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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Mayor and City Commission  
**FROM:** Mark Antonio, City Manager  
**VIA:** David Scott, Director of Public Works  
**DATE:** Tuesday, May 16, 2023  
**RE:** Ordinance No 2023-XX (First Reading) Sediment and Erosion Control Enforcement

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The City of North Miami Beach is proposing an amendment of Chapter XVII Streets and Sidewalks of the Code of Ordinances of the City Of North Miami Beach, Florida, to establish soil erosion and sedimentation control as an ongoing priority and shall establish soil erosion and sedimentation control enforcement.

Sediment that erodes from exposed areas accumulates in lakes, natural watercourses, and on adjoining properties. When sediment travels into water bodies, it can harm aquatic life, increase turbidity, and restrict the amount of sunlight reaching aquatic plants, endangering water resources by reducing water quality and causing the siltation of aquatic habitat for fish and other desirable species; and can also decrease the storage volume of water bodies and clog sewer storm drains which can increase the potential of flooding.

Consistent with the City's Strategic Plan this proposed section provides the enforcement that ensures that all landowners, occupants, developers, contractors, and subcontractors shall follow sound conservation and engineering practices to prevent soil erosion and resulting sedimentation in any drainage structure, lake or watercourse.