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City Commission Meeting

The June 22nd 2022 Commission Meeting starts at 8:30 a.m. with the Sutnick Hour where residents may speak on any topic.

To join the virtual commission meeting via Zoom:

Please click this link to join the webinar: <https://miamibeachfl.gov.zoom.us/j/81392857671>
Access ID 81392857671#

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It will also be streamed live on MBTV Channel 660 on Atlantic Broadband or 99 on AT&T U-Verse, on the City's website, and on Facebook Live at [facebook.com/cityofmiamibeach](https://www.facebook.com/cityofmiamibeach).

IF YOU WISH TO SPEAK ON AN ITEM DURING THE MEETING:

Via Zoom, please click the "raise hand" button on the screen to raise your hand as soon as the item is called. This will pull you to the top of the list and make it easier for the team to find you in the list of attendees. Or via phone, press *9 to raise a hand to be placed in queue to speak.

Want to read the proposed Commission agenda items and get info about the Commission meeting on Wednesday? Click [here](#).

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Commission Meeting June 22, 2022

These are Miami Beach United's Resolutions:

PROPOSED CREATION OF AN INTERACTIVE MAP OF PRIVATE/COMMERCIAL PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS

C4 X

Executive Summary:

This is a referral to the Land Use & Sustainability Committee to discuss creating an interactive map of development projects

Why It Matters:

Miami Beach United **SUPPORTS** this resolution.

- The creation of an interactive map of private/commercial planned development projects in the city would allow residents a meaningful opportunity to review and comment on proposed projects.

Read the Commission documents by clicking [HERE](#).

PROMOTE GREATER AWARENESS OF ANY FORMAL POSITIONS ADOPTED BY NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATIONS

C7 V

Executive Summary:

This proposal would require a process by which the City Clerk shall forward within one business day any resolutions received from Neighborhood Associations to the Commission, City Attorney, City Manager, and/or Inspector General.

Miami Beach United **SUPPORTS** this proposal.

- This would further strengthen and advance the objectives of Residents Right to Know (RRTK) , an ordinance initiated by MBU as a cornerstone of our ongoing commitment to improving communication and information flow between residents and City Hall.
- It would help to to ensure residents receive timely information on all issues affecting quality of life and that communication channels with City government are optimized.

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AMEND AGENDA REQUIREMENTS AND RULES OF PROCEDURE APPLICABLE TO MEETINGS OF THE CITY COMMISSION AND CITY COMMISSION COMMITTEES; AND PROCEDURES GOVERNING THE PLACEMENT OF AGENDA ITEMS ON PRESENTATIONS AND AWARD MEETING AGENDAS

R5 F - SECOND READING

R9 K - DISCUSSION ITEM DEFERRED FROM MAY

Executive Summary:

Commission and other key City Committee meetings have become unwieldy in their scope, length, and unpredictability, making it extremely difficult for residents to stay

engaged and be able to participate in the process on items which matter to them. These modifications seek to ameliorate that situation.

Why It Matters:

Miami Beach United **SUPPORTS** this ordinance and discussion item which seek to allow sufficient time for neighborhood associations and residents to participate effectively in the legislative process. In addition to the many excellent recommendations already included in these items, Miami Beach United suggests the following:

- In addition to the requirement to print the agenda 4 business days prior to a meeting, please also require that the agenda, with supporting materials, be posted on the City's website 5 business days in advance of the meeting. This has been the actual practice by the City Clerk for many years, and is the bare minimum amount of time needed by neighborhood and resident organizations to read the LTC's, hold a meeting, draft resolutions and submit them to the Mayor and Commissioners in time to potentially influence their votes.
- Require that there be a minimum of 5 business days between a Land Use Board meeting and a Commission meeting where a vote will be taken on a resolution or ordinance. As discussed in item #1, neighborhood and resident organizations need sufficient time to have heard the discussion at a Land Use Board before formulating a position on an issue to be voted on at Commission meeting.
- Put significant restrictions on the ability of Commissioners to place ordinance amendments and significant resolutions on the agenda for Presentations and Awards meetings. These items usually come as a surprise and make it very difficult for neighborhood and resident organizations to respond.
- Defer for now, any changes to the section on Residents Rights to Know. In the coming weeks, MBU will be organizing a meeting with the City's neighborhood associations to discuss improvements that should be made to this section of the ordinance. We will then present a set of recommendations to the Commission for consideration.

Read the Commission documents by clicking [HERE](#) and [HERE](#).

**ALCOHOL HOURS OF SALE - 2:00 A.M. OUTDOORS WEST AVE & SOUTH OF FIFTH
R5 O AND R5 P - FIRST READING**

Executive Summary:

The ballot question asking Miami Beach voters whether they would "support changing this [alcohol consumption] 5:00 A.M. termination time to 2:00 A.M. throughout the City, with specific locations and related restrictions and exceptions, to be determined by City Commission by Ordinance?" by over 56% of voters. Seeking to find balance between our nightlife/tourism industries and residents' quality of life issues is a tough task. We believe these ordinances may be additional steps to do so.

Why It Matters:

Miami Beach United **SUPPORTS** both proposals which would limit sale and consumption of alcohol outdoors, especially outdoors near a residential neighborhood.

- Miami Beach residents have suffered for too long from the noise, rowdiness, and traffic congestion created by late-night bars and clubs.
- **R5O** limits sales and consumption of alcohol outdoors in alcoholic beverage establishments on east side of West Avenue and west side of Alton Road from 5th Street to Collins Canal, including side streets, as follows: Outdoors midnight on private property and public sidewalk cafes, and 11pm weekdays/midnight weekends on rooftop. No exceptions.

- **R5P** limits sales and consumption of alcohol outdoors in alcoholic beverage establishments South of Fifth as follows: Midnight on premises in outdoor or open areas and on public sidewalk cafes. No exceptions.

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STRENGTHENING DEMOLITION BY NEGLECT REPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

R5 W

Executive Summary:

This item strengthens and clarifies the existing laws governing what happens with buildings that are demolished as a result of neglectful ownership.

Why It Matters:

Miami Beach United **SUPPORTS** this item.

- This item would strengthen the City's demolition by neglect procedures and provide more specific guidance to both property owners and the Historic Planning Board.
- It would establish clear and objective criteria consistent with the Secretary of Interior's Standards for the Reconstruction of Historic Buildings, for the Board to evaluate during their review of applications for Certificate of Appropriateness.
- Making these changes will not lessen the ability of the HPB to make decisions on a case by case basis as to how to proceed.
- It will disincentivize derelict owners from trying to circumnavigate the city's laws regarding demolition by neglect.

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SALE OF CITY PROPERTY AT 266 87TH TERRACE

R7 I

Executive Summary:

The city is, once again, proposing to sell city properties, in this instance 266 87th Terrace.

Why It Matters:

Miami Beach United **OPPOSES** the sale of this city owned property.

- Once land is sold, we can never get it back.
- City property should be viewed as a rainy day emergency fund, and treated accordingly.
- City property should **never** be sold unless there is a truly compelling reason, which is unfounded in this case, despite both identified beneficiaries of the sale proceeds, Miami New Drama Cultural Facility at Collins Park Garage and the Byron Carlyle Theater, being worthy endeavors.

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CITY EFFORTS TO PROTECT THE ENZO GALLO MURALS

R7 O

Executive Summary:

The Wells Fargo building on Alton Road has been home to artistically and historically significant mosaic murals by noted Italian artist Enzo Gallo for decades. Now slated for demolition, there has been a last-ditch effort to save as much of the mural as possible

thanks to preservationists and the building's owner. Four of the most significant panels are in process of being removed from the building; the City needs address next steps.

Why It Matters:

- Miami Beach United **SUPPORTS** this item which asks that the City
- assists with on-going work to remove and secure the mural; and
 - helps find a secure temporary location to store the pieces; and
 - accepts the donation of the mural to the City; and
 - works with the Art in Public Places committee to find potential locations for the permanent installation of the mural.

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ESTABLISH A NOISE METER AND CAMERA PILOT PROGRAM

R7 Q

Executive Summary:

This item proposes a test program to use new technologies to capture and identify sources of vehicular nuisance noise for ticketing purposes to improve the quality of life for residents, visitors and businesses in Miami Beach.

Why It Matters:

- Miami Beach United **SUPPORTS** this item.
- This pilot program that utilizes noise meters and cameras to both monitor and reduce noise levels in the City of Miami Beach.
 - Cities around the world are testing and utilizing new methods and technologies such as sound radar to address noise pollution.
 - We applaud the effort to pilot these new technologies in an effort to make Miami Beach a quieter and more pleasant place to live.

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APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF NEW TOWING PERMITS

R7 S

Executive Summary:

The towing operators in the City of Miami Beach have been operating on extensions of obsolete contracts for far too long. This item seeks to change that.

Why It Matters:

- Miami Beach United **SUPPORTS** this item.
- This new contract made with Beach Towing and Tremont Towing, effective August 1, 2022, is an improvement over the previous contract.
 - It lowers rates and improves customer service by
 - removing add-on charges
 - lowering rates for residents of Miami Beach to \$150
 - allowing payment by credit card for residents of Miami Beach.

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