Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: September 18, 2007

Agenda Item No. 3(O)(10)(A)

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

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

Subject: Resolution Authorizing Application for U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Florida Domestic Security Strategy Grants

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Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners approve the attached resolution authorizing the County Mayor or his designee to apply for, receive, accept, and expend grant funds for homeland security and all-hazards response as identified in the National Preparedness Goal, the Florida's Domestic Security Strategy and the Miami-Dade County Homeland Security Briefing Book. This resolution additionally authorizes the County Mayor to accept modifications to agreements, sub-awards and execute amendments to such agreements.

Scope

This resolution addresses countywide projects funded from the U.S. Homeland Security Grant Program. The Homeland Security related grant funds that are being applied for can come from a number of different programs including the Urban Areas Security Initiative, State Homeland Security Grant Program, Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program, Metropolitan Medical Response System, Citizen Corps Program, and Citizens Emergency Response Team. Other programs also included are, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, Assistance to Firefighter Grants, Fire Prevention & Safety Grants, Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response Grants, and the National Urban Search & Rescue Response System.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

Since FY 2003 to the present, the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department (MDFR) and/or the Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (OEMHS) has received approximately $35 million in federal funds from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, and approximately $27.1 million in State Homeland Security Grant Program funds from the State of Florida. Funding amounts will be annually based upon federal appropriations approval. These grants do not require any matching funds. This request mirrors the process for the blanket Local Mitigation Strategy grant program that was approved by the board in resolution R-710-05.

Track Record/Monitor

All awards will be tracked and monitored by the MDFR Grants Management Bureau for consistency with applicable OMB Circulars, audit requirements and award directives.

Background

Since 2003, the County has been the recipient of Homeland Security funds passed through federal, state and local awards. The core mission of the federal government, in collaboration with the state government is to enhance the ability of state, local, and tribal governments to prepare, prevent, and respond to natural disasters and terrorist attacks. The Homeland

Security Grant Program is a primary funding mechanism for building and sustaining national preparedness capabilities. These grants fund a range of preparedness activities, including planning, organization, equipment purchase, training, exercise and management and administrative costs.

This resolution can be applied as a blanket authorization for the County to accept grant awards from the Department of Homeland Security. Approval of this resolution will streamline the complete grants process and avail the County of additional funding opportunities for projects or programs already identified as a homeland security need.

Assistant County Manager

MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

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

DATE: September 18, 2007

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr. County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 3(O)(10)(A)

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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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO APPLY FOR, RECEIVE, ACCEPT, MODIFY, EXPEND AND AMEND GRANT FUNDS FOR HOMELAND SECURITY PROJECTS AS IDENTIFIED IN THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY HOMELAND SECURITY BRIEFING BOOK AND THE NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS GOAL, AND THE FLORIDA DOMESTIC SECURITY STRATEGY

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security developed the National Preparedness Goal (NPG) that established a vision for a National Preparedness System, which includes the National Planning Scenarios (NPS), Universal Task List (UTL), Target Capabilities List (TLC), seven National Priorities; and

WHEREAS, the state of Florida developed a statewide, multidisciplinary plan for domestic security known as the Florida Domestic Security Strategy as a key of the State's Homeland Security Program; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Domestic Security Strategy is implemented via the Regional Domestic Security Task Force under Florida Statute 943.0312; and

WHEREAS, this 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 authorizes the County Mayor or his designee to apply for, receive, and expend and amend applications identified in the Miami-Dade County Homeland Security Briefing Book and in the National Preparedness Goal and Florida's Domestic Security Strategy; and authorizes the County Mayor or his designee to receive and expend grant funds, execute such contracts and agreements as required by grant guidelines or to further the purpose described in the funding request; following approval by the County Attorney's Office; to expend any and all monies received for the purposes described in the funding request; to apply for, receive and expend future funds should they become available through this federal and/or state program; to file and execute any necessary amendments to the application for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County; and to exercise amendments, modifications, renewal, cancellation and termination clauses of any resulting contracts and agreements on behalf of Miami-Dade County.

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
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 18th day of September, 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

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Dave Murray