

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 3(A)(8)

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

DATE: July 16, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution approving the City of
Miami Beach's codesignation of
that portion of 17th Street
between Washington Avenue and
Alton Road as "Norman Braman
Way"

Resolution No. R-720-25

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Eileen Higgins.



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(Revised)

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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Statement of social equity required
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- ☒ No committee review
- ☐ Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____, majority plus one ____, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3) (h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c) (2) ____) to approve
- ☐ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 3(A)(8)
7-16-25

RESOLUTION NO. _____ R-720-25

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH'S
CODESIGNATION OF THAT PORTION OF 17TH STREET
BETWEEN WASHINGTON AVENUE AND ALTON ROAD AS
"NORMAN BRAMAN WAY"

WHEREAS, Norman Braman ("Braman") was born on August 22, 1932, in West Chester, Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Braman has forged a legacy across South Florida, and specifically in Miami Beach, through a decades-long dedication to philanthropy, civic leadership, healthcare, education, and cultural preservation in the community; and

WHEREAS, notably, Braman has played a pivotal role in the establishment of the Braman Comprehensive Cancer Center at Mount Sinai Medical Center, set to open in 2026, which will provide state-of-the-art cancer care for individuals across the region; and

WHEREAS, Braman is the original founder and former president of the Miami Beach Holocaust Memorial, which preserves the memory of the Holocaust by serving as a place of reflection, education, and remembrance for the Miami Beach community, and facilitates a continued commitment to Holocaust remembrance and education; and

WHEREAS, Braman and his wife, Irma Miller, have been influential patrons of the arts and have been instrumental in bringing world-class cultural events and exhibitions to Miami Beach, including the internationally acclaimed Swiss art fair, Art Basel; and

WHEREAS, in honor of Braman’s leadership and contributions to the community, the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach passed Resolution No. 2025-33643 on April 23, 2025, which codesignated that portion of 17th Street between Washington Avenue and Alton Road as “Norman Braman Way”; and

WHEREAS, a copy of Resolution No. 2025-33643 is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the City of Miami Beach would like for the County to install signage indicating this codesignation on County street signs and traffic signal mast arms; and

WHEREAS, this Board would also like to honor Braman by approving the City of Miami Beach’s codesignation of that portion of 17th Street between Washington Avenue and Alton Road as “Norman Braman Way”; and

WHEREAS, that portion of 17th Street between Washington Avenue and Alton Road is a city road located in the City of Miami Beach; and

WHEREAS, this codesignation is in County Commission District 5,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board:

Section 1. Approves the City of Miami Beach’s codesignation of that portion of 17th Street between Washington Avenue and Alton Road as “Norman Braman Way”.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to send certified copies of this resolution to the Mayor and City Commission of the City of Miami Beach, the United States Postal Service, the Traffic Signals and Signs Division of the Department of Transportation and Public Works, the Development Services Division of the Regulatory and Economic Resources Department, the Miami Beach Police Department, and the Miami Beach Fire Rescue Department.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Eileen Higgins. It was offered by Commissioner **Oliver G. Gilbert, III** , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Eileen Higgins** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman	nay
Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman	aye
Marleine Bastien	aye
Sen. René García	aye
Roberto J. Gonzalez	aye
Danielle Cohen Higgins	aye
Natalie Milian Orbis	aye
Micky Steinberg	aye
Juan Carlos Bermudez	aye
Oliver G. Gilbert, III	aye
Keon Hardemon	absent
Eileen Higgins	aye
Raquel A. Regalado	aye

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 16th day of July, 2025. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.



MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN CLERK

By: **Basia Pruna**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2025-33643

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE, AT ITS JANUARY 29, 2025 MEETING, AND APPROVING, BY 5/7TH VOTE, FOLLOWING A DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING, THE CO-NAMING OF 17TH STREET BETWEEN WASHINGTON AVENUE AND ALTON ROAD AS "NORMAN BRAMAN WAY," SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL OF THE CO-NAMING BY THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2-1, RULE 9.02 OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CODE.

WHEREAS, at the December 11, 2024, City Commission meeting, at the request of Commissioner Alex Fernandez and Commissioner Joseph Magazine, the City Commission referred an agenda item (C4 R) to the PSNQLC to discuss co-naming 17th Street in honor of Norman Braman along with any amendment to Section 82-503 of the City of Miami Beach ("City") Code that may be required to accomplish the co-naming; and

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2025, the Mayor and City Commission adopted an ordinance amending Section 82-503(c) of the City Code to provide for additional criteria for the co-naming of a street in honor of an individual who made lasting and significant contributions to the Miami Beach community through healthcare philanthropy, and arts and culture; and

WHEREAS, Norman Braman, born on August 22, 1932, in West Chester, Pennsylvania, is married to Irma Miller; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Braman has created a legacy in South Florida, not only through his business achievements but also through his deep commitment to enhancing the well-being of others; and

WHEREAS, his leadership and generosity have shaped the cultural, healthcare and civic fabric of Miami Beach and beyond; and

WHEREAS, Norman Braman has played a pivotal role in advancing cancer care in our region; and

WHEREAS, his philanthropic leadership was instrumental in the establishment of the Braman Comprehensive Cancer Center at Mount Sinai Medical Center, which is set to open in 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Braman Comprehensive Cancer Center will provide state-of-the-art, personalized, and comprehensive cancer care for individuals across the region, leaving a lasting impact on the South Florida healthcare system; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Braman has also been key in preserving the memory of the Holocaust in Miami Beach; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Braman is an original founder and former president of the Miami Beach Holocaust Memorial, a place of reflection, education, and remembrance for the community; and

WHEREAS, leadership in establishing the Memorial has helped future generations understand the significance of Holocaust remembrance and the importance of combating intolerance and hatred; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Braman and Ms. Miller have been influential patrons of the arts, with a particular focus on bringing world-class cultural events and exhibitions to Miami Beach; and

WHEREAS, in the early 2000s, they helped bring the Swiss art fair Art Basel – one of the most prestigious contemporary art fairs in the world – to Miami Beach; and

WHEREAS contributions to the arts have solidified Miami Beach as a prominent destination for artistic and cultural innovation; and

WHEREAS, the sponsors respectfully submit that Norman Braman is worthy of consideration for a street co-naming opportunity to mark his contributions as a lifelong philanthropist, civic leader, and champion of healthcare, education and cultural preservation in our community; and

WHEREAS, as 17th Street is a platted, public road, the proposed co-naming must be approved by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners pursuant to Rule 9.02 of Section 2-1 of the Miami-Dade County Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, that the Mayor and City Commission hereby accept the recommendation of the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality and approve, by 5/7th vote, following a duly noticed public hearing, the co-naming of 17th Street between Washington Avenue and Alton Road as "Norman Braman Way," subject to final approval of the co-naming by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners, in accordance with Section 2-1, rule 9.02 of the Miami-Dade County Code.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 23 day of April 2025.


Steven Weiner, Mayor

ATTEST:


Rafael E. Granado, City Clerk

APR 29 2025



(Sponsored by Commissioner Alex J. Fernandez
Co-Sponsored by Commissioner Joseph Magazine)

APPROVED AS TO
FORM & LANGUAGE
& FOR EXECUTION


City Attorney

4/13/2025
Date

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MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Eric Carpenter, City Manager

DATE: April 23, 2025 9:56 a.m. Public Hearing

TITLE: A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE, AT ITS JANUARY 29, 2025 MEETING, AND APPROVING, BY 5/7TH VOTE, FOLLOWING A DULY NOTICED PUBLIC HEARING, THE CO-NAMING OF 17TH STREET BETWEEN WASHINGTON AVENUE AND ALTON ROAD AS "NORMAN BRAMAN WAY," SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL OF THE CO-NAMING BY THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2-1, RULE 9.02 OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CODE.

RECOMMENDATION

The City Administration ("Administration") recommends that the Mayor and City Commission ("City Commission") adopt the Resolution (Attachment A) pursuant to the recommendation of the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee ("PSNQLC" or "Committee").

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

At the December 11, 2024, City Commission meeting, at the request of Commissioner Alex Fernandez and Commissioner Joseph Magazine, the City Commission referred an agenda item (C4 R) to the PSNQLC to discuss co-naming 17 Street in honor of Norman Braman along with any amendment to Section 82-503 of the City of Miami Beach ("City") Code that may be required to accomplish the co-naming.

Norman Braman, born on August 22, 1932, in West Chester, Pennsylvania, is married to Irma Braman. Mr. Braman has created a legacy in South Florida, not only through his business achievements but also through his deep commitment to enhancing the well-being of others. His leadership and generosity have shaped the cultural, healthcare and civic fabric of Miami Beach and beyond.

Norman Braman has played a pivotal role in advancing cancer care in our region. His philanthropic leadership was instrumental in the establishment of the Braman Comprehensive Cancer Center at Mount Sinai Medical Center, which is set to open in 2026. This center will provide state-of-the-art, personalized, and comprehensive cancer care for individuals across the region, leaving a lasting impact on the South Florida healthcare system.

Mr. Braman has also been key in preserving the memory of the Holocaust in Miami Beach. Mr. Braman is an original founder and former president of the Miami Beach Holocaust Memorial, a place of reflection, education, and remembrance for the community. His leadership in establishing the Memorial has helped future generations understand the significance of Holocaust remembrance and the importance of combating intolerance and hatred.

Additionally, Mr. and Mrs. Braman have been influential patrons of the arts, with a particular focus

on bringing world-class cultural events and exhibitions to Miami Beach. In the early 2000s, they helped bring the Swiss art fair Art Basel – one of the most prestigious contemporary art fairs in the world – to Miami Beach. Their contributions to the arts have solidified Miami Beach as a prominent destination for artistic and cultural innovation.

To co-name a City street in honor of Mr. Braman, an individual who has made lasting and significant contributions to the City of Miami Beach community through healthcare philanthropy, and arts and culture, the adoption of the limited, additional co-naming criteria in Section 82-503 of the City Code is required.

The sponsors respectfully submit that Norman Braman is worthy of consideration for a street co-naming opportunity to mark his contributions as a lifelong philanthropist, civic leader, and champion of healthcare, education and cultural preservation in our community.

ANALYSIS

Under existing criteria in Section 82-503 of the City Code, City streets or portions thereof, located in the City may be co-named in honor of: 1) a Miami Beach police officer who died or was killed in the line of duty; 2) a public facility located on the street to be co-named; 3) a private not-for-profit organization with significant historic value to the city and associated with structures which have a significant historical value or architectural significance to the city; 4) a geographic area within the city; 5) a commercial establishment that has been in business in the City of Miami Beach for 100 or more years and which is located on the street to be co-named; 6) a deceased person who served as the spiritual leader of a prominent religious institution in the City of Miami Beach for 35 or more years and resided in the City of Miami Beach (expired on July 1, 2019); 7) a deceased person who is known for their role as a gay-rights pioneer and as one of the first openly LGBTQ people ever elected to public office in the U.S. (expired on May 1, 2022); 8) a deceased historical figure who was instrumental in helping Latin American countries achieve independence from the Spanish Empire (expired on July 1, 2022); 9) a prominent Jewish figure who made significant civic contributions to Jewish history and/or Jewish-related initiatives (expired on September 30, 2022); 10) a deceased Cuban-American artist who made vast contributions to Latin music history and culture (expired January 31, 2023); 11) a deceased photographer who documented the life and residents of Miami Beach (expired March 1, 2023); 12) a deceased spiritual leader of a prominent religious institution in the City of Miami Beach who also made significant civic contributions to the City (shall automatically expire on May 31, 2025); 13) a Grammy-award winning singer, actress, songwriter, author, philanthropist, and businesswoman who made extraordinary contributions to music and culture in the United States and internationally (shall automatically expire on July 31, 2027); 14) a deceased internationally renowned art collector who significantly contributed to the City's arts and culture (shall automatically expire on July 31, 2027); 15) notable women who made significant contributions to the civic and/ or political fabric of Miami Beach (shall automatically expire on July 31, 2027); and 16) a dedicated athlete, world-renowned streak runner, and community icon who made significant contributions to the wellness culture of Miami Beach (shall automatically expire on December 31, 2027).

Whenever a request is made to co-name streets, or portions thereof, in the City, Section 82-503(c)(2) of the City Code requires the sponsor to submit the proposal in writing to an appropriate committee (in this case, PSNQLC), which shall include the following: (1) the street, or portion thereof, to be co-named; (2) the proposed co-name of the street, or portion thereof; (3) the reason for the request; and (4) a factual summary confirming that the proposed person falls under the specific criteria outlined in subsection 82-503(c)(1)(a) of the City Code.

At the January 29, 2025, PSNQLC meeting, the Committee passed a motion recommending that the City Commission adopt an ordinance amending the City Code to include a criterion to allow the co-naming of 17 Street between Washington Avenue and Alton Road as "Norman Braman Way."

At the March 19, 2025, City Commission meeting, the City Commission approved an ordinance (on first reading) amending the City Code to include subsection 82-503(c)(1)(a)(17) – “an individual who made lasting and significant contributions to the Miami Beach community through healthcare philanthropy, and arts and culture.” The Second Reading of the Ordinance is slated for City Commission consideration on April 23, 2025.

The proposal to co-name 17 Street between Washington Avenue and Alton Road as “Norman Braman Way” would fall under the specific criteria outlined in subsection 82-503(c)(1)(a)(17) of the City Code - “an individual who made lasting and significant contributions to the Miami Beach community through healthcare philanthropy, and arts and culture.”

Pursuant to the Miami-Dade County Code, the co-naming/re-naming of public streets in Miami-Dade County, including within incorporated municipalities, requires a Resolution from the local governing body (City Commission) where the street is located. Following City Commission approval, the proposed co-naming would need to be sponsored by a Miami-Dade County Commissioner and approved by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners (“BCC”) via a resolution.

Subsequent to BCC approval, the City’s Transportation and Mobility Department staff will coordinate with Miami-Dade County Department of Transportation and Public Works (“DTPW”) staff on the fabrication and installation of the new street co-name signs.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The cost of fabricating and installing two (2) standard street co-designation signs at the west and east ends of the proposed “Norman Braman Way” (17 Street between Washington Avenue and Alton Road) would be approximately \$500. The sign fabrication and installation work would be performed by DTPW; and the City would reimburse DTPW for the costs incurred. The funding for fabrication and installation of standard street co-designation signage is included within the Transportation and Mobility Department’s Operating Budget.

Does this Ordinance require a Business Impact Estimate? (FOR ORDINANCES ONLY)

If applicable, the Business Impact Estimate (BIE) was published on:
See BIE at: <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/city-clerk/meeting-notice/>

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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CONCLUSION

Should the City Commission accept the recommendation of the PSNQLC and approve by 5/7th vote, following a duly noticed public hearing, a Resolution approving the co-naming of 17 Street between Washington Avenue and Alton Road as “Norman Braman Way”, and subject to final approval of the street co-naming by the BCC, the Administration will coordinate with DTPW on the manufacturing and installation of the new street co-designation signs.

Applicable Area

South Beach

**Is this a "Residents Right to Know" item,
pursuant to City Code Section 2-17?**

Yes

**Is this item related to a G.O. Bond
Project?**

No

**Was this Agenda Item initially requested by a lobbyist which, as defined in Code Sec. 2-481,
includes a principal engaged in lobbying?** No

If so, specify the name of lobbyist(s) and principal(s):

Department

Transportation and Mobility

Sponsor(s)

Commissioner Alex Fernandez

Co-sponsor(s)

Commissioner Joseph Magazine

Condensed Title

9:56 a.m. PH, Accept Rec/Co-Name 17th Street - "Norman Braman Way."
(Fernandez/Magazine) TR 5/7

Previous Action (For City Clerk Use Only)

MIAMI BEACH

COMMISSION MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Commissioner Alex Fernandez
Commissioner Joseph Magazine

DATE: December 11, 2024

TITLE: REFERRAL TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY AND NEIGHBORHOOD QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER CO-NAMING 17TH STREET IN HONOR NORMAN BRAMAN.

RECOMMENDATION

BACKGROUND/HISTORY

ANALYSIS

Please place on the December 11, 2024 agenda a referral to the Public Safety and Neighborhood Quality of Life Committee ("PSNQLC") from Commissioners Alex J. Fernandez and Joseph Magazine to consider the co-naming of 17th Street, in honor of Norman Braman, along with any amendment to Section 82-503 of the City Code that may be required to accomplish the naming.

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Ref. PSNQLC: Co-naming 17th Street in Honor of Norman Braman. (Fernandez/Magazine) CA