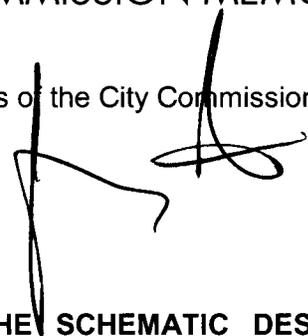


MIAMI BEACH

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COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager 

DATE: October 22, 2014

SUBJECT: **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE SCHEMATIC DESIGN OF THE MIAMI BEACH CONVENTION CENTER PROJECT AND PARK**

BACKGROUND

The City Commission directed the Administration to redevelop the Miami Beach Convention Center under a design-build approach. Under State of Florida law, the City was required to retain a Design Criteria Professional to create a Design Criteria Package to enable the design-build firm to prepare bids on a common basis. The City Commission hired Fentress Architects (Fentress) as its Design Criteria Professional. Fentress has completed the schematic design of the project and is proceeding with Design Development. City staff will be requesting final approval of the design by the Design Review Board at its November 4, 2014 meeting. Any material changes proposed by the Design Review Board will be brought back to Commission at the November City Commission meeting.

PRESENTATION

The attached presentation includes information regarding the facility design, exterior façade design, traffic and parking plan, the six acre Convention Center park and surrounding landscape plan, current schedule and phasing plan, and the current budget and finance plan. Interior design plans are in process and will be presented at a later date.

CONCLUSION

The schematic design will serve as the basis for finalization of the Design Criteria Package (DCP) that is planned to be brought back to the City Commission at its December 2014 meeting. The final DCP will be issued to the design build firm finalists for Phase 2 of the design builder evaluation selection process.

REQUESTED CITY COMMISSION ACTION

The Administration requests approval of the schematic design, as presented, to serve as the basis for finalization of the Design Criteria Package of the project.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: Presentation

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Attachment A

Power Point Presentation to Follow