Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: March 4, 2008

Agenda Item No. 5(D)

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

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

Subject: Significant Modification of Building Better Communities (BBC) Bond Program to Delete Project No. 131 – "Portable Emergency Bridges (temporary)" and Significant Modification to the Description of Project No. 132

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) adopt the attached resolution authorizing the deletion of the Building Better Communities General Obligation Bond Program (BBC GOB) Project No. 131, "Portable Emergency Bridges (temporary) – Refurbish Existing Bailey Bridges" and that the Project Name, Project Description and Allocation (000s) of Project No. 132 be modified to read "Sonovoid Bridge Improvement Program", "Structurally upgrade Sonovoid bridge decks as required," and $10,100, respectively, after a public hearing. This change will reallocate the funds from deleted Project No. 131 to Project No. 132 and allow the Public Works Department (PWD) to use BBC GOB funds to perform much needed critical bridge repairs.

Scope

The scope of this resolution impacts bridge repairs throughout the County.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

There is no fiscal impact on the County as the existing BBC GOB Bond Program funding will remain the same.

Track Record/Monitor

The implementing agency is the PWD and the Project Manager responsible for monitoring this contract is Marcos Redondo, P.E.

Background

On November 2, 2004, voters overwhelmingly approved eight (8) referendum questions funding more than 300 capital improvement projects throughout the County over the next 15 to 20 years. Each ballot question included a list of projects identified in Appendix A that were approved as part of the program. Appendix A to Resolution No. R-914-04 which authorized the referendum to construct and improve bridges, public infrastructure and neighborhood improvements, lists projects eligible for funding from the BBC Bond Program by number, name and project description. All additions, deletions and significant modifications to individual projects require a majority vote of the BCC following a public hearing. One of the projects included in the BBC Bond Program as Project No. 131 is "Portable Emergency Bridges (temporary)" with an allocation of $100,000. The original description for this project, states that funding will be used to "Refurbish Existing Bailey Bridges." The PWD currently has two (2) World War II portable Bailey Bridges at the Road and Bridge Division yard located at 9301 NW 58 Street. These bridges have been used twice in the past 30 years, and have not been used at all in the past 20 years. In addition, these structures contain lead and are in very poor condition. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the PWD to sell or scrap, not to

refurbish these bridges and reallocate those funds to BBC Project No. 132 to improve existing bridges that are currently in use and in need of repair.

The original Project Name and Project Description for Project No. 132 states "Sonovoid Bridge Improvement Program – 95 Bridges to be considered" and "Structurally upgrade approximately 95 Sonovoid bridge decks", respectively. If approved, this resolution will modify the Project Name and Project Description to read "Sonovoid Bridge Improvement Program" and "Structurally upgrade Sonovoid bridge decks as required", respectively. In addition, it is recommended that the Allocation be modified to reallocate the $100,000 from deleted Project No. 131 to Project No. 132, for a new allocation equal to $10,100,000.

In coordination with OCI, the PWD has developed a strategic approach for maximizing the public benefits of their Bond Program funding. This significant modification is being requested after a careful evaluation of the County's 95 existing Sonovoid bridges and the determination that the current $10 million allocation would not be sufficient to upgrade all existing sonovoid bridges. While monitoring, upgrades and repairs will be carried out on all 95 bridges, it is estimated that the allocation could fund approximately 15 to 20 bridges to undergo major structural repair.

The Building Better Communities Citizens' Advisory Committee favorably recommended the item at its meeting held on January 8, 2008.

Assistant County Manager

MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: March 4, 2008

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

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 5(D)

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 APPROVING DELETION OF BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM PROJECT NO. 131 – "PORTABLE EMERGENCY BRIDGES (TEMPORARY)" AND APPROVING SIGNIFICANT MODIFICATION TO PROJECT NO. 132 – "SONOVOID BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – 95 BRIDGES TO BE CONSIDERED", EACH IDENTIFIED IN APPENDIX A TO RESOLUTION NO. R-914-04 AFTER A PUBLIC HEARING

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:

Section 1. This Board hereby approves the deletion of Building Better Communities General Obligation Bond Program Project No. 131 – "Portable Emergency Bridges (temporary)" identified in Appendix A to Resolution No. R-914-04 after a public hearing.

Section 2. This Board hereby approves the significant modification to Project No. 132 – "Sonovoid Bridge Improvement Program – 95 Bridges to be Considered" identified in Appendix A to Resolution No. R-914-04 after a public hearing, all as more particularly described in the accompanying memorandum which is made a part hereof.

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 March, 2008. 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. _____

Monica Rizo