



**MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(23)

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

**DATE:** June 2, 2009

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution creating Task Force  
on the Performing and Visual Arts  
in Miami-Dade County; providing  
purpose, membership, procedures,  
powers and duties, staff, meetings

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "RAC" followed by a flourish.

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.  
County Attorney

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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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6-2-09

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

RESOLUTION CREATING TASK FORCE ON THE PERFORMING AND VISUAL ARTS IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; PROVIDING PURPOSE, MEMBERSHIP, PROCEDURES, POWERS AND DUTIES, STAFF, MEETINGS

**WHEREAS**, art, in all its many forms, is an essential attribute of a quality community;  
and

**WHEREAS**, Miami-Dade County possesses a vibrant cultural life, including various venues for showcasing performance and visual artists, but future economic conditions that may be available to support these assets are uncertain; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board finds that it is in the best interests of residents and visitors to Miami-Dade County to create a task force to accomplish the objectives set out herein,

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

Section 1     *Task force created.* The Miami-Dade County Performing and Visual Arts Task Force is hereby created.

Section 2.     *Purpose.* The Task Force shall have the following purposes:

1.       To hold a series of public meetings with all not-for-profit performing and visual arts programs in Miami-Dade County; at least one meeting should be held to focus on each of these groups of organizations: (i) Major Cultural Institutions – museums with annual operating budgets of \$1 million or more and performing arts groups with annual operating

- budgets of \$2 million or more; (ii) Large Cultural Organizations – cultural groups with annual operating budgets between \$500,000 and \$1 million; (iii) Medium-sized Cultural Organizations – cultural groups with annual operating budgets between \$100,000 and \$500,000; (iv) Small and grassroots Cultural Organizations – cultural groups with annual operating budgets under \$100,000; and (v) Major Annual Festivals and Special Events – annual cultural and community festivals and special events with budgets of more than \$150,000;
2. To address (i) the sustainability of these programs; (ii) possible consolidation of organizations; (iii) fiscal viability of funding organizations; (iv) whether the County is overbuilding facilities to accommodate performing and visual arts organizations in Miami-Dade County; and (v) occupancy rates of existing facilities that are utilized by performing and visual arts organizations in Miami-Dade County; and
  3. To evaluate options, and within 150 days of the effective date of this Resolution, to recommend a plan of action to this Board to maximize the effective use of available resources in order to best support a vibrant cultural life for the residents and visitors to Miami-Dade County.

Section 3     *Membership.*

- (a)     *Members.* The Task Force shall be comprised of the following members:
  - (1)     Adolfo Henriques, Miami-Dade County Cultural Affairs Council;
  - (2)     Rosa Sugrañes, Miami-Dade County Cultural Affairs Council;
  - (3)     Alberto Ibargüen, Knight Foundation President and CEO;

- (4) Alejandro J. Aguirre, Miami-Dade County Cultural Affairs Council;
- (5) Eloise E. Rodriguez, Arts & Business Council, Chair;
- (6) Stephen H. Siegel, Esq., Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce;
- (7) Xavier Cortada, Florida Arts Council;
- (8) William D. Talbert, III, Greater Miami Convention & Visitors Bureau  
CEO;
- (9) Frank Nero, Beacon Council CEO;
- (10) Louis-Albert Jolivert, Miami-Dade County Cultural Affairs Council;
- (11) Dwayne A. Wynn, Miami-Dade County Cultural Affairs Council;
- (12) Robert J. Jensen, Miami-Dade County Cultural Affairs Council;
- (13) Rachel Blechman, Funding Arts Network;
- (14) Dolores Sukhdeo, WPBT Chief Operating Officer;
- (15) Lorenzo Lebrija, Seraphic Fire President and CEO;
- (16) Deborah Spiegelman, Miami Children's Museum Executive Director and  
CEO;
- (17) Laura Bruney, Arts and Business Council of Miami, Executive Director;
- (18) Alan Fein; and
- (19) Mario Artecona, Miami Business Forum, Executive Director

Each member shall comply with the requirements of Section 2-11.38 of the Code of Miami-Dade County ("Code") and shall serve without compensation. Each member shall be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners.

(b) *Term.* The members of the Task Force shall each serve one term which shall end with the delivery of the Task Force's report to the Board, and in any event not to exceed one year.

(c) *Vacancies.* Vacancies in the membership of the Task Force shall be filled in the same manner by which the original Task Force members were appointed and shall be filled within 45 days.

(d) *Quorum and meetings.* A quorum of the Task Force shall consist of 10 members. All meetings shall comply with the requirements of the Florida Government in the Sunshine Law.

Section 4 *Duties and Report.* The Task force shall have the duty to study the state of the arts in Miami-Dade County as described above and to make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners in that regard. The Task Force shall provide a report to the Board of County Commissioners within 150 days of the effective date of this Resolution.

Section 5 *Staff.* The County Manager shall provide the Task Force with adequate staff and support services to enable it to carry out its purposes and duties. The Board suggests that it may be helpful to this effort to assign Assistant County Manager Alex Muñoz to provide staff support to this Task Force, with the assistance of Michael Spring, Director of the Cultural Affairs Department or Jeff Peel, Director of the Office of Film and Entertainment.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Rebeca Sosa. 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	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 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 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 <sup>as</sup> to form and legal sufficiency. *DBM*

Deborah Bovarnick Mastin