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OWNER'S UPDATE OCTAGON TOWERS CONDOMINIUM

- The modernization of the Elevator is still in the permitting phase.
- The Fire sprinkler system installation is progressing. The 12th floor is now undergoing, and should be completed by May 31st, 2024. The 11th floor work will start right after.
- The building has received the new fire pump to be installed but it is not scheduled yet as it involves additional work in relation to the new generator installation mandated by the Authorities Having Jurisdiction.
- Ficus hedges were treated on May 15th, 2024, against white fly. We will continue to push the landscape company to keep those treatments plus fertilizations on a regular basis. We can already see huge improvement on the leaf's growth, but the east side is behind compared to the west side of the property. A new trimming will be scheduled in a few weeks.
- The access control and camera upgrades should start as soon as the permitting phase is over. We are still not ready to install these.
- The Board has evaluated options to urgently address the geothermal pump issue. One of the pumps had a hole due to heavy internal corrosion. This is due to the water pumped out from the intake well that is loaded with salt. This pump will be replaced with a more robust Stainless-Steel pump while the one is refurbished before failing. The Board is also looking into long-term solutions to improve the longevity of the equipment.
- An engineer has been selected by the Board to assess the roof structure and find the best material to redo the entire roof. Once this evaluation is completed, the association will gather bids and select a contractor to proceed with this project.
- All the damaged car stops/bumpers in the parking lot have been replaced. The others are undergoing painting. A few of them remain to be done.
- The new entrance gate has been delivered and should be installed soon.
- A notice of availability of the Audited Financial Statement for the year 2023 has been mailed out to all owners. You can ask for a copy to the management or retrieve it on the owner's portal. <https://sites.vertilinc.com/octagontowers/>
- Please find below a reminder regarding trash disposal: Refuse/bagged garbage shall be deposited only in the trash chute, or in the containers provided in the trash room. In this regard, all refuse must be in sealed bags. -Cardboard boxes or any size, wire hangers, newspapers, and



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- Please arrange for a pickup or dispose of your bulk trash with the city of Miami Beach, the information can be find here: <https://www.miamibeachfl.gov/city-hall/public-works/sanitation-division/bulk-disposal/> -Recycle all glass, plastic containers and newspapers in order to keep our sanitation costs down. Recycling bins are in the trash room.
- All household garbage must be placed in sealed plastic bags that can fit easily into the trash chute openings. **RULES WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.**
- We also remind you that the owner's portal provides information accessible to you, certificate of insurance requests for lenders, approved meeting minutes, governing documents, ... Please use the following link: <https://sites.vertinc.com/octagontowers/>


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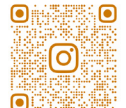
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