

# **SPECIAL CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

City Hall, Commission Chambers, 3rd Floor, 1700 Convention Center Drive  
January 14, 2009

Mayor Matti Herrera Bower  
Vice-Mayor Jonah Wolfson  
Commissioner Victor M. Diaz, Jr.  
Commissioner Saul Gross  
Commissioner Jerry Libbin  
Commissioner Edward L. Tobin  
Commissioner Deede Weithorn  
City Manager Jorge M. Gonzalez  
City Attorney Jose Smith  
City Clerk Robert E. Parcher

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## **REGULAR AGENDA**

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R9A Board And Committee Appointments.  
(City Clerk's Office)

R9A1 City Commission Board and Committee Appointment  
(City Clerk's Office)

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2. Arts in Public Places
3. Board of Adjustment **5/7 vote**
4. Budget Advisory Committee
5. Capital Improvements Projects Oversight Committee
6. Design Review Board
7. Health Advisory Committee
8. Historic Preservation Board
9. Miami Beach Cultural Arts Council
10. Normandy Shores Local Gov. Neighborhood Improvements
11. Personnel Board **5/7 vote**
12. Planning Board
13. Visitor and Convention Authority



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## COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Matti Herrera Bower and Members of the City Commission  
FROM: Jorge M. Gonzalez, City Manager *R. Pancher for*  
DATE: January 14, 2009  
SUBJECT: **BOARD AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS – CITY COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS**

### ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION

Make appointments as indicated.

### BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

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JMG/REP

**List of nominations as of Friday, January 9, 2009**

**Arts in Public Places: Commissioner Libbin**  
Flavia Lowenstein

**Design Review Board: Commissioner Gross**  
Clotilde Luce - At large  
Thomas DeLuca - Registered Architect

**Health Advisory Committee: Commissioner Libbin**  
Dr. Andrew Nullman (to replace Jorge Perez)

**Historic Preservation Board: Commissioner Gross**  
Jeff Donnelly - MDPL  
Erika Brigham - Dade-Heritage  
Jo Manning - At large  
Simon Nemni - At large

**Miami Beach Cultural Arts Council: Commissioner Wolfson**  
Eda Valero-Figueira

**Planning Board: Commissioner Gross**  
Jorge Kuperman - Architect  
John Corey – Historic Preservation  
Gary Appel – Attorney

**Planning Board: Commissioner Libbin**  
Daniel Vietia  
Gary Appel - Lawyer

**Visitor and Convention Authority: Commissioner Libbin**  
Carol Taran

# ***Board and Committees Current Members***

## **Affordable Housing Advisory Committee**

Sec. 2-167

### **Composition:**

The committee shall consist of eleven (11) voting members with two (2) year terms appointed at large by a majority vote of the Mayor and City Commission:

One citizen:

- 1) actively engaged in the residential home building industry in connection with affordable housing;
- 2) actively engaged in the banking or mortgage banking industry in connection with affordable housing;
- 3) representative of those areas of labor actively engaged in home building in connection with affordable housing;
- 4) actively engaged as an advocate for low-income persons in connection with affordable housing;
- 5) actively engaged as a for-profit provider of affordable housing;
- 6) actively engaged as a not-for-profit provider of affordable housing (Housing Authority member);
- 7) actively engaged as a real estate professional in connection with affordable housing;
- 8) actively serving on the local planning agency pursuant to Florida Statute § 163.3174 (Planning Board member);
- 9) who resides within the jurisdiction of the local governing body making the appointments;
- 10) who represents employers within the jurisdiction;
- 11) who represents essential services personnel as defined in the local housing assistance plan.

Members of the Loan Review Committee, members of the Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC), Planning Board and Miami Beach Housing Authority may be appointed to fill any of the eleven (11) categories and serve as ex-officio voting members on this committee. If due to conflict of interest by prospective appointees, or other reasonable factor, the City is unable to appoint a citizen actively engaged in these activities in connection with affordable housing, a citizen engaged in the activity without regard to affordable housing may be appointed.

City Liaison: Anna Parekh

### **Appointments To Be Made :**

Jonathan Fryd	(8) Local Planning Board	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/13
Roberto DaTorre	(6) Not For Profit	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/13
Robert Saland	(5) For Profit	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/13
Stephanie Berman	(3) Rep. Labor Home Bldg	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/13
David Smith	(2) Banking/Mortgage	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/13
Brian Ehrlich	(1) Res. Home Bldg	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/13

### **Members:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Position/Title</b>	<b>Term Ends:</b>	<b>Appointed by:</b>	<b>Term Limit:</b>
Ada	Llerandi	(4) Low-Income Advoc.	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Clark	Reynolds	(9) Res. Juris. Local Gvt	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Dr. Barry	Ragone	(10) Rep. Employee w/jurisd	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Lianne	Pastoriza	(11) Rep. Essential Services	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Michael	Burnstine	(7) Real Estate Prof.	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13

<b>Applicants</b>	<b>Position/Title</b>	<b>Applicants</b>	<b>Position/Title</b>
David Gorson		Mario Coryell	
Prakash Kumar			

# Board and Committees Current Members

## Art in Public Places

Sec. 82-561

### Composition:

Two (2) year term.

Appointed by a minimum of 4 votes.

Seven (7) members to be appointed by a majority of the entire City Commission, and who shall possess a high degree of competence in evaluation of art history and architectural history, art, architecture, sculpture, painting, artistic structure design and other appropriate art media for display or integration in public places.

City Liaison : Dennis Leyva

### Appointments To Be Made :

Jeremy	Chestler	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/10
James	Weingarten	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/10
Mariangela	Capuzzo	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/10
Elizabeth	Resnick	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/12

### Vacancy:

To replace Heather Urban	12/31/2009	City Commission
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### Members:

Name	Last Name	Position/Title	Term Ends:	Appointed by:	Term Limit:
Claire	Breukel		12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Rhonda	Mitrani-Buchman		12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/12

Applicants	Position/Title	Applicants	Position/Title
Ana Cordero		Chae DuPont	
Claire Warren		David Alschuler	
Dena Stewart		Flavia Lowenstein-Elortegui	
Francis Trullenque		Isadore Havenick	
James Lloyd		Jeanie Hernandez	
Joe Hidalgo - Gato		Judith Wurtmen	
Laura Bruney		Lisa Ware	
Lisette Olembert Goldstein		Matthew Maffai	
Merri Mann		Michael McManus	
Nelida Barrios		Zoila Datorre	

# Board and Committees Current Members

## Board of Adjustment

RSA I-2

### Composition:

Two (2) year term.

Appointed by a 5/7th vote.

Seven (7) voting members composed of two members appointed as citizens at-large and five members shall be appointed from each of the following categories (no more than one per category), namely: Law, Architecture, Engineering, Real Estate Development, Certified Public Accountant, Financial Consultation, and General Business. The members representing the professions of law, architecture, engineering and public accounting shall be duly licensed by the State of Florida; the member representing general business shall be of responsible standing in the community, and each member shall be bound by the requirements of the Conflict of Interest Ordinance of the city and shall be subject to removal from office for the violation of the terms thereof. No member shall have any financial or other interest in any matter coming before the board.

Members shall be appointed for a term of one year by a five-seventh vote of the city commission. Members of the Board of Adjustment must be either residents of or have their principal place of business in Miami Beach; provided, however, that this amendment shall not affect the term of existing members of the Board of Adjustment.

City Liaison: Antonieta Stohl

### Appointments To Be Made :

David	Lancz	Law	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/10
Seth	Frohlich	At-large	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/10

### Vacancy:

To replace Herbert Gopman	Engineer	12/31/2010	City Commission
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### Members:

Name	Last Name	Position/Title	Term Ends:	Appointed by:	Term Limit:
Alexander	Annunziato	At-large	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Laurence	Herrup	Cert P/ Acc. TL12/31/09	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/09
Lior	Leser	Financial Consultation	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Sherry	Roberts	General Business	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13

Applicants	Position/Title	Applicants	Position/Title
Brian Ehrlich		David Patlak	
Frank Kruszewski		Jeffrey Graff	
Jorge Kuperman		Matthew Krieger	
Richard (Rick) Kendle		Roger Houle	
Ruth Remington		Scott Needelman	

# ***Board and Committees Current Members***

## **Budget Advisory Committee**

Sec. 2-44

### **Composition:**

Nine (9) members. Seven (7) direct appointments with Mayor and each Commissioner making one (1) appointment.

Two (2) at-large appointments:

- one (1) certified public accountant and
- one (1) for a financial advisor.

City Liaison: Jose Cruz

### **Appointments To Be Made :**

Alan	Lips	CPA	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/12
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### **Vacancy:**

To replace Susan Kirkland	12/31/2009	Commissioner Saul Gross
To replace Leonard Wien Jr. TL 12/31/2013	12/31/2009	Steinberg Diaz

### **Members:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Position/Title</b>	<b>Term Ends:</b>	<b>Appointed by:</b>	<b>Term Limit:</b>
Dushan	Koller		12/31/2009	Commissioner Jonah M. Wolfson	12/31/15
Jack	Benveniste		12/31/2009	Mayor Matti Herrera Bower	12/31/15
John	Gardiner		12/31/2010	Commissioner Jerry Libbin	12/31/16
Marc	Gidney		12/31/2010	Commissioner Deede Weithorn	12/31/14
Stephen	Hertz		12/31/2010	Commissioner Ed Tobin	12/31/16
Tony	Rodriguez	Financial Advisor	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/10

<b>Applicants</b>	<b>Position/Title</b>	<b>Applicants</b>	<b>Position/Title</b>
Dwight Kraai		Frank Kruszewski	
Frank Schwartz		Jared Plitt	
Jenifer Cuplan		Jonathan Fryd	
Judith Berson-Levinson		Lior Leser	
Mario Coryell		Steven Gonzalez	
Theodore Berman		Willis "Chip" Arndt Jr.	

# ***Board and Committees Current Members***

## **Capital Improvements Projects Oversight Committee**

Ord. 2008-3603

### **Composition:**

The Capital improvement projects oversight committee shall consist of nine (9) voting members, eight (8) of whom shall be appointed by the city commission as a whole (at-large-appointees). The membership of the committee shall further be comprised as follows:

1. The mayor or his/her designee, who shall sit as a voting member of the committee, and shall also serve as chair person of the committee;
2. At least two (2) members shall be selected with experience in one of the following technical fields:
  - a. engineering;
  - b. architecture and/or landscape architecture; or historic preservation;
3. At least two (2) members shall be selected with experience in one of the following technical fields:
  - a. construction/general contractor; or
  - b. developer;
4. Two (2) members shall be selected with experience in the following technical field and/or the following category:
  - a. capital budgeting and/or finance; or
  - b. citizen-at-large; and
5. The remaining two (2) members shall be selected from any of the technical experience categories set forth in subsections (2) or (3) above.

City Liaison: Jorge Chartrand

### **Appointments To Be Made :**

Richard (Rick)	Kendle	(C5) Engineer	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/13
Erik	Agazim	(C4) Cap.Budg/Finance	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/13
Stacy	Kilroy	(C3) Const/Gen Contractor	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/13
Dwight	Kraai	(C2) Engineer	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/13

### **Members:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Position/Title</b>	<b>Term Ends:</b>	<b>Appointed by:</b>	<b>Term Limit:</b>
Christina	Cuervo	(C5) Developer	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Com.	Weithorn	(1) Mayor designee	04/16/2009	Mayor Matti Herrera Bower	
Elizabeth	Camargo	(C2) Architect	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Fred	Karltan	(C3) Developer	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/21/13
Israel	Magrisso	(C4) At-Large	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13

<b>Applicants</b>	<b>Position/Title</b>	<b>Applicants</b>	<b>Position/Title</b>
Mark Hunter		Mayra Buttacavoli	

# Board and Committees Current Members

## Design Review Board

Sec. 118.71

### Composition:

Two (2) year term.

Appointed by a minimum of 4 votes.

Seven (7) regular members and two (2) ex-officio members.

The seven (7) regular members shall consist of:

two (2) registered architects,

one (1) registered architect or a member of the faculty of a school of architecture, urban planning or urban design in the state, with practical or academic expertise in the field of design, planning, historic preservation or the history of architecture, or a professional architectural designer or professional urban planner

one (1) registered landscape architect,

one (1) registered architect, professional designer or professional urban planner,

and two (2) citizens at-large.

One person appointed by the City Manager from an eligibility list provided by the Disability Access Committee shall serve in an advisory capacity with no voting authority. The Planning Director, or designee and the City Attorney or designee shall serve in an advisory capacity.

Residency and place of business in the county. The two (2) citizen-at-large members and one of the registered landscape architects, registered architects, professional designer or professional urban planners shall be residents of the city.

City Liaison: Thomas Mooney

### Appointments To Be Made :

Clotilde	Luce	At-large	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/10
Thomas	DeLuca	Registered Architect	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/11

### Vacancy:

To replace Peter Chevalier	Urban Land Planner	12/31/2010	City Commission
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### Members:

Name	Last Name	Position/Title	Term Ends:	Appointed by:	Term Limit:
Alex	David	Urban Planner	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/10
Gabrielle	Redfern	At-large	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/11
Michael F.	Steffens	Reg. Arch. TL12/31/2009	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/09
Seraj	Saba	Landscape Architect	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Janet Grant-Hyman		ex-officio/Disability Access Committee			
Jorge Gomez		advisory/ Planning Director			

Applicants	Position/Title	Applicants	Position/Title
Alan Lips		Alexander Annunziato	
Brian Ehrlich		David Wieder	
Dona Zemo		Elsa Urquiza	
Gail Thompson		Jay Parker	
Jorge Kuperman		Leonor Hernandez	
Lisette Olembert Goldstein		Oliver Weirich	
Scott Diffenderfer		Todd Glaser	

# ***Board and Committees Current Members***

## **Health Advisory Committee**

Sec. 2-81 2002-  
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### **Composition:**

Eleven (11) voting members. Appointed by the City Commission at-large, upon recommendations of the City Manager:

Two (2) members shall be the chief executive officers (CEO's) or their designated administrators from each of the following local hospitals:

- 1) Mount Sinai Medical Center,
- 2) South Shore Hospital,

One (1) member shall be the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) from Stanley C. Myers Community Health Center or his/her designee administrator;

Two (2) member shall be an administrator from an Adult Congregate Living Facility (ACLF). And/or an Assisted Living Facility (ALF);

One (1) member shall be a representative from the nursing profession;

One (1) member shall be a health benefits provider;

Two (2) members shall be physicians.;

Two (2) members shall be consumers consisting of:

- 1) one (1) individual from the corporate level and ;
- 2) one (1) private individual.

There shall be one (1) non-voting ex-officio representative from each of the following: The Miami Dade County Health Department and the Fire Rescue Department. The director of the Office of the Children's Affairs shall be added as a non-voting ex-officio member of the board.

City Liaison: Cliff Leonard

### **Appointments To Be Made :**

Kimberly Galbut	Dentist	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/12
Joyce Galbut	Adm. Adult Cong Liv. TL12/09	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/09

### **Vacancy:**

To replace Abraham Galbut	ACLF	12/31/2010	City Commission
To replace Jorge Perez	Physician	12/31/2010	City Commission

### **Members:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Position/Title</b>	<b>Term Ends:</b>	<b>Appointed by:</b>	<b>Term Limit:</b>
Dr. Rasciciel	Socarraz	Health Provider (TL 12/09)	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/09
Dr. Ronald	Shane	Private Industry (TL12/09)	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/09
Eda	Valero-Figueira	Private Industry	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Kathryn	Abbate	CEO, Stanley Myers (NTL)	12/31/2010	City Commission	
Laura	Leyva	Nursing Profession	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/12
Steven	Sonenreich	CEO/Mt. Sinai/MH (NTL)	12/31/2010	City Commission	
William	Zubkoff	C.E.O.. So. Shore (NTL)	12/31/2010	City Commission	

Maria Ruiz                      ex-officio, Director of Children's Affairs  
 Sonia Albury                    rep. From the Health Council of South Fla

<b>Applicants</b>	<b>Position/Title</b>	<b>Applicants</b>	<b>Position/Title</b>
Emilio Suster		Michael Martirena	
Rolando Rodriguez		Suzanne Stonbely	

# Board and Committees Current Members

## Historic Preservation Board

Sec. 118-101

### Composition:

Two (2) year term. Appointed by a minimum of 4 votes.

Seven (7) members. There shall be a member from each of the following categories:

- 1) A representative from the Miami Design Preservation League (MDPL);  
Selected from three names nominated by the League.
- 2) A representative from Dade Heritage Trust (DHT);  
Selected from three names nominated by the Trust.
- 3) One at-large member who owns or manages a property or properties located in one of the city's historic districts;
- 4) One at-large member who resides in one of the city's historic districts;
- 5) An architect registered in the State of Florida with practical experience in the rehabilitation of historic structures;
- 6) A registered architect, registered landscape architect, professional designer or professional urban planner with practical experience in the rehabilitation of historic structures; or an attorney, or a licensed engineer who has professional experience and demonstrated interest in historic preservation.;
- 7) A member of the faculty of a school of architecture in the State of Florida, with academic expertise in the field of design and historic preservation or the history of architecture, with a preference for an individual with practical experience in architecture and the preservation of historic structures.

City Liaison: Thomas Mooney

### Appointments To Be Made :

Simon	Nemni	At-large	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/12
Erika	Brigham	Dade Heritage	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/12
Diane	Downs	At-Large TL 12/31/2009	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/09
James (Jeff)	Donnelly	MDPL	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/12

### Members:

Name	Last Name	Position/Title	Term Ends:	Appointed by:	Term Limit:
Allan	Hall	Attorney TL12/31/2009	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/09
Henry	Lares	Faculty Member	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Norberto	Rosenstein	Registered Architect	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/11

Applicants	Position/Title	Applicants	Position/Title
David Wieder		Henry Stolar	
Jack Johnson		Jay Parker	
Josephine Manning		Matthew Maffai	
Richard (Rick) Kendle		Valentino Eriksen	
Yair Lapciuc			

# Board and Committees Current Members

## Miami Beach Cultural Arts Council

Sec. 2-51

### Composition:

Three (3) years term.

Vacancies submitted by slate of candidates provided by the council.

Eleven (11) members to be appointed at-large by a majority vote of the Mayor and City Commission. Effective December 31, 2001, concurrent with the expiration of the terms of six (6) members of the council, and the resulting vacancies thereon, three (3) members shall be appointed for three (3) year terms each, provided that one of those appointments shall be to fill the vacancy of the one (1) year term expiring on December 31, 2001, and three (3) members shall be appointed for two (2) year terms each. Additionally, effective December 31, 2002, no council member may serve more than six (6) consecutive years.

City Liaison: Gary Farmer

### Appointments To Be Made :

Chae	Dupont	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/12
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### Vacancy:

To replace Liliam Lopez	12/31/2010	City Commission
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### Members:

Name	Last Name	Position/Title	Term Ends:	Appointed by:	Term Limit:
Anthony	Japour		12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/12
Ileana	Bravo-Gordon		12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/11
Isadore	Havenick		12/31/2010	City Commission	12/31/13
Israel	Sands		12/31/2010	City Commission	12/31/11
Lidia	Resnick	TL 12/31/2009	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/09
Merle	Weiss	TL 12/31/2009	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/09
Nina	Duval		12/31/2010	City Commission	12/31/13
Solomon	Genet		12/31/2010	City Commission	12/31/12

Applicants	Position/Title	Applicants	Position/Title
Anabel Evora		Antwon Tomas	
Calviin Kohli		Carole Taran	
Dr. Eda Valero-Figueira		Eduardo Ponder	
Emmie Vazquez		Emmie Vazquez	
George Neary		Gilbert Squires	
Jeanie Hernandez		Joe Hidalgo - Gato	
John Dudley		Jonathan Parker	
Judith Wurtmen		Kumar Prakash	
Laura Craven		Lisa Cole	
Lisette Olembert Goldstein		Lori Gold	
Marlo Darrington		Matthew Krieger	
Merri Mann		Mitch Becker	
Nathaniel Korn		Robert Dundas	
Scott Timm		Steven Adkins	
Zoila Datorre			

**Parcher, Robert**

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**From:** Farmer, Gary  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 08, 2009 12:50 PM  
**To:** Parcher, Robert  
**Cc:** Sklar, Max  
**Subject:** CAC Vacancies

Bob,

For the two CAC vacancies, the CAC submits the following six names:

Lisa Cole  
Laura Craven  
John Dudley  
Anabel Evora  
Jonathan Parker  
Eda Valero-Figueira

Additionally, Chae Dupont is up for reappointment and the CAC recommends she be reappointed.

Please let me know if I can be of further help.

Gary

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**Gary Farmer**, *Cultural Affairs Program Manager*  
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# ***Board and Committees Current Members***

**Normandy Shores Local Gov. Neighborhood Impv.**

**Sec 34-175**

**Composition:**

The Advisory Council shall be appointed by the Board of Directors (City Commission) and composed of three members of the Executive Committee of the Normandy Shores Homeowner Association. On behalf of the Board of Directors, the City Clerk shall solicit from the Executive Committee the eligibility list of its members for appointment consideration. The Advisory Council shall be composed of the three members of the Executive Committee of the Normandy Shores Homeowners Association as per Resolution No. 97-22449 adopted July 2, 1997.

**Appointments To Be Made :**

Ronald	Loring	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/21/11
Erik	Schlein	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/21/11

**Vacancy:**

To replace Joel Rodriguez	12/31/2010	City Commission
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**Members:**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Last Name</b>	<b>Position/Title</b>	<b>Term Ends:</b>	<b>Appointed by:</b>	<b>Term Limit:</b>
New	Member		12/31/2009	City Commission	

# Board and Committees Current Members

## Personnel Board

Sec. 2-190.66

### Composition:

Ten (10) members appointed by a 5/7 vote.

Six (6) of which shall be citizens of Miami Beach not in the employment of the city, each having a different vocation;

and three (3) regular employees of the City of Miami Beach, to be elected by the probationary and regular employees of the city and who shall be elected from the employees of regular status in the respective groups:

Group I shall consist of the employees of the Police Department, Fire Department and Beach Patrol Department,

Group II shall consist of employees who are in clerical and executive positions,

Group III shall consist of all other employees,

The Personnel Director is a non-voting member.

City Liaison: Ramiro Inguanzo

### Appointments To Be Made :

Elsa	Urquiza	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/12
David	Alschuler	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/12

### Vacancy:

To replace James Kirkland III	12/31/2009	City Commission
To replace Paco Basantes Exp 7/31/10		Group II
To replace Zalman Bacheikov	12/31/2010	City Commission

### Members:

Name	Last Name	Position/Title	Term Ends:	Appointed by:	Term Limit:
Barbara	Patchen		12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/12
Michael	Perlmutter		12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/12

Evette Phillips	elected 09/01/07. exp. 7/31/09	Group III
Ramiro Inguanzo	Human Resources Director	
Renato Sejas	elected 6/27/08 - exp. 7/31/11-	Group I

Applicants	Position/Title	Applicants	Position/Title
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Elsa Orlandini

# Board and Committees Current Members

## Planning Board

Sec. 118-51

### Composition:

Two (2) year term. Appointed by a minimum of 4 votes.

Seven (7) regular voting members. The voting members shall have considerable experience in general business, land development, land development practices or land use issues.

The board shall at a minimum be comprised of:

one registered architect or a member of the faculty of a school of architecture in the state, with practical or academic expertise in the field of design, planning, historic preservation or the history of architecture, or a professional architectural designer or professional urban planner,

one developer,

one attorney who has considerable experience in land use and zoning issues,

and one person who has education and/or experience in historic preservation issues. For purposes of this section, the term "education and/or experience in historic preservation issues" shall be a person who meets one or more of the following criteria:

- (1). Has earned a college degree in historic preservation
- (2). Is responsible for the preservation, revitalization or adaptive reuse of historic buildings; or
- (3). Is recognized by the city commission for contributions to historic preservation, education or planning. No person except a resident of the city, or an individual having their main business interest in the city shall be eligible for appointment to the Planning Board.

City Liaison: Mercedes Lamazares.

### Appointments To Be Made :

Richard Kuper	Attorney	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/12
Randy Weisburd	General Business	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/13
Jorge Kuperman	Architect	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/10

### Members:

Name	Last Name	Position/Title	Term Ends:	Appointed by:	Term Limit:
Frank	Kruszewski	General Business	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Gary	Appel	Historic Preservation	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Henry	Stolar	General Business	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Jonathan	Fryd	Developer	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13

Applicants	Position/Title	Applicants	Position/Title
Michael Gongora		Alan Lips	
Alexander Annunziato		Beth Gopman	
Frank Del Vecchio		Gabrielle Redfern	
Gilbert Squires		Hans Bos	
Jack Johnson		Jay Parker	
John Corey		Jonathan Beloff	
Maggie Pedraza		Mario Coryell	
Matthew Krieger		Oliver Weirich	
Richard (Rick) Kendle		Robert Rabinowitz	

# Board and Committees Current Members

## Visitor and Convention Authority

Sec. 102-246

### Composition:

Two (2) year term. Appointed by a minimum of 4 votes.

Seven (7) member who shall be permanent residents of Miami-Dade County.

The seven (7) members of the authority shall be representative of the community as follows:

1) Not less than two (2) nor more than three (3) members shall be representative of the hotel industry;

2) and the remaining members none of whom shall be representative of the hotel industry, shall represent the community at-large. Any member of the authority or employee therefore violating or failing to comply with provisions of this article shall be deem to have vacated his office or position.

City Liaison: Grisette Roque.

### Appointments To Be Made :

Elsie Sterling	Howard	At-large	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/10
Sidney	Goldin	At-large	12/31/2008	City Commission	12/31/10

### Vacancy:

To replace Steven Haas	General Manager	12/31/2010	City Commission
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### Members:

Name	Last Name	Position/Title	Term Ends:	Appointed by:	Term Limit:
Deborah	Castillo	Hotel Industry	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Jaqueline	Hertz	At-large	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Jeff	Lehman	At-large	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13
Mark	Tamis	Hotel Industry	12/31/2009	City Commission	12/31/13

Applicants	Position/Title	Applicants	Position/Title
Ada Llerandi		Calviin Kohli	
Carole Taran		Christopher Todd	
Dona Zemo		Eduardo Ponder	
Edward Levinson		Eric Lawrence	
Gail Harris		George Castillo	
Gertrude Arfa		Harold Foster	
Isabel Chattas		Jay Parker	
Keith Menin		Lisa Cole	
Melanie Muss		Merle Weiss	
Mitch Becker		Omar El-Dada	
Steven Adkins		Stewart Stewart	
Valentino Eriksen		Willis "Chip" Arndt Jr.	
Yamilé Jimenez-Soto			

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

December 22, 2008

Mayor Matti Herrera Bower  
City of Miami Beach  
1700 Convention Center Drive  
Miami Beach, Florida 33139

Dear Mayor Herrera Bower:

The Miami Beach Visitor and Convention Authority (VCA) would like to thank you for your continued support of our efforts for FY 2008/2009. To assist the VCA in conducting business, we kindly request the reappointment of our incoming Chair, Ms. Elsie Sterling Howard and member Sidney Goldin.

**Ms. Howard** was re-appointed to the VCA in 2006, while previously serving as the VCA's chairperson from 1999 through 2004. She currently serves on the board of the Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau. She is the Chair of the Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania Press and is the immediate past chair of The Penn Fund for the University of Pennsylvania, having served most recently as the President of its international Alumni Society and as a University Trustee. Howard is co-chairperson of The Endowment Fund for the Miami Dade United Way, Chair of Educational Advancement for the Council for Educational Change/South Florida Annenberg Challenge, co-chairperson of Special Events for the Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center/University of Miami and is the immediate past chairperson of the Citizens Commemorative Coin Advisory Committee. **Ms. Howard was re-elected as the VCA's Chair in December 2008.**

**Sidney Goldin** was appointed to the VCA in February 2005. Mr. Goldin's professional career has included over 35 years as a health and hospital administrator, which includes 30 years at Mount Sinai Medical Center in Miami Beach. Currently, Mr. Goldin serves on the Board of Governors of the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce, Miami Jewish Home and Hospital, and the DeHoernle Alzheimer Pavilion. He previously served on the Police Citizens Relations Committee and the Beach Preservation Board.

Mr. Goldin received his Bachelor's of Business Administration from the University of Baltimore and his Masters of Hospital Administration from the Medical College of Virginia.

In addition, the VCA will have one vacancy as of December 31, 2008. Please consider the following persons for the upcoming vacant position:

**Steve Adkins** is presently the President of the Miami-Dade Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce, the largest not-for-profit corporation in the County for gay and lesbian businesses. MDGLCC membership has more than quadrupled in the two years since Adkins took over the reins,.

In 1999, Steve moved from his native San Diego, California to South Florida after holding several positions in the financial world, and immediately became interested in promoting Miami as a year-round, gay and gay-friendly tourist destination, while owner/operator of the Jefferson House, a South Beach Boutique Hotel.

Steve holds a Bachelor of Science, from San Diego State University in Business Administration with a strong emphasis on Management with Concentration in Finance.

**Ed Ponder** currently serves as the Chief Concierge of the Delano Hotel in Miami Beach. Ed has been the recipient of several awards for concierge service and community involvement and immediate Past-President (1999-2002;2004-2006) of the Southern Florida Concierge Association (SFCA) increasing the SFCA is visibility, community involvement and membership from Key West to Palm Beach. Ed is often sought for his insight and expertise on visitor preferences and trends.

Ed's professional experience includes over twenty years in luxury and convention hotels. He has served on the Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau's (GMCVB) Marketing Committee, The Homestead Speedway's Roundtable, Miami-Dade County's Taxicab Advisory Group (TAG), Miami Beach's Black Host Committee and Miami International Airport's Customer Service Task Force. Mr. Ponder was born and educated in Miami.

**Graziano Sbroggio** was born into a family that owned and operated restaurants in Treviso, Italy. TiramesU opened in 1988 on Ocean Drive. After nine years of operating at their Ocean Drive address, TiramesU closed for 7 months while their new location on Lincoln Road was renovated for it's grand re-opening in December 1997.

After the renewed success of TiramesU, Graziano decided to open SPRIS "La Pizzeria del TiramesU" at 731 Lincoln Road, just two doors down from TiramesU in October 1998.

Due to the success of the catering business mostly at the Design District store openings and different kinds of events, Graziano created a new entity called Spuntino in 2003 that caters to small functions as well as major events such as the New Alliance Art Show that was part of Art Basel in 2004.

He was also the first to offer Segafredo coffee in the Miami area and due to the close business relationship with Segafredo's owner Massimo Zanetti, Graziano approached them with the idea of opening a Segafredo Boutique in Miami Beach. Teaming his efforts with co-owner Mark Soyka, of News Café fame, Segafredo Espresso opened on June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2000

In addition, in early 2005, Graziano opened Le Bon at 723 Lincoln Road, a Belgian-American seafood restaurant, and became partners with Mr. Mark Soyka and Luca Voltarel in the historical Van Dyke Café, an American bistro on Lincoln Road serving thousands of covers daily.

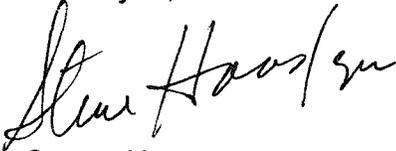
**Carole Taran** was born in London, England and is an alumnus of Miami Beach High School and a long-time resident and homeowner in Miami Beach, with roots firmly established in the community.

Currently acting Chairperson of the Convention Center Advisory Board with seven years of service, she continues to participate and give back to the community she calls home. Ms. Taran has an extensive professional background in Convention planning and Production, Hospitality management, Special Events and Entertainment.

As a performer she has been awarded the Carbonnel Cabaret Entertainer of the Year, received a Grammy nomination for her major label Atlantic Jazz release "Dorsey, Then and Now" and has appeared onstage, nationwide, with legendary show business luminaries such as Bob Hope, Shecky Greene, Jack Benny, Dick Shawn, Cindy Lauper, Jackie Mason and Alan King, among others.

As owner/President of Adam Productions, Inc. she has produced shows with Smokey Robinson, Gladys Knight, Rich Little, Brian McKnight, Jim Belushi, Queen Latifah and more. The company has staged a Bar Mitzvah in the Orange Bowl that was covered by the New York Times, Good Morning America and People magazine, produced a Presidential Inaugural Gala starring Linda Ronstad, for Bill Clinton, organized other more recent presidential appearances for President George W. Bush and continues to add to a long record of successful major corporate events, product launches, programs and industrial shows on all levels and in many cities.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven Haas". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Steven Haas  
Board Chair

Cc: Robert Parcher, City Clerk ✓