MEMORANDUM Agenda Item No. 11(A)(17)

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

DATE: April 6, 2010

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

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the Mayor or Designee to prepare a report regarding the County's fleet of Toyota Priuses

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Senator Javier D. Souto and Co-Sponsor Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.

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County Attorney

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Please note any items checked.

_____ **"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**

_____ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing**

_____ **No committee review**

_____ **Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous_____) to approve**

_____ **Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

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Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO PREPARE A REPORT REGARDING THE COUNTY'S FLEET OF TOYOTA PRIUSES

WHEREAS, the County has for many years had a fleet of vehicles composed of, among others, the Ford Taurus and the Crown Victoria; and

WHEREAS, the County recently opted to begin purchasing Toyota Priuses; and

WHEREAS, the Toyota Prius has been the subject of multiple safety recalls relating to the accelerator pedal and the breaking system; and

WHEREAS, these defects may present a safety hazard for County employees; and

WHEREAS, the Board believes that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Miami-Dade County to direct the Mayor to evaluate the advisability of continuing to include the Prius in the County's fleet of vehicles,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the Mayor or designee is directed to prepare a report regarding the advisability of continuing to include the Toyota Prius in the County's fleet of vehicles. The report shall address, among others, the following issues:

1) The number of accidents and injuries, if any, attributable to safety issues related to the Prius;
2) The steps being taken by the County to address the safety issues raised by the recent recalls;

3) The number of vehicles affected by the recalls;

4) The costs already incurred and anticipated to be incurred by the County as a result of the recalls (e.g., personnel time, vehicle down time and rental of replacement vehicles);

5) The average amount paid by the County per vehicle;

6) The total amount paid to Toyota for these vehicles;

7) The average life span of these vehicles;

8) The average number of miles driven by each vehicle in the County's fleet;

9) The average number of miles driven by each Prius in the County's fleet;

10) The total number of Toyota Priuses currently in the County's fleet;

11) The total number of Toyota Priuses currently active in the County's fleet;

12) The total number of Toyota Priuses purchased in the last ten years;

13) The total number of Toyota Priuses kept "in reserve" (i.e., not in use) in the last five years;

14) The storage location and required maintenance for Toyota Priuses kept "in reserve";

15) The inspection schedule for Toyota Priuses kept "in reserve";

16) The present value in dollars of those Toyota Priuses kept "in reserve";

17) The value of all vehicles bought by the County in the last five years and kept "in reserve";

18) The criteria used by the County when determining whether to retire a vehicle in the County's fleet;

19) Whether the County performed a cost-benefit analysis prior to purchasing Toyota Priuses;

20) If so, a statement regarding the conclusions reached by staff;

21) The basis upon which the County determined that the Prius was preferable to other vehicles such as the Ford Fusion Hybrid, Ford Escape Hybrid, Ford Focus, or Ford Taurus; and

22) The advisability of continuing to include the Toyota Prius in the County's fleet of vehicles.

The report shall be placed on the appropriate Commission committee agenda within sixty (60) days from the adoption of this resolution. The Mayor or designee shall also periodically update the Board of County Commissioners regarding the expenditure of County funds for the acquisition of vehicles for the County's fleet of vehicles.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Senator Javier D. Souto and the Co-Sponsor 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 6th day of April, 2010. 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 as
to form and legal sufficiency. GKS

Gerald K. Sanchez