

Memorandum



Date: March 22, 2022

Agenda Item No. 2(B)(9)
May 3, 2022

To: Honorable Chairman Jose “Pepe” Diaz
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Daniella Levine Cava
Mayor

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Subject: Bi-Annual Report on the Financial Relief Plans for Certain PortMiami Cruise-Only
Related Tenants – Directive No. 211643

The following information is provided in response to Resolution No. R-725-21 sponsored by Commissioner Rebeca Sosa and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on July 20, 2021. The resolution directed the County Mayor or designee to prepare a bi-annual report listing the tenants and payment schedule that participated in the Financial Relief Plan.

COVID-19 adversely affected not only cruise lines over the past year, but several cruise-only tenants at PortMiami as well. Many of PortMiami’s tenants who rely on cruise activity requested deferrals in their monthly rent payments as they received minimal, if not zero, revenue. The Financial Relief Plan for certain PortMiami cruise-only related tenants, as approved by the Board, allowed a deferral of fifty percent (50%) of rent payments from April 1, 2020, until cruise operations resumed with all deferred rent payments to be paid in full by September 30, 2022. Eleven tenants were eligible to participate in the Financial Relief Plan.

1. America’s Gateway Transportation dba Cruiseport Destinations
2. Nice Trip Transportation, Inc.
3. SMS International Shore Operations US, Inc
4. United Stevedoring of America, Inc/Hallmark Stevedoring Company
5. Conway Tours Inc– Big Bus Tours Miami
6. Cruise & Tours Center, LLC/Admiral Tours Miami
7. InterCruise Shoreside & Port Services, Inc
8. Universal Protection Service, LLC
9. Miami Cruise Ship Services, LLC
10. Port of Miami Seaman Center, Inc
11. NRJ Group, LLC

However, none of the tenants chose to participate. With cruising starting on July 1, 2021, eight of our tenants either managed to keep their accounts up to date throughout the no-sail period or brought their accounts up to date shortly after cruising began (companies 1-8 listed above). The three leases with outstanding balances are under the same ownership, Seaman’s Center (companies 9-11 listed above). Collections on the remaining three leases are underway and the seaport expects full payment by close of fiscal year 2022.

Per ordinance No. 14-65, this report shall be placed on the next available Board meeting agenda.

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