



**MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(21)

**TO:** Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** February 17, 2009

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution urging the Florida  
Legislature to provide an annual  
dedicated funding source for the  
South Florida Regional  
Transportation Authority through  
a new \$2 rental car surcharge

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro.

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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 Mayor'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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2-17-09

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO  
PROVIDE AN ANNUAL DEDICATED FUNDING SOURCE  
FOR THE SOUTH FLORIDA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION  
AUTHORITY THROUGH A NEW \$2 RENTAL CAR  
SURCHARGE

**WHEREAS**, Section 343.58, Florida Statutes, currently requires Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach Counties to contribute \$4.2 million each annually to the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA); and

**WHEREAS**, even with these contributions, the SFRTA is currently suffering from budgetary shortfalls; and

**WHEREAS**, authorizing a new dedicated funding source for the SFRTA would relieve Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach Counties from the possibility of increased annual subsidies to the SFRTA, and will help to expedite Miami-Dade County's implementation of the People's Transportation Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, if successful in obtaining a new dedicated funding source, the SFRTA has committed to contribute a proportionate share of funds towards regional transit projects throughout the tri-county region including the following projects in Miami-Dade County:

- a. The Northeast FEC Corridor;
- b. The East-West/Dolphin Extension; and
- c. The Kendall/Homestead Extension within; and

**WHEREAS**, a new \$2 rental car surcharge is estimated to generate approximately \$50 million annually that could be used to help fund the SFRTA,

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

**Section 1.** Urges the Florida Legislature to provide an annual dedicated funding source for the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority through a new \$2 rental car surcharge.

**Section 2.** Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Governor, Senate President, House Speaker, the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade County State Legislative Delegation, the Mayor and Members of the Broward County Board of County Commissioners, the Chair and Members of the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners and the Governing Board of the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority.

**Section 3.** Directs the County's state lobbying team to advocate for the legislation set forth in Section 1 above, and authorizes and directs that the 2009 State Legislative Package be amended to include this item.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro. 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:

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|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| Dennis C. Moss, Chairman        |                    |
| Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice-Chairman |                    |
| Bruno A. Barreiro               | Audrey M. Edmonson |
| Carlos A. Gimenez               | Sally A. Heyman    |
| Barbara J. Jordan               | Joe A. Martinez    |
| Dorrin D. Rolle                 | Natacha Seijas     |
| Katy Sorenson                   | Rebeca Sosa        |
| Sen. Javier D. Souto            |                    |

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 17<sup>th</sup> day of February, 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.

**JMM**

Jess M. McCarty