

MIAMI BEACH

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LETTER TO COMMISSION

TO: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE: September 22, 2016

SUBJECT: FINAL DRAFT PROPOSED NORTH BEACH MASTER PLAN



The purpose of this Letter to the Commission (LTC) is to transmit to the Mayor and Commission the FINAL Draft Proposed North Beach Master Plan Document that is anticipated to be considered by the Commission at your October 19, 2016 meeting.

The attached version has a few minor modifications from the draft version shared with the Commission on August 31, 2016. Specifically, the following changes were made:

Responses to Steering Committee Comments:

- Page 2.17: A discussion of light rail for North Beach was added.
- Page 2.39: An alternative, pedestrian-only, design for Ocean Terrace is discussed.
- Page 2.59: A discussion about how short-term affordable rentals aggravate the affordable housing problem was added.
- Page 2.72: "Nature Conservancy and Botanical Gardens" added, "Medical services" eliminated
- Page 2.74: Discussion of temporary improvements to the West Lots added.
- Page 2.78: The idea of Ocean Rescue at the former library site receives less emphasis. "The committee should include neighbors and stakeholders" was added.
- Page 3.14: The second bullet point under "Lot Assemblage" which talked about the "trade" of public lands and right-of-way has been softened. This section now concedes that there are cases in which public goals can be achieved through the trading or leasing of public space.
- Page 3.28: Curb cuts now allowed where alley access is not available in order to access required parking.
- Page 3.30: "Seek to increase residential parking options, potentially by use of strategically placed residential parking lots or structures in the North Beach neighborhoods" added as a priority implementation item.
- The Committee pointed out several mislabeled items which have since been corrected.

Responses to Staff Comments:

- Page 2.55: Sea Level Rise is introduced as another topic for the proposed Property Development Workshop.

- Page 2.86: Addition of other climate change issues including the heat island effect, loss of habitat, and retention of potable water. References to “transition” have been removed or placed in grater context.
- Minor corrections, affecting word choice and prioritizations were made.

If you wish to share the document with anyone, or if a member of the public calls your office requesting a copy, the document can be downloaded from the Master Plan project website at www.PlanNoBe.org under the “Resources” tab.

Should you have any questions regarding the draft plan, please contact Jeff Oris at (305) 673-7577 x6186.

Attachment: Proposed North Beach Master Plan Draft Version 9/09/2016

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