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Applicable Area:

# MIAMI BEACH

## COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: City Attorney Ricardo J. Dopico

DATE: July 24, 2024

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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**

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**

City Attorney

**Sponsor(s)**

Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt

**Co-sponsor(s)**

**Condensed Title**

Direct Admin. Issue LTC - City Participation in Fed. Climate Pollution Reduction Grants  
Program. (Bhatt) CA

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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**WHEREAS**, climate change poses a significant threat to the environment, public health, and the economic well-being of communities, including the City of Miami Beach; and

**WHEREAS**, the federal government has established the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program (the "Program") to provide funding for projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other pollutants, enhance climate resilience, and promote sustainable development; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Florida was one of five states that did not submit a climate action plan, thereby excluding the State from \$3 million in initial federal grant funding and disqualifies the state from grants during the program's second phase for as much as \$500 million; and

**WHEREAS**, certain other municipalities in the State have joined together to make a direct application to the federal government for grant funding under the Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Miami Beach is committed to advancing environmental sustainability and resilience through innovative policies, programs, and projects; and

**WHEREAS**, if it is not too late to participate (whether independently or by joining other municipalities that have already submitted an application), the Program may present an opportunity for the City to secure funding for initiatives that align with its climate action goals and contribute to the reduction of climate pollution; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the City to explore all available opportunities to secure funding for climate-related projects.

**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 direct the Administration to conduct the necessary research and issue a Letter to Commission regarding the possibility of participation by the city in the federal Climate Pollution Reduction Grants program.

**PASSED and ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

**ATTEST:**

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Steven Meiner, Mayor

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Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO  
FORM & LANGUAGE  
& FOR EXECUTION

(Sponsored by Commissioner Tanya K. Bhatt)

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City Attorney

7/16/2024  
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Date