

**City of Miami Beach**  
**Transportation, Parking & Bicycle-Pedestrian Facilities Committee Minutes**  
**Monday, March 8, 2021**  
**Meeting Held Via Microsoft Teams**

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- I. **Call to Order:** M. Edelstein, Vice-Chair, called meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.
- II. **Introduction of Committee Members & Public:** *Please refer to attendance sheet for reference*  
*New Member: Dean Campbell introduction*
- III. **Approval of February 8, 2021 Meeting Minutes: Moved by R. Streim, seconded by C. Esquivel, all in favor - passed**
- IV. **Bicycles on Harding Taking Up Traffic Lanes (Req. by JP Morgan):** Deferred by JP Morgan
- V. **Status/Update on CIP Projects (Indian Creek/Venetian/Beachwalk):** Discussions held with David Gomez/CIP; updates provided:  
Venetian Islands: Two months to finish pavement restoration  
Indian Creek: Over 40% complete; completion date: Spring 2022  
Beachwalk II (between 1<sup>st</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>) – CIP completed/closed awhile back; plans by Savoy for connection
- L. Lovell: 41<sup>st</sup> ST traffic/lane closures during rush hour affecting businesses
- Josiel Ferrer: Signal timing and other strategies being looked at; working with CIP to improve MOT and buses as well
- C. Esquivel: Beachwalk – buildings from 5<sup>th</sup> ST south land taken away for new Beachwalk
- David Gomez: To follow up with Eric Carpenter; City requested easements from property owners, but not able, so City encroached into dune areas for Beachwalk, none should be on private property
- B. Jacobs: Indian Creek work – break in middle of day 4-6 hours and starts again dusk through late night.
- David Gomez: There are time restrictions for when work is done; dusk not one - will look into and email B. Jacobs directly
- E. Porcelli: Indian Creek – seawall/asphalt work
- David Gomez: Temporary barrier wall will be put in, to complete roadwork
- A Rabin: Prohibition of “u” turns at 37<sup>th</sup>/Collins; Josiel Ferrer having meeting with members of Beach House 8 & The Caribbean, both need to come to consensus on needs; also 41<sup>st</sup>/Collins - left turn not used
- M. Edelstein: Suggested having separate agenda list of items to address A. Rabin's items; Josiel Ferrer to address with A. Rabin directly and bring back to committee
- VI. **Parking Department Items:**
- **Spring Break Operations & Update on Freight Loading Zone Operations:** Monica Beltran, Interim Parking Director, provided information: 100 blocks between 5<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> ST, Zone 5 will be 24 hrs.; Freight Loading Zones times increased to 3p & meeting with purveyors to address issues, survey, etc.; \$20 flat rate for garages; garages at 7/12/13/16<sup>th</sup> ST, operating at 50% capacity

Monica Beltran: Towing Permit extended to May 28; changing terms, accepting credit cards and working with possibility of RFP for alternatives and incorporating some recommendations made by Inspector General & MB United.

Some paystations will be brought back – only credit card transactions accepted

**VII. Transportation Department Items:**

- **Update on 71<sup>st</sup> ST Business District/Maimonides Street Parking Shortage & Traffic Flow:** Guest/Business: Dr. Zuluaga present. Josiel Ferrer provided update; funding needed to implement solution, but not available for this fiscal year. Additional coordination needs to be done with residents/businesses
- **Crosswalk at 300 Alton:** Discussion held/motion passed (LTC #113-2021)  
*L. Lovell moved that the Transportation, Parking and Bicycle-Pedestrian Facilities Committee requests that the City take steps towards a warrant study to improve the crosswalk at the 300 block of Alton to make it more protective for pedestrians. Alternatives for consideration in the study should include, but not be limited to: Maintaining a left turn lane on the northbound side of Alton and possibly relocating the crosswalk to the north side of the intersection. This analysis of alternatives should also include a survey of businesses in the area and pedestrian usage counts; Seconded by JP Morgan, all in favor, none opposed, motion passed*
- **Monthly Trolley/Freebee Ridership Update:** Milos Majstorovic provided update; no issues with social distancing or mask requirements

JP Morgan: County using City trolleys causing confusion; Milos Majstorovic trolleys used by County have County branding/riders should pay attention to digital display

C. Esquivel: Concerned, need to help people that used buses that are not available now (Omni)

JP Morgan: Suggested to invite someone from County to attend April meeting and have open discussions on needs

Milos Majstorovic will reach out and coordinate for Miami Dade Transit to attend April meeting

- **Upcoming Commission/Committee Items:** Jose Gonzalez briefed committee on items
- **Status on Pending TPBPFC Items/Requests:** Josiel Ferrer provided updates

**VIII. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

**DATE AND TIME FOR NEXT MEETING: Monday, April 12, 2021 – 3:30 P.M.**

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

1	Bolado	Carolina	P
2	Campbell	Dean	P
3	Edelstein	Marc	P
4	Esquivel	Cynthia	P
5	Feola	Alfred	A
6	Lovell	Linsey	P
7	Grieser	David	P
8	Jacobs	Baruch	P
9	Morgan	JP	P
10	Porcelli	Esteban	P
11	Rabin	Amy	P
12	Streim	Richard	P

<b><u>CITY STAFF / GUESTS</u></b>	<b><u>REPRESENTING</u></b>
Jose Gonzalez	CMB Transportation
Josiel Ferrer	CMB Transportation
Milos Majstorovic	CMB Transportation
Monica Beltran	CMB Parking
Claudia Wong	CMB Parking
David Gomez	CMB CIP
Matthew Gultanoff	MB Resident
Dr. Ana Zuluaga	MB Business