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MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 2A

TO:

Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

February 11, 2009

FROM:

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.

County Attorney

SUBJECT:

Resolution directing the Mayor or designee to quickly develop and prioritize a proposed list of Miami-Dade County infrastructure projects for submission to the Federal

for submission to the Federal Government in the event federal funds are made available to local governments as part of a public works

economic stimulus plan

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson.

County Attorney

RAC/cp

TO:

Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss

DATE:

March 3, 2009

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No.

Please	note any items checked.
<u> </u>	"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	Agenda Item No.
Veto		3-3-09
Override		
	RESOLUTION NO.	

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO QUICKLY DEVELOP AND PRIORITIZE A PROPOSED LIST OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS FOR SUBMISSION TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN THE EVENT FEDERAL FUNDS ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AS PART OF A PUBLIC WORKS ECONOMIC STIMULUS PLAN

WHEREAS, the National Bureau of Economic Research recently officially announced that the U.S. economy has been in a recession since December, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the official declaration came as little surprise as the evidence of a recession, including substantial job losses, stagnant wages and slower production, has been widespread for months; and

WHEREAS, since the start of the recession a year ago, the U.S. has lost 2.7 million jobs, with about 10.3 million American workers now unemployed; and

WHEREAS, the nation's unemployment rate reached 6.7 percent in November – 1.7 percentage points higher than a year ago – and is expected to continue to rise into next year; and

WHEREAS, President-Elect Barack Obama has stated a goal of creating 2.5 million jobs in the U.S. by 2011; and

WHEREAS, a critical part of this two-year initiative is to rebuild the nation's crumbling infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, investing in local government infrastructure is the quickest and most direct path to creating jobs and stimulating the businesses that can begin to reverse the current economic downturn; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County has a long list of public infrastructure projects that could be started quickly and that could stimulate the economy and create jobs if funding is made available; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Conference of Mayors under the leadership of City of Miami Mayor Manuel A. (Manny) Diaz recently presented President-Elect Obama an 803-page report entitled "Main Street Economic Recovery, Ready to Go Jobs and Infrastructure Projects" that lists almost \$180 billion in local government infrastructure projects that could be undertaken within the next two years in a wide range of areas including transportation, housing, water & wastewater, energy and public safety; and

WHEREAS, in the event the incoming Obama Administration makes funding available to local governments as part of a federal public works economic stimulus plan, Miami-Dade County should have a prioritized list of infrastructure projects that is ready to submit to the federal government,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board:

Section 1. Directs the Mayor or Designee to quickly develop and prioritize a proposed list of Miami-Dade County infrastructure projects for submission to the federal government in the event funds are made available to local governments as part of a public works economic stimulus plan. The list of infrastructure projects should consist of County projects that can be started immediately and completed within the next two years, or that otherwise comply with the requirements identified by the federal government for funding.

Section 2. Directs the Mayor or Designee to submit the proposed, prioritized list of infrastructure projects to this Board for approval within thirty (30) days of the date of this resolution.

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The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson.

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:

Dennis C. Moss, Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice-Chairman

Bruno A. Barreiro

Audrey M. Edmonson

Carlos A. Gimenez

Sally A. Heyman

Barbara J. Jordan Dorrin D. Rolle

Joe A. Martinez Natacha Seijas

Katy Sorenson

Rebeca Sosa

Sen. Javier D. Souto

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 3rd day of March, 2009. 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.



Jess M. McCarty