

R9 B DISCUSS/TAKE ACTION: EARMARK FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE MIAMI CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY.

Applicable Area:

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission
FROM: Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez
DATE: November 14, 2024
TITLE: DISCUSS/TAKE ACTION: EARMARK FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE MIAMI CENTER FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY.

RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

At the November 14, 2024 Special Meeting of the Mayor and City Commission, the City Commission will discuss the allocation of funds to Miami-Dade County for the purpose of supporting homelessness services and domestic violence programs. Many individuals experiencing homelessness are also experiencing mental health conditions. Accordingly, as part of the regional effort to combat homelessness, it is vital to invest in mental health services.

The Miami Center for Mental Health and Recovery (the "Miami Center"), which is expected to open in the near future, is a critical resource that will serve individuals struggling with mental health and substance use disorders. The Miami Center is a comprehensive, state-of-the-art facility that will provide integrated services for individuals battling mental health challenges, substance abuse, and co-occurring disorders. It will offer a wide range of therapeutic programs, medical care, mental health counseling, rehabilitation services, and recovery support to help individuals regain their stability and independence.

By earmarking a portion of the funds to be provided to Miami-Dade County under the proposals currently under consideration, we can directly support the continued operation of this vital facility, ensuring that its services remain available to those who need them most.

DISCUSSION:

I would like my colleagues to discuss the inclusion in the proposal that is selected by the Mayor and City Commission that not less than 50% of any funds allocated to Miami-Dade County under the proposals being considered at the November 14, 2024 Special Meeting be specifically earmarked to help fund the ongoing operation of the Miami Center for Mental Health and Recovery and the remaining 50% to be specifically earmarked to such other organizations that provide services to individuals experiences homelessness or vicitims of domestic violence as the City Commission shall specify.

ANALYSIS

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

NA

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

Citywide

**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 Kristen Rosen Gonzalez

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez

Co-sponsor(s)

Condensed Title

Discuss/Action, Earmark Funds for Operation of Miami Center for Mental Health & Recovery.
(Rosen Gonzalez)