Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: December 4, 2007

Agenda Item No. 12(A)(2)

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

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

Subject: Resolution Awarding Safe Neighborhood Parks Discretionary and Pre-Agreement Land Acquisition Funds

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) adopt the attached resolution, allocating $1,400,000 in Safe Neighborhood Parks (SNP) Discretionary Funds and $613,000 in SNP Pre-Agreement Land Acquisition Funds to specific public agencies and not-for-profit organizations, and authorizing the County Manager to negotiate and execute in an expedited manner grant agreements with the subject agencies.

SCOPE

The scope of this agenda item is Countywide as Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond Program funds are recommended for award to municipal and not-for-profit grantees.

FISCAL IMPACT/FUNDING SOURCE

Funding is provided by the Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond Program authorized under County Ordinance 96-115, including available interest earned.

TRACK/RECORD MONITOR

The Office of Safe Neighborhood Parks, now merged with the Office of Capital Improvements, is responsible for monitoring and tracking the distribution and reimbursement of all Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond Program funds. The responsible party for monitoring the SNP Bond Program is Marcia Martin of the Office of Capital Improvements (OCI).

BACKGROUND

On July 16, 1996, the Board approved Ordinance No. 96-115 which authorizes issuance, subject to approval by special election, $200 million in general obligation bonds for park projects; establishes a Citizens' Oversight Committee and empowers it to administer the bond program; and designates entities and projects eligible for bond funding. At the November 5, 1996 Special Election, 67% of those voting approved the bond program.

On May 6, 1997, the Board appointed the Citizens' Oversight Committee. In May 2007, consistent with SNP Oversight Committee Resolution R-1-99 (Attachment 1), the Committee solicited applications for land acquisitions and park capital improvements awards resulting in recommendations of $1,400,000 in Discretionary funding and $613,000 in Pre-Agreement Land Acquisition funding.

In accordance with Ordinance No. 96-115 and Master Bond Resolution No. R-1193-97, the Committee has submitted the attached Report (Attachment 2) recommending the allocation of $2,013,000 in grant awards from SNP Discretionary and Pre-Agreement Land Acquisition Funds to specific entities for specific projects.

Attachments

Ian Yorty, Interim Director, Office of Capital Improvements &
Special Assistant to the County Manager

MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

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

DATE: December 4, 2007

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

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 12(A)(2)

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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12-04-07

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ALLOCATION OF SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS DISCRETIONARY FUNDING AND PRE-AGREEMENT LAND ACQUISITION FUNDING TO SPECIFIC ENTITIES FOR SPECIFIC PARK PROJECTS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE AND EXPEDITE EXECUTION OF RELATED GRANT AGREEMENTS AND TO EXERCISE PROVISIONS THEREIN

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

WHEREAS, since the County deems it important, desirable, and in the public interest that the Safe Neighborhood Parks bond program continue and expand, it is necessary to authorize allocation of discretionary and pre-agreement land acquisition funding to specific entities for specific park projects; and

WHEREAS, the County Ordinance No. 96-115, adopted by the Board on July 16, 1996, provides for discretionary and pre-agreement land acquisition funding of the Safe Neighborhood Parks bond program to be used for acquisition of park, open space and natural areas, and other projects consistent with the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Citizens' Oversight Committee considered written requests for discretionary and pre-agreement land acquisition funds grants, in accordance with Safe Neighborhood Parks Citizens' Oversight Committee Resolution R-1-99,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board allocates Safe Neighborhood Parks discretionary and pre-agreement land acquisition funds to the entities specified in the Citizens' Oversight Committee Report attached; and authorizes the County Mayor or his designee to negotiate and expedite execution of the related grant agreement following approval by the County Attorney's Office. This Board further authorizes the County Manager to exercise amendment, modification, renewal, cancellation and termination provisions of such grant agreements.

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 4th day of December, 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. DDC

Diamela del Castillo

RESOLUTION R-1-99
SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS
CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
USE OF SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS INTEREST EARNINGS

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Miami-Dade County, Florida, through Ordinance 96-115, the Safe Neighborhood Parks Ordinance, duly organized and established this Citizens' Oversight Committee (the "Committee"); and

WHEREAS, the Ordinance has charged the Committee with the responsibility of overseeing the deposit and disbursement of Bond proceeds for the acquisition and improvement of parks and natural areas, all as more particularly set forth in the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Committee wishes to establish the use of Safe Neighborhood Parks interest earnings as specifically set forth below;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE OF THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS BOND:

Section 1. **Initial Earnings.** Prior to full execution of grant agreement with Public Agency or Not-For-Profit Organization, interest earned shall be allocated to land acquisition.

Section 2. **Subsequent Earnings.** Subsequent to full execution of grant agreement with Public Agency or Not-For-Profit Organization, interest earned on behalf of each grant recipient to be allocated as follows:

(A). to the Office of Safe Neighborhood Parks, as needed, for central administration;

(B). the balance is to be distributed

- 30.00% to the Public Agency or Not-For-Profit Organization on whose behalf the interest was earned (may be used for soft costs consistent with the Ordinance)

- 70.00% to be used, at the discretion of the Oversight Committee, for land acquisition or other eligible projects consistent with the Ordinance.

APPROVED 3/26/99

Safe Neighborhood Park Citizens' Oversight Committee

Attachment 2

citizens' oversight committee safe neighborhood parks

Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond Program
Citizens' Oversight Committee

July 25, 2007

Ms. Rachel Baum, Director
Miami-Dade Finance Department
111 N. W. First Street, Suite 2510
Miami, Florida 33128

Dear Ms. Baum:

On behalf of the Safe Neighborhood Parks Citizens' Oversight Committee, pursuant to Ordinance #96-115 and the master Resolution R-1193-97 for Safe Neighborhood Parks bonds, I submit the following Report showing recommended allocations for Discretionary and Pre-Agreement Land Acquisition funding:

2007 SNP Discretionary Funding Recommendations

Applicant/Grantee	Project Description	Rec. Award
Village of Virginia Gardens	Virginia Gardens Park	$ 45,000
Village of Biscayne Park	Recreation Center & Park	25,000
City of Homestead	Roscoe Warren Municipal Park	220,000
Miami-Dade County	Tamiami Park	135,000
City of Opa-locka	Sherbondy Park	163,000
City of North Miami	Kiwanis Park	112,000
Village of Palmetto Bay	Palmetto Bay Park	180,000
Village of Pinecrest	Pinecrest Gardens	215,000
Town of Cutler Bay	Cutler Ridge Park	75,000
City of Miami	Armbrister Park	65,000
Miami-Dade County	Amelia Earhart Park	65,000
City of North Miami	Besade Park	22,000
City of Sunny Isles Beach	Samson Oceanfront Park	30,000
YMCA of Greater Miami	Downrite Park	48,000
Total Recommended Awards and SNP Funds Available		**$1,400,000**

2007 SNP Pre-Agreement Land Acquisition Recommendations

Applicant/Grantee	Property Description	Rec. Award
Town of Cutler Bay	Willard Property	$200,000
Miami-Dade County	Summers Property	200,000
City of Sunny Isles Beach	Sunny Isles Blvd. Marina	113,000
City of South Miami	Dison Property	100,000
Total Recommended Awards and SNP Funds Available		**$613,000**

If you have questions or require clarification, please contact Vernita G. Chandler, Director, Office of Safe Neighborhood Parks, at 305-971-5055. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Hank Adorno
Chair

c: Vernita G. Chandler, Director, Office of Safe Neighborhood Parks
Marcia Martin, Assistant Director, Office of Safe Neighborhood Parks
Carmen Carlos, Fiscal Assistant, Office of Safe Neighborhood Parks

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