

Memorandum



Date: June 12, 2007

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

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

Subject: Resolution Authorizing a Memorandum of Agreement with the Downtown Development Authority for Landscape Improvements of Downtown I-95 On and Off Ramps.

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Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board approve the attached resolution authorizing a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) for the Community Image Advisory Board (CIAB) landscape improvement project on four (4) of the Downtown I-95 on and off ramps, located at N.W. 3rd Avenue, N.W. 3rd Court, Biscayne Boulevard/S.E. 2 Avenue, and Miami Avenue.

Scope

This item impacts Downtown Miami along I-95, contained in Districts 3 and 5.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

The total project cost is \$170,000. The DDA is contributing \$100,000 for the purchase of plant material and reimbursement of project costs. The Miami-Dade CIAB will be contributing \$70,000 for the landscape design, permitting plans, and project installation.

Track Record/Monitor

The Downtown Development Authority and the City of Miami have performed well on similar improvement projects in their areas. Alyce Robertson, Community Image Manager, Office of Community Image, and David Cardenas, Chief of Right-of-Way Aesthetic and Asset management Division, Public Works Department, are responsible for monitoring the MOA.

Background

In an effort to improve aesthetics and enhance transportation corridors in Downtown Miami that enrich the quality of life for residents and the appearance of the community for visitors, the CIAB approached the DDA regarding their projects Downtown. Both parties have agreed that the interstate entrances into the Downtown area serve as Gateways into the core of a significant tourist attraction and need to be more visually appealing. As a result, the attached MOA states that the County and the DDA will partner on landscaping and improving four of the major I-95 on and off ramps at N.W. 3rd Avenue, N.W. 3rd Court, Biscayne Boulevard/S.E. 2 Avenue, and Miami Avenue. In the interest of aesthetic and visual continuity, the landscaping improvements will include the installation of shrubs and herbaceous material similar to other recent CIAB projects in the Downtown area. The DDA has agreed to assume responsibility of maintaining the project areas once the project is completed. The project is expected to be completed by September 30, 2007.


Assistant County Manager



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: July 10, 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 ACCEPTING A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR EXPENDITURE OF \$170,000 FOR A LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT ON FOUR (4) DOWNTOWN I-95 ON AND OFF RAMPS AT N.W. 3RD AVENUE, N.W. 3RD COURT, BISCAYNE BOULEVARD/S.E. 2 AVENUE, AND MIAMI AVENUE

WHEREAS, Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board hereby approves the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), in substantially the same form attached hereto, between Miami-Dade County and the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) for a \$170,000 Community Image Advisory Board (CIAB) landscape improvement project on four (4) of the Downtown I-95 on and off ramps, located at N.W. 3rd Avenue, N.W. 3rd Court, Biscayne Boulevard/S.E. 2 Avenue, and Miami Avenue; authorizing the Miami-Dade Community Image Advisory Board (CIAB) to expend \$70,000 for the Project; and accepting the DDA contribution of \$100,000 for the purchase of plant material and reimbursement of Project costs; authorizing the Mayor or his designee to execute this MOA and to accept additional funds that may become available for this Project; and authorizing the Mayor or his designee to exercise the provisions contained in the MOA.

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The foregoing resolution was 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	Audrey M. Edmonson
Carlos A. Gimenez	Sally A. Heyman
Joe A. Martinez	Dennis C. Moss
Dorrin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 10th day of July, 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.



Thomas Goldstein

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This **MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT** made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 2007, by and between the **DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**, an independent City of Miami Agency, hereinafter referred to as the "**DDA**", and **MIAMI-DADE COUNTY**, a political subdivision of the STATE OF FLORIDA, hereinafter referred to as the "**COUNTY**".

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, the **DDA** and **COUNTY** are working on aesthetic enhancement projects in downtown Miami that enrich the quality of life for residents and visual impact for visitors, and

WHEREAS, both parties herein wish to conduct a landscape project on the downtown "on/off ramps" of I-95 at NW 3rd Avenue, NW 3rd Court, and SW 2nd Avenue to Biscayne Boulevard, and Miami Avenue, hereinafter referred to as the "Project."

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and the covenants contained herein, the parties agree:

1. The **DDA** shall provide \$100,000 for the Project and the **COUNTY** through the Community Image Advisory Board shall provide \$70,000. The total Project budget is \$170,000.
2. The **DDA** will procure consultant landscape architects to design the Project. The **DDA** and the **COUNTY** will work jointly to complete the landscape plans for the Project.
3. The **COUNTY** will utilize **COUNTY** staff or select a qualified contractor through a competitive bidding process to implement the Project.
4. The **DDA** shall identify and obtain all necessary permits to perform the work at the Project location, in accordance with applicable State, Federal, and local laws and

- ordinances, and shall not commence the work described herein until all necessary permits have been obtained.
5. The **COUNTY** shall contact Sunshine One to locate utilities within the Project limits at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to any landscape installation activities.
 6. During the Project construction phase, the **DDA** shall submit a lump sum disbursement to the **COUNTY** for the purchase of plant material and reimbursement of Project costs to be used within the Project limits upon submittal of the bid proposal from contractor or other similar documentation.
 7. After completion of the Project, the **DDA**, at its sole cost and expense, shall be responsible for the administration and maintenance of the Project area. There shall be twenty-four (24) maintenance cycles per year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused these presents to be executed the day and year first above written.

**DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY**

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

By: _____
Executive Director

By: _____
County Mayor or his designee

ATTEST: _____
Notary Public (SEAL)

ATTEST: _____
County Clerk (SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM

By: _____
City Attorney

By: _____
County Attorney

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