

Memorandum



Date: April 7, 2009

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

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager 

Subject: Resolution Rescinding Grant Award from the Safe Neighborhood Parks (SNP) Bond Program to the Coalition to Improve North Dade (CIND) and approving Grant Award to the City of Miami Gardens

Agenda Item No. 9(A)(1)

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners adopt this resolution rescinding a grant award Safe Neighborhood Parks (SNP) Bond Program to the Coalition to Improve North Dade (CIND), and issuing a new grant award to the City of Miami Gardens for upgrades to North Dade Optimist Park.

Rescinding Project	New Project
CIND - Optimist Park	City of Miami Gardens - Optimist Park
Installation of Irrigation	Purchase of Sports Lighting
\$75,000	\$75,000

SCOPE

The scope of this agenda item impacts Commission District 1.

FISCAL IMPACT/FUNDING SOURCE

SNP funding in the amount of \$75,000 is authorized under County Ordinance 96-115.

TRACK/RECORD MONITOR

The City will implement the project and the Office of Capital Improvements, Johnny Martinez, P.E., Director, will monitor the project.

DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

There is no additional delegation of authority related to this item.

BACKGROUND

On July 16, 1996, the Board approved Ordinance No. 96-115 which authorizes issuance, subject to approval by special election, of \$200 million in general obligation bonds for park projects, establishes a Citizens' Oversight Committee (COC) and empowers it to administer the bond program, and designates entities and projects eligible for bond funding.

Consistent with the SNP Ordinance, the COC allocated, and the Board approved on December 4, 2007, \$75,000 of Recaptured Funds to CIND for improvements to the North Dade Optimist Park. At this time, the CIND is unable to execute the project. Therefore, as the owner of park, the City of Miami Gardens, has requested that the grant funds be allocated to them for the implementation of the project (Attachment 1).

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At its July 23, 2008 meeting, the COC supported transferring these funds to the City. The COC further supported at its January 29, 2009 meeting changing the scope of work from installing irrigation to the purchase of sports lighting for the park.

In accordance with Ordinance No. 96-115, and Master Bond Resolution No. R-1193-97, the COC is recommending the transfer of \$75,000 in grant award from CIND to City of Miami Gardens.



Assistant County Manager



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: April 7, 2009

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

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 9(A)(1)

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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4-7-09

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION RESCINDING THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS BOND PROGRAM GRANT AWARD TO THE COALITION TO IMPROVE NORTH DADE (CIND) FOR THE NORTH DADE OPTIMIST PARK AND ALLOCATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,000 TO THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS FOR THE NORTH DADE OPTIMIST PARK AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS FOR AND ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL PROVISION THEREIN

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the County Ordinance No. 96-115, adopted by the Board on July 16, 1996, provides for recaptured funding of the Safe Neighborhood Parks ("SNP") bond program to be used for development of park, acquisition of park, open space and natural areas, and other projects consistent with the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Coalition to Improve North Dade (CIND) has demonstrated it is not able to move forward with executing the project at the North Dade Optimist Park,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board rescinds the SNP Bond Program grant award to CIND for the North Dade Optimist Park and allocates \$75,000 of SNP funds to the City of Miami Gardens for the North Dade Optimist Park project, and authorizes the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee to negotiate and expedite execution of the related grant agreement. This Board further

authorizes the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee to exercise amendment, modification, renewal, cancellation and termination provisions of such grant agreement.

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:

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 Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 7th day of April, 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.

MR

Monica Rizo

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City of Miami Gardens

1515 NW 167th Street
Building 5, suite 200
Miami Gardens, Florida 33169



Mayor Shirley Gibson
Vice Mayor Barbara Watson
Councilman Melvin L. Bratton
Councilman Aaron Campbell Jr.
Councilwoman Sharon Pritchett
Councilman Oliver G. Gilbert III
Councilman André Williams

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Meeting Date: November 12, 2008

Fiscal Impact: No Yes

(If yes, explain in Staff Summary)

Funding Source: N/A

Contract/P.O. Requirement: Yes No

Sponsor Name/Department:

Antranette Pierre, Capital Projects

Public hearing

Ordinance

1st Reading

advertising requirement:

RFP/RFQ/Bid # N/A

Quasi-Judicial

Resolution **X**

2nd Reading

Yes No **X**

Title

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS BOND PROGRAM TO RENOVATE AND PURCHASE SPORTS LIGHTING FOR NORTH DADE OPTIMIST PARK; PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Staff Summary

Coalition to Improve North Dade, Inc. (CIND), a private, nonprofit organization comprised of residents, professionals and business representatives, was awarded a series of community based organization grants from Miami Dade County for the construction of a recreation building at the North Dade Optimist Park. As of July 2004, via County Resolution R-982-04, the County parks were officially transferred ownership to the City of Miami Gardens as a result of its incorporation; the agreement(s) with CIND were still considered active although funds had not yet been drawn down and construction had not yet begun. The City volunteered to take over the project with endorsement from CIND.

In order to facilitate the renovation of the park with all appropriate funds, the City has requested that all grant monies awarded to North Dade Optimist Park are transferred to the City. This includes a \$75,000 grant from the Office of Safe Neighborhood Parks (SNP). In order to consider this request, SNP has stated a resolution stating the project scope was required in to apply for the funding transfer.

To that end, the City will prepare an application to SNP for purpose of renovation at North Dade Optimist Park to include the procurement of new sports lighting and other miscellaneous items. As background, on September 10, 2008, the City Council authorized the purchase of sports lights at North Dade Optimist Park in the amount of \$117,669.00 from Musco Sports Lights, LLC. using Better Building Communities General Obligation Bond (GOB) funds. If approved by Council, staff would use SNP funds which have an earlier expiration deadline, saving use of GOB monies for future renovation.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the attached resolution authorizing the City's application for a grant in the amount of \$75,000 from the Safe Neighborhood Parks Bond Program.

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WHEREAS, the citizens of Miami-Dade County have authorized the issuance of general obligation bonds (the "Bonds") for the purpose of financing capital improvement programs for certain parks, beaches, natural areas and recreation facilities; and

WHEREAS, to implement and give effect to the bond program, Miami-Dade County, Florida enacted Ordinance No. 96-115, the Safe Neighborhood Parks Ordinance (SNP) (the "Ordinance"); and

WHEREAS, Coalition to Improve North Dade, Inc. (CIND), was awarded a series of community based organization grants from Miami Dade County for the construction of a recreation building at the North Dade Optimist Park using SNP funds, and

WHEREAS, Ownership of North Dade Optimist Park was officially transferred to the City of Miami Gardens from Miami Dade County as a result of its incorporation, and



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WHEREAS, The City took over the renovations of North Dade Optimist with endorsement from CIND, and

WHEREAS, City of Miami Gardens wishes to make application to SNP for the grant monies for the projects listed below subject to all terms and conditions of the Ordinance.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS, FLORIDA, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS: The foregoing whereas paragraphs are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true, and the same are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution.

Section 2. AUTHORIZATION: The City Council of the City of Miami Gardens hereby authorizes the City Manager to make application for a grant for the projects and in the amount listed below, and in connection with such application to execute such grant agreement and other contracts and documents, to expend Safe Neighborhood Parks bond funds received for the purposes described in the funding request. to execute any necessary amendments to the grant application and contracts, and take such other acts as may be necessary to bind the City of Miami Gardens and accomplish the intent of this resolution. Application shall be made with respect to the North Dade Optimist Park Project in the amount set forth below.

<u>Grant Title</u>	<u>Total Grant</u>
North Dade Optimist Park	\$75,000

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Section 3. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its final passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS AT ITS REGULAR MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 12, 2008.



SHIRLEY GIBSON, MAYOR

ATTEST:


RONETTA TAYLOR, MMC, CITY CLERK

PREPARED BY: SONJA KNIGHTON DICKENS, ESQ.
City Attorney

SPONSORED BY: DANNY CREW, CITY MANAGER

MOVED BY: Vice Mayor Watson
SECOND BY: Councilman Gilbert

VOTE: 5-0

Mayor Shirley Gibson	<u> X </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Vice Mayor Barbara Watson	<u> X </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Councilman Melvin L. Bratton	<u> </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No) (out of town)
Councilman Aaron Campbell	<u> X </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Councilman Oliver Gilbert, III	<u> X </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)
Councilwoman Sharon Pritchett	<u> </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No) (out of town)
Councilman André Williams	<u> X </u> (Yes)	<u> </u> (No)