

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(3)

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

DATE: July 1, 2008

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

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the
Mayor to develop a plan
that utilizes federal grants
and other funding sources
to buy and refurbish foreclosed
homes

This resolution was amended by the Economic Development and Human Services Committee to add the words underlined, as indicated in the item.

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Vice-Chairwoman Barbara J. Jordan.



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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 _____

7-1-08

Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO DEVELOP A PLAN THAT UTILIZES FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS AND OTHER APPLICABLE FUNDING SOURCES TO BUY AND REFURBISH FORECLOSED HOMES IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS

WHEREAS, the current mortgage foreclosure crisis results in the creation of numerous vacant, unrepaired, foreclosed upon homes in Miami-Dade County (the “County”); and

WHEREAS, such vacant and abandoned homes cause a blight upon the neighborhoods in which they exist; and

WHEREAS, the need for affordable housing in the County is critical, and any financial means or assistance to refurbish and return to use these vacant foreclosed homes, as well as assistance to preserve and maintain homeownership for owner occupied households who are facing foreclosure, will help stabilize these neighborhoods while addressing and reducing the need for affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, federal grants and other funding sources are available for the purpose of acquiring and refurbishing foreclosed homes, and assisting homeowners facing foreclosures in bringing their mortgages completely up to date,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the Mayor or his designee is directed to develop a plan to apply for and obtain grants from the federal government as well as other allowable funding sources and actively pursue funds and identify programming and resources where funds are not currently available¹, with the purpose of buying and

¹ Committee amendments are indicated as follows: words double-stricken through are deleted, words double-underlined are added.

refurbishing homes in Miami-Dade County that have been foreclosed upon or otherwise abandoned, and assisting homeowners facing forecloses in bringing their mortgages up to date. The plan should be prepared and presented to this Board of County Commissioners within sixty (60) days of the date of this resolution.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Vice-Chairwoman Barbara J. Jordan. It 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 Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 1st day of July, 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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David Stephen Hope