

MEMORANDUM

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Agenda Item No. 2F

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

DATE: April 15, 2010

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

SUBJECT: Resolution establishing County
policy to fund the full time
operation of Miami-Dade Fire
Rescue Station 15

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez and Co-Sponsor Commissioner Sally A. Heyman.



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County Attorney

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(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss **DATE:** May 4, 2010
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

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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 _____

Agenda Item No.
5-4-10

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING COUNTY POLICY TO FUND THE FULL TIME OPERATION OF MIAMI-DADE FIRE RESCUE STATION 15; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO FUND SUCH OPERATION FOR BALANCE OF FISCAL YEAR 2009-10 FROM WITHIN APPROPRIATIONS TO MIAMI-DADE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT BY MAKING NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS WITHIN SUCH APPROPRIATIONS TO EFFECTUATE THIS POLICY; AND DIRECTING COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT WRITTEN REPORT

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Station 15 located in Key Biscayne currently provides fire rescue services to certain areas in Key Biscayne outside of the municipal boundaries of the Village of Key Biscayne and the City of Miami; and

WHEREAS, Station 15 is currently in operation from Thursday to Monday during the hours of 10:00 am to 6:00 pm; and

WHEREAS, this Board has determined that it is in the best interests of Miami-Dade County to have Station 15 operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week with at least one fully staffed engine; and

WHEREAS, it currently costs \$400,000 to \$450,000 per year to fund the part time operation of Station 15; and

WHEREAS, it would cost approximately \$2.5 million to fund a fully staffed engine on a 24/7 shift for 365 days a year; and

WHEREAS, this Board wishes to fund the operation of Station 15 twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven days a week with at least one fully staffed engine within funds appropriated in Fiscal Year 2009-10 to the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Department (the "Department"); and

WHEREAS, eligible funding sources to fund such operating level include the elimination of the Department's Internal Affairs unit and closing the cafeteria and Wellness Center at the Department's headquarters; and

WHEREAS, the Department's Internal Affairs unit costs \$1.29 million a year to fund and this year's budget for the Wellness Center at the Department's headquarters is \$818,000; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the projected costs of operating the cafeteria at the Department's headquarters during the fiscal year 2009-10 will exceed revenues by \$130,000; and

WHEREAS, elimination of the Department's Internal Affairs unit and the closing of the employee cafeteria and the Wellness Center at the Miami-Dade Fire Rescue headquarters would provide sufficient funds to operate Station 15 full time; and

WHEREAS, this Board desires to direct the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee to fund the full time operation of Station 15 from within funds appropriated in the Fiscal Year 2009-10 budget to the Department by making adjustments to the Department's Fiscal Year 2009-10 budget in the following order of priority to the extent necessary to fund such operation: elimination of the Department's Internal Affairs unit; closing the employee cafeteria; and closing the Wellness Center,

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

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated in this resolution and are approved.

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Section 2. It shall be the policy of this Board to fund operation of Miami-Dade Fire Rescue Station 15 in Key Biscayne on a 24/7 shift 365 days a year with a fully staffed engine and directs the County Mayor or the Mayor's designee to carry out such policy. This Board directs the County Mayor or the Mayor's designee to make the following adjustments to the Department's Fiscal Year 2009-10 budget in the following order of priority to the extent necessary to fund such operation: elimination of the Department's Internal Affairs unit; closing the employee cafeteria; and closing the Wellness Center.

Section 3. The County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee shall submit a written report to the Board at the next regularly scheduled Board of County Commissioners meeting after the effective date of this Resolution to inform the Board of the actions taken.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez and the Co-Sponsor is Commissioner Sally A. Heyman. 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 4th day of May, 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.

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