

R9 AO DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION REGARDING THE REMOVAL OF CONCRETE STONES ALONG THE SEA WALL NEAR 71ST STREET AND COLLINS AVENUE TO RESTORE COMMUNITY ACCESS AND AESTHETIC APPEAL.

Applicable Area:

# MIAMI BEACH

## COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Commissioner Alex Fernandez

DATE: September 11, 2024

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### **RECOMMENDATION**

### **BACKGROUND/HISTORY**

### **ANALYSIS**

Please place the above item on the September 11, 2024, City Commission agenda as a discussion item.

The City of Miami Beach installed concrete stones along the sea wall near 71st Street and Collins Avenue to enhance safety, security, and deter excessive loitering. This measure was taken to address community concerns while preserving the integrity of the sea wall. However, with the city's improved resources for managing homelessness and addressing issues related to camping and sleeping in public spaces, I propose that the Commission discuss the potential removal of these concrete stones.

The current installation of the stones detracts from the charm and accessibility of this beloved amenity. Removing them would not only restore the area's aesthetic appeal but also allow the community to fully enjoy this space.

### **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-notice/>

### **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

## **CONCLUSION**

### **Applicable Area**

North Beach

**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 Alex Fernandez

### **Sponsor(s)**

Commissioner Alex Fernandez

### **Co-sponsor(s)**

### **Condensed Title**

Discuss/Action - Removal of Concrete Stones Along the Sea Wall in North Beach. (Fernandez)