



MEMORANDUM  
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Agenda Item nO. 7A  
November 6, 2009

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

DATE: September 4, 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:

July 13, 2009

Attachment  
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111 N.W. 1st Street  
Miami, FL 33128

## 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)

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**Monday, July 13, 2009**

**2:00 PM**

**Commission Chambers**

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

**Members Absent:** None.

**Members Late:** None.

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent County Business:** None.

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**1 MINUTES PREPARED BY:**

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

**1A INVOCATION**

**1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**1C**      **ROLL CALL**

**Report:**    *The following staff members were present:*

- ~Assistant County Manager Alina Hudak*
- ~Assistant County Attorney Wifredo Ferrer*
- ~Deputy Clerk Jovel Shaw*
- ~Deputy Clerk Zorana Gainer*

*Assistant County Attorney Ferrer noted the following changes to today's (7/13) agenda:*

*The addition of Agenda Items 1E1 and 8I and a scrivener's error, to correct and to reflect Commissioner Souto as the prime sponsor and Commissioner Sosa as the co-sponsor on Agenda Item 2A. He pointed out that a formal waiver by the Board of County Commissioners' Chairman Dennis C. Moss and a request from Committee Chairman Souto to waive Agenda Items 4A and 4B to the July 21, 2009 Board of County Commissioners Meeting without committee review.*

*Hearing no objection, it was moved by Commissioner Heyman that the Committee approve the County Manager's memorandum of changes and the additional changes as noted by Assistant County Attorney Ferrer, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 5-0 (Commissioner Barreiro was absent).*

**1D**      **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**1E**      **PRESENTATION(S)**

1E1

**092127 Special Presentation**

PARK AND RECREATION OPERATIONS AND  
MAINTENANCE DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS (Park  
& Recreation Department)

*Presented*

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

*Mr. Jack Kardys, Director, Park & Recreation Department (MDPR), gave a report regarding Park and Recreation Maintenance during the Summer Months. With regards to staff reduction this year, Mr. Kardys noted that 23 full-time employees would be laid off, effective August 2009. He said the employee lay offs were a result of revenue shortfalls that impacted several MDPR areas; golf course revenues had declined by approximately \$1 million and Marina occupancy had declined as well. Mr. Kardys said the staff reductions should have minimal impact on summer programs. He said part-time staff would be used to continue operating County swimming pools. Mr. Kardys said one Facility Maintenance position was eliminated, and two full-time Administrative positions were eliminated.*

*Commissioner Heyman suggested MDPR explore the possibility of implementing nominal parking fees using unmanned fee boxes at parks countywide; she said signs were posted at the entrance of a dog park in her district that informed visitors that parking fees paid for operating the park and people voluntarily paid a nominal fee to enter the park. Commissioner Heyman also suggested that MDPR pursue public/private partnerships or have organizations adopt parks. She said mutual aid liability could help as well.*

*Commissioner Jordan expressed concern regarding the County not having enough staff at parks during the summer months. She said she wanted to ensure the staff lay offs would not impact the safety or the supervision of the children.*

*In response to Commissioner Jordan's concerns Mr. Kardys said the one adult to 15 children ratio was being maintained and that the hours of operation were not affected by the staff lay offs.*

*Commissioner Jordan asked Assistant County*

*Manager Alina Hudak to review having the appropriate level of staff at parks and to explore and identify funding resource(s) to continue the summer programs in County parks.*

*Chairman Souto expressed concerns regarding the closure of Rockway Park's swimming pool. He inquired whether this pool could remain open.*

*Mr. Kardys explained that Rockway pool was one of five pools that was heated, operated year round, and staffed full time. He said this pool was scheduled for reduced service due to the budget cuts, however, two other year round, heated pools would remain in operation.*

*Chairman Souto expressed further concerns regarding the closure of Rockway pool and asked Mr. Kardys to meet with the County Manager to discuss the budget cuts and reducing the impact to the swimming program at Rockway Park.*

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

## **2 COUNTY COMMISSION**

2A

091930 Resolution

Sen. Javier D. Souto,

Rebeca Sosa

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF PREPARING A REPORT THAT WOULD INVENTORY THE BUILDINGS AND LOCATIONS IN MIAMI THAT PLAYED A SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES, CUBA, AND THE WORLD DURING THE COLD WAR INCLUDING SITES ASSOCIATED WITH OPERATION PEDRO PAN, THE BAY OF PIGS INVASION, OPERATION MONGOOSE, AND THE CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Heyman*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 6-0*

**Report:** *The Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee corrected the following scrivener's error noted in the County Manager's Memorandum entitled "Requested Changes to the Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee Agenda": That the Prime Sponsor for the item should read Senator Javier D. Souto and the Co-Sponsor is Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.*

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

*Commissioner Sorenson noted that Assistant County Manager Alina Hudak would review the cost of conducting the feasibility study requested in this proposed resolution; she expressed concern that the study may be expensive.*

*In response to Commissioner Sorenson's concern regarding the cost of the study, Ms. Hudak explained that the costs would be addressed upon the return of the feasibility study.*

*Commissioner Sosa pointed out that she was concerned with the cost of the plans for the historic preservation.*

*Chairman Souto relinquished the Chair to Vice-Chairman Barreiro.*

*Commissioner Souto noted that the events mentioned in this proposed resolution were important events and that tours should be conducted to these historical places.*

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

2B

091884 Resolution Jose "Pepe" Diaz,  
Joe A. Martinez, Rebeca Sosa, Dennis C. Moss, Carlos A.  
Gimenez

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR MIAMI-  
DADE COUNTY'S BID TO BE THE HOST SITE FOR THE  
2018 OR 2022 WORLD CUP

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable  
recommendation*

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

*Chairman Souto called for questions or concerns  
from Committee members regarding this  
proposal.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the  
Committee proceeded to vote.*

**3 PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

**4 DEPARTMENTS**

4A

**092031 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING SIGNIFICANT MODIFICATION TO BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM PROJECT NO. 233 - MIAMI BEACH CONVENTION CENTER - AS IDENTIFIED IN APPENDIX A TO RESOLUTION NO. R-917-04 AFTER A PUBLIC HEARING (Office of Capital Improvements)

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

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

*Commissioner Sosa asked that Assistant County Manager Alina Hudak provide a report indicating whether Agenda Items 4A and 4B contained the same issue as Arquitectonica International Incorporation.*

*Commissioner Barreiro asked Assistant County Manager Hudak to compose a list of the projects to be funded as a result of this proposed resolution.*

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

*SPECIAL NOTE: Chairman Souto submitted a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Dennis C. Moss waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be heard at the July 21, 2009 Board meeting.*

4B

**092033 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING FORM OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM PROJECT NO. 233 - "MIAMI BEACH CONVENTION CENTER" AND AUTHORIZES THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO FINALIZE, DELIVER AND EXECUTE SUCH AGREEMENTS AND EXERCISE AUTHORITY DELEGATED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION NO. R-595-05 (Office of Capital Improvements)

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

**Report:** *SPECIAL NOTE: Chairman Souto submitted a memorandum requesting that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) Chairman Dennis C. Moss waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be heard at the July 21, 2009 Board meeting.*

4C

**091922 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT AT 3882 S.W. 112 AVENUE, BAYS 49 AND 50, MIAMI, WITH GRI-EQY (CONCORD), LLC, A DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, FOR PREMISES TO BE UTILIZED BY THE MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM, FOR LIBRARY AND OFFICE SPACE WITH TOTAL FISCAL IMPACT TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY NOT TO EXCEED \$641,523.99 FOR THE FIVE-YEAR TERM OF THE LEASE; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (General Services Administration)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Jordan*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 6-0*

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

*Chairman Souto called for questions or concerns from Committee members regarding this proposal.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

4D

**092019 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND MUTUAL RELEASE WITH C.G. CHASE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$56,465.00, FOR WORK PERFORMED IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE NARANJA PROTOTYPE BRANCH LIBRARY; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (General Services Administration)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Jordan*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 6-0*

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

*Chairman Souto called for questions or concerns from Committee members regarding this proposal.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

4E

**091888 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF TWENTY-SIX (26) GRANTS FOR A TOTAL OF \$216,890 FROM THE FY2008-2009 THIRD QUARTER TOURIST DEVELOPMENT ROOM TAX PLAN AND SURTAX CATEGORY TO PROMOTE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TOURISM WITH: CITY THEATRE, INC.; CUBAN CLASSICAL BALLET OF MIAMI, INC.; DADE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION F/A MIAMI BEACH GAY PRIDE, INC.; ENTERTAINMENT INDUSTRY INCUBATOR, INC.; FLORIDA GRAND OPERA; FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS; GALATA, INC. F/A HAITIAN HISTORICAL ACADEMY; GREATER MIAMI BILLFISH TOURNAMENT; GROUND UP & RISING, INC.; HISPANIC THEATER GUILD CORPORATION; INFINITO ART & CULTURAL FOUNDATION, INC.; KIWANIS CLUB OF LITTLE HAVANA, INC.; MAD DOG MANDICH FISHING CLASSIC, LLC; MIAMI MOMENTUM DANCE COMPANY, INC.; MIAMI RIVER FUND, INC.; MIAMI-DADE OFFICE OF FILM & ENTERTAINMENT; MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION, INC.; MICHAEL EPSTEIN SPORTS PRODUCTIONS, INC.; MICHAEL-ANN RUSSELL JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER, INC.; MUSICAL ARTS ASSOCIATION OF MIAMI, INC., THE; NUEVA ENTERTAINMENT, LLC; PATRONS OF EXCEPTIONAL ARTISTS, INC.; POLO LIFE, LLC, THE; RHYTHM FOUNDATION, INC.; UNITED STATES VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION; VIRGINIA KEY BEACH PARK TRUST 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 (Department of Cultural Affairs)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Heyman*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 6-0*

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

*Chairman Souto called for questions or concerns from Committee members regarding this proposal.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

4F

**091889 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF ONE (1) MEMBER TO THE TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (Department of Cultural Affairs)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation  
Mover: Heyman  
Seconder: Sorenson  
Vote: 6-0*

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

*Chairman Souto called for questions or concerns from Committee members regarding this proposal.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

4G

**092022 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN ASSIGNMENT, ASSUMPTION, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONSENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN MICHAEL MOECKER & ASSOCIATES, INC., AND BEA ARCHITECTS, INC. RELATING TO MULTIPLE COUNTY PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENTS IDENTIFIED THEREIN; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (Park & Recreation Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation  
Mover: Jordan  
Seconder: Heyman  
Vote: 6-0*

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

*In response to Commissioner Jordan's inquiry whether this was a reorganization of the company, Mr. Jack Kardys, Director, Parks & Recreation Department, explained that BEA Architects Inc. had filed for reorganization in an effort to prevent bankruptcy. He noted that the Assignment Assumption Acknowledgement and Consent Agreement preserved all of MDPR's rights in regards to the eight Professional Service Agreement's between MDPR and the Seaport; he further noted that this preserved the right to go back on all past claims as well.*

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

5 COUNTY MANAGER

6 COUNTY ATTORNEY

7 CLERK OF THE BOARD

7A

092015 Report

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES FOR  
RECREATION, CULTURE AND TOURISM COMMITTEE  
MEETING(S): JUNE 8, 2009 (Clerk of the Board)

*Approved*  
*Mover: Heyman*  
*Seconder: Sosa*  
*Vote: 6-0*

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

*Chairman Souto called for questions or concerns  
from Committee members regarding this  
proposal.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the  
Committee proceeded to vote.*

8 REPORTS

8A

**091951 Report**

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

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

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

*Ms. Deborah Margol, Deputy Director, Cultural Affairs Department, apprised the committee that she had submitted a written status report regarding the South Miami-Dade Cultural Arts Center.*

*A discussion ensued among Commissioner Sorenson, Ms. Margol and Chairman Souto regarding the construction progress at the South Miami-Dade Cultural Arts Center and the need to have this center ready when tourism improved.*

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

8B

**091980 Report**

U.S. DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL FREIGHT  
ACTIVITIES AT MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT  
REPORT (County Manager)

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

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

*Chairman Souto called for questions or concerns from Committee members regarding this proposal.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

8C

**092011 Report**

ADRIENNE ARSHT CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING  
ARTS CENTER OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MONTHLY  
STATUS REPORT

(County Manager)

**Report Received**

**Mover: Jordan**

**Seconder: Sosa**

**Vote: 5-0**

**Absent: Heyman**

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

*Chairman Souto called for questions or concerns  
from Committee members regarding this  
proposal.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the  
Committee proceeded to vote.*

8D

**092012 Report**

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

**Report Received**

**Mover: Jordan**

**Seconder: Sosa**

**Vote: 5-0**

**Absent: Heyman**

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

*Chairman Souto called for questions or concerns  
from Committee members regarding this  
proposal.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the  
Committee proceeded to vote.*

8E

**092013 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: Jordan**  
**Seconder: Sosa**  
**Vote: 5-0**  
**Absent: Heyman**

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

*Chairman Souto called for questions or concerns from Committee members regarding this proposal.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

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**092020 Report**

REPORT REGARDING SECURITY CAMERAS IN COUNTY PARKS (County Manager)

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

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

*Chairman Souto called for questions or concerns from Committee members regarding this proposal.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

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Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF

Meeting Minutes

Monday, July 13, 2009

8G

092068 Report

ORAL REPORT RE: MONTHLY UPDATE 2010 MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AGRICULTURE & CATTLE SHOW (County Manager)

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

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

*Chairman Souto expressed concern regarding how the declining budget would impact the 2010 Miami International Agriculture & Cattle Show (MIACS). He noted that the MIACS was recognized as a premier Cattle Show which attracted approximately 50,000 people from many different countries. He pointed out that he wanted the MIACS to continue even if it had to be reorganized due to less funding.*

*Chairman Souto informed the Committee members of a meeting he attended last week and of Florida International University's intent to offer a veterinary science school in the near future. He noted that the future FIU Veterinary Science School could assist with the MIACS if it had to reorganize due to less funding. In addition, he proposed that this school could also assist Haiti in its efforts to develop their own land in the near future.*

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

8H

092069 Report

ORAL REPORT RE: THE PRESENT SITUATION AT THE CULTURAL CENTER AT TROPICAL PARK (County Manager)

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

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

*Chairman Souto called for questions or concerns from Committee members regarding this proposal.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

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**092126 Report**

ORAL REPORT RE: UPDATE ON THE MIAMI CIRCLE  
(County Manager)

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

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

*Chairman Souto called for questions or concerns from Committee members regarding this proposal.*

*After hearing no questions/comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.*

**9 ADJOURNMENT**

**Report:** *There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 3:08 p.m.*