

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Heat exercises 3rd-year option on Adebayo

From Miami Herald Staff, Wires

Bam Adebayo was a part of the Heat’s future plans entering this off-season.

Wednesday’s move was just confirmation of that, with the Heat announcing it has exercised the \$3.5 million third-year team option on Adebayo’s contract for the 2019-20 season. The 21-year-old big man was already under contract for this upcoming season, as he’s set to make \$3 million in 2018-19.

By exercising Adebayo’s third-year team option, Miami also gives itself the power to retain his rights for the following two seasons. The Heat will have a \$5.1 million team option on Adebayo for the 2020-21 season and can make him a restricted free agent with a qualifying offer for the 2021-22 season.

Adebayo, who was drafted by Miami with the 14th overall pick in 2017, is coming off a solid rookie season.

He averaged 6.9 points, 5.5 rebounds and 1.5 assists in 19.8 minutes in 69 games (19 starts) last season, and also played in the Heat’s five playoff games with averages of 3.4 points and 4.0 rebounds in 15.4 minutes.

As a member of the Heat’s summer league team in July, Adebayo averaged 12.3 points and 11.3 rebounds in three games as part of the Sacramento circuit and 16.5 points and 6.5 rebounds in Las Vegas.

With centers **Hassan Whiteside** and **Kelly Olynyk** on the Heat’s roster, the 6-10, 255-pound Adebayo is expected to be used in a bench role again. While he did log some minutes at power forward last year, he spent most of his time at center.

One way to get Adebayo more minutes as part of a crowded frontcourt is to play him alongside Whiteside or Olynyk.

Adebayo logged 52 minutes next to Whiteside last season, but the results weren’t encouraging as the Heat was outscored by 21 points in that time. Adebayo and Olynyk were effective together, though, with the Heat outscoring opponents by 96 points in the 477 minutes they played together.

— ANTHONY CHIANG

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- **NBA:** Thunder All-Star guard **Russell Westbrook** underwent an arthroscopic procedure on his right knee on Wednesday, putting his availability for the season opener against the Golden State Warriors in doubt. The team says Westbrook decided after suffering from inflammation in the knee this past weekend that he’d have the procedure. He’ll be re-evaluated in approximately four weeks, close to the season opener at Golden State on Oct. 16.
- **NHL:** Predators forward Austin Watson has been suspended without pay for the entire presea-



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Bam Adebayo averaged 6.9 points, 5.5 rebounds and 1.5 assists last season,

son and first 27 games of the regular season for domestic abuse.

Commissioner Gary Bettman handed down the suspension Wednesday after an investigation and a hearing with Watson last week. Watson pleaded no contest in July to a charge of domestic assault stemming from an incident in June, and the NHL found Watson engaged in unacceptable off-ice conduct.

- **Soccer:** Tyler Adams showed he might be able to help when the rebuilding U.S. soccer team resumes competitive matches next June. So did **Antonee Robinson** and goalkeeper **Zack Steffen**.

Adams scored his first international goal, four minutes after Angel Zaldivar was ejected for a studs-up tackle, and the United States rebounded from a poor first half for a 1-0 victory over Mexico late Tuesday night and their first win over El Tri in three years. A 19-year-old who made his national team debut last November, Adams scored after **Kellyn Acosta** passed to a sprinting **Antonee Robinson** on the left flank.

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Have you seen any of the training and workout videos he posts on social media? At 36 (37 in January), he seems in excellent shape. No evidence of sloth, of coasting.

There is a Heat roster spot waiting for Wade, along with a one-year, \$5.3 million contract, the luxury-tax exception. Miami has made clear it wants him back. Wade has made clear it will be Heat-or-retire — no golden parachute in China, no flight west to join LeBron in L.A. “Heat only,” he said recently.

I believe quite strongly Wade will return for another season.

Why the delay then? Wade enjoys the suspense, the growing attention on his decision.

I am also told by representatives of the club and of the player that Wade being comfortable with his role is critical. He returned last midseason in a bench role, a reserve in all 21 games. He also came off the bench in all five play-offs games. (It would have been four playoff games, but Wade scored 28 points in 26 minutes to give Miami its only postseason win, reminding us what he still is capable of — at least in bursts).

I have not been told Wade would demand to start. But does he see himself good for more than 25 minutes a game? He mentioned recently that he embraces a mentor’s role for the club’s many young guys still developing, “but you also want to play,” he added. A significant addendum, I thought.

Wade cannot lose with whichever decision he makes.

Returning to the Heat would make it a 2018-19 Adulation Tour, league-wide, not just in Miami. His Li-Ning shoe brand in China also is better grown with him as an active NBA player. And it would be a final season (likely) with his brother Udonis Haslem, the Heat Lifer who just re-signed for a 16th season.

If Wade retires, he heads

straight for the Basketball Hall of Fame. And he enjoys more time with his wife Gabrielle Union, the actress, and their kids, the eldest of whom plays high school ball now.

His health, a wonderful family, nothing left to prove professionally — that makes for an enviable situation, a no-lose decision.

I do understand fans getting antsy, though.

Club president Pat Riley originally said he hoped for a Wade decision by mid-August. When that came and went he called Labor Day “sort of the drop-dead date for players.” That was Sept. 3.

My prediction? Wade makes his decision in time to appear at the team’s annual preseason Media Day on Sept. 24. After that it starts in a flurry. A week’s training camp, then the first preseason game Sept. 30,



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If Dwyane Wade plays this year, it’ll be for the Heat.

and then the real season commencing Oct. 17.

Meanwhile Miami fans wait to know if they’ll have Dwyane Wade for another season, or if it will be thanks for the memories, for the greatest professional sports career we’ve seen down here.

That’s no-lose for us, too.

ON THE AIR

AUTO RACING	TIME	TV
F1: Practice for Singapore Grand Prix (Fri.)	4:25 a.m.	ESPN2
BASEBALL	TIME	TV
MLB: Marlins @ Mets	7:10 p.m.	FSFL
MLB: Dodgers @ Cardinals	7:15 p.m.	MLBN
MLB: Mariners @ Angels	10 p.m.	MLBN
BOXING	TIME	TV
Super lightweights: Cano-Madiev	8 p.m.	ESPN2
EQUESTRIAN	TIME	TV
FEI: World Games (T)	7 p.m.	NBCSN
FOOTBALL	TIME	TV
NCAA: Boston College @ Wake Forest	7:30 p.m.	ESPN
NFL: Ravens @ Bengals	8:30 p.m.	NFLN
GOLF	TIME	TV
LPGA: Evian Championship	5 a.m.	GOLF
LPGA: Evian Championship	9:30 a.m.	GOLF
European: KLM Open	12:30 p.m.	GOLF
Web.com: Boise Open	6 p.m.	GOLF
Asian: Shinhan Open	10 p.m.	GOLF
SOCCER	TIME	TV
Women: Michigan @ Indiana	6 p.m.	B10N
Women: Kentucky @ Missouri	7 p.m.	SECN
Mexico: Zacatepec-Atlas	7:55 p.m.	UNID
Women: Michigan State @ Purdue	8 p.m.	B10N
Women: Oklahoma @ Utah	9 p.m.	P12N

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MLB: Marlins @ Mets, 7:10 p.m., WINZ 940; WAQI 710

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PUBLIC HEARING

The Governing Board of the Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), in its role as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Miami Urbanized Area will hold a public hearing on **Thursday, September 27, 2018 at 3:30 p.m.** in the County Commission Chambers, Stephen P. Clark Center, 111 NW First Street, Miami, Florida, for the purpose of considering the following:

- 1. Fiscal Year 2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment: Inclusion of Roadway Widening Project at West Dixie Highway**
The amendment to the FY 2019 TIP will include as Priority I a widening of West Dixie Highway from NE 163rd Street to NE 175th Street from two to four lanes.
- 2. Fiscal Year 2019 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment: Roll-Forward Projects**
This amendment will add project phases to the 2019 TIP that were originally scheduled in the 2018 TIP for authorization in the State fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. Since these phases were not obligated by June 30, 2018, they need to be included in the FY 2019-2023 TIP. These roll forward projects have been included into the recently approved FY 2019 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).
- 3. Fiscal Year 2019 Transportation: Addition of Intersection Improvement Project, FM #429186-5**
This amendment will add a safety project at State Road (SR) 817/NW 27th Avenue at 1,224 feet North of NW 191st Street, which will include the installation of a traffic signal, crosswalks and countdown pedestrian signals.

All interested parties are invited to attend. For copies of the LRTP, TIP, UPWP and/or further information, please contact the TPO, Stephen P. Clark Center, 111 NW First Street, Suite 920, Miami, Florida 33128, phone: (305) 375-4507; e-mail: tpo@miamidadetpo.org; website: www.miamidadetpo.org. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact the TPO at (305) 375-4507 at least seven days prior to the meeting.

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TOWN OF CUTLER BAY NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TOWN’S LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Council of the Town of Cutler Bay, Florida, will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.**, or as soon thereafter as possible, in the Town Hall Council Chambers, 10720 Caribbean Boulevard, Cutler Bay, Florida, to consider the adoption of the Ordinance described below:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CUTLER BAY, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 3 OF THE TOWN CODE, “LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS,” BY CREATING A SECTION 3-18, “ENCLOSED USES” TO PROVIDE REGULATIONS FOR SUCH USES; AMENDING SECTION 3-33, “SITE PLAN APPLICATION” RELATING TO APPLICATIONS WITHIN THE TOWN CENTER DISTRICT AND CONSTRUCTION OF SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCES; AMENDING SECTION 3-113.5, “REQUIRED SIGNAGE” RELATING TO ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES AND GROUP HOMES; AMENDING SECTION 3-158, “SHEDS” RELATING TO REGULATION OF SUCH STRUCTURES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Town Council may continue or defer the hearing to a new date and time certain without further notice provided the date and time of the continuance or deferral is announced at the hearing. The Ordinance in its entirety may be inspected at the Office of the Town Clerk during regular business hours.

Persons wishing to appeal any decisions made by the Town Council with respect to any mater considered at such hearing will need a record of the proceeding and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based (F.S. 286.0105).

Any and all interested parties may appear at the above meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed items.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), persons needing special accommodations to participate in these proceedings should contact the Town Clerk’s Office for assistance at (305) 234-4262, no later than four (4) business days prior to such proceeding.

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Town Clerk