community film screenings of films either about Miami Beach (documentaries) and feature film shot on MB so we don't have to sit outside in the heat. Wine tastings offered by local wine merchants focusing on a region. Board Games for all ages. Cooking classes like the ones in Botanical Garden using nature veggies and herbs. There was a MB Herb society at Botanical Garden in the early 2000s.	Wine tasting. Film screenings. Cooking. Herb Society
49	Hurricane relief Shelter. Shelter for donation. Homeless Shelter	Homeless shelter. Hurricane Shelter
50	Parks and recreation activities for the entire community to enjoy	Park and Recreation Activities
51	Community Center not limited to political events. For the whole community to participate not just the seniors from senior housing, controlled by the so called community activist. PLEASE LETS KEEP THIS PLACE FOR ALL	Community center for all
52	Yoga. Dance classes.	Fitness. Dance
53	Community Dinner Space	Dinner space
54	Volunteers teaching people of all ages to READ	Classes
55	Family activities: Music, art, dance, ballet for kids. Art and music exhibitions, ceramic classes for adults. Availability to rent the hall for children parties on weekends	Music. Art. Dance. Classes. Rental space.
56	Indoor Playground for kids and adults	Indoor Playground
57	Learning center for non-English speakers No age limit	Classes ESL
58	Classes: Art, yoga, Zumba, Chorus, Gymnastics, flamenco. Select a quiet place for a library and a reading club. Helping children to improve reading.	Classes. Dance. Art. Fitness. Library. Reading Club
59	Indoor Playground (Like the one in 2700 Sheridan) so families can socialize. Bowling. Kids activities. Room for events. Dance. Music. Game Room. Art Activities in the small rooms. Card and Chess for Adult and seniors. Labs for kids	Indoor playground. Bowling. Dance, Music. Game Room. Art. Board games. Chess
60	Wedding receptions, rehearsal dinners or any other group functions. I love the games in the courtyard.	Rental space. Games
61	Police Substation upstairs.	Police Substation
62	Bottom for Child care and Seniors. Top floor meetings space and a work free space. Applying for jobs and other works.	Coworking. Children. Seniors. Employment Bank.
63	Community centers for activities for seniors during the day like exercise groups for balance and strengthening. Afterschool support for kids. Evening classes for adults. Social activities like dance, games on weekends.	Classes. Fitness. Seniors. Children. Afterschool. Dance. Games
64	Unemployment office. Senior Exercise.	Seniors. Employment Bank
65	Community programs for residents. Small design Library. Walking tours.	Library. Community Programs. Walking tours.

South Shore Community Center Open House

October 20, 2024

Column1	Comment:	Key words:
66	A playground for kids will be very helpful during the summer.	Indoor playground.
67	Bring building alive with Miami style pastel colors outside.	Repaint building
68	We want lots of events at North Shore Park Youth Center and Scott Rakow club for "seniors", and children. Playground and daycare at south shore community center need upgrade, turf has holes.	Seniors. Children. Indoor playground. Turf holes
69	Use it for Community Garden. Blue Zones Projects	Community Gardens. Blue Zone
70	Ground floor: Parks programming, after care and summer camp. Middle floor: Senior center and meals. 2nd floor: Police space, community programming related to Police.	Parks and recreation. Afterschool. Summer Camp. Senior. Police Substation
71	Activities for kids: Dance, volleyball, Karate, Gymnastic. Rent the Space for birthday or events.	Rental space. Classes. Children. Martial Arts. Sports
72	Police Substation. I've lived at 626 Meridian for +10 years and could write a novel on the neighborhood crime, breaking, entering, battery and assault, vehicle break ins, property theft, package theft (all in this building). A permanent visible police presence in the neighborhood would be welcomed!	Police Substation
73	Downstairs: Chair yoga classes aerobic and Zumba.	Fitness. Classes. Sports
74	Weight room for residents with health insurance	Weight room
75	Providing activities for active seniors looking to meet new people and keep minds and bodies active.	Seniors
76	Playroom. Afterschool. Adults family room. Social events.	Events. Afterschool. Indoor playground
77	Fitness/wellness programming. Community event hosting (AA/NA Meeting, LGBTQ, Book clubs, language lessons). Community Garden. Farmer Market. Finance/tax/money management workshops. Craft Workshops. Podcasting/social media/content creation workshops.	Fitness. Wellness. Classes. Events. Community Gardens. Farmer Market. Workshops. Book clubs
78	Mix of uses that appeals to multiple generations, including subsidized co-working spaces for start-ups, a community garden (agricultural program) an artist-run gallery space and café, Activities for seniors. Also: Promote the building as an architectural gem by Morris Lapidus.	Coworking, Children, Seniors, Art Cafe, Community Garden, Agricultural program.
79	Make this a dance facility!	Dance
80	Police Athletic League providing programs for kids and future leaders	Police Athletic League
81	Small Blackbox style theater downstairs that can be used for adults and youth classes. Outside: Either Community Garden or Native Garden. Upstairs: Nice sound small concert space or adult youth classes. Don't tear down.	Theater. Seniors. Children. Youth. Classes. Community Garden. Concert Space.
82	Police Substation	Police Substation

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October 20, 2024

Column1	Comment:	Key words:
83	Weight room for residents with health Insurance. Move Miami Dade SSHORE Library here	Weight room. Library
84	Miami beach Police Athletic League would love to produce youth and senior programs and oversee the facility. Cops, Kids, Community	Youth, Senior, Police
85	Don't tear down. Downstairs: Small theater and garden portable chairs so can be used for youth and adult classes in day. Upstairs: Classes, community meeting room, another performance space.	Theater. Classes. Community meetings. Community Garden
86	Recreative room for kids, teens, adults: Ping Pong, football arcade. Video Games, furniture. Bowling. Skiing. Super moderns and tons of other options, kids love that stuff, would take kids off the streets	Game room, Ping pong. Video Games, Arcade, Bowling. Youth. Children
87	Update Rainbow daycare center, this should be a priority and the easiest start, A program like the Scott Rakoff Center would be wonderful with a game room for the children to play somewhere inside when the weather is bad.	Update Rainbow Daycare. Program like Scott Rakoff Center. Game room.
88	Make a Communal Garden to take care of a plot with natural growing vegetable.	Community Garden.
89	Roller Park on ground floor. Fabulous color lighting color walls	Roller Park
90	The Morris Lapidus building represents part of Miami Historical Architecture. The fire dept does a great job. Unfortunately, when there is a rush hour situation, they are tied up in bumper to bumper traffic and lives could be lost. By moving to the island which the city owns they could respond. By water by passing traffic. In addition the U.S Navy offers fire boats to waterfront communities. The federal Government also offers grants.	



COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt

DATE: September 11, 2024

TITLE: REFERRAL TO THE OCTOBER 18, 2024 FINANCE AND ECONOMIC RESILIENCY COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS FUTURE PROGRAMMING FOR SOUTH SHORE COMMUNITY CENTER.

RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

Please place the above item on the September 11, 2024 City Commission meeting agenda as a referral to the October 18, 2024 Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee ("FERC").

The South Shore Community Center (SSCC) is a large and capacious facility that has been wildly underutilized since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, as it lived with the sword of Damocles over its head awaiting its anticipated demolition to make way for a new fire station. With the fire station now relocated to an alternative site, it is imperative that we prioritize the revitalization of the SSCC, ensuring its return to a vibrant and active community hub.

The necessary chiller upgrade and elevator repair, which were previously deferred due to the impending demolition, will be addressed separately and included in the FY 2025 budget. Additionally, the reactivation of the senior lunchroom is the subject of a separate resolution by my colleague, Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez.

Between the auditorium, the office space upstairs, and the main floor office area, there is a great deal of underutilized space that can be activated in ways that will benefit City residents. This referral seeks to ensure the SSCC is fully utilized in a manner that enhances the community's engagement and well-being.

I request that the City Administration be prepared to discuss at the October FERC meeting the following:

- Determine if roof can be made into a green roof/community garden; and how to significantly incorporate more greenery throughout the building and campus. See <https://www.theguardian.com/artanddesign/gallery/2024/may/11/eco-brutalism-when-angular-concrete-meets-the-wonder-of-nature-in-pictures>.
- It has been documented in sites around the country and the world that combining intergenerational learning (i.e. kids in daycare and seniors using the lunchroom) has marked benefits for all. Similarly, getting kids and seniors involved with animals also has beneficial results. Explore creating/expanding existing programs to create a multi-generational program which builds on these programs for greater community engagement. (See, for example, Seniors Gain Purpose Through Childcare and Dog Rescue Programs (providermagazine.com); [5c891064751e5-Early Years Guide final.pdf](#) (generationsworkingtogether.org); Toddlers and Seniors Together: The Benefits of

Intergenerational Care | Institute for Family Studies (ifstudies.org); Companion Animals for Seniors: Pets for the Elderly).

- Determine a process by which social service organizations and other not-for-profit organizations can make applications for low-cost rental space in the facility. These can include but are not limited to Miami Dade or CMB government resources, Surfrider for water testing, a TNVR facility for the feral cat program, and more.
- The auditorium has been used only as a lunchroom for too long, but it's a large and flexible space that includes an outdoor garden area. Develop community programming and access for auditorium space - local community group meetings and/or events, yoga/exercise for seniors; art/music activities/performances, etc.
- Assess and recommend any functional and cosmetic upgrades as needed (e.g., fresh coat of paint indoors, window coverings, restoring the auditorium to its original (or as best can be determined) vision; restore fountains or convert to planters, replant existing planters and gardens to maximize green space.

ANALYSIS

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

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

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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

CONCLUSION

Applicable Area

Citywide

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Department

Office of Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt

Sponsor(s)

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Ref: FERC (10/18/2024) - South Shore Community Center Programming. (Bhatt)

RESOLUTION NO. _____

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WHEREAS, over ninety (90) comments cards were filled out and while some of the recommended programs/services are currently provided by the three existing providers, the Administration believes that the SSCC can serve a larger more diverse intergenerational population with a range programs, while also incorporating a public safety element; and

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WHEREAS, at the January 24, 2025 FERC meeting, the Administration presented their recommended plan for a blend of uses; and

WHEREAS, the Administration presented that the Ground Floor Central Quadrant be utilized by the Housing and Community Development department to run a senior meal lunchroom, social meeting space, and to work with the existing providers on efficient use of space; and

WHEREAS, the Housing and Community Development department will work with the two existing service providers to reorganize the use of space more efficiently; and

WHEREAS, the Administration presented that the Ground Floor Western Quadrant be utilized by the Parks and Recreation department for year-round programming and a summer camp; and

WHEREAS, the FERC recommended to fund a summer camp to start in the summer of 2025; and

WHEREAS, to begin operating daily programming and summer camp from the South Shore Community Center, there are some immediate one-time purchases/renovations that need to be made for approximately \$110,000; and

WHEREAS, the Administration will return with a budget amendment to fund a summer camp to start in the summer of 2025 including the one-time purchases/renovations; and

WHEREAS, the Administration presented that the Second Floor Quadrant be utilized by the Police Department to relocate their Police Training Unit and hosting community and Police Training League (PAL) programs; and

WHEREAS, the additional police presence would naturally increase security for the child daycare center and Parks & Recreation programs on the first floor and the various senior citizen events held at the center, creating a safer environment for these vulnerable groups.

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 approve the recommendation of the Finance and Economic Resiliency Committee at its January 24, 2025 meeting to accept the Administration's recommended blend on uses at the South Shore Community Center (SSCC) and to begin operating a summer camp starting in summer of 2025.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of February 2025.

ATTEST:

Steven Meiner, Mayor

Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION

Nick Kallegos 2/24/25
for City Attorney Date