

C4 L REFERRAL TO THE LAND USE AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE – REVIEW
DESIGN OPTIONS AND MAINTENANCE STRATEGIES FOR “MIAMI BEACH RED”
SIDEWALKS.

Applicable Area:



COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission
FROM: Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt
DATE: February 26, 2025
TITLE: REFERRAL TO THE LAND USE AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE – REVIEW DESIGN OPTIONS AND MAINTENANCE STRATEGIES FOR “MIAMI BEACH RED” SIDEWALKS.

RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

Please place the above item on the February 26, 2025 City Commission meeting agenda as a referral to the Land Use and Sustainability Committee (“LUSC”).

Many sidewalks in the City of Miami Beach incorporate a “Miami Beach Red” color standard (a distinctive reddish/pink color), while others incorporate a natural gray concrete color. There has been discussion over the years and a conflicting record over the historical use of “Miami Beach Red” sidewalks.

In 2019, the City Commission approved the gradual replacement of gray concrete sidewalks with the “Miami Beach Red” color standard, unless otherwise specified by an applicable City Land Use Board. The Commission also delegated authority to the Public Works Director to determine where the use of Miami Beach Red sidewalks is appropriate.

For streets with “Miami Beach Red” sidewalks, I would like the LUSC to review design options and maintenance strategies to ensure these sidewalks remain distinctive, safe for pedestrians, aesthetically consistent, and historically appropriate.

A related item is pending before the LUSC to review where the City should install red sidewalks vs. sidewalks incorporating a natural gray concrete color.

ANALYSIS

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

n/a

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?**

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

Office of Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Ref: LUSC - Design/Maintenance of Red Sidewalks. (Bhatt)

Previous Action (For City Clerk Use Only)