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**LTC No. 042-2015**

**LETTER TO COMMISSION**

TO: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission  
FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager  
DATE: January 28, 2015  
SUBJECT: **BOARD AND COMMITTEE BIENNIAL REPORTS**

Attached for your review, please find the Board and Committee Biannual Reports submitted to the Office of the City Clerk for the period of July 2014 to December 2014.

Pursuant to City Code Section Sec. 2-22(13), the chairperson of each agency, board or committee, or his/her designee, shall biannually submit a completed written report to the City Commission and City Manager. The submitting agency, board or committee must approve the contents of the report prior to the presentation.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the City Clerk or myself.

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**BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM - PAGE 1 OF 1**

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Art in Public Places

**CHAIRPERSON:** Megan Riley

**CITY LIAISON:** Dennis Leyva

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 1, 2014:** 7

**ACTIVITY:**

Brian Tolle – “Tempest” Collins Park, Legal working on outstanding conditions with Artist attorney.
Installation of art shows Fourth Floor Gallery Space.
Tobias Rehberger completion South Pointe Park Pier Gate.
Ongoing website updated
Ongoing fabrication Capitman Family Donation “Barbara Capitman Memorial”
Flamingo Park – Discussion Call to Artist
Soundscape Park – Discussion Call to Artist
Botanical Garden – Discussion Call to Artist
Conference Florida Association Public Art Professional Organizing Convention March 2015
Fund 147 Capital Budget Book FY 14 – 15.
Kevin Arrow installation “Beatles Mandala” Bandshell Park
South Beach – Investigation of possible artistic interventions on beach trash receptacles
Miami Beach Convention Center Call to Artists
Conservation treatment Charles O. Perry “Untitled”
Bloomberg Public Art Challenge Grant Application

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

Flamingo Park – Call to Artists
Soundscape Park – Call to Artist
Botanical Garden – Discussion Call to Artists
AIPP Five Year Master Plan 2014 – 18
Website Updates
Installation “Barbara Capitman Memorial”
Brian Tolle, “Tempest”, Legal and Artist attorney to determine outstanding conditions, location and acceptance of artwork by City.
Conservation treatment Wendy Wischer “Liquid Measures”.
Conservation treatment Dan Graham “Morris”
Roy Lichtenstein “Mermaid” Conservation Treatment
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Florida Association of Public Art Professionals Board Member and planning 2015 Conference.
South Beach – Investigation of possible artistic interventions on beach trash receptacles
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**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

Website updates
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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** - BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

**CHAIRPERSON:** - BRYAN ROSENFELD

**CITY LIAISON:** - ANTOINETTE STOHL  
Secretary to the Board

**DATE OF REPORT:** - July through December 2014

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD:** 6

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEMS	APPROVED	DENIED	DISCUSSION CONTINUED	WITHDRAWN	NO ACTION	
Jul 15	16	7		1	5	1	2
Aug 8	13	8			5		
Sep 5	11	9			2		
Oct 3	17	9		1	4	1	2
Nov 7	13	12			1		
Dec 5	21	11			8	2	
Totals:	91	56		2	25	4	4

Note: Some totals may not match due to some items being removed from the Agenda at the last minute.

**BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM – PAGE 2 OF 2**

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** - FLOOD PLAIN MANAGEMENT BOARD

**CHAIRPERSON:** - BRYAN ROSENFELD

**CITY LIAISON:** - ANTOINETTE STOHL,  
Secretary to the Board

**DATE OF REPORT:** - July through December 2014

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD:** 6

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Dec 5	0					
<b>Totals:</b>	0					

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**BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM - PAGE 1 OF 3**

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Budget Advisory Committee

**CHAIRPERSON:** John Gardiner

**CITY LIAISON:** John Woodruff

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 2014 – December 2014: Total = 6**

**ACTIVITIES:**

**07/15/2014 Meeting Agenda:**

- FY 2014/15 Budget Presentations
  - Review Parking Department's Proposed Budget
  - Review Parks and Recreation's Proposed Budget
- Budget-Related Discussion
- Quarterly Budget Variance Analysis
- Monthly Review of Police Overtime Expenditures

**08/19/2014 Meeting Agenda:**

- Rate Increase Presentation-Parks and Recreation
- Budget-Related Discussion-John Woodruff (OBPI)
  - FY15 Proposed Capital Budget
  - FY15 Proposed Enhancements
  - Dedicated Funding for Seawalls
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**09/16/2014 Meeting Agenda:**

- Review Cable TV Franchise Agreement
- FY 2014/15 Budget Presentations
  - Review Information Technology (IT) Department Proposed Budget

**10/14/2014 Meeting Agenda:**

- FY 2014/15 Budget Presentations
  - Building Department – Mariano Fernandez
  - Code Compliance – Hernan Cardeno
- FY 2014/15 Budget Update
- Golf Sub-committee Briefing
- Standardization of Department Budget Presentations
- Munis/EnerGov Project

**11/04/2014 Meeting Agenda:**

- Presentations by Human Resources (HR) Department – Sylvia Crespo-Tabak (HR)
- Review Human Resources Department's Budget
- Discuss Pension Reform
- Review City's Medical Plans and BAC's Prior Recommendations
- Munis/EnerGov Project
- Quarterly Budget Variance Analysis

**12/02/2014 Meeting Agenda:**

- Establish BAC Meeting Calendar for CY2015
- Review Pension Plan and Fire and Police Pension
- Discuss Pension Reform
- Review City's Medical Plan
- FY 2013/14 Budget Update

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- Reviewed Parking Department's Proposed Budget
  - 600 plus multiply stations have been installed.
  - Walker Study spaces added to a residential area.
  - Parking app launched
  - The new ordinance will increase the loading zones to 100 feet and will require a permit.
- Reviewed Parks and Recreation's Proposed Budget
  - The Greenspace and Right-of-way division will now report to Public Works.
  - Park Ranger program to enforce ordinances, such as Segway's in the park.
  - New Teen Center in North Beach.

- Reviewed possible Rate Increase -Parks and Recreation
  - The proposed increase to the City's golf rates for FY 2014/15 totaling approximately \$350,000, with the direction that there should be no increase to the resident rate at Normandy Shores Golf Course and that other rates at both of the City's golf courses be adjusted to make up the difference in revenue.
  - Recommendation to the City Commission to allow the management company the ability to adjust pricing based on demand at Normandy Shores Gold Course up or down, but the resident rate can only go down, not up and Miami Beach Gold Course up, except for the resident rate which can only remain flat.
- Reviewed FY15 Proposed Capital Budget and Proposed Enhancements
  - The focused on the funding for the Convention Center which makes up \$582.8 million of the \$705.4 million proposed capital budget.
  - The recommended enhancements include funding for body cameras, more proactive code compliance, several cleanliness initiatives, etc. An assessment for the City's roadways and sidewalks is being funded from the capital budget. The City is also trying to implement a 311 system.
  - The City had 23 new full time employees and there are 11 part-timers, but the City is cutting 23 employees so it is generally a wash.
  - There is a 5% increase in salaries due to a 3% COLA and 2% merit pay.
- Reviewed Dedicated Funding for Seawalls
  - Finance & Citywide Projects Committee meeting, the Committee referred developing a dedicated funding source for seawalls to the BAC for the FY 2016 budget process. This topic will be discussed further at a future BAC meeting.

- Reviewed Information Technology (IT) Department Proposed Budget- Ariel Sosa
  - As part of the \$7.2 Million Munis/Energov Project, the city engaged a consultant to provide Business Press Reviews of all the processes that touch the Financial System (Munis) and building development process system (Energov).

- The City is very close to being BCI compliant Level 1, the City is currently at Level 2. This would mean that audits are more frequent and an outside consultant would have to be brought in.
- The City is no longer paying IBM for the Wi-Fi system
- Reviewed Cable TV Franchise Agreement Renewal of People's Gas Systems, Inc. Franchise Contract.

- Reviewed Building Department's Proposed Budget
  - Software implementations the upcoming implementation of ENERGOV.
  - The process for an owner to apply for a permit has been streamlined.
  - The department is also assessed by FEMA, the CRS and insurance companies, and because of the high rating the building department receives.
  - The City will contract a private company to maintain the elevators, and the maintenance company will report to the building department.
- Reviewed Code Compliance Department's Proposed Budget
  - No more than 2 Code Enforcement Officers are out on a lunch break at the same time.
  - Tracking system of where the Code Enforcement Officer is at all times.
- Golf Sub-committee Briefing
  - To accept the golf sub-committee's proposed changes of Miami Beach Resident promotional rate to \$39 instead of \$40 and the Premier Member Weekend rate to \$49 instead of \$50.
  - Recommend the Commission to look at the lease study for the Normandy Shores Golf Course.
- Standardization of Department Budget Presentations
  - The committee provides a template of 5 slides to all department directors detailing the information that is needed.
- Reviewed Human Resources Department's Budget
- Reviewed Pension Reform
- Reviewed City's Medical Plans
- Reviewed and Finalized BAC Meeting for CY2015

- Reviewed Composition of City Pension Boards, including requirements to serve
- Formulated set of recommendations for the City's Fire and Police Pension Board and the Miami Beach Employees' Retirement Plan (MBERP) re: membership composition, education and experience requirements, training, etc.

### **FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

- Discuss Pension Reform Options
- Review Health Insurance Plans
- Discuss Dedicated Funding Options for Seawalls and Street Paving
- Review Guidelines for FY 2015/16 Budget Process
- Review FY 2013/14 Budget Update
- Review Budget Projections for FY 2014/15 General Fund Budget

**BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM - PAGE 1 OF 1**

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Normandy Shores Local Gov. Neighborhood Improvement  
**CHAIRPERSON:** TBD  
**CITY LIAISON:** John Woodruff

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 2014 – December 2014:** Total = 1

**ACTIVITIES:**

**07/02/2014 Meeting Agenda:**

- Status of New Gate and Security Camera Upgrades.
- Review Budget Projections: FY 2014/15 Budget and Final Taxable Values.
- Proposed FY/15 Budget Request.

*There were no meetings held in August 2014 through December 2014.*

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- Reviewed Status of Security Camera Upgrades.
- Reviewed Budget Projections: FY 2014/15 Budget and Final Taxable Values.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

- Adopted FY 2014/15 Operating Budget and Millage Rate.
- New Gate and Security Camera Upgrades – Under Construction.
- Proposed FY 2015/16 Operating Budget and Millage Rate.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Quality Education Committee

**CHAIRPERSON:** John Elizabeth Aleman

**CITY LIAISON:** Dr. Leslie Rosenfeld

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 1, 2014:** 5

**ACTIVITIES:**

<p>The Committee for Quality Education passed a Motion to request the Miami Beach Mayor and Commission maintain the health care task force as a sub-committee under the auspices of the Committee for Quality Education</p>
<p>The Committee for Quality Education passed a Motion to request the Miami Beach Mayor and Commission support expanding the traffic circulation study for Pine tree Drive and 42nd Street by the Transportation Department to explore the possibility of making 42nd Street 2-way between Pine tree Drive and Prairie avenue.</p>
<p>The Committee passed a Motion to request the Miami Beach Mayor and Commission support the Miami Dade County Public School 2015 legislative priorities</p>
<p>The Committee passed a Motion to request the Mayor and Commission sustain health clinic suites in all Miami Beach feeder public schools with a registered nurse and encourage The Children's Trust and Miami-Dade County Public Schools to place a Comprehensive School-Based Health Center on Miami Beach</p>
<p>The Committee passed a Motion to request a letter by sent to the City Manager to thank for the police presence at all Miami Beach public schools to support traffic flow and encourage continue presence during the 2014-15 opening of schools.</p>
<p>The Committee for Quality Education passed a Motion to request the Mayor and Commission remove the following language in the Request for Qualification for the Nautilus Middle School Comprehensive Program Review: "Establishing a charter middle school by contracting with a consultant."</p>
<p>The Committee passed a Motion to request the Mayor and Commission encourage Miami-Dade County Public Schools to collaborate with Florida International University (FIU) and the City of Miami Beach to develop an action plan to make Nautilus Middle School the very best Middle School in our county.</p>
<p>The Committee for Quality Education passed a Motion to request the Mayor and Commission, support the implementation of the Extended Foreign Language (EFL) program in all International Baccalaureate (IB) Primary Year Program elementary schools in the City of Miami Beach feeder pattern, support equal access to the EFL for all City of Miami Beach students, support informing all residents of the EFL program and ensure the integrity of the IB PYP is maintained by offering quality Spanish language to all students in the Miami Beach feeder pattern schools.</p>

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

The committee has been effective at instigating a collaborative workgroup made up of MDCPS, Florida International University and Nautilus Middle School to perform a collaborative school-wide review of Nautilus and implement action items to improve the school in all areas the workgroup deems necessary. The Access (Achieving Community Collaboration in Education and Student Success) item is now under the guidance of the Neighborhoods Committee.

The committee continued to collaborate with MDCPS to encourage progress toward making the Extended Foreign Language program available to all students who want to participate. 23 additional teachers at Fisher Feinberg and Biscayne Elementary are to become linguistically certified to teach EFL as of October 2014.

The committee has continued its work to ensure quality healthcare services in all Miami Beach public schools, building on prior work to secure the Aetna grant and work with municipalities on establishing healthcare suites in the 3 schools in the feeder pattern that did not have one. During this most recent this session, Commissioner Steinberg sponsored C7D - a resolution urging The Children's Trust and the Miami-Dade County Schools to support and finance comprehensive School-Based Health Centers in Miami Beach Public Schools.

The committee has continued to provide guidance to the Health Care Task Force, and during this session Commissioner Weithorn sponsored R7H - a resolution proclaiming October 24, 2012 as "Teacher and School Staff Breast Cancer Screening Day in the City of Miami Beach" and recognizing the task force, MDCPS, and Mt Sinai in their efforts to promote preventive health measures in our community during national breast cancer awareness month.

The committee was successful in getting the City of Miami Beach to install a new exit in the public parking lot between Royal Palm and Prairie avenues beside North Beach Elementary, alleviating some traffic and safety risk during school pick-up and drop-off periods.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

Continue to guide the City's efforts toward providing the best education possible in Miami Beach public schools.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Committee on the Homeless

**CHAIRPERSON:** Daniel Nagler

**CITY LIAISON:** Maria Ruiz

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 1, 2014:** 6

**ACTIVITIES:**

Since July 1, the Committee has:

- Held six Committee meetings
- Held one Sub-committee meeting

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

The Committee has:

- Approved the new "Are you ready to end homelessness?" cards
- Elected Daniel Nagler as its Chairperson
- Elected Gail Harris as its Vice-Chairperson
- Participated in the August 28th Homeless Census Count
- The Chair has participated in an early morning joint outreach mission with Police
- Created a sub-committee to help craft a marketing campaign to involve residents and businesses in addressing homelessness
- Approved the new homeless information newsletter
- Approved a magazine article to be featured in MB magazine
- Volunteered at the Miami Beach Community Church Thanksgiving event
- Participated in a tour of the Miami Rescue Mission Shelter on December 17

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

The Committee is working on:

- Crafting the message for use as a Public Service Announcement to involve more people in addressing homelessness in our community
- MB Magazine article that encourages community participation in ending homelessness
- Establishing a strategy to work more closely with the City of Miami in addressing homelessness

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CCAB- Convention Center Advisory Board

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** CCAB

**CHAIRPERSON:** Roger Abramson

**CITY LIAISON:** Glenny Solano (Prepared by Jianina Velazquez)

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 1, 2014:** 5

**ACTIVITIES:**

Successfully held 5 meetings

Reviwed plans for upcoming MBCC renovation.

The CCAB had a discussion of the booking policy and unanimously passed a motion recommending elimination of the Grandfather First Priority designation and also recommended the City allow First Priority events to book at least 18 months prior to the show instead of the current policy of 24 months.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

Approval of Rent Waiver for Childrens Cancer Caring Center Holiday Party for families and children affected by Cancer. Rent waiver approved for \$3,500.

Approval of partial rent waiver for Florida International University Wine Seminars. Rent waiver approved for \$4,000

Approval of Rent waiver for NAF Student Conference. Rent waiver approved for \$12,500

**FUTURE ACTIVIES:**

Booking Policy Discussion

Re-Election/Vote for Chairman and Vice Chairman

Approval of MBCC Rental Waivers

<b>BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANUAL REPORT FORM</b>

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:**                     -       DESIGN REVIEW BOARD

**CHAIRPERSON:**                                     -       CAROL HOUSEN

**CITY LIAISON:**                                   -       DEBBIE TACKETT

**DATE OF REPORT:** July 2014 through December 2014

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD:**    6

Meeting Date	Agenda Items	Approved	Denied	Continued	Withdrawn	Discussion	Preliminary Evaluation	No Action
Jul 1	11	9		2				
Aug 5	20	14		4	1	1		
Sep 2	14	8		4		1		1
Oct 7	25	19		1	1	3		1
Nov 4	14	6		4		3		1
Dec 2	13	6		4	1	1		1
<b>Total</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>62</b>		<b>19</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>		<b>4</b>

Note: Some totals may not match due to some items being removed from the Agenda at the last minute.



**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

Support of Power Access Inc. and Ability Explosion for the October 17, 2014 events which included a disability simulation with the Mayor, Commissioners, Chief of Police and other city hall employees.

Support of Sabrina Cohen and the accessible Beach.

Continued to monitor progress of the Audible Pedestrian Signal pilot program.

Work with Center of Independent Living of South Florida to provide phones for people who are hard of hearing.

Efforts to push for ASL (American Sign Language Interpreters for first responders in emergency situations.

We have begun work to create a new ADA hotel database of accessibility issues and will be working with Miami Beach High School to facilitate a comprehensive list of features for visitors.

The committee has also encouraged the city to hire a dedicated ADA Coordinator which resulted in the hiring of Valeria Mejia.




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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** GLBT Business Enhancement Committee

**CHAIRPERSON:** Thomas Baker

**CITY LIAISON:** Vania Pedraja

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 1, 2014:** 4

**ACTIVITIES:**

The Committee hosted an HRC Announcement Event at the Botanical Gardens to announce the 2014 HRC score.

The Committee has worked with the JCC to discuss senior programming for the LGBT community. The Committee is currently working with them in establishing programming.

The Committee helped pass a resolution that provided transgender healthcare to city employees.

The Committee also submitted a resolution encouraging the Commission to place permanent rainbow crosswalks and street signs on Ocean Drive and 12<sup>th</sup>.

The Committee submitted all the information required by HRC to be considered for the Municipal Quality Index report.

The Committee also passed a resolution in support of the Amicus Brief that dealt with same-sex marriage.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

The Committee submitted all requirements to HRC to be considered for the Municipal Quality Index report, ranking Miami Beach the number 1 city in the nation.

The Committee also provided the resolution that provided transgender healthcare to city employees

The Committee also hosted a successful event to announce the HRC score, the event had up to 150 attendants.

The Committee also helped pass a resolution that extended event hours for the 4 major LGBT events in the city.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

The Committee will focus on senior programming in the upcoming year. Providing a safe, fun environment for LGBT seniors

The Committee will focus on working with SAGE and the JCC to advance the senior programming efforts.

The Committee hopes to have an LGBT advisory board overlooking the LGBT marketing conducted by the GMCVB.

The Committee hopes to create an LGBT District pending on the approval of rainbow crosswalks and street signs.

The Committee hopes to attract more LGBT business to Miami Beach.

The Committee will also be submitting information to HRC again to be nationally ranked.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Health Advisory Committee  
**CHAIRPERSON:** Steven Sonenreich, CEO, Mt. Sinai Hospital  
**CITY LIAISON:** Sonia Bridges

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 1, 2014:** 3

**ACTIVITIES:**

- Miami Beach Community Health Center (MBCHC) – HRSA (Health Resources and Services Administration) visit/inspection held in July; the Center is federally qualified, passed inspection with only 1 finding.
- The MBCHC is the only agency to receive the Behavioral Health Grant. The center will have behavioral health staff at each Miami Beach location to combine primary care and behavioral care: SBIRT (Screen, Brief, Intervention, Referral, Treatment).
- Dade County Medical Association working on two hot topics: Medicare expansion and medical marijuana.
- Medical professionals from Miami Beach are teaming up with City of Basil Switzerland (NFP Project) to sell art for Dengue fever, a virus that is transmitted by mosquitoes in Australia. They are looking for more participants for the project. The Swiss Tropical Public Institute and other philanthropists will auction art in Switzerland, June 2015.
- During the month of November, Mt. Sinai offered 10 free lung cancer screenings (usually not covered by insurance)
- Mt. Sinai Medical Center Expansion update – Hospital statistics for 2013: 180,810 outpatient admissions, 22,742 inpatient admissions, 2710 births, 5903 inpatient surgeries, and 6325 outpatient surgeries. There are 4 patient towers. The current emergency room was built in 1972 and is undersized. The emergency room utilization has increased by an average rate of 5.2% each year from 2002-2014 (28,917 to 48,860). The expansion plan includes the following: 1) Replacement of Surgery Tower: 150 private rooms (will allow for 100% private rooms to all patients), and 12 new modern operating rooms; and, 2) Replacement of Emergency Department: expanded from current 16,700 sq. ft. to 37,000 sq. ft. The projected cost of this project is \$205 million. The expansion and new addition will improve several departments: surgery, emergency, inpatient beds, intensive care beds, lab, imaging, pharmacy, dietary, material management, and central sterile.
- Open enrollment for Affordable Care Act begins November 15, 2014.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• MBCHC enrolled more than 1,500 residents in the Affordable Care Act (ACA)</li></ul>

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mt. Sinai would like to team up with City of Miami Beach to help promote the City's sunscreen brand. The European market has an extension marketing effort regarding skin cancer awareness: Slip-Slap-Slop.</li><li>• Mandatory Preventative Care for Children prior to enrollment in school: get pediatricians office to provide screenings for vision, and other care. Approximately 15 states have already mandated preventative care. Massachusetts has a good problem to emulate.</li><li>• Mt. Sinai's legislative priorities this year is to 1) work closer with the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, 2) keep Medicaid structure strong, which helps to finance the emergency room expansion/infrastructure; and 3) Medical Tourism Grant – add cardiac/heart disease proposal to outfit the City of Miami Beach Convention Center to host more medical conventions; market to the top 13 medical conventions</li></ul>
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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Hispanic Affairs Committee  
**CHAIRPERSON:** Francis J Trullenque  
**CITY LIAISON:** Nannette Rodriguez

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE June 2014 (July – Dec):**  
**6 (Quorum = 6)**

**ACTIVITY:**

The Hispanic Affairs Committee has continued its development as goodwill ambassadors to the Hispanic Community on behalf of the City of Miami Beach and the elected officials that appointed each representing member of the committee.

The committee turned its focus in 2014 towards developing a promotional calendar surrounding Hispanic Heritage Month that would highlight Hispanic events occurring in the city and serve to motivate others to create Hispanic events to add to the official calendar. The year 2014 turned into a successful banner year in which the Fillmore hosted Latin concerts during each week of the celebrating month, gave ticket discounts and afforded the committee comp tickets to give-away at local events. A well-attended artist showcase was held at City Hall featuring South Florida Latin Artists, improvements were brought to the Parks event held at North Shore Park which included more rides, musical entertainment and an organized events for the children and elderly community. Attendance for the NOBE event peaked and the HAC with City Commissioners and Mayor Philip Levine delivered awards to notable Hispanic community leaders.

The HAC committee annually honors Hispanic citizens by awarding various Hispanic residents that have gone over and above the call of duty to promote diversity and help our community with a Hispanic Heritage award presented at the Annual Parks and Recreation event at North Shore Park to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month.

The HAC committee through its liaison Nannette Rodriguez and chairman Frankie Trullenque have worked diligently with business leaders, organizations, CMB Parks Department, Administration and Commission to grow its efforts to spread goodwill and acknowledgement of Hispanic culture, music and arts to the beautiful and diverse citizens and guests that comprise the fiber and core of the Miami Beach community.

## **FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

The HAC committee future activities calendar is set at the January, 2015 meeting. Line items discussed by the HAC and to be included on the agenda are as follows.

- 1) Continue HAC efforts to promote diversity and community involvement within City Government through citizen participation in city boards and community activities. The HAC looks to achieve this goal by growing our relationship with the Parks and Recreation department events and community services.
- 2) Promote Hispanic Heritage Awareness, the role Hispanics play in the betterment of our community and celebrate the extraordinary efforts of specific Hispanics that have gone above and beyond to help our community at large.
- 3) To continue to build bridges and partnerships with City Miami Beach Departments and CMB events to further educate the community at large regarding the heritage of Hispanic culture, contributions by Hispanics to our community, Hispanic music and food.
- 4) Encourage the growth of weekly events from South Point to North Beach during Hispanic Heritage Month to promote Hispanic Art, Music and Culture through a city sponsored and well organized calendar of events that is shared with media organizations and serves to inform Miami Beach residents, visitors and guests that our great city embraces and celebrates Hispanic Culture.

## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- 1) Developed significant in-roads, interest in our committee activities, involvement and productive relationships with the Mayor, City Commissioners, fellow Community Boards & Committees, business leaders and the Hispanic community at large.
- 2) Maintained traditional HAC committee events and integrated HAC agenda to promote Hispanic culture, business, food and music.
- 3) Developed a bridge and motivational stimulus for the community to develop the creation of Hispanic inspired events that are held and highlight the various parts of our city and are further promoted to the community through integration into the official City of Miami Beach Hispanic Heritage Month event calendar.
- 4) Provided acknowledgement to Hispanic citizens that have performed over and above the call of duty to help better the City of Miami Beach.
- 5) Worked at a grass roots level at partnered Parks and Recreation events to promote Hispanic culture awareness, diversity and citizen participation within City Government.



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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Marine & Waterfront Protection Authority  
**CHAIRPERSON:** Captain Dan Kipnis  
**CITY LIAISON:** Manny Vilar / Mercedes Carcasses

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 1, 2014:** 5

**ACTIVITIES:**

Beach Erosion & Dune Replenishment
Board Walk and Paved Areas
Sea Level Rise and Flooding
Regulation of Concessionaires
Beach Access
Beach Front Management Plan Renewal
Illegal Jet Ski Beach Rentals
Code Enforcement at Purdy Ramp
Amphibious vessel / vehicle launching and regress at Purdy Boat Ramp
Water Taxi Program

Transient Boat Docks
Non-motorized Vessel Floating Dock
Purdy Boat Ramp User Conflicts
No Wake Zone Enforcement
Proposal for More Staffing of Marine Patrol
Manatee Zone Signage Placement
Miami Beach Blue Water Plan

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

Approved Miami Watersports Paradise addition of a vessel
Approved 2015 Yacht & Brokerage Show
Approved Motion For Transient Marina
Approved Relentless Watersports Jet Packs
Approved use of 64 St for Sabrina Cohen Foundation

Approved First Surf Supply Co.

**FUTURE ACTIVIES:**

Continue to review applications for water based businesses

Review Beach Concessionaires Contract Renewal

Transient Marina

Non-motorizes vessel dock

Water Taxi

Beach area usage

**BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM - PAGE 1 OF 3**

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on North Beach

**CHAIRPERSON:** Ricky Arriola

**CITY LIAISON:** Jeff Oris

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 1, 2014:** 10

**ACTIVITIES:**

The Panel has consistently met to discuss issues of relevance to North Beach and to facilitate the completion of items deemed to be short-term in nature. The Panel's meetings have also become an opportunity for the public to weigh in on a number of relevant topics either brought up by the Panel, City staff, or outside entities seeking to undertake a project in North Beach. Attendance at meetings has ranged from as few as 25 to as many as 50 persons. These meetings have become a key opportunity for public input on many of the City's North Beach initiatives, projects and programs.

The Panel has also been investigating what other issues are of importance to North Beach and its future such as development potential, transportation, parks, entertainment, attraction of new businesses, preservation of the existing North Beach lifestyle, and parking.

The Panel has also created a new branding for the area and has promoted its use.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

The Panel has heard presentation from: The Terra Group on their project at the former Deezerland Hotel site, West 8 on their conceptual design for North Shore Open Space Park, Schulman + Associates on both the Ocean Terrace and Town Center Massing Studies, City Staff on proposed changes to the RM-1 zoning district, City staff on two proposed local historic districts, City staff on a proposed North Beach Revitalization Plan, Walker Parking Consultants on a North Beach Parking Study, City staff on North Beach transportation issues and the North Beach trolley, City Staff on potential economic development incentives, and from a member of the public who wanted to propose an art project in North Beach.

The Panel was instrumental in providing feedback and promoting facilitation of: The location of O Cinema to the Byron Carlyle Theater, wraps for the North Beach trolleys, local historic districts in North Beach, the City securing an entity to manage the North Shore Bandshell, the purchase of a sound system for the North Shore Bandshell, discussion on parking strategies for the area, the undertaking of the massing studies for Ocean Terrace and Town Center areas, increased power washing of sidewalks in the commercial areas of North Beach, refurbishment of the Normandy Fountain, removal of the requirement for a permit to paint a multi-family building with pre-approved colors, hiring an entity to create a North Beach Master Plan.

The Panel also hosted a North Beach Branding meeting at which a final branding concept for North Beach was facilitated. The branding included a North Beach logo, a concept of utilizing active words beginning with the letter "B" (beach, bikes, boats, bandshell, bikini, boards, etc.) to describe and promote an active North Beach lifestyle, and a tagline "North Beach – B Here".

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

The Panel will continue to stay on top of short-term items including: Implementation of the management agreement for the Bandshell as well as the purchase and use of a sound system and design of a temporary, all-weather covering for the bandshell, design and installation of new entrance signs to the area, aesthetic enhancements to the bridges in North Beach (particularly the 71<sup>st</sup> Street bridge)

Long term items will also be discussed and investigated including: becoming a public forum for development of Ocean Terrace, discussion of long-term use for the Byron Carlyle Theater site, redevelopment of the plaza around the Normandy Fountain, redesign of the North Shore Neighborhood capital improvement project, facilitation and input for the North Beach Master Plan, promotion of the Harding Avenue hotel district, discussion on methods to promote historic areas as an economic positive.

The Panel also anticipates being very involved in the activities of a selected master planner in preparation of various phases of a North Beach Master Plan.

**BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM – JUL - DEC 2014**

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:**

Miami Beach Commission for Women

**CHAIRPERSON:**

Mercedes Carlson

**CITY LIAISON:**

Leonor Hernandez

**MEETINGS HELD SINCE JULY 2014**

The Committee met as follows:

July 8, 2014 Board Meeting, September 9, 2014 Board Meeting, October 14, 2014, Board Meeting, November 18, 2014, Board Meeting, December 9, 2014, Board Meeting

Total of "5" Meetings

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

On September 9, 2014, Maribel Balbin, President of League of Women Voters of Miami Dade County made a presentation to the members of the Committee on the purpose of the League. She also discussed some of the November ballot questions.

On October 5, 2014, The Committee hosted an information booth at Publix on 6876 Collins Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida for Domestic Violence Month where they distributed information regarding Domestic Violence. Many women were reached as the result of this initiative.

During the Month of December 2014, the Committee participated in the Share Program for Miami Beach Senior High School successfully contributing by donating \$25.00 Visa/Target Cards donated by the members.

During the Month of December 2014 the Committee also participated in the Ayuda Toy Drive by with toys donated by its members.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

Women Worth Knowing Event, March 2015 recognizing women 99+ years of age living in Miami Beach or having lived there for over 50% of their life; Pay Equity March to be held April 2015; Health Forum to be held May 2015.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Miami Beach Cultural Arts Council (CAC)

**CHAIRPERSON:** Charles Million

**CITY LIAISON:** Gary Farmer

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE June 1, 2014:** 6

**ACTIVITIES:**

<u>Recommended 42 cultural grant applicants for a funding total of \$730,000 for FY 14/15.</u>
<u>Convened Grants Task Force and reviewed and revised online grant applications and guideline for FY 15/16.</u>
<u>Monitored performance of contracted grantees and processed final reports, new contracts and payments.</u>
<u>Renewed and monitored contract for youth arts education programs with Arts for Learning/Miami.</u>
<u>Convened Nominating Committee and recommended one candidate, Kevin Kelsick</u>
<u>Continued to promote Miami Beach cultural events through weekly updates to website and accompanying advertising campaign, e-blast and text alert program.</u>
<u>Managed the Community Benefit Fund Rental Fee Waiver program for the Fillmore Miami Beach.</u>
<u>Managed the SoundScape Wall Use Grant program.</u>
<u>Convened Budget Task Force to review options for increased public arts programming.</u>




**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

<u>Recommend best use for CAC Endowment Fund.</u>
<u>FY 15/16 grant review panel meetings will be held monthly from February through June 2015; funding allocation recommendations will be made in July.</u>
<u>Joint VCA/CAC Cultural Tourism Grants program will commence in June 2015.</u>


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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:**

Human Rights Committee

**CHAIRPERSON:**

Alan Fishman

**CITY LIAISON:**

Marcia Monserrat

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 1, 2014:    6**

**ACTIVITIES:**

Met with representatives from various agencies to identify avenues to support the fight against human trafficking and provide assistance to its victims.
Secured a meeting for representatives from the deaf community with representatives of Miami Beach Gay Pride to ensure that the needs of the deaf community are met at Pride activities.
Received a presentation from a representative from Housing Opportunities Project for Excellence which highlights the ongoing struggle to fight housing discrimination.
Continued research and discussions on ways to promote a higher minimum wage throughout our community.
Completed a Memorial Day Survey and shared results with the Commission.
Supported ongoing efforts in the Marriage Equality lawsuit.
Received a presentation on the issue of transgender in the workplace.



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**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

Continue efforts on the issue of fair wage, including but not limited to an citywide educational campaign,
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Work with Miami Beach Police to secure necessary funding to fight against human trafficking
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BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME: Miami Beach Sister Cities  
CHAIRPERSON:  
CITY LIAISON: Desiree Kane

NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 1, 2014: 5

**ACTIVITIES:**

November - MB Sister Cities Committee
members travel to Israel w/ MB chamber
of Commerce and Mayor Levine.
September - Gabriel Lafont travels to
Sister City, Fujisawa Japan to start
1 year bike journey through Japan.
September - Young Adult exchange
members travel to Miami Beach for
5 days.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- Successful YAE Exchange w/  
Fujisawa, Japan.

- Participated in the Turkish  
Film Festival - September 23-25<sup>+</sup>

- Sister Cities Committee members  
traveled to Israel w/ Mayor  
Levine

Visited w/ Mayor Sebag, Mayor  
of Sister City Nahariya, Israel  
November

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

Fujisawa, Japan has invited a young adult delegation to visit Fujisawa, to be discussed at January meeting (2015)

- GABRIEL Laporte will complete year long RIDE in Japan.

- Continued correspondence and strengthening of relationship w/ Miami Beach Sister Cities.

- Mayor Levine + Commissioner MARANO MAY VISIT Fujisawa, Japan in May 2015

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Miami Beach Visitor and Convention Authority (MBVCA)

**CHAIRPERSON:** Steven Adkins

**CITY LIAISON:** Grisette Roque Marcos

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 1, 2014: 4**

**ACTIVITIES:**

**August 28, 2014:**

The June 24, 2014 meeting minutes were revised and approved. Motion by Mr. Perry to approve the revised June 24, 2014 meeting minutes. Seconded by Mr. Hertzberg. Motion passes unanimously.

The board was provided with a list of upcoming grant applicants

The next two meeting dates were scheduled for September 24, 2014 and October 9, 2014.

Tonya Daniels from the City of Miami Beach Department of Tourism, Culture and Economic Development provided an update on the City's contract with Coca Cola.

A presentation on the API was provided by Lansight Consulting

The Board was provided with the PR vision for the upcoming fiscal year by Hill & Knowlton.

A presentation by MDPL and Close Up Productions was made regarding the Visual Memoirs Project.

The MBVCA's goals and priorities for the 2014/2015 fiscal year were discussed

The Board voted to limit the amount of funding within a period of time of the year if there is a high concentration of events approaching the MBVCA for funding. This is to be implemented in FY 2015/2016. Motion by Mr. Perry to approve the "if there is a high concentration of MBVCA events during a specific time of the year, the MBVCA reserves the right to limit the

amount of funding” cap wording. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Motion passes unanimously.

The Board reviewed and approved the 2014/2015 MBVCA budget. Motion by Mr. Gonzalez to approve the 2014/2015 budget. Seconded by Mr. Hertz. Motion passes unanimously.

**September 24, 2014:**

The August 28, 2014 minutes were approved. Motion by Mr. Perry to approve the August 28, 2014 meeting minutes. Seconded by Ms. Benua. Motion passes unanimously.

The board was provided with a list of upcoming grant applicants

A grant in the amount of \$32,000 was awarded to the Hialeah School of Self Defense for the Pan American Internationals. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$32,000 to the Pan American Internationals. Seconded by Mr. Hertzberg. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$30,000 to SCOPE Art Show for the SCOPE International Contemporary Art Show – Miami Beach 2014. Motion by Ms. Benua to grant \$30,000 to SCOPE International Contemporary Art Show – Miami Beach 2014. Seconded by Mr. Hertzberg. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$32,000 was awarded to Art Fairs Unlimited d/b/a UNTITLED. Miami Beach for UNTITLED. Art Fair Miami Beach. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$32,000 to the UNTITLED. Art Fair Miami Beach. Seconded by Mr. Hertzberg. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$23,760 was awarded to Care Resource for White Party Week. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$23,760 to White Party Week. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$40,000 was awarded to CI Foundation for the Hess Select South Beach Seafood Festival. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$40,000 to the Hess Select South Beach Seafood Festival. Seconded by Mr. Hertzberg. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$40,000 was awarded to the Latin Songwriters Hall of Fame for the Latin Songwriters Hall of Fame “La Musa” Awards. Motion by Mr. Gonzalez to grant \$40,000 to the Latin Songwriters Hall of Fame “La Musa” Awards. Seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$40,000 was awarded to Miami Beach Bowl, LLC for the Miami Beach Bowl. Motion by Mr. Gonzalez to grant \$40,000 to the Miami Beach Bowl. Seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$20,000 was awarded to Exclusive Sports Marketing for the Miami Beach Halloween Half Marathon. Motion by Ms. Benua to grant \$20,000 to the Miami Beach

Halloween Half Marathon. Seconded by Mr. Hertzberg. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$10,000 was awarded to Film Life, Inc. for The PLUNGE Culture and Creativity Conference. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$10,000 to The PLUNGE Culture and Creativity Conference. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Motion passes unanimously.

**October 9, 2014:**

The September 24, 2014 meeting minutes were approved. Motion by Mr. Perry to approve the revised September 24, 2014 meeting minutes. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Motion passes unanimously.

The board was provided with a list of upcoming grant applicants

The next Board meeting date was scheduled for Thursday, December 11, 2014.

A grant in the amount of \$21,000 was awarded to the Miami Design Preservation League for the Miami Beach Visual Memoirs Project. Motion by Ms. Benua to grant \$21,000 to the Miami Beach Visual Memoirs Project. Seconded by Mr. Hertz. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$26,000 was awarded to UNIDAD of Miami Beach, Inc. for The Customer and You – Certificate Program in Service. Motion by Ms. Benua to grant \$26,000 to The Customer and You-Certificate Program in Service. Seconded by Mr. Hertz. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$87,960 was awarded to NATPE-The National Association of Television Program Executives for the NATPE Market & Conference 2015. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$87,960 to NATPE Market & Conference 2015. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$48,450 was awarded to the Orange Bowl Committee for the 2014-2015 Orange Bowl Game and Ancillary Events. Motion by Ms. Benua but to grant \$48,450 to the 2014-2015 Orange Bowl Game and Ancillary Events. Seconded by Mr. Hertzberg. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$51,000 was awarded to Life Time Fitness for the Life Time Miami Marathon and Half Marathon, Tropical 5K and Expo. Motion by Mr. Gonzalez to grant \$51,000 to the Life Time Miami Marathon and Half Marathon; Tropical 5K and Expo. Seconded by Ms. Benua. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$30,000 was awarded to the MDGLCC Foundation, Inc. for the LGBT Visitor Center. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$30,000 to the LGBT Visitor Center.

Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Mr. Adkins abstained. Motion passes.

A grant in the amount of \$30,000 was awarded to the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce for the Miami Beach Guest Program. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$30,000 to the Miami Beach Guest Program. Seconded by Mr. Hertz. Mr. Nardi and Ms. Buena abstained. Motioned passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$30,000 was awarded to the Miami Beach Watersports Center, Inc. for the Miami Beach Watersports Center, Inc. Motion by Ms. Benua to grant \$30,000 to the Miami Beach Watersports Center, Inc. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$22,500 was awarded to the Miami Beach Latin Chamber of Commerce for the Tourist Hospitality Center. Motion by Mr. Gonzalez to grant \$22,500 to the Tourist Hospitality Center. Seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion passes unanimously.

**December 11, 2014:**

The October 9, 2014 meeting minutes were approved. Motion by Mr. Perry to approve the October 09, 2014 meeting minutes. Seconded by Steve Hertz. Motion passes unanimously.

The board was provided with a list of upcoming grant applicants.

The next Board meeting date was scheduled for Thursday, January 22, 2015.

A grant in the amount of \$50,000 was awarded to the City of Miami Beach for the City of Miami Beach Centennial Celebration. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$50,000 for the City of Miami Beach Centennial Celebration. Seconded by Peggy Benua. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$8,000 was awarded to FUNKSHION for Happy Birthday Wishes To Miami Beach – Phase II. Motion by Ms. Benua to grant \$8,000 for Happy Birthday Wishes to Miami Beach Phase II, FUNKSHION, LLC. Seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$50,000 was awarded to the Miami Dade Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Inc. F/A for Miami Beach-Miami LGBT Sports and Cultural League, Inc. Motion by Mr. Hertz to grant \$50,000 to the Marketing Plan for World OutGames Miami 2017. Seconded by Mr. Perry. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$43,200 was awarded to ARMO Productions for the 6<sup>th</sup> annual Model Beach Volleyball Tournament. Motion by Mr. Gonzalez to grant \$43,200 to the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Model Beach Volleyball Tournament. Seconded by Mr. Hertzberg. Ms. Benua abstained. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$45,000 was awarded to Dolphins Cycling Challenge, Inc. for the Dolphins Cycling Challenge. Motion by Mr. Perry to grant \$45,000 to the Dolphins Cycling Challenge. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Ms. Benua abstained. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$39,350 was awarded to Live Nation Worldwide, Inc. for the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual South Beach Comedy Festival. Motion by Ms. Benua to grant \$39,350 to the South Beach Comedy Festival. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$27,350 was awarded to the National LGBTQ Task Force for the 2015 Winter Party Festival. Motion by Ms. Benua to grant \$27,350 to the 2015 Winter Party Festival. Seconded by Mr. Hertzberg. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$27,350 was awarded to the Aqua Foundation for Women for Aqua Girl. Motion by Mr. Hertz to grant \$27,350 to Aqua Girl. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Motion passes unanimously.

A grant in the amount of \$39,350 was awarded to IFCM Corp d/b/a Filmgate Interactive for the Filmgate Interactive. Motion by Mr. Hertz to grant \$39,350 to Filmgate Interactive Creative Conference. Seconded by Mr. Gonzalez. Motion passes unanimously.

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#### **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

##### **August 28, 2014:**

The June 24, 2014 revised meeting minutes approved.

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**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

The next MBVCA Board meeting will be held Thursday, January 22, 2015 at 10:00 am.

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**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Normandy Shores Local Gov. Neighborhood Improvement

**CHAIRPERSON:** TBD

**CITY LIAISON:** John Woodruff

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 2014 – December 2014: Total = 1**

**ACTIVITIES:**

**07/02/2014 Meeting Agenda:**

- Status of New Gate and Security Camera Upgrades.
- Review Budget Projections: FY 2014/15 Budget and Final Taxable Values.
- Proposed FY/15 Budget Request.

*There were no meetings held in August 2014 through December 2014.*

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- Reviewed Status of Security Camera Upgrades.
- Reviewed Budget Projections: FY 2014/15 Budget and Final Taxable Values.

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

- Adopted FY 2014/15 Operating Budget and Millage Rate.
- New Gate and Security Camera Upgrades – Under Construction.
- Proposed FY 2015/16 Operating Budget and Millage Rate.

**BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM - PAGE 1 OF 1**

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board

**CHAIRPERSON:** Jonathan Groff

**MEMBERS:** David Berger, Jenifer Caplan, Leslie Graff, Jonathan Groff, Chris Growald, Harriet Halpryn, Ronald Krongold, Lori Nieder, Stephanie Rosen, Eliane Soffer Siegel, Paul Stein, Dana Turken and Lee Zimmerman

**CITY LIAISON:** Carla Gomez and Elizabeth Valera

**5 MEETINGS HELD SINCE July 1, 2014:**

July 16; September 3; October 1; November 5; and December 3.

**ACTIVITY, ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND RECOMENDATIONS**

The Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board serves in an advisory capacity on matters related to the successful implementation of a comprehensive community-based Parks and Recreation service delivery system. In 2014, several parks-related boards were consolidated into one, inclusive Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board. The areas of responsibilities have expanded, but it allows for the Board to better serve the City. Overall, the mission and responsibilities of the Board remain the same.

**Activity and Areas of Involvement:** Areas of involvement over the past six months included input/recommendations regarding the progress and activities of youth programming and after school and summer programs. The Board also monitored the progress and implementation of the Department's Capital Improvement projects, parks maintenance and recreational programming. Where appropriate, the Board made recommendations to the Administration, as well as requested and pursued matters before the City Commission.

**Accomplishments:** The Board provided input regarding youth tennis programming offered by Miami Beach Tennis Management, the current golf fees charged at the City's two public golf courses, met with city intramural athletic staff to find ways of gaining better access to our public schools along with other ideas for increasing participation in our intramural sports programs, partnering with the local schools to advertise the City's athletics programs, security at Flamingo Park through the Park Ranger Program that was approved for the FY 2014/15 budget, planned park improvement projects including the Flamingo Park Master Plan, South Pointe Park fountain area, requested updates on the Muss Park renovations and the status of redeveloping Banyan Tree Park (formerly Par 3, including review of conceptual design plans. With regard to the 21<sup>st</sup> Street Teen Center, the Board is continuing to pursue timely funding and implementation of plans to relocate the facility.

**Recommendations/ Board Motions Passed Between July and December 2014:**

**MOTION – July 16, 2014 Meeting**

*The Parks & Recreational Facilities Advisory Board unanimously supports the Flamingo Park Master Plan (BODR). Should the City determine not to renovate the existing restrooms, the Board supports to build restrooms centrally located between the splash pad and/or baseball/softball field.*

*Motion Made By: Paul Stein*

*Motion Seconded By: Chris Growald*

*Motion Passed: Votes 10-0*

**MOTION – October 1, 2014 Meeting**

The Parks & Recreation Facilities Advisory Board unanimously requests that the City Commission be informed that there is an issue being brought up by concerned parents about the security at Flamingo Park. The Board is aware that City has formulated a solution to this problem by implementing a Park Ranger Program. The Board urges the City Commission to fast track this program to ensure the safety of the children in the neighborhood.

Members Present: Chris Growald, Dana Turken, David Berger, Elaine Soffer Siegel, Harriet Halpryn, Jonathan Groff (Chair), Lee Zimmerman, Leslie Graff, Lori Nieder, Paul Stein, Ronald Krongold and Stephanie Rosen

Motion made by: Ronald Krongold  
Motion Seconded by: Lee Zimmerman  
Motion Passes: 12-0

**MOTION – November 5, 2014 Meeting**

The Parks & Recreation Facilities Advisory Board understands that the Park Ranger Program has been put in place and they unanimously request that the City Commission respond in writing, copying the Board as well as the Police Chief, as to when they can expect to see the Rangers in the parks.

Members Present: Chris Growald, Dana Turken, David Berger, Elaine Soffer Siegel, Harriet Halpryn, Jennifer Caplan, Leslie Graff, Lori Nieder, Paul Stein, Ronald Krongold and Stephanie Rosen

Motion made by: Ronald Krongold  
Motion Seconded by: Chris Growald  
Motion Passes: 11-0

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

The Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board will continue to monitor, review, and provide recommendations for ongoing recreation programs and services offered; locations for teen centers in Mid Beach and North Beach, including timely relocation of the former 21<sup>st</sup> Street youth center and review of capital improvement projects. Actively participate in the development of the Banyan Tree Park (formerly referred to as the Par-3 property) design.

**PERIOD COVERING:** July - December, 2014

**BOARD NAME:** Personnel Board

**CHAIRPERSON:** Gabriel Paez

**CITY LIAISON:** Sylvia Crespo-Tabak, Human Resources Director

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE JULY, 2014: 5**

**ACTIVITIES:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Employee Member Alex Bello was elected in August to represent Group 1.<br/><i>This group consists of employees of the Police, Fire and Ocean Rescue Departments.</i></li> </ul>   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Employee Member Eddie Carranza was elected in September to represent Group 2.<br/><i>This group consists of employees who are in clerical and executive positions.</i></li> </ul> |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A subcommittee was created to research software that can be used to process evaluations electronically.</li> </ul>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Changes to the minimum requirements for Code Compliance Officer I were approved.</li> </ul>   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selection of a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson for 2015.</li> </ul>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval of proposed 2015 Personnel Board meeting dates.</li> </ul>   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continued reviewing proposed changes to Personnel Rules.</li> </ul>   |

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Revised and amended Personnel Rules were adopted December 12, 2014.</li> </ul>   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With the Board and Human Resources' assistance, City departments continue to decrease the number of past due performance evaluations, achieving an overall improvement from previous years.</li> </ul> |

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue monitoring performance evaluation reports.</li> </ul>  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hear appeals and interpret Personnel Rules.</li> </ul>          |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approve new and amended job descriptions, as needed.</li> </ul> |

<b>BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT</b>

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** - PLANNING BOARD

**CHAIRPERSON:** - JONATHAN BELOFF

**CITY LIAISON:** - MICHAEL BELUSH

**DATE OF REPORT:** . JULY THROUGH DECEMBER 2014

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD:** 6

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEMS	APPROVED	DENIED	Presentation/ DISCUSSED	Deferred/ CONTINUED	PRELIM REVIEWS	NO ACTION/ WITHDRAWN
July 22	14	6		4	4		
Aug 26	17	12		2	1		2
Sept 23	21	9		5	5		2
Oct 28	15	7	1	3	1		3
Nov 18	6	2		3			1
Dec 15	12	4		4	2		2
Totals	85	40	1	21	13		10

Note: Some totals may not match due to some items being removed from the Agenda at the last minute.

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**BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM**

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Police – Citizens Relations Committee

**CHAIRPERSON:** Jared Plitt

**CITY LIAISON:** Chief Raymond Martinez (January – May)  
Chief Daniel Oates (June - December)

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE JUNE 2014:** 5

**ACTIVITY:**

**Minutes of June 17, 2014**

Members present:	Sgt. Alex Bello	Jared Plitt
	Steven Oppenheimer	Daniel Aronson
	Faye Goldin	Sid Goldin
	Meryl Wolfson	Nelson Gonzalez
	Walter Lucero	Antonio Hernandez
	Bruce Reich	Lee Reich
	Jordan Nadel	Tina Leser
	Melissa Broad	

**Overview of the Miami Critical Mass Bike Ride:**

Miami Critical Mass is an event held on the last Friday of every month where bicyclist take to the streets in large numbers. The even does not have an identifiable organizer. It is publicized on a website and the course is usually set the week of the ride. The stated purpose of the ride is to celebrate the use of bicycles, encourage cycling and remind drivers to share the road. Participants are asked to keep a moderate 12 mph pace and ride safely. Event organizers ask the riders to stay close together and bridge any gaps to make “corking” easier. Corking is a tactic that consists of a few riders blocking traffic from side roads so that the large mass of riders can freely proceed through red lights without stopping. Critical Mass Miami generally has an estimated 3,000 to 5,000 riders for their event. The bicycle convoy can stretch as long as seven miles once the ride begins.

Although this is not a sanctioned City of Miami Beach event, the MBPD has a responsibility to maintain the peace, protect the lives and property, and to address the needs of the community as we are made aware of them. The City has other major non-sanctioned events such as Memorial Day Weekend. Once the route has been identified, the MBPD determines what resources are needed to staff the impacted intersections along the route. The expected traffic disruption is advertised via the internet, highway message boards and the local news media.

The Miami Beach portion of the route usually involves the riders coming across the 79<sup>th</sup> Street Causeway and proceeding south along Collins Ave to Dade Boulevard. From there, the cyclists ride westbound on Dade Boulevard before crossing the Venetian Causeway and finishing the course in downtown Miami.

Staffing for the April 25<sup>th</sup> ride consisted of 12 on-duty officers, 18 overtime officers (including 8 motorcycle officers), 5 off-duty officers assigned to the Alton Road traffic loop, and 1 Miami-Dade Police Aviation Unit. The total amount of man hours utilized for this event was 152 hours, of which 88 were overtime hours. The MBPD had to cover every major intersection along the event route to insure the safety of the riders. Officers also were a deterrent to the disturbances between disgruntled motorists and cyclists. The April 25<sup>th</sup> ride crossed the 79<sup>th</sup> Street Causeway at approximately 8:00 p.m. and finished crossing the Venetian by approximately 9:20p.m. As a result of the MBPD's efforts there was only one bicyclist/motorist accident with minor injuries.

#### **Minutes of July 15, 2014**

Members present:

Robert Lopez	Meryl Wolfson
Alex Dominguez	Faye Goldin
Sid Goldin	Daniel H. Aronson
Bruce S. Reich	Sgt. Alex Bello
Leroy Gren	Steven Oppenheimer
Antonio Hernandez	Nelson Gonzalez

The head of the MBPD is the Chief of Police with a Deputy Chief as the second in Command. The Chief's Office includes the Financial Management Unit, Internal Affairs, PIO, PAL, and the FOP. The MBPD is then divided into three divisions, Operations, Support Services and Technical Services. The largest division is Operations. This includes Special Operations, Criminal Investigations Unit, and the Patrol Unit. The Patrol Unit is the most visible part of the MBPD and is divided into three geographic areas (South, Middle, and North). The MBPD is currently budgeted for 385 sworn officers. Of those budgeted, 370 are filled. Of those, 330 (85%) are assigned to Operations. Support Services includes the Business and Personnel Resources Unit, Property and Evidence Unit, and the Training Unit. The Technical Services Division includes the Information Resources Unit, Professional Standards Unit, and the Records Management Section.

#### **Minutes of September 16, 2014**

Members present:

Sgt. Alex Bello	Jared Plitt
Steven Oppenheimer	Meryl Wolfson
Bruce Reich	Daniel H. Aronson
Faye Golden	Sidney Golden
Jordan Nadel	Walter Lucero
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Effective October 1, 2014, we will be rolling out the first wave of enforcement of the Freight Loading Zones. The Police Department will only be enforcing the following areas:

**Double Parked Trucks on:**

Washington Ave along 5 to 16 street  
100 to 300 blocks from 5 to 16 street

Code will enforce that permits are valid and required.

Parking will enforce the Loading Zone areas to make sure that only trucks are parking during the effected times that have been properly posted.

**The following are exempt:**

Fed EX  
UPS  
DHL  
United States Postal Service

There will be NO commercial deliveries allowed on Sundays. Commercial deliveries are not allowed on Ocean drive only along the 100 blocks or in some cases with smaller trucks weighing less than 10K, along the alleyway.

**Minutes of October 21, 2014**

Members present:	Daniel Aronson	Jared Plitt
	Mike Perlmutter	Jordan Nadel
	Tina Leser	Melissa Sheppard-Broad
	Robert Lopez	Meryl Wolfson
	Faye Goldin	Sid Goldin
	Sgt. Alex Bello	Chief Daniel Oates
	Antonio Hernandez	Nelson Gonzalez
	Bruce Reich	Steven Oppenheimer

Chief Oates discussed the changes occurring within the organizational structure of the Police Department. The MBPD will be divided into two divisions, the Patrol Division and the Investigative Division. Patrol will include the operation of the three geographic areas of the City and the street patrol operations of the Department. The Investigative Division will include the Criminal Investigations Section and the Support Section. There has also been a Chief of Staff (COS) added to the Police Department. The COS oversees the Financial Management Unit, the Professional Standards Unit, the Public Information Office, the Office of Grants, Planning and Research (currently vacant), and the Police Athletic League.

The Daily Goals Chief Oates has established for the Police Department include:

1. Reduce Crime and the fear of crime.
2. Partner with the community to solve problems.



point or two from 2012 results. The overall rating for the police department was 67. This falls in the Average category and is stable with the historic trend. The previous overall survey score in 2012 was 66. The neighborhood daytime safety score was 98 in the very high category and stable from the 2012 rating. The neighborhood nighttime safety score was 88 in the high category and stable from 2012. The Commercial area nighttime safety score was 85 in the high category and stable from 2012.

## **FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

### **POLICE/CITIZENS RELATIONS COMMITTEE 2015 CALENDAR**

January 20, 2015	May 19, 2015	September 15, 2015
February 17, 2015	June 16, 2015	October 20, 2015
March 17, 2015	July 21, 2015	November 21, 2015
April 21, 2015	<b><u>NO AUGUST MEETING</u></b>	December 15, 2015

All of the above meetings will be held in the Community Room of the Miami Beach Police Department at 6:00 p.m.

## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

- The Police/Citizen's Relations Committee provides the means for a better understanding of the policies and procedures of the Miami Beach Police Department.
- The Police/Citizen's Relations Committee affords the Miami Beach Police Department the opportunity to communicate to the community information regarding current events, changes in the Police Department, and allows for community concerns to be brought to the attention of the Chief of Police.







**BOARDS AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM - PAGE 1 OF 2**

December 2014

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** Sustainability Committee

**CHAIRPERSON:** Commissioner Michael Grieco

**CITY LIAISON:** Elizabeth Wheaton, Assistant Building Director, Environment and Sustainability Division

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE DECEMBER 2014: 3**

**ACTIVITY**

To identify and promote policies and practices with the City of Miami Beach aimed at achieving a sustainable environment, as well as to minimize negative impacts and maximize benefits to the environment.

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Continued implementation of an outreach campaign to inform the commercial family residences and the business community of the City's new Recycling Ordinance mandating recycling for businesses and multi-family residences of two (2) or more units.

Continued the implementation and education of the ordinance that banned polystyrene food and beverage containers at City-owned facilities, beaches/parks, and sidewalk cafes.

Implemented Styrofoam cooler-swapping at various city events and holidays to support the polystyrene ordinance and decrease cooler use on city beaches.

Reviewed and supported the implementation of a printer, inkjet and toner cartridge recycling program at City-operated facilities.

Created a litter sub-committee to identify and combat concerns with ongoing litter issues including increasing the enforcement of the City's existing zero-litter policy

Assisted in organizing and also sent representatives to the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Southeast Florida Regional Climate Leadership Summit hosted by the City of Miami Beach and the Southeast

Florida Regional Climate Change Compact.

Led a clean-up with volunteers during International Coastal Clean-up Day at Pine Tree Park with both kayak and foot options.

### **FUTURE ACTIVITIES**

Lead and participate in monthly volunteer clean-ups.

Continue to promote the development of a recycling education and outreach campaign to inform commercial family residences and the business community of the City's Recycling Ordinance.

Continue to engage in issues that are relevant to the Sustainability Plan's program areas and support enhancing the environmental sustainability of the City.

Support the continuation of the Green Building Program by advocating for the allocation of funds to the program's reimbursement fund.

Support continued efforts to monitor and maintain the cleanliness of the City's waterways.

Identify opportunities for incorporating green infrastructure, reducing stormwater impacts, and improving water quality Citywide.

Implement the Anti-Litter Campaign of the Litter Subcommittee and bring forth suggested resolutions to the CMB commission for review.

**BOARD AND COMMITTEE BI-ANNUAL REPORT FORM**  
**JULY THROUGH DECEMBER 2014**

**BOARD OR COMMITTEE NAME:** TRANSPORTATION, PARKING & BICYCLE-PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES

**CHAIRPERSON:** MARK WEITHORN

**CITY LIAISON:** SAUL FRANCES

**NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD SINCE JULY 2014:** FOUR (4)

**\*\*AUGUST RECESS & NO MEETING HELD IN DECEMBER**

**ACTIVITY:**

**July 7, 2014:**

- Alton Road & Collins Ave Project Update
- Venetian Bridges Update
- Beachwalk/Boardwalk Plans
- Blueways Master Plan
- Bicycle Program & Bicycle Safety Campaign
- Transportation Dept Items:
  - Alton-West Downtown Circular Service
  - North Beach Trolley
  - ITS/Traffic Monitoring & Management
  - Beach Corridor Transit Connection Study
  - Misc. Traffic Studies & Transit Reports
- Status Report Item(s): Parking Status Report – March 2014

**September 8, 2014:**

- Alton Road & Collins Ave Project Update
- Terra Parking Garage Project
- South Beach Local
- Update re: Bicycle Program & Bicycle Safety Campaign (bike racks/signage/public service announcement)
- Transportation Dept Items:
  - FDOT Plans for Alton Road North
  - Alton-West Trolley
  - North Beach Trolley
  - ITS/Traffic Monitoring & Management
  - Beach Corridor Transit Connection Study
  - Misc. Traffic Studies & Transit Reports
- Parking Dept Items:
  - Residential Parking Enhancements
  - Freight Loading Update
  - Strategic Pricing
- Scooter Parking in Residential Areas
- Status Report Item(s): Parking Status Reports – April, May & June 2014

**October 6, 2014:**

- Aton Road & Collins Ave Project Update
- Venetian Causeway West End Bridge Emergency Repairs
- Transportation Dept Items:
  - Alton-West Trolley
  - North Beach Trolley
  - ITS/Traffic Monitoring & Management
  - Transportation Master Plan
  - Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan
  - Bicycle Safety Campaign/Racks & Signage
  - Beach Corridor Transit Connectivity Study
  - Misc. Traffic Studies & Transit Reports
- Parking Dept Items:
  - Parking for Construction Workers
  - Scooter Parking
  - Parking Status Reports Discussion

**November 3, 2014:**

- Alton Road & Collins Ave Project Update
- Transportation Division Items:
  - Alton-West Trolley
  - North Beach Trolley
  - ITS/Traffic Monitoring & Management
  - Transportation Master Plan
  - Bicycle/Pedestrian Master Plan
  - Bicycle Safety Campaign/Racks & Signage
  - Beach Corridor Transit Connectivity Study
  - Misc. Traffic Studies & Transit Reports
- Parking Dept Items:
  - Unauthorized Towing of Vehicles

**ACCOMPLISHMENTS:****July 7, 2014:****Blueways Master Plan:**

- Letter to Commission (LTC) sent (#263- 2014), stating Committee feels scope of Blueways Master Plan study should be expanded to include the beaches

**September 8, 2014:****FDOT Plans for Alton Road North:**

- LTC sent (#307-2014), Based on proposed typical section layouts, 43<sup>rd</sup> ST to 63<sup>rd</sup> ST – accept proposed section, but adjust sharrow lane from 11 feet to 12 feet & passing lane to 10 feet; Pine Tree Drive to Allison Road – accept proposed section, adjust sharrow lane from 11 feet to 12 feet & inside lane from 11 feet to 10 feet

**November 3, 2014:****Transportation Master Plan:**

- LTC sent (#374-2014), with concerns on pedestrian safety for Collins Park Neighborhood; City to conduct transportation, pedestrian & bicycle study for 23<sup>rd</sup> ST to 43<sup>rd</sup> ST & Collins to Indian Creek; help prevent further accidents from occurring in area

**FUTURE ACTIVITIES:**

• Freight Loading Zone Regulations Update
• Online Permitting
• LPR/Mobile Apps Update
• Garage Revenue Control System Enhancements
• Electric Vehicle Charging Stations Update
• Walker Parking Consultants
• Smart Parking (Mobile Applications/LPR/Space Monitoring)
• Collins Park Garage
• Beach Corridor Transit Connection Study
• Interim Urban Express Bus Project
• Waterborne Public Transportation Service
• Intelligent Transportation System (ITS), Parking Management Systems, and Adaptive Traffic Signal Control
• Middle Beach Trolley
• South Beach Trolley
• City Center Transportation Study
• Pedestrian Priority Zones
• Bicycle Safety Campaign and Bicycle-Friendly Community Events
• Regulations for Motorized and Non-motorized Modes of Transportation on Shared-use Paths and Pedestrian Pathways