



MEMORANDUM
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Agenda Item No. 7(A)

TO: Honorable Javier D. Souto and Members
of the Recreation, Culture & Tourism
Committee

DATE: June 8, 2009

FROM: Diane Collins, Acting Division Chief
Clerk of the Board Division

SUBJECT: Approval of Commission
Committee Minutes

Diane Collins

The Clerk of the Board Division is submitting the following Clerk's Summary of Minutes for approval by the Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee:

May 11, 2009

Attachment
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111 N.W. 1st Street
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CLERK'S SUMMARY OF Meeting Minutes

Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee

Javier D. Souto (10), Chair; Bruno A. Barreiro (5) Vice Chair; Commissioners Sally A. Heyman (4); Barbara J. Jordan (1), Katy Sorenson (8) and Rebeca Sosa (6)

Monday, May 11, 2009

2:00 PM

Commission Chambers

Members Present: Sally A. Heyman, Barbara J. Jordan, Katy Sorenson, Rebeca Sosa, Javier D. Souto.

Members Absent: Bruno A. Barreiro.

Members Late: None.

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent County Business: None.

1 MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Report: *Zorana Gainer, Commission Reporter*
305-375-3570

1A INVOCATION

1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1C ROLL CALL

Report: *The following members were present:*

*~Assistant County Manager Alex Munoz
~Assistant County Attorney Wifredo Ferrer
~Deputy Clerk Judy Marsh
~Deputy Clerk Zorana Gainer*

Assistant County Attorney Ferrer noted the following change to today's (5/11) agenda: to withdraw Agenda Item 1D2.

It was moved by Commissioner Heyman to set today's (5/11) agenda. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Jordan and upon being put to a vote passed by a vote of 4-0 (Commissioners Barreiro and Sosa were absent).

1D **SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

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090813 Special Presentation

PARKS FOUNDATION AND ADOPT-A-PARK PROGRAM *Presented*

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the foregoing special presentation into the record.*

Mr. Jack Kardys, Director, Park & Recreation Department (MDPR), noted that he came before this committee on an annual basis to present the fund raising efforts made by MDPR and its partnerships with private sector entities. He pointed out that through the Adopt-A-Park Program MDPR raised over \$1.5 million over the last 3 years as a result of developing county/private sector partnerships.

Mr. George Lopez, President, Parks Foundation, expressed appreciation for the committee's support. He apprised the committee that MDPR received the Sterling Award. Mr. Lopez congratulated Mr. Kardys and his staff and noted that he was honored to work with the MDPR team that had received the Sterling Award.

Ms. Donna Peyton, Manager, MDPR Fundraising and Development, gave a brief Powerpoint presentation regarding the Adopt-A-Park Program. She noted the Parks Foundation was MDPR's main source of fundraising. Ms. Peyton said the Foundation reached out to the community through the Adopt-A-Park Program and through promoting Green Giving where corporations and individuals assisted with enhancing parks. She said key components of the programs included opportunities to volunteer and to get involved in projects. Ms. Peyton noted a few ongoing projects such as tree planting within parks and restoration projects on Crandon Beach. Ms. Peyton said the Parks Foundation was a great supporter of MDPR and she wanted to add the Parks Foundation's logo on signs located at park entrances to increase the awareness of the organization within the community. She said she was very proud of the Kaboom Playground Projects and the University of Miami's adoption of the Fit to Play Program. Ms. Peyton expressed appreciation to the commissioners for their support and participation and appearances at special events.

Chairman Souto noted the importance of not only having beautiful parks but also having safe parks;

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and he asked Mr. Kardys to provide him with a report regarding the feasibility of installing security cameras at regional parks.

Commissioner Heyman asked Mr. Kardys to disseminate to the public informational advertising pamphlets regarding local parks.

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090814 Special Presentation

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PARKS GOLD MEDAL PRESENTATION 2009

Withdrawn

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091417 Special Presentation

PRESENTATION BY MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND PARK RANGERS ON SECURITY IN OUR PARKS

Presented

Report: Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the foregoing special presentation into the record.

Mr. Mike Byrd (phonetic), Miami-Dade Police Department (MDPD), Kendall Station, said that MDPD had unveiled the Mobile Operations Center (MOC) vehicles. He said these were police stations on wheels used to provide police services at various locations within the community; and he pointed out that the MOC vehicles would be used at Tropical Park as well. Mr. Byrd said that patrons of Tropical Park reported approximately one vehicle burglary per week. He said Neighborhood Resource Officers, plain clothes Officers and gang unit officers would patrol Tropical Park as well.

Chairman Souto asked Mr. Kardys to work with the Miami-Dade Police Department Director to have Tropical Park patrolled by mounted police officers.

Hearing no further questions or comments the Committee proceeded to vote.

1E DISCUSSION ITEMS

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091415 Discussion Item

RECREATION, CULTURE AND TOURISM COMMITTEE
2009-2010 COMMITTEE GOALS

Presented
Mover: Sosa
Seconder: Jordan
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Barreiro

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

091288 Resolution

Rebeca Sosa

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

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable
recommendation*
Mover: Sosa
Seconder: Sorenson
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Barreiro

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

*Commissioner Sosa expressed concern regarding
overbuilding and suggested creating a task force
of experts to present ideas to the committee
regarding the sustainability of large and small
arts programs. She also requested the fiscal
viability of funding arts programs and
organizations.*

*Hearing no further questions or comments the
Committee proceeded to vote.*

3 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

4 DEPARTMENT

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091215 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RETROACTIVE WAIVER OF THE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES REQUIREMENT FOR THE CITY OF SUNNY ISLES BEACH BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES/GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND (BBC/GOB) PROJECT-REDESIGN ACTIVE PARK; THIS ACTION ALSO REQUIRES A WAIVER OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 3-11, GOVERNING THE PROCESS FOR REQUESTING WAIVERS OF THE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES REQUIREMENT (Cultural Affairs Council)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Heyman

Seconder: Sosa

Vote: 5-0

Absent: Barreiro

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

Commissioner Heyman expressed concern that the county's Art in Public Places (APP) program was being terminated, however, she was excited that the program was being picked up by municipalities.

Commissioner Jordan noted she wanted to ensure that communities adhered to the Art in Public Places' policies. She also noted that granting waivers could give the impression that the APP program was not a priority.

Commissioner Sorenson expressed concern regarding the Committee repeatedly granting APP waivers and inquired why the committee should support this proposed resolution and any others requesting APP waivers.

In response to Commissioner Sorenson's inquiry, Ms. Deborah Margol, Deputy Director, Cultural Affairs Department, noted that the department did not want to repeat granting waivers often, however, the projects in this proposed resolution were complete and to try to assess an APP requirement would damage the projects. Ms. Margol pointed out that APP funds were normally put aside before construction of the projects.

Hearing no other questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.

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091227 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL OF A RETROACTIVE WAIVER OF THE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES REQUIREMENT FOR THE OVERTOWN TRANSIT VILLAGE BUILDINGS I AND II PROJECTS AND A WAIVER OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 3-11, GOVERNING THE PROCESS FOR REQUESTING WAIVERS OF THE APP REQUIREMENT (Cultural Affairs Council)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Heyman

Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 5-0

Absent: Barreiro

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

Hearing no questions or comments the Committee proceeded to vote.

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091261 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF THIRTY-FOUR (34) GRANTS FOR A TOTAL OF \$262,800 FROM THE FY2008-2009 SECOND QUARTER TOURIST DEVELOPMENT ROOM TAX PLAN AND SURTAX CATEGORY TO PROMOTE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TOURISM WITH: AMERICAN PUBLIC MEDIA/CLASSICAL SOUTH FLORIDA; BACK BONE CULTURAL GROUP, INC.; CENTER FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF JEWISH EDUCATION, INC.; CITY OF MIAMI BEACH, DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT; CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS; CLASSICAL REVIEW, INC., THE; COCONUT GROVE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INC.; COUNCIL OF INTERNATIONAL FASHION DESIGNERS, INC.; DEERING ESTATE FOUNDATION, INC.; DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PARADE & FESTIVITIES COMMITTEE, INC.; EXCEL EVENTS AND PRODUCTIONS, LLC; GOLD COAST RAILROAD MUSEUM, INC.; HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN FLORIDA, INC.; JUNIOR ORANGE BOWL COMMITTEE, INC.; MIAMI BACH SOCIETY, INC.; MIAMI CITY BALLET, INC.; MIAMI CONTEMPORARY DANCE COMPANY; MIAMI DADE COLLEGE FOUNDATION, INC.; MIAMI LIGHT PROJECT, INC.; MIAMI SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA, INC.; MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT (OPERATIONS REGION 4); NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR ADVANCEMENT IN THE ARTS, INC.; NATIONAL GAY AND LESBIAN TASK FORCE FOUNDATION, INC.; NEW WORLD SYMPHONY, INC.; PERFORMING ARTS CENTER TRUST, INC. DBA THE ADRIENNE ARSHT CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; RED CHEMISTRY, INC.; ROTARY FOUNDATION OF SOUTH MIAMI, INC.; SOUTH FLORIDA BLUEGRASS ASSOCIATION, INC.; SOUTH FLORIDA COMPOSERS ALLIANCE, INC.; ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, INC.; UNCONSERVATORY, INC., THE; UNITED HAITIAN AMERICAN ARTISTS, INC.; WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL FILM & ARTS FESTIVAL, INC. AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS FOLLOWING COUNTY ATTORNEY APPROVAL OF FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY AND TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Cultural Affairs Council)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Heyman

Seconded: Jordan

Vote: 5-0

Absent: Barreiro

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

Hearing no questions or comments the Committee

proceeded to vote.

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091321 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GRANTING OF A CONSERVATION EASEMENT TO THE SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT FOR THE PRESERVATION AND CONSERVATION OF LANDS IN CHAPMAN FIELD PARK (Park & Recreation Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Heyman
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Barreiro*

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

Hearing no questions or comments the Committee proceeded to vote.

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091322 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING JOINT USE AGREEMENT WITH THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR THE JOINT USE OF PROPERTY, FACILITIES AND AMENITIES AT MANDARIN LAKES K-8 ACADEMY AND HOMESTEAD AIR RESERVE PARK FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES AND AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SUCH (Park & Recreation Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Heyman
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Barreiro*

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

Hearing no questions or comments the Committee proceeded to vote.

5 COUNTY MANAGER

6 COUNTY ATTORNEY

7 CLERK OF THE BOARD

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091324 Report

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES FOR RECREATION, CULTURE AND TOURISM COMMITTEE MEETING(S): APRIL 13, 2009 (Clerk of the Board)

Approved
Mover: Heyman
Seconder: Jordan
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Barreiro

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the foregoing report into the record.*

Hearing no questions or comments the Committee proceeded to vote.

8 REPORTS

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091349 Report

SUNSET REVIEW OF COUNTY BOARDS FOR 2009 - TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Report Received
Mover: Heyman
Seconder: Jordan
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Barreiro

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the foregoing report into the record.*

Hearing no questions or comments the Committee proceeded to vote.

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090707 Report

SUNSET REVIEW OF COUNTY BOARDS FOR 2009 - MIAMI-DADE ART IN PUBLIC PLACES TRUST

Report Received
Mover: Heyman
Seconder: Jordan
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Barreiro

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the foregoing report into the record.*

Hearing no questions or comments the Committee proceeded to vote.

Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF

Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 11, 2009

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090709 Report

SUNSET REVIEW OF COUNTY BOARDS FOR 2009 -
LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

*Report Received
Mover: Heyman
Seconder: Jordan
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Barreiro*

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the
foregoing report into the record.*

*Hearing no questions or comments the Committee
proceeded to vote.*

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090983 Report

SUNSET REVIEW OF COUNTY BOARDS FOR 2009-
CULTURAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL

*Report Received
Mover: Heyman
Seconder: Jordan
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Barreiro*

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the
foregoing report into the record.*

*Hearing no questions or comments the Committee
proceeded to vote.*

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091141 Report

SUNSET REVIEW OF COUNTY BOARDS FOR 2009 -
SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT
COMMITTEE

*Report Received
Mover: Heyman
Seconder: Jordan
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Barreiro*

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the
foregoing report into the record.*

*Hearing no questions or comments the Committee
proceeded to vote.*

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091351 Report

ADRIENNE ARSHT CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING
ARTS CENTER OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY - MONTHLY
STATUS REPORT (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Heyman
Seconder: Jordan
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Barreiro

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the
foregoing report into the record.*

*Hearing no questions or comments the Committee
proceeded to vote.*

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091257 Report

SOUTH MIAMI-DADE CULTURAL ARTS CENTER
STATUS REPORT (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Heyman
Seconder: Sorenson
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Barreiro

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the
foregoing report into the record.*

*Hearing no questions or comments the Committee
proceeded to vote.*

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091260 Report

ORAL REPORT RE: BICYCLE BOULEVARD PLANNING STUDY DISTRICTS 2 AND 3 (County Manager)

Report Received

Mover: Sosa

Seconder: Souto

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Jordan, Barreiro

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Ferrer read the foregoing report into the record.*

Ms. Maria Nardi, Section Supervisor, Park & Recreation/Park Systems Planning, gave a brief report regarding the Bicycle Boulevard planning study for Commission Districts 2 and 3. She noted that M DPR was working in partnership with the Public Works Department and the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to develop the Bicycle Boulevard planning study. She said the main purposes for the study were to connect people to places, provide alternative methods of transportation, to create safe bicycle routes and to promote active and healthy lifestyles. Ms. Nardi said a public meeting was held on May 6, 2009, to obtain members of the community's feedback regarding opportunities and constraints. She noted the findings of the study will be transferable to other areas of the county where similar conditions existed.

Chairman Souto asked the Park & Recreation Department Director to provide at the next committee meeting a presentation of the Bicycle Boulevard Planning Study involving Districts 2 and 3, with visual aids to illustrate the Bicycle Boulevard and how it integrated with the surrounding area.

Hearing no further questions or comments the Committee proceeded to vote.

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091335 Report

ORAL REPORT BY BILL TALBERT, PRESIDENT & CEO, GREATER MIAMI CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU RE: TOURISM REVENUE, FORECAST OF TOURISM REVENUE AND THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF TOURISM REVENUE (County Manager)

Report Received**Mover: Sosa****Seconder: Souto****Vote: 4-0****Absent: Jordan, Barreiro**

Report: *Mr. Bill Talbert, President/Chief Executive Officer, Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau (GMCVB), provided an update regarding travel and tourism activity. Mr. Talbert pointed out that the International POW WOW event would be held May 16th through 20th. Mr. Talbert said he met with airport staff, noting they were prepared to greet the important delegates and media from all over the world. He noted on May 7, 2009, the GMCVB held a Taxi Rally which was well received by the Taxi Drivers anticipating tourists attending the POW WOW. A Citizen's Rally was held on Monday, May 11, 2009, at the Miami Beach Convention Center to welcome the POW WOW attendees noted Mr. Talbert. He expressed appreciation to Commissioner Sosa for ensuring the road improvements surrounding the Miami Beach Convention Center were underway. Mr. Talbert noted that the GMCVB had joined Chairman Moss and the Community Image Advisory Board Bus Tour and were able to view the newly opened walkway between the Hilton Hotel and the Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts. Mr. Talbert expressed appreciation to committee members for their support of the GMCVB. □*

Chairman Souto asked Assistant County Manger Alex Munoz to work with Mr. Talbert to develop and disseminate advertisement and promotional materials regarding the upcoming Tourism POW WOW event to Sister Cities.

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091336 Report

ORAL REPORT RE: SEAPORT/AVIATION MONTHLY
UPDATE ON TRAVEL ACTIVITY (County Manager)

Report Received

Mover: Sosa

Seconder: Souto

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Jordan, Barreiro

Report: *Ms. Hydi Webb, Manager, Seaport Cruise Development, gave an update regarding Seaport travel activity. Ms. Webb said March passenger count was strong at just over 444,000 passengers with a year-to-date total of 2.36 million passengers; which represented an increase of approximately 3.7 percent from the same time last year. Ms. Webb noted the year-to-date revenue for passengers was approximately \$23 million, an increase of 1.6% from the same time last year. Ms. Webb pointed out that she had submitted a written report regarding cargo figures. She said cargo had increased by 3.2% from last year's figures.*

Ms. Ana Sotorrio, Associate Aviation Director, Aviation Department, gave an update regarding aviation travel activity. She reported that traffic had declined during January and February 2009 and that international traffic had declined by 8% as of March. She said domestic traffic declined approximately 4% during March 2009. Ms. Sotorrio said cargo traffic had a 23% decline in international freight and a 25% decline in domestic freight; and this was the trend worldwide. Ms. Sotorrio pointed out that Cathay Pacific began service at Miami International Airport in March.

9 ADJOURNMENT