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### **Miami Beach Hires Industry-Leading Engineering Firm**

— *To Act as Master Design Consultant for the City's Resiliency Initiatives* —

**Miami Beach, FL** — Marking a historic step toward ensuring the future of Miami Beach, the City has hired award-winning firm Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. to develop and lead a multi-disciplinary, integrated sea-level rise mitigation and stormwater management strategy for the urban island with an innovative and adaptable approach.

“Partnering with a global design firm to provide subject matter expertise is crucial as we continue in our progressive efforts against the threat of climate change,” shared Mayor Dan Gelber. “After an extensive evaluation and procurement process, Jacobs’ proved to be the perfect partner for our goals and values. I’m excited to see the fresh and new perspectives they bring to the table that will be key in determining how we build in the long-term.”

Engaging with a broad group of stakeholders, the world’s largest engineer design firm is known to incorporate a strong focus on community input that is interactive and action-oriented — creating a transparent, iterative feedback loop and validation of ideas that will shape the City’s cohesive water management plan. Jacobs’s proven process continually educates the community on water management issues, leverages stakeholder insight and fosters collaboration – ultimately, creating champions to drive forward a shared vision.

The team of leading international experts is also committed to maximizing blue and green infrastructure in their plans, not only by managing the quantity and quality of stormwater, but improving the aesthetics of the community, through streetscapes, traffic calming, urban forestation, and pedestrian and bicycle transportation goals.

By leveraging their resources and expertise, their integrated and holistic strategy for the City will encompass a variety of disciplines, including architecture, landscape architecture, urban-planning, geology, hydrology and harmonization rather than focusing solely around hard engineering solutions.

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