MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(14)

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 to prepare guidelines for Design Best Management Practices for the treatment of stormwater runoff in commercial parking areas

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

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
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**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO PREPARE GUIDELINES FOR DESIGN BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES FOR THE TREATMENT OF STORMWATER RUNOFF IN COMMERCIAL PARKING AREAS AND TO REPORT SAME TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WITHIN 90 DAYS

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County (the "County") has created opportunities to "go green," including by expediting "green building" permits, offering density bonuses for green projects in certain urban centers, and providing targeted jobs credits for sustainable building; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade has committed to achieving green building standards for County construction projects; and

WHEREAS, because of the amount of rainfall in the County, proper drainage is an essential component of development within the County; and

WHEREAS, bioswales, or vegetated swales, are landscape elements designed to remove silt and pollution from stormwater runoff; and

WHEREAS, bioswales can increase the function of drainage systems by integrating features that improve water quality and reduce runoff volume, while also enhancing landscape aesthetics and habitat value; and

WHEREAS, proper drainage is especially important around commercial parking lots, where significant automotive pollution is collected by the paving and then flushed by rain; and

WHEREAS, bioswales can be used in commercial parking lot applications to treat polluted stormwater runoff before releasing it to the drainage system,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the County Mayor or

designee is hereby directed to prepare and report to the Board within 90 days of the effective date of this resolution guidelines for Design Best Management Practices for the treatment of stormwater runoff in commercial parking areas, including an emphasis on the use of bioswales/vegetated swales as part of the treatment of stormwater runoff.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Katy Sorenson. 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 Chairman 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.

Jorge Martinez-Esteve