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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(3)

TO:	Honorable Vice Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson and Members, Board of County Commissioners	**DATE:**	December 4, 2012
FROM:	R. A. Cuevas, Jr. County Attorney	**SUBJECT:**	Resolution directing the Mayor to include projections for increased funding based on voter approval of straw ballot for improved animal services programs in Strategic Plan for No Kill shelter Resolution No. R-1050-12

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz.

for R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

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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**

_____ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing**

_____ **No committee review**

_____ **Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous _____) to approve**

_____ **Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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12-4-12

RESOLUTION NO. R-1050-12

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO INCLUDE PROJECTIONS FOR INCREASED FUNDING BASED ON VOTER APPROVAL OF STRAW BALLOT FOR IMPROVED ANIMAL SERVICES PROGRAMS IN STRATEGIC PLAN FOR NO KILL SHELTER

WHEREAS, saving the lives of animals, identifying and eliminating animal neglect and abuse, and protecting public safety in Miami-Dade County are compatible interests; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. R-583-12, adopted June 6, 2012, this Board directed the Mayor or his designee to develop and implement a financially feasible, actionable No Kill Implementation Plan, with measurable goals and due dates, to achieve a 90% save rate at the County's Animal Shelter; and

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. R-647-12, this Board approved a straw ballot asking the electors of Miami-Dade County whether they would be in favor of this Board "increasing the countywide general fund millage by 0.1079 mills and applying the additional ad valorem tax revenues generated thereby to fund improved animal services, including decreasing the killing of adoptable dogs and cats . . . ; reducing stray cat populations . . . ; and funding free and low-cost spay/neuter programs, low-cost veterinary care programs, and responsible pet ownership educational programs"; and

WHEREAS, in the November 6, 2012 General Election, the voters of Miami-Dade County overwhelmingly voted "yes" on the straw ballot question, with approximately 64% voting in favor of increased funding for improved animal services programs; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to better understand how additional funding would improve the No Kill Implementation Plan that the administration is currently preparing, so as to be better informed in its preparation of the budget for the next fiscal year,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board hereby directs the Mayor or designee, in preparing the No Kill Implementation Plan called for by Resolution No. R-583-12, to consider the availability of additional funding for improved animal services in an amount equivalent to 0.1079 mills, as approved by the voters in response to the non-binding straw ballot on the November 6, 2012 general election.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz. The foregoing was offered by Commissioner **José "Pepe" Diaz** ,who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Sally A. Heyman** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman			**aye**
Bruno A. Barreiro	**nay**	Lynda Bell	**absent**
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	**absent**	Jose "Pepe" Diaz	**aye**
Sally A. Heyman	**aye**	Barbara J. Jordan	**aye**
Jean Monestime	**aye**	Dennis C. Moss	**aye**
Rebeca Sosa	**aye**	Sen. Javier D. Souto	**absent**
Xavier L. Suarez	**aye**	Juan C. Zapata	**aye**

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 4th day of December, 2012. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

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

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: Christopher Agrippa
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

Dennis A. Kerbel