



Installation of Exterior Speakers

On June 5, 2019, the City Commission adopted Ordinance No. 2019-4278 allowing for the installation of exterior speakers for restaurants located along Lincoln Road. The ordinance requires that a Certificate of Appropriateness be obtained prior to the approval of any exterior speaker and that music or sound be played at or below ambient volumes at all times. Exterior speakers are permitted for restaurant use only and does not extend to the areas occupied by sidewalk cafes.

A Certificate of Appropriateness is required for installation of speakers located on the exterior of any building within a local historic district, including all properties along Lincoln Road. Depending on the scope of the work being proposed, Certificates of Appropriateness are reviewed either by the Planning Department through a Building Permit, a Planning Permit review process or by the city's Historic Preservation Board through a Public Hearing process.

Each application for outdoor speakers will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and all decisions on the granting of a Certificate of Appropriateness will be made based on the review criteria outlined in Section 118-564 of the City Code.

Please contact the Planning Department for additional information regarding the installation of exterior speakers. You are welcome to e-mail JSeiberling@miamibeachfl.gov or DTackett@miamibeach.gov.

If you have questions regarding your sidewalk cafe, please contact the Public Works Department at 305.673.7080 or OtnielRodriguez@miamibeachfl.gov.