

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(4)

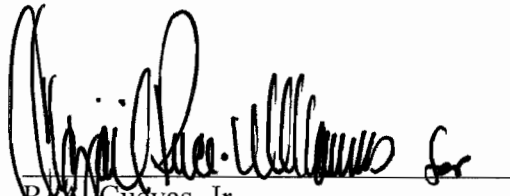
TO: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: April 8, 2008

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

SUBJECT: Resolution requesting Mayor
to create an internet-based
GIS application for
economic development

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Natacha Seijas, Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice-Chairwoman Barbara J. Jordan, Commissioner Dennis C. Moss, Commissioner Katy Sorenson and Senator Javier D. Souto.



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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

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Veto _____

4-8-08

Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE MAYOR, OR HIS
DESIGNEE, TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT TO
CREATE A WEBSITE THAT USES GIS TECHNOLOGY TO
ANALYZE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY AND TO
ASSIST NEW AND EXISTING BUSINESSES FIND
LOCATIONS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

WHEREAS, the local economy would benefit by the development of an on-line Geographic Information System that provides the information that businesses need when deciding whether to move to a community, including the exact size and location of established, associated, and competing businesses; their suppliers, support companies, and service industries; and transportation, economic, demographic, and social information, including specialized infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, a Geographic Information System with these features will assist companies to make business decisions relating to opening new stores, increasing workforce, and establishing a presence in Miami-Dade County, and will make our community more competitive in the global marketplace; and

WHEREAS, such a Geographic Information System can also help government, academics, and economic development agencies recognize and develop strategic sectors of the economy such as industrial clusters, which consist of a network of interrelated firms that utilize the same suppliers, participate in the same markets, and rely upon similar specialized infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, similar programs to advance economic development have been established in Catawba County, North Carolina; Orangeburg County, South Carolina; San Jose, California; Waco, Texas; and Sioux City, Iowa, among other places,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the Mayor, or his designee, is requested to provide administrative support for the creation of an internet-based Geographic Information System (“GIS”) application for economic development. The Board suggests to the Mayor that the creation of this application will involve the following steps:

1. convene a working group of representatives of the Beacon Council, Hialeah Dade Development Inc., Metro-Miami Action plan, the Miami-Dade Chamber of Commerce, the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, the Hialeah Chamber of Commerce, Chamber South, and recognized experts in this area such as Dr. Antonio Villamil and Professor Edward Murray of Florida International University, and other professionals engaged in economic development in Miami-Dade County for the purpose of designing the features of this application;
2. amend the Miami-Dade County’s Local Business Tax Ordinance to (a) adopt the business categories standardized by the North American Industrial Classification System to ensure Miami-Dade County data is classified and accessible in a manner compatible with other communities and national data; and (b) revise the registration form to gather the appropriate information;
3. assign technological staff and resources necessary to build and maintain the GIS application;
4. call upon this Board for any resources or assistance that this Board can provide; and
5. take such other steps as the Mayor may find will be useful to advance this project to a successful completion.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Natacha Seijas, Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice-Chairwoman Barbara J. Jordan, Commissioner Dennis C. Moss, Commissioner Katy Sorenson and Senator Javier D. Souto 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	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 Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 8th day of April, 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.

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Thomas W. Logue