

Memorandum



Date: November 6, 2009

To: Honorable Javier D. Souto, Chairman
and Members of Recreation, Culture & Tourism
Committee

From: George M. Burgess & Joe Rasco, Director
County Manager Intergovernmental Affairs

Subject: Review of State and Federal Intergovernmental Items of jurisdiction to the
Recreation, Culture & Tourism Committee

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Agenda Item No. 1(F)1

Pursuant to Resolution 1004-09, sponsored by Commissioner Sosa and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners on July 21, 2009, attached please find a copy of the 2010 State and Federal Legislative Agendas for your review. The resolution calls for the Mayor and or his designee to present departmental requests at the different October committee meetings of jurisdiction.

The attached legislative agendas have been approved by the County Manager after meetings between the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, the Assistant County Managers, and Department Directors.

A copy of Resolution 1004-09 has also been attached for you review.

STATE

RECREATION, CULTURE & TOURISM

CULTURAL AFFAIRS

Increase Statewide Budget Allocation for Cultural Affairs Grants: *PRESERVE* state funding currently received by Miami-Dade County for Cultural Affairs programs.

LIBRARY

State Aid to Libraries: *SUPPORT* increased funding of state aid to libraries.

PARKS AND RECREATION

Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program: *SUPPORT* legislation that would allow an entity to have more than 3 grants active or open at one time and still be allowed to apply for 2 new grants per year.

Florida Forever: *SUPPORT* increased funding for the Florida Forever purchasing program.

Land and Water Conservation Fund Program: *SUPPORT* the recommendations of the Outdoor Resources Review Group, a national advisory group convened to focus on the future needs of our nation for outdoor recreation and conservation of natural resources.

Cinco de Mayo Park: *SUPPORT* funding request in the amount of \$760,000 for park which provides facilities for children of immigrant agriculture workers.

Off-Highway Vehicles: *SUPPORT* funding request in the amount of \$337,000 for OHV Feasibility Study.

Federal

RECREATION, CULTURE & TOURISM

CULTURAL AFFAIRS

National Endowment for the Arts: SUPPORT advocacy efforts to continue to increase the grants budget of the National Endowment for the Arts to provide more opportunities and higher funding levels for County-supported and community-based non-profit cultural organizations and programs. (Cultural Affairs)

LIBRARY

Library Funding: ADVOCATE for an increase in federal funding to libraries and support legislation that enhances funding or programs. (Library)

PARKS AND RECREATION

Cultural Arts Center Bridge and Lighted Pedestrian Connection: SUPPORT a \$2 million funding request to help complete the construction of a 180 LF three span Cultural Arts Center Bridge and a 570 LF lighted pedestrian connection to SW 211 St. and the surrounding cultural and civic facilities. The bridge will further enhance the Cultural Village concept by providing the main pedestrian link and gateway to the new South Miami-Dade Cultural Arts Center and the existing South Dade Government Center complex. The Cultural Arts Center Bridge and the lighted pedestrian connection will provide a critical north-south link and safe connection across Black Creek Canal for pedestrians and cyclists to access multiple cultural, civic and public facilities. (Parks and Recreation)

Disability Sports and Counseling for Injured Veterans/Physical Disabilities: ADVOCATE for funding for counseling, sports training and family activities for veterans and Miami-Dade County residents with physical disabilities. (Parks and Recreation)

Exotic Wildlife Control: ADVOCATE for funding to coordinate the removal, control, and monitoring of wildlife. In addition, the program would coordinate public education. The budget includes a vehicle modified to appropriately transport trapped wildlife, operating expenses and funds for contractual services. Exotic wildlife poses several significant threats to native ecosystems, native wildlife species, and public health and safety. (Parks and Recreation)

Fit-to-Play Program – Health & Fitness: SUPPORT an \$800,000 funding request for the enhancement of Miami-Dade County Park and Recreation Fit-to-Play Program. The Fit-to-Play Program has 43 sites throughout Miami-Dade County. Of these, 17 are located in economically disadvantaged areas. This funding will be used to continue programming at these 17 sites providing 450 children with afterschool services. The funding will be allocated to personnel

and non-personnel expenses such as program supplies and administrative costs. (Parks and Recreation)

Bicycle Trails – Greenway Three Bridges: ADVOCATE for funding to support segments of over 40 miles of bicycle trail, which will provide recreational access to Biscayne National Park, Cutler Bay/Black Creek and Snake Creek Trail and several of Florida’s coastal habitats. This funding request will help complete the construction of three important greenway bridges on three greenway trails. (Parks and Recreation)

Off-Highway Vehicle Recreational Trails Development: ADVOCATE for funding request for an off-highway vehicle recreational trail that will provide safe and organized riding areas for off highway vehicles riders. Funding is for Phase I permitting for the construction of OHV recreational trails, campground and support facilities. (Parks and Recreation)

Western Greenway Strategic Plan: ADVOCATE for funding for a western greenway strategic plan. (Parks and Recreation)

VIZCAYA

Preserve America Program: ADVOCATE to restore funding for grants through the Federal Preserve America Program. Vizcaya Museum relies heavily on grant dollars for programs and exhibits at the Museum. Federal funding has been cut or reduced during the last budget cycle. The Museum would like to establish of an audio tour of the main house and gardens with the grant. (Vizcaya)

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CLERK OF THE BOARD
OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**



MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(36)

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

DATE: July 21, 2009

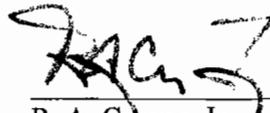
FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the Mayor or
Designee to present departmental
state and federal legislative requests
at October committees

Resolution No. R-1004-09

This substitute differs from the original item in that it includes both state and federal legislative items, while the original item consisted only of state legislative items.

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



R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

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MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: July 21, 2009

FROM: 
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County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 14(A) (36)

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

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(36)

Veto _____

7-21-09

Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. R-1004-09

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO
PRESENT DEPARTMENTAL FEDERAL AND STATE
LEGISLATIVE REQUESTS AT OCTOBER COMMITTEES

WHEREAS, committee meetings for the Florida Legislature's 2010 legislative session will begin in the fall of 2009; and

WHEREAS, member of the Florida House are limited to only six bill slots per member, and these bill slots are in high demand; and

WHEREAS, bills filed during the fall and early in committee weeks have a far better chance of passage than bills filed later in the process; and

WHEREAS, during the 2009 session, Miami-Dade County saw successes with its legislative issues by including some of them in the Florida Association of Counties and Florida League of Cities legislative packages; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Association of Counties and Florida League of Cities hold their legislative policy conferences beginning in the fall; and

WHEREAS, to best pursue our legislative agenda for the 2010 session, it is important that Miami-Dade County have its legislative agenda in place no later than the end of October, so as to give our issues the best chance of passage,

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

Section 1. This Board directs the Mayor or Designee to present all departmental legislative requests for the 2010 state legislative session >>and the 2010 federal legislative

package¹ at the October, 2009 committee meetings, including both changes to statutes and appropriations requests. The Mayor or Designee shall present such requests to the applicable committee that has jurisdiction over the department from which the request originated.

Section 2. During October committee meetings, committees shall consider such items, prioritize them and recommend items for approval by the full Board in the County's >>2010 federal and~~<< state legislative package>>~~.

Section 3. The Board shall consider, prioritize and approve the >>federal and~~<< state legislative package>>~~ at the October 20 Board meeting based on committee recommendations. The Board also shall identify no more than eight County departmental priorities >>for the 2010 federal legislative package and no more than eight County departmental priorities~~<< for the 2010 state legislative session, along with guiding principles.~~

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Rebeca Sosa. It was offered by Commissioner **Joe A. Martinez**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Rebeca Sosa** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

	Dennis C. Moss, Chairman	aye
	Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice-Chairman	aye
Bruno A. Barreiro	aye	Audrey M. Edmonson aye
Carlos A. Gimenez	aye	Sally A. Heyman aye
Barbara J. Jordan	aye	Joe A. Martinez aye
Dorin D. Rolle	aye	Natacha Seijas aye
Katy Sorenson	aye	Rebeca Sosa aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto	aye	

¹ The differences between the substitute and the original item are indicated as follows: words stricken through and/or ~~[[double bracketed]]~~ shall be deleted, words underscored and/or ~~>>double arrowed<<~~ constitute the amendment proposed.

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 21st day of July, 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: **DIANE COLLINS**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

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Jess M. McCarty