

CRA-1. A RESOLUTION OF THE CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF THE NORTH BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (NORTH BEACH CRA), ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE NORTH BEACH CRA ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AT ITS APRIL 8, 2025 MEETING, AND APPROVING, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, THE ALLOCATION OF NORTH BEACH CRA FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1.5 MILLION FOR THE DESIGN, DEVELOPMENT, AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE BISCAYNE BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOLYARD PROJECT.

Applicable Area:

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: City Attorney Ricardo J. Dopico

DATE: April 23, 2025

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RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

ANALYSIS

The attached Resolution was prepared at the request of the sponsor, Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The fiscal impact of this measure shall not exceed \$1.5 million.

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 Tanya K. Bhatt

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Accept Recomm. to Allocate Funding for Biscayne Beach Elementary Schoolyard Project.
(Bhatt) CA

Previous Action (For City Clerk Use Only)

RESOLUTION NO. _____

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WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach has entered into a Joint Use Agreement with Miami-Dade County Public Schools for the shared use of the schoolyard at Biscayne Beach Elementary School, located within the North Beach Community Redevelopment Area; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission previously engaged the services of The Trust for Public Land (TPL) to lead the community engagement process and conceptual design of the Biscayne Beach Elementary School schoolyard improvements (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, as part of this process, TPL has conducted two design workshops with selected Biscayne Beach Elementary School students to better understand the needs of the site and to collect input and ideas for the future schoolyard space; and

WHEREAS, at its April 8, 2025 meeting, the North Beach CRA Advisory Committee (Committee) recommended that the North Beach CRA fund the cost of the design, development, and construction of the Biscayne Beach Elementary Schoolyard Project (Schoolyard Project), in an amount not to exceed \$1.5 million; and

WHEREAS, the Committee recommended that sufficient funding be allocated in the North Beach CRA's Fiscal Year 2025 budget to initiate the design and permitting phases of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Committee encouraged the City to actively pursue external funding opportunities, including grants and partnerships, to offset project costs and reduce the financial impact on the North Beach CRA; and

WHEREAS, contingent upon the North Beach CRA Board's approval of project funding, the Committee recommended that the design include a regulation-size soccer field, suitable for organized league play, provided the site dimensions are sufficient, given the current lack of such facilities within the City; and

WHEREAS, the Committee recommended that, if site conditions allow, a four-lane running track be incorporated into the design of the Schoolyard Project to further promote health and fitness within the community; and

WHEREAS, the Agency wishes to accept Committee's recommendation, and approve, subject to approval by Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach, the allocation of the North Beach CRA funds, in an amount not to exceed \$1.5 million for the full design, development, and construction of the Schoolyard Project; and

WHEREAS, the Agency and its counsel have determined that all expenditures associated with the attached allocation are allowable under the Redevelopment Plan, Interlocal Agreement and Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE CHAIRPERSON AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (NORTH BEACH CRA), that the Chairperson and Board of Directors of the North Beach CRA hereby accept the recommendation of the North Beach CRA Advisory Committee at its April 8, 2025 meeting, and approve, subject to approval by Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach, the allocation of the North Beach CRA funds, in an amount not to exceed \$1.5 million for the full design, development, and construction of the Biscayne Beach Elementary Schoolyard Project.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this ____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

Rafael E. Granado, Secretary

Steven Meiner, Chairperson

(sponsored by Tanya K. Bhatt, Board Member)

**APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION**

Redevelopment Agency
General Counsel

4/16/2025
Date