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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE: January 5, 2015

SUBJECT: **Project Update – Mount Sinai Medical Center's seawall renovation project with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers under the Continuing Authorities Program (CAP).**

On April 9, 2014, the City Commission adopted Resolution No. 2014-28535 and entered into a Cooperative Agreement with Mount Sinai Medical Center to serve as their non-Federal sponsor for the renovation of the seawall along the campus property at 4300 Alton Road through a grant from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Continuing Authorities Program (The Grant). All work and costs are assumed by Mount Sinai Medical Center and therefore, no costs will be incurred by the City of Miami Beach.

The CAP project for the rehabilitation of the seawall at Mount Sinai Medical Center (4300 Alton Road) has been pushing forward more quickly than we could have hoped. The Study Initiation Report has been approved and we are moving quickly towards the conclusion of the Federal Interest Determination (FID) Report, which is due on January 1, 2015. After the FID Report has been submitted and approved, the final three phases will begin, at which point a Feasibility Cost Share Agreement will need to be executed between the US Army Corps of Engineers and the City of Miami Beach as the non-Federal sponsor for Mount Sinai.

Each of the next phases of the CAP project is associated with a portion of the Total Project Cost. The Total Project Cost is cost shared between Federal (65%) and non-Federal (35%), with the Federal limit capped at \$5 million. Thus the Total Project Cost is \$8.25 million. The three phases are as follows:

1. Study Phase
2. Design Phase
3. Construction Phase

The study phase is associated with the Feasibility Cost Share Agreement to be shared 50/50. The Design Cost Share Agreement would be executed separately for the design phase, as would the shared construction cost and associated Project Partnership Agreement.

Our personnel are working hard and collaborating with Mount Sinai and the US Army Corps of Engineers on a regular basis to facilitate the process and ensure that the Army Corps receives all the information needed.

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