MEMORANDUM

CEERC
Agenda Item No. 2(C)

TO: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: January 16, 2007

FROM: Murray A. Greenberg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing County Manager to explore viability of creating a dedicated funding source to support an Employer Assisted Housing Program

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Vice-Chairwoman Barbara J. Jordan.

Murray A. Greenberg
County Attorney

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MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: February 6, 2007

FROM: Murray A. Greenberg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No.

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 Agenda Item No.
Veto _____
Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXPLORE THE VIABILITY OF CREATING A DEDICATED FUNDING SOURCE TO SUPPORT AN EMPLOYER ASSISTED HOUSING PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES INCENTIVES TO EMPLOYERS OR DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO EMPLOYEES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, the Board adopted Resolution No. R-588-06, as amended by Resolution No. R-1176-06, that created the Community Affordable Housing Strategies Alliance Taskforce ("CAHSA"); and

WHEREAS, the CAHSA has been charged by the Board to perform certain functions to address the housing crisis in Miami-Dade County as it relates to households whose income is up to 140 percent of the area median income in Miami-Dade County; and to develop innovative solutions to address this housing crisis; and

WHEREAS, the CAHSA has been further charged by the Board to make final findings and recommendations to the Board regarding the measures to address the present housing crisis in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, prior to making its final findings and recommendation to the Board, CAHSA was required to transmit a preliminary report; and

WHEREAS, the CAHSA submitted its preliminary report, which includes findings and recommendations, to the Board on November 27, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the CAHSA recommends that the County should explore the viability of creating a dedicated funding source, such as Community Districts or General Revenues, to support an Employer Assisted Housing (EAH) program that provides incentives to employers or direct assistance to employees; and

WHEREAS, the CAHSA further recommends that the County should use some of the fees Enterprise Zones collect from equipment and shop taxes for an EAH program; and

WHEREAS, this Board desires to consider these recommendations,

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

Section 1. The County Manager is directed to explore the viability of creating a dedicated funding source, such as Community Districts, General Revenues and/or the fees collected by Enterprise Zones from equipment and shop taxes, to support an EAH program that provides incentives to the employers or direct assistance to employees as recommended by CAHSA.

Section 2. The County Manager to submit a report to the Board with the results of this exploration and study within sixty (60) days from the date of this resolution.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Vice-Chairwoman Barbara J. Jordan 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, Chairman
Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman

Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Carlos A. Gimenez
Joe A. Martinez
Dorrin D. Rolle
Katy Sorenson
Sen. Javier D. Souto
Audrey M. Edmonson
Sally A. Heyman
Dennis C. Moss
Natacha Seijas
Rebeca Sosa

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 6th day of February, 2007. 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.

Terrence A. Smith

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