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We are a community-based 501(c)4 not-forprofit organization providing Miami Beach residents a cohesive voice for city-wide issues that impact our quality of life. Click here to join us!







Meet, mingle, mojitos!

Get to know your neighbors from across the city at our first members' social of 2019.

Havana1957 at the Breakwater Hotel 940 Ocean Drive Monday, March 25 6-8 pm

> Members: Free Non-members: \$25

Not a member? Not a problem - <u>click here</u> to join today and get free access to this and all other members' socials, plus membership in MBU, through 2019.

Your membership helps support all forums and archiving of events at our site at <u>miamibeachunited.org</u>

Our Mission

Dedicated to improving the quality of life for Miami Beach residents, managed and measured growth of our city, and ethical leadership of government – for a vibrant city rooted in history, its people, resources and neighborhoods, with focus on the future – by providing educational and analytical focus on the organization, structure, policies and performance of Miami Beach government.



#ICYMI - the NEW Miami Beach United website is live !

Thanks to outstanding marketeer and indefatigable MBU founding member Herb Sosa, MBU was launched in 2012 with a strong visual brand and web presence. But, as anyone who works with websites knows, the one drawback to websites is that the moment they go live, they have been surpassed by newer technology! So, after eight extremely good years, we say goodbye to our old site and welcome our new site. Still located at **www.miamibeachunited.org**, the new site is packed with new features, including a digital "suggestion box" in the footer, a new **YouTube channel** (more videos on the way), and an <u>a rchive of past newsletters</u> with live links to past resolutions and supporting documents.



Miami Beach United's 2018 Inaugural Annual "Commission Scorecard"

Tracks Commission Votes To Show How Resident-Friendly the City Of Miami Beach Elected Officials Are

Here's how it works:

Each month, Miami Beach United identifies and tracks issues coming before the Commission. Many of these issues become resolutions, voted on by the Board of Directors, and shared in advance of the monthly Commission meetings with the Mayor and Commissioners (and staff) of the city of Miami Beach. They are also shared with all of you via this mailing list for MBU.

In each case, whenever MBU passed a resolution on a matter before the Commission, the scorecard indicates whether or not an individual elected official supported or opposed the action recommended by MBU.

For ordinances, which require two hearings, only the final vote on Second Reading was recorded and counted. In some cases, when MBU's recommendations were only partially implemented, that was treated as a neutral action, and that vote was excluded from the total score.

All items were weighted equally when calculating an overall percentage grade for each elected official during the measurement period.

This Commission Scorecard process will commence for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year with the November 2018 Commission meeting, with the final scorecard to be published at the end of October 2019.

Click <u>here for more information</u> and <u>here to view the scorecard</u> in its entirety, including which resolutions were tracked for the legislative year 2018.

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