


MIAMI BEACH

City of Miami Beach

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TO: Candidates for Mayor and Commissioners

FROM: Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk 

DATE: July 7, 2023

RE: Qualifying By Petition – 2023 Candidates

Pursuant to Section 6.03 of the City of Miami Beach Charter, a copy of which is attached hereto, candidates desiring to qualify for the November 7, 2023 General Election by petition, in lieu of paying the Municipal Qualifying Fee, shall file a petition approving their candidacy signed by no fewer than two percent (2%) of the qualified and registered voters in the City as the same shall be sixty (60) days prior to the first day of qualifying as a candidate for office.

As of July 7, 2023, sixty (60) days prior to September 5, 2023, the first day of qualifying as a candidate for office, the Miami-Dade County Elections Department reports that there are 47,778 qualified and registered voters in the City of Miami Beach. Hence, the number of signatures from qualified and registered City voters necessary to qualify by petition is **956**.

Please note that such petition must be submitted and filed with the City Clerk **no later than noon on Tuesday, August 22, 2023**, the 14th day prior to the first day of qualifying as a candidate.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 305.673.7411.

Enclosure:
Sec. 6.03 City of Miami Beach Charter
Certification – Miami Dade Elections Department

Sec. 6.03. Qualifying.

The City Commission shall cause to be placed on the ballot to be used in the general election the name of any qualified elector of the City residing within the City at least one year prior to qualifying and who, within the four (4) consecutive days immediately following the first Monday of September prior to said general election, 1) shall have submitted one (1) or more documents upon which he/she relies upon to evidence that he/she has resided in the City for at least one year prior to qualifying, which type document(s) shall include, but not limited to: a Florida government issued identification, a voter's registration card, driver's license, property tax receipt, homestead exemption, utility bill or lease agreement, 2) shall have paid to the City Clerk of the City of Miami Beach the sum equal to seven and one-half percent (7½%) of the annual salary of the office to which he/she seeks election as a qualifying fee, and 3) shall have been photographed and fingerprinted by the identification bureau of the Police Department of the City, unless such person shall file with the City Clerk no later than noon of the 14th day prior to the first day of qualifying as a candidate for such office, a petition approving his candidacy signed by sufficient qualified and registered voters to constitute not less than two percent (2%) of this number of such voters as the same shall be on the date sixty (60) days prior to the first day of qualifying as a candidate for office; in the event the Miami-Dade County Elections Department has not issued its certificate verifying the required number of valid signatures on the subject qualifying petition by 5:00 p.m. on the second day of the City's four-day qualifying period, the City's 7½% qualifying fee shall be waived by the City in the event the subject candidate should otherwise qualify for office pursuant to this Charter section. All candidates qualifying for office shall have taken, signed and subscribed to an oath or affirmation in writing in which he/she shall state (1) the title of the office for which he/she is a candidate; (2) that he/she is a qualified elector of the City of Miami Beach, Florida, and has resided in the City at least one year prior to qualifying; (3) his/her legal residence, by street and number; (4) that he/she is qualified under the ordinances (including Miami Beach City Code Chapter 38 governing "Elections") and Charter of the City of Miami Beach, Florida, to hold the office for which he/she is a candidate.

Such oath or affirmation shall be substantially in the following form:

STATE OF FLORIDA)	
		SS:
COUNTY OF DADE)	

Before me, an officer authorized to administer oaths, personally appeared to me well known who, being sworn, says that he/she is a candidate for the office of City Commissioner (Group No. _____ (or Mayor) for the City of Miami Beach, Florida; that he/she is a qualified elector of said City residing within the City at least one year before qualifying for City of Miami Beach elected office; that his/her legal residence is: _____, Miami Beach, Dade County, Florida; that he/she is qualified under the ordinances (including Miami Beach City Code Chapter 38 governing "Elections") and Charter of said City to hold such office; and that he/she has paid the required qualification fee.

Signature of Candidate

Sworn to and subscribed before me this ___ day of _____ A.D., 19 ___.

Authorized Officer

The City Commission shall, by ordinance, prescribe the manner of holding general and special elections not inconsistent with the provisions hereof, and shall, by ordinance or resolution, prescribe polling places in the various voting precincts in the City.

(Res. No. 2003-25290, 7-30-03; Res. No. 2003-25391, 7-30-03; Res. No. 2012-27964, 7-18-12, passed by voters 11-6-12; Res. No. 2012-27965, 7-18-12, passed by voters 11-6-12; Res. No. 2022-32166, 5-4-22, passed by voters 8-23-22)



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CERTIFICATION

STATE OF FLORIDA)

COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE)

I, Christina White, Supervisor of Elections of Miami-Dade County, Florida, do hereby certify that the total number of Active Voters in the City of Miami Beach as of July 7, 2023, 9:48 am is 47,778.



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Christina White", is written over a horizontal line.

Christina White
Supervisor of Elections

WITNESS MY HAND
AND OFFICIAL SEAL,
AT MIAMI, MIAMI-DADE
COUNTY, FLORIDA,
ON THIS 7th DAY OF
JULY, 2023