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### **Miami Beach Appoints New Public Works Director**

— *Jose “Joe” Gomez has more than 43 years of experience as a civil engineer* —

**Miami Beach, FL** – The City of Miami Beach has named Jose “Joe” Gomez, P.E. as director of Public Works, replacing Roy Coley, who stepped down in May to accept a position as director of the Miami-Dade County Water and Sewer Department.

“Joe understands the complex challenges that we face as a coastal city,” Miami Beach City Manager Alina T. Hudak explained. “He will be at the forefront of developing and implementing the pioneering solutions required for our city now and in the future.”

Gomez previously served as director of operations at Florida Department of Transportation District 6 where he was responsible for a staff of more than 600 and construction contracts totaling \$250 million. Gomez has more than 43 years of experience in both the public and private sector as a civil engineer with expertise in transportation, water and sewer infrastructure, planning and design as well as construction management.

The city’s Public Works director is responsible for defining and implementing the future vision and important infrastructure priorities. Gomez will oversee multiple functional areas, including Utilities, Infrastructure, Sanitation and Streets & Green Space.

Gomez’s appointment was unanimously approved by the City Commission on July 28. He will begin his tenure in early August.

“Much of my focus will be ensuring the delivery of the city’s aggressive capital improvement program that encompasses critical needs like managing sea level rise, resiliency and right-of-way improvements,” Gomez said. “I’m looking forward to leading the team that develops long-term solutions for the challenges that lie ahead.”

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