

Memorandum



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Supplement to
Agenda Item No. 1(G)1

To: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Daniella Levine Cava 
Mayor

Subject: Fiscal Impact and Social Equity Statements for Ordinance Relating to Overnight Anchoring Regulations

The proposed ordinance creates Section 7-40.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County to adopt overnight anchoring regulations, providing exemptions and for enforcement by civil penalty and other remedies relating to boats and waterways in the incorporated and unincorporated areas. Additionally, it also amends Section 8CC-10 of the Code to update the schedule for civil penalties to conform to said amendments.

Fiscal Impact Statement

The proposed ordinance could have a fiscal impact on the County, as the proposed ordinance will primarily be enforced by the Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office and may also require support from County Code Enforcement Officers to the extent that resources are needed to support enforcement activities. Potential costs may include additional staffing and patrol activity to conduct inspections, vessel documentation, follow-up inspections, recordkeeping, the purchase and maintenance of vessels and equipment, fuel and equipment utilization, and overtime expenses; however, the extent of any such impact cannot be determined at this time. To the extent additional funding is required, enforcement activities conducted by the Miami-Dade Sheriff's Office would likely be supported by the Countywide General Fund, while costs associated with County Code Enforcement activities would likely be supported through Department of Environmental Resources Management (DERM) revenues, subject to available funding and future budgetary actions.

Social Equity Statement

The proposed ordinance could provide a social equity benefit by improving boating safety, reducing congestion on County waterways, protecting environmentally sensitive habitats, reducing the risk of waterway contamination and environmental degradation associated with abandoned and derelict vessels, and enhancing recreational access and quality of life for residents and visitors.



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