

C4 S REFERRAL TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE
COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS POTENTIALLY BRINGING FOOD TRUCKS TO
COLLINS PARK.

Applicable Area:

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission
FROM: Ricardo J. Dopico, City Attorney
DATE: March 19, 2025
TITLE: REFERRAL TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE TO DISCUSS POTENTIALLY BRINGING FOOD TRUCKS TO COLLINS PARK.

RECOMMENDATION

Please place on the March 19, 2025 agenda a referral to the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee to discuss potentially bringing food trucks to Collins Park on a trial basis.

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

ANALYSIS

As fully set forth in LTC No. 095-2025 (attached hereto), the Collins Park Neighborhood Association remitted a letter, dated February 28, 2025, unanimously requesting that the City consider implementing a food truck rotation, on a trial basis, at Liberty Plaza in Collins Park.

Accordingly, we would request that the City Administration be prepared at Committee to provide its recommendation(s) regarding the Collins Park Neighborhood Association's proposal to introduce a rotating food truck program at Liberty Plaza in Collins Park, on a trial basis, in order to test the feasibility and impact of the food trucks prior to implementing any permanent policy.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The sponsors of this item request that the Administration be prepared to address the fiscal impact of this proposed measure, if any, at the City Commission meeting.

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

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

City Attorney

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Alex Fernandez
Commissioner Laura Dominguez

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Ref. to PSNQLC: Collins Park Food Trucks. (Fernandez/Dominguez)

Previous Action (For City Clerk Use Only)

MIAMI BEACH

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK

LTC # 095-2025

LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Steven Meiner and Members of the City Commission
Eric Carpenter, City Manager
Ricardo J. Dopico, City Attorney
Joseph M. Centorino, Inspector General

FROM: Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk 

DATE: March 3, 2025

SUBJECT: Letter From Collins Park Neighborhood Association – Request For Food Truck Initiative

Please find attached a letter from the Collins Park Neighborhood Association regarding a proposal to introduce a rotating food truck program at Liberty Plaza. The Association voted unanimously in support of this initiative at its February 18th meeting and has requested that the City consider implementing a food truck rotation on a trial basis.

Please review the enclosed letter for further details.



February 28th, 2025

Letter to Commission
City of Miami Beach
1700 Convention Center Drive
Miami Beach, FL 33139

Dear Mayor and Commissioners:

The Collins Park Neighborhood Association held their monthly meeting on February 18th and at that meeting it was voted unanimously to send this letter asking that you consider having a food truck located on Liberty Plaza (our name since the Commission has never officially chosen to actually name this plaza, even after the previous commission was asked to do so). It is our suggestion to have a food truck of the month and rotate it. Have it be there M-F, 11AM to 6PM. This would be a great asset for the artist workforce housing and employees for the Library, Miami City Ballet and the BASS. Other than the gas station and Walgreens, there is no place to buy anything reasonable in this neighborhood. Maybe do it on a trial basis for 6 months or a year.

We know there would be a procedure to facilitate our request and we ask you to initiate that within 30 days. Maybe one of you could place this on the consent agenda?

Thank you,
Ray Breslin, president and for the BOD, 305-772-5665
email: Bresaro@aol.com

Executive Board

President: Ray Breslin (resident and business owner), Vice President: Harvey Burstein (resident), Secretary: Pam Mayer (resident), Treasurer: Debi Quade (realtor/resident)

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