

C4 U REFERRAL TO THE LAND USE AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE - DISCUSS EXISTING CITY PROGRAMS AND REQUIREMENTS PERTAINING TO THE DESIGN AND MAINTENANCE OF RETAIL STOREFRONTS, PARTICULARLY ALONG THE CITY'S PRIMARY RETAIL BUSINESS CORRIDORS, AND CONSIDER NEW PROGRAMS OR AMENDMENTS TO EXISTING GUIDELINES TO STRENGTHEN DESIGN STANDARDS, ENSURE CLEANLINESS, PROMOTE UNIFORMITY AND COHESIVENESS, AND ENHANCE CURB APPEAL.

Applicable Area:

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Mayor Steven Meiner

DATE: March 19, 2025

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RECOMMENDATION

Please place the above referral on the March 19, 2025 City Commission meeting agenda as a referral to the Land Use and Sustainability Committee ("LUSC"). The purpose of this discussion is to evaluate current City programs and regulations pertaining to retail storefronts, and consider amendments aimed at:

- Strengthening design standards to enhance the visual appeal and cohesiveness of retail storefronts.
- Ensuring cleanliness and proper maintenance of storefronts to improve the pedestrian experience.
- Promoting uniformity where appropriate to create a more harmonious streetscape.
- Enhancing overall curb appeal to support vibrant and attractive commercial districts.

Our retail corridors must reflect the high standards and aesthetics that define our City. As part of this referral, I request that the LUSC review current programs and requirements, gather input from stakeholders (including the Chamber of Commerce, Business Improvement Districts, and neighborhood residents), and provide recommendations to the City Commission.

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

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?

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

Office of Mayor Steven Meiner

Sponsor(s)

Mayor Steven Meiner

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Ref: LUSC - Enhance Curb Appeal for Retail Storefronts. (Meiner)

Previous Action (For City Clerk Use Only)