

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 10(A)(4)

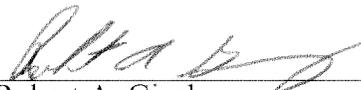
TO: Hon. Chairperson and Members
Board of County Commissioners

DATE: May 6, 2003

FROM: Robert A. Ginsburg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing County
Manager not to accept any
applications for enterprise zone
ad valorem tax exemptions for
businesses at Miami
International Airport

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Rebeca Sosa and Commissioner Katy Sorenson.


Robert A. Ginsburg
County Attorney

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Please note any items checked.

- "4-Day Rule" ("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
- Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- No committee review

Approved _____ Mayor

Veto _____

Override _____

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5-6-03

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER NOT TO ACCEPT ANY APPLICATIONS FOR ENTERPRISE ZONE AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR BUSINESSES LOCATED AT OR LOCATING TO THE MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TERMINALS; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE ENTERPRISE ZONE

WHEREAS, this Board recognized the need to stimulate economic development in certain areas of Miami-Dade County which are economically depressed, where housing and structural conditions are blighted and deteriorated, and where unemployment and poverty are prevalent, said areas being designated "Enterprise Zones" as defined in Section 196.012 and Section 290.004, Florida Statutes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article VII, Section 3 of the Florida Constitution, the State has enacted Section 196.1995, Florida Statutes, providing a local government option for ad valorem tax exemption to new businesses and expansions of existing businesses in each such Enterprise Zone; and

WHEREAS, this Board authorized Enterprise Zone Ad Valorem Tax Exemptions to new businesses and for the expansion of existing businesses located in the Enterprise Zone through Ordinance No. 96-74, enacted on May 21, 1996; and

WHEREAS, this Board desired to encourage economic growth and development and alleviate the conditions of unemployment, economic disinvestments and poverty by giving businesses a financial incentive to locate in areas where they might not otherwise locate; and

WHEREAS, Miami International Airport is the single most important economic engine in the County; and

WHEREAS, there is always an abundance of businesses wanting to locate within the airport terminals and therefore there is no need to financially encourage businesses to locate within the airport; and

WHEREAS, granting any Ad Valorem Tax Exemption to businesses locating to the airport would result in an unnecessary loss of revenue to the County in this time of economic distress,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. This Board directs the County Manager not to accept any applications for ad valorem tax exemptions for any businesses located at or locating to Miami International Airport terminals.

Section 2. This Board directs that no application for ad valorem tax exemption shall be granted to any business located at or locating to Miami International Airport terminals.

Section 3. The County Manager is directed to conduct a feasibility study to determine whether it is feasible to remove the Miami International Airport Terminal area from the Enterprise Zone designation and if so, identify qualified areas of equal size that could be added to the Enterprise Zone to replace the Miami International Airport Terminal area. The County Manager shall report his findings to this Board along with recommendations for qualified replacement areas.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Rebeca Sosa and
Commissioner Katy Sorenson and offered by Commissioner _____,
who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by
Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as
follows:

Bruno A. Barreiro
Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Sally A. Heyman
Jimmy L. Morales
Dorrin D. Rolle
Katy Sorenson

Dr. Barbara M. Carey-Shuler
Betty T. Ferguson
Joe A. Martinez
Dennis C. Moss
Natacha Seijas
Rebeca Sosa

Senator Javier D. Souto

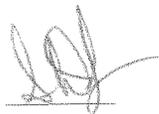
The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 6th day of
May, 2003. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption
unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this
Board.

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

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Shannon D. Summerset

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