CITY OF MIAMI BEACH
Office of the City Manager
Letter to Commission No. 080-2005

To: Mayor David Dermer and
Members of the City Commission

Date: March 25, 2005

From: Jorge M. Gonzalez
City Manager

Subject: **CIP BI-WEEKLY CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE**

Attached please find the bi-weekly update you have requested for active City of Miami Beach construction projects under the purview of CIP Office.

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CIP - PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

DISTRICT	NAME	PROJECT DESCRIPTION	UPDATE WEEKS MARCH 14 - 24, 2005
SOUTH BEACH	COLONY THEATER (SOUTH BEACH, CITY CENTER)	The project entails renovations to the Colony Theater to improve theater operations and performance functions, and provide renovations to comply with ADA Title III requirements.	Ceiling and electrical work in progress. Lobby work progressing, storefront installed, auditorium lighting in progress, elevator installation in progress, inspections pending. Sidewalks poured, contractor completing exterior stucco work. Utility coordination on Lenox Ave. scheduled for 3/10/05. A Finance Committee additional funding discussion was held on 3/9/05 and approved at the City Commission meeting for 3/16/05.
SOUTH BEACH	VICTORY GARDEN (SOUTH BEACH, SOUTH POINTE)	The project entails improvements to a vacant lot (210 Collins Avenue) to add planting beds accessible to a wide variety of people with disabilities as well as a memorial World War II Art in Public Places components.	Construction portion of project complete. Artistic Fence is being installed. Final Certificate of Completion issued by the City's Building department on 01/06/05. Artist to complete addressing Owner's punch list items. Project dedication was held on 2/17/05.
SOUTH BEACH	WASHINGTON AVENUE MASTER PLAN (SOUTH BEACH, FLAMINGO)	Design/Build Project. Streetscape improvements along Washington Avenue per Master Plan. Includes Phases I through V. Improvements include sidewalks, curb and gutter, sidewalk lighting, landscaping, median planting, irrigation and median design elements.	Project currently in permitting process. Partial NTP's have been issued for adjacent work on water mains and sanitary sewer crossings. Water main crossings began week of August 23, 2004. Water main work at 15th Street north to 16th Street commenced on 12/1/04. Affected properties advised. Will continue with water line work from 15th to 16th Street. 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th Streets have side roads impacted by connections of new water mains. Expect to begin storm water work the end of March. Affected business community to be advised.
SOUTH BEACH	PUMP STATION (CITY WIDE)	The Water and Waste Water Pump Station Upgrades project consist of 24 different locations throughout the City of Miami Beach where different types of improvements (depending on the specific site needs), will be performed.	Construction mobilization complete. Ongoing construction in several locations such as pump stations 10, 29, 1, 11, 24, 28, etc. Pump station 1 on Jefferson and 11th Street may cause delays on 11th Street and the alley. Pump Station 28 on Sheridan and 28th Street is now underway, partial closures of Pine Tree south bound will be expected. Pump station 21 in Normandy Isle started, City parking lot behind bank is temporarily closed. Affected community advised. Pump Station 15 on La Gorce Dr. near the intersection of Pine Tree Dr. will begin creating partial closures of La Gorce Dr. The HOA notified prior to the start of the project. Minimal disruptions are anticipated, even though partial closure of Pine Tree Drive will occur.
SOUTH BEACH	PALM/HIBISCUS GUARDHOUSE	The project's scope of work includes the demolition of the existing guardhouse and construction of new accessible structure at the Palm/Hibiscus Island entrance, landscape, extension of the existing irrigation system and the installation of electrical conduits for future gated access system.	The substantial completion walk through was performed on 11/3/04, punch list items are complete. Final CO obtained January 11, 2005. At the HOA's request, the adjacent building that houses the FPL transformer was painted to match new Guardhouse. Placement of a regulatory sign "Trucks use Right Lane" (while the EDAW Island Enhancement Project is in design) was rejected by the HOA. CIP has presented a conceptual sketch for modification of the entrance to the County Traffic Engineering Division for review. The City awaits the County's approval in order to proceed.
SOUTH BEACH	BAY ROAD	Drainage, sidewalk, landscaping, parking, roadway improvements 1400-1600 Bay Rd.	FPL provided power to pump station week of 10/11/2004. Delayed due to hurricanes. FDEP permit received 11/3/04. Substantial completion walkthrough will be performed when Pump station is fully operational. Correspondence from Engineer of Record received on 12/27/04 presenting short and long term alternative solutions to operate the Pump station. Decision to use only 1 pump at a time agreed to, waiting to finalize costs with engineer.

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SOUTH BEACH	LUMMUS PARK & FACILITY IMPROVEMENT	The overall Scope of Work includes the widening of the existing 5' wide sidewalks to 10' wide along Ocean drive from 5th Street to 14th Lane, Curb and Gutter replacement, Irrigation, Landscaping, and utilities adjustment, demolition of the existing, and construction of a new restroom facility at 14th Street. The sidewalk work will be built in two Phases, Phase I will be 5th to 10th Street, Phase II - 11th Street to 14th Lane. Within the phases, the work will be limited to two (2) block segments with beach access at each street end. The restroom construction is isolated and will run concurrently with both phases.	The Contractor was issued a Notice to Proceed on 9-7-04, and mobilized on 9-20-04. The first 7 blocks (5th to 12th) are complete and open to pedestrian traffic. A Certificate of Appropriateness for Demolition of the 14th Street Restroom Facility was obtained at the 12-08-04 Commission meeting. Temporary restrooms are provided. Construction activities at the restroom structure are anticipated to occur on or about March 13, 2005 at which time the remainder of the sidewalk project will also commence from 14th Lane south. Ocean Drive Association and affected parties have been advised and are in agreement. This week 50% of sidewalk was poured and re-grading is underway - resodding scheduled for April.
SOUTH BEACH	NEW 20-INCH WATER MAIN ON MACARTHUR CAUSEWAY & TERMINAL ISLAND WATER BOOSTER PUMP STATION (SOUTH BEACH, TERMINAL ISLAND)	The Scope of Work includes the construction of a new water booster pump station with two (2) 250-HP pumps, motors, variable frequency drives, electrical controls, emergency generator connections, control panels, HVAC system, all housed in a two-story structure with aluminum framed storefront window system, and remote connections through SCADA circuits to the Central Office Control Room at the Public Works Operations Yard, located at 450 Dade Blvd. The Project also includes installation of approximately 325 linear feet of 30-inch pipe, site landscaping; a 20-inch diameter water main, to be suspended along the north side of the MacArthur Causeway for an approximate distance of 2,600 linear feet, where it will connect to the City's existing water distribution system at the intersection of West Avenue.	Contractor working mezzanine slab and will begin work at night time under the MacArthur Causeway bridge in order to add the new water line; this work involves closures of the McArthur Causeway at night.
SOUTH BEACH	JACKIE GLEASON THEATRE OF THE PERFORMING ARTS	ADA and Interior Improvements. Renovation of restrooms, dressing rooms, main lobby galleries and entranceways including extension of balcony . Installation of ADA compliant doors & hardware, ADA lift, and exterior ADA ramp. Box Office renovations (ADA compliant ticket window, media desk, brochure rack, poster displays, storefront interior doors at entrance, wall and ceiling treatments). Patrons Lounge renovations. Electrical and lighting improvements .	This phase of project is 98% complete. Phase I - TCC was obtained prior to ribbon cutting ceremony on December 10, 2004. Final CC expected during March 2005. This week the Contractor continued punch list items. Fire safety and minor ADA compliance issues remain to be completed.
SOUTH BEACH	CONVENTION CENTER IMPROVEMENTS (CITY CENTER)	Renovation and ADA improvements to restrooms, doors, door hardware, and box offices.	Group A of project is 99% complete. Final CC expected in March 2005. Group B restrooms commenced renovation during February 2005 with work progressing on Hall B and lobby restrooms. Tentative completion is expected during Spring 2005.
MIDDLE BEACH	MIAMI BEACH GOLF CLUBHOUSE & MAINTENANCE BLDG (RESTROOM)	New construction of 10,000 square foot clubhouse, 3,000 square foot maintenance building, two free standing restrooms with rain shelters.	Contractor is continuing to test all systems and has begun calling all final inspections. Some additional work is being required as a result of final inspections, including fire sprinkler modifications, fire alarm modifications, and ADA modifications in the parking lot. Samples of new patio slab patterns will be reviewed next week. Building is secure, with burglar alarm functional, allowing delivery and storage of new furniture. Work at the maintenance building is currently delayed due to State environmental permitting requirements related to the on-site drainage well. North restroom is in operation. Electrical revisions for South Restroom were approved by Building Department, and work is resuming to get power connected. Restroom expected to be completed by the end of April 2005.

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MIDDLE BEACH	SCOTT RAKOW YOUTH CENTER (MID-BEACH, BAYSHORE)	Improvements to the community center per the City of Miami Beach Parks Master Plan, 1996. Phase I - New ice rink and exterior bathroom renovation. Phase II - Reconfigured main entrance to the Youth Center, interior renovation and redesign on first floor and mezzanine, new ADA-required elevator, and a gymnastics center.	Phase I – City is currently working to achieve final completion of remaining items and issuance of a final certificate of occupancy. Application for occupancy load has been completed - this is one of the items that is necessary for CO. The Contractor is continuing the lengthy process of troubleshooting and testing the HVAC system inside the Ice Rink to improve humidity levels. Installation of a new gas line and water line to provide hot water for Ice Rink operation is complete. A notice to proceed for construction of the architectural fins on the face of the new building was issued on 01/20/05, contractor has prepared shop drawings for installation, which are currently being reviewed by the engineer. Staff is coordinating Phase II – Additional enhancements are being reviewed to determine exact scope.
MIDDLE BEACH	42ND STREET STREETSCAPE (MID-BEACH, NAUTILUS)	42nd Street Streetscape Project is to provide a buffer between the residential area to the North and the commercial uses to the South. It includes a new water main, construction of traffic calming structures, grading of swales, repaving, pavement re-striping, installation of planters, sod and landscaping.	Project is in its final stages of completion. Punch list items were reviewed with neighborhood representatives on 1/26/05. Contractor has taken longer than expected in addressing remaining punch list items. Although most remaining items are minor in nature, if Contractor is unable to complete, the City may utilize funds retained to complete the work with another contractor. Contractor has agreed to perform work by the end of the week.
MIDDLE BEACH	MIAMI BEACH REGIONAL LIBRARY (MID-BEACH, CITY CENTER)	Construction of a new state of the art 42,000 s.f.. regional library on 22nd Street in the Collins Park Cultural Area.	A final Certificate of Occupancy for the new Library was issued on November 8, 2004. City turned over the facility to the Miami-Dade County Public Library System on December 6, 2004. The County opened the facility to the public via "soft" opening on March 1, 2005. A Grand Opening event will be held on April 1, 2005. CIP staff is coordinating certain enhancements required by the County that will be completed after the grand opening, particularly, modifications to the front entrance roof drain, and the addition of a handrail. CIP Office is in the process of reviewing a request for compensation filed by the Contractor at the end of the job.
MIDDLE BEACH	FIRE STATION #2 (MID-BEACH, BAYSHORE)	Fire Station No. 2 consists of the construction of a new 3-bay Fire Station, with living quarters, and the City Emergency Operations Center. The full historic restoration of the existing Fire Station Building for use as Fire Department Administrative Offices. The Fire Station and Public Works Yard entrance is also being redesigned.	Notice to proceed was issued on January 20, 2005, allowing the contractor to mobilize and commence construction activities. Construction of the temporary parking lot is approximately complete. Demolition of asphalt and other infrastructure within building footprint is nearly complete. Pile foundation construction has started.
MIDDLE BEACH	25TH STREET WATER STORAGE TANKS AND PUMPING STATION	Replace existing water storage tanks and pumping station.	Contractor has finished all physical work, and is currently working with City staff to close out all permits, submit closeout documents and obtain a CO for this portion of the project.

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NORTH BEACH	NORMANDY ISLE PARK & POOL (NORTH BEACH, NORMANDY ISLE)	Renovation of the 3.60-acre park per 1996 City of Miami Beach Parks Master Plan, including: new pool facility, locker rooms; new recreation center on first floor; shade pavilions; field renovation; multi-purpose court; gated park entries; promenade; court, field, and security lighting; new tot lot; furnishings and signage; landscaping; and irrigation. On-street parking reconfiguration on Trouville Esplanade and Rue Granville to be coordinated with the Normandy Isle Streetscape Phase II project.	New JOC contractor procured for site clean-up; work has been completed. Working with Surety to evaluate claim. Architect-of-Record submitted review and assessment of the as-built conditions report on November 1, 2004. On December 1, 2004, complete construction documents, including Technical Specifications, were submitted to the contractor for pricing. Contractor is to submit pricing proposal. On January 21, 2005, the Surety answered the City's second demand letter stating they will honor the contract and the warranty. A site meeting was held on February 3, 2005 to coordinate efforts to create new invitation to bid package for construction. The park and pool projects are being separated and project timelines for each are being developed. The Administration is negotiating final pricing with the contractor to immediately initiate site grading and drainage, irrigation and underground electrical conduits installation while the rest of the park portion scope is being priced. Work is expected to start the beginning of April.
NORTH BEACH	NORTH SHORE PARK & YOUTH CENTER (NORTH BEACH, NORTH SHORE)	Renovation of the 17.22-acre park per 1996 City of Miami Beach Parks Master Plan, including: new recreation center; new tennis center; community center; tennis court replacement; new basketball courts; new shuffleboard courts; new ball field and dugouts; new park entries; security lighting; new playground equipment; signs; furnishings; fencing; landscape; and irrigation.	Youth Center work completed. Addressing ADA compliant punch list items. Awaiting final Certificate of Occupancy.
NORTH BEACH	NORTH SHORE OPEN SPACE PARK & NATURE CENTER (NORTH BEACH, NORTH SHORE)	Renovation of the 34.61-acre passive park per 1996 City of Miami Beach Parks Master Plan. Project is divided into 5 phases. Phase I includes selective clearing of exotic vegetation; landscaping with new native vegetation species between the back dune and coastal hammock areas; and irrigation. Phase II includes: 15' wide paved pathway, entry walls, pavers at the entrance at 79th and 85th Streets, security lighting, vita course replacement/restoration, and park furnishings. Phase III includes: restroom renovations (3), renovation of 2 existing shade pavilions, concession restoration, North and South wall sign, new tot lot, and signage. Phase IV includes: construction of the combined Miami-Dade and CMB Parks and Recreation Maintenance Facility. Phase V includes: construction of new recreation and interpretive nature center to provide facilities to support the Sea Turtle Hatchery Program and other program components; plaza at the nature center; and renovation of the south parking lot. Phases IV and V remain unfunded.	Phases I and II Improvements are complete. As of August, 2004 permit review by building department complete. Phase III demolition completed on November 18, 2004 and new construction price proposal received on January 5, 2005. Proposal was evaluated by A/E and Program Manager and accepted by the City. Notice to Proceed with pre-construction activities was issued on 3/11/05. Construction to commence during April 2005.
NORTH BEACH	ALTOS DEL MAR PARK	Demolition of two existing structures.	HPB approved the Certificate of Appropriateness for Demolition at its October 12, 2004 meeting. The City Commission approved the demolition at the December 8, 2004 public hearing. Demolition pricing was submitted by JOC and accepted by the City on 3/23/05. Currently the City is negotiating the Planning/Design/Construction Administration agreement with the consultant.

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NORTH BEACH	**BEATLES MANDALA**	Art-in Public places Mosaic.	Request for Proposal to JOC Contractor issued on August 28, 2004. Preparing budget and scope of work to provide structure for mosaic.
NORTH BEACH	**FIRE STATION 4 & SEAWALL**	Construction of new 3 bay fire station with living quarters for 12 people and repair of existing seawall.	Demolition of existing structure completed. Seawall construction mobilized on September 23, 2004; delayed due to hurricanes. Seawall repairs are ongoing with rip rap installation being the last activity. Second Notice to Proceed for the Fire Station was issued on November 15, 2004. Contractor has completed the concrete pour on grade beams and stem walls. Due to non conforming work, some corrections were required and addressed, but affected the schedule of the building by approximately 45 days. Contractor is to submit a recovery plan/schedule and is already working extended hours and on Saturdays.
NORTH BEACH	**NORTH SHORE PARK- CONCESSION STAND**	Construction of new structure.	Permit review by Building Department complete. Construction documents completed by Consultant. JOC Program Contractor submitted price proposal on 12/9/04. City and its Consultants are in the process of reviewing the price proposal. Contractor is to review price to adjust to available budget. Due to insufficient funding compared to the construction price proposal, this Project has stopped.
CITYWIDE/ PARKING	**17TH STREET PARKING GARAGE (STRUCTURAL REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE)**	Structural repairs and maintenance through-out parking garage. Roof membrane and drainage repairs. Also includes electrical and railing reinforcement.	Painting is in process on the west side of the 3rd and 4th floors. Permitting is in progress for the exterior repairs, this will affect the perimeter streets adjacent to the Parking Garage.
MIDDLE BEACH	**MAURICE GIBB MEMORIAL PARK**	A memorial dedicated to Maurice Gibb. Consists of a signage structure made of granite with the lettering "Maurice Gibb Memorial Park" on it. Also a Mosaic flooring made of three different colors (blue, red and yellow) with a bronze plaque imbedded in the center.	Permit obtained, mobilization started this week, area to be cleared and prepared for plaza and walkway the week of 3/28/05.
CITYWIDE/ PARKING	**1679 LENOX AVENUE, SURFACE LOT 10A**	Surface lot upgrades including exfiltration trench, planters, landscaping, electrical, new striping and asphalt	Permitting complete, construction to begin first week of April, lot will be closed during construction which is expected to last 6 months. Area businesses and parking permit holders advised.