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MEMORANDUM  
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Agenda Item No. 6A

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Dorrin D. Rolle  
and Members, Airport and Seaport Committee

**DATE:** April 16, 2009

**FROM:** Kay M. Sullivan  
Director, Clerk of the Board Division

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Commission  
Committee Minutes

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The Clerk of the Board is submitting the following Clerk's Summary of Minutes for approval by the Airport and Seaport Committee:

March 12, 2009

KMS/as  
Attachment



Stephen P. Clark  
Government Center  
111 N.W. 1st Street  
Miami, FL 33128

## CLERK'S SUMMARY OF Meeting Minutes Airport and Seaport Committee

Dorrin D. Rolle (2) Chair; Jose "Pepe" Diaz (12) Vice Chair; Commissioners Bruno A. Barreiro (5), Carlos A. Gimenez (7), Natacha Seijas (13), and Rebeca Sosa (6)

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Thursday, March 12, 2009

9:30 AM

COMMISSION CHAMBERS, SPCC

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**Members Present:** Bruno A. Barreiro, Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Carlos A. Gimenez, Dorrin D. Rolle.

**Members Absent:** Natacha Seijas.

**Members Late:** None.

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent County Business:** Rebeca Sosa

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### 1 MINUTES PREPARED BY:

**Report:** *Alicia Stephenson, Commission Reporter, (305) 375-1475.*

### 1A INVOCATION

**Report:** *The Committee convened in a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.*

### 1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE



3A

**090599 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING CONTRACT FOR THE REFURBISHMENT OF MDAD BUILDINGS 3094 AND 3095, PROJECT NO. C-055A, TO MERKURY CORPORATION D/B/A MERKURY DEVELOPMENT, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,843,250; AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME, AND TO EXERCISE RENEWAL AND TERMINATION PROVISIONS THEREOF (Aviation Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Diaz*

*Seconder: Gimenez*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Seijas*

*Absent,OCB: Sosa*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney David Murray read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution.*

**4 COUNTY MANAGER**

**5 COUNTY ATTORNEY**

**6 CLERK OF THE BOARD**

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**090522 Report**

SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 12, 2009 AIRPORT AND SEAPORT COMMITTEE MEETING (Clerk of the Board)

*Report Received*

*Mover: Diaz*

*Seconder: Gimenez*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Seijas*

*Absent,OCB: Sosa*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney David Murray read the foregoing proposed report into the record.*

*Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed report.*

**7 REPORTS**

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**090611 Report**

DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

*Deferred to next committee meeting*

**Report:** *Chairman Rolle suggested that the foregoing proposed report be deferred to the Committee's April 16, 2009 meeting at 9:30 a.m.*

*Ms. Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Office of Strategic Business Management (OSBM) Budget Director, noted that by April, OSBM staff would be able to present more verifiable budget figures to this Committee and have a better conversation concerning the budget as related to proprietary funding to departments which were under this Committee's jurisdiction.*

*Chairman Rolle requested that Committee members submit their Committee and budget priorities as soon as possible so that the Committee could meet deadlines set by Commission Chairman Moss.*

*The Committee deferred the foregoing proposed report to April 16, 2009 at 9:30 a.m.*

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**090624 Report**

MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE FLORIDA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ON THE PORT  
OF MIAMI TUNNEL (County Manager)

*Report Received*

**Report:** *Ms. Teresa Alvarez, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District VI Consultant Management Engineer, noted that Mr. Kevin Thibault, Assistant Secretary, FDOT, submitted a letter to this Committee noting that FDOT was considering options regarding the Port of Miami Tunnel and should reach a conclusion by March 27, 2009.*

*Commissioner Rolle noted he was in receipt of the letter.*

*Commissioner Diaz expressed concern that FDOT had not made a decision regarding the Port of Miami Tunnel.*

*Mr. Gary Donn, FDOT District VI Director of Transportation Support and Miami Intermodal Center Program, noted that funds for the Tunnel were still in the FDOT District VI Work Program and the decision regarding the Tunnel was being made by Governor Charlie Crist; Ms. Stephanie Kopelousos, FDOT Secretary; and Mr. Kevin Thibault, Assistant Secretary, FDOT.*

*During discussion regarding the history of this project, Mr. Bill Johnson, Port of Miami Director, noted that the history of the project extended to 1978, the project had been active for the past four to five years, and the project's Request for Proposal (RFP) was submitted two years ago.*

*Mr. Donn responded to Commissioner Gimenez's concerns regarding why the Tunnel project was not identified as a priority to be included in the Economic Stimulus Package and why the project had not progressed. Mr. Donn noted that the project was fully funded, the State requested federal stimulus monies for unfunded projects, and Assistant Secretary Thibault was investigating issues concerning an equity partner on the project.*

*Commissioner Gimenez expressed concern regarding the State's efforts to move the project forward.*

*Following discussion regarding the procurement*

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*process and negotiations concerning the project, Commissioner Diaz also expressed concern regarding the State's efforts.*

*Mr. Donn noted he would relay today's conversation to Secretary Kopelousos and Assistant Secretary Thibault.*

*Assistant County Manager Ysela Llord noted that Mayor Carlos Alvarez asked Governor Crist and Secretary Kopelousos to allow Miami-Dade County to join the team which reconsidered the issue of a substitute equity partner. She added that no response had been received.*

*Chairman Rolle asked Assistant County Manager Llord to inquire regarding the status of this request.*

*Discussion ensued regarding the Tunnel being a poster child project for the Economic Stimulus Package, as well as being a project which was shovel ready and which would create jobs and wealth.*

*In response to Commissioner Gimenez's inquiry regarding negotiations with a prior proposer, Ms. Alvarez noted that FDOT selected three bidders. She added that if FDOT representatives in Tallahassee could not conclude negotiations with the first bidder, they would consider negotiating with the second bidder.*

*Chairman Rolle asked Assistant County Manager Ysela Llord to schedule a meeting with Secretary Kopelousos and/or Governor Charlie Crist during the legislative fly-in in Tallahassee to discuss the status of funding for the Tunnel project.*

*Chairman Rolle asked Assistant County Manager Ysela Llord to submit a request from the County to the Presidential Administration to add the Tunnel project to the Economic Stimulus Package through the State, as requested by Commissioner Barreiro.*

*Hearing no further discussion, the Committee proceeded to receive the foregoing report.*

7B SUPPLEMENT

**090688 Supplement**

SUPPLEMENT -MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE  
FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
(FDOT) ON THE PORT OF MIAMI TUNNEL

**Report Received**

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**090625 Report**

MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE FLORIDA  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ON THE MIAMI  
INTERMODAL CENTER  
(County Manager)

**Report accepted**  
**Mover: Diaz**  
**Seconder: Barreiro**  
**Vote: 4-0**  
**Absent: Seijas**  
**Absent,OCB: Sosa**

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney David Murray read the foregoing proposed report into the record.*

*Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed report.*

**8 ADJOURNMENT**

**Report:** *Hearing no further business, the Committee adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.*