

C4 H REFERRAL TO THE LAND USE AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE TO  
DISCUSS AMENDING THE LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS FOR SINGLE-  
FAMILY ZONING DISTRICTS TO EXPAND EXISTING ALLOWANCES FOR  
ARTIFICIAL TURF IN REAR AND SIDE YARDS.

Applicable Area:



**COMMISSION MEMORANDUM**

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Commissioner Kristen Rosen Gonzalez

DATE: December 11, 2024

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY**

Please include on the December 11, 2024, agenda a referral to the Land Use and Sustainability Committee ("LUSC") to discuss potential amendments to the City's Land Development Regulations regarding the use of artificial turf in single-family zoning districts.

Currently, the City's regulations allow the use of artificial turf in rear and side yards on a limited basis. I am requesting the LUSC evaluate and discuss the possibility of expanding the permissible areas for artificial turf usage in rear and side yards to provide single-family homeowners with greater flexibility for their properties.

**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**

Ref: LUSC - Amend LDRs, Single Family Zoning Districts Expand Existing Allowances for Artificial Turf. (KRG)