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## **Miami Beach Public Works Department Achieves Reaccreditation**

*— The city is one of only 24 municipalities in Florida that hold accreditation through the American Public Works Association —*

**Miami Beach, FL** – The Miami Beach Public Works Department has earned reaccreditation through the American Public Works Association following a two-day comprehensive assessment of its management practices by a team of impartial industry experts.

“Miami Beach residents are fortunate to have a Public Works Department that meets the highest standards of excellence anywhere in the United States and Canada,” Miami Beach City Manager Alina T. Hudak shared.

The on-site audit, which was conducted on Aug. 15-16, included a thorough evaluation of department operations, policies and preemptive measures with a focus on nearly 500 best practice guidelines established by the Missouri-based American Public Works Association.

The four-year accreditation covers key services like stormwater and flood management, risk and emergency protocols, right-of-way practices, street cleaning and recycling methods, landscaping operations, planning and development, communications disciplines and wastewater conveyance among others.

“The Miami Beach Public Works Department was found to be in 100% compliance with the accreditation standards,” Hudak added. “We are very proud to have received what is essentially a perfect score.”

Miami Beach became the first South Florida municipality to obtain accreditation in 2007 and is one of only 194 municipalities in North America that currently hold accreditation through the organization, which has 30,000 members around the world.

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