

Memorandum



Date: July 20, 2010

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

Agenda Item No. 3(A)(1)(B)

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Burgess", written over the printed name of the County Manager.

Subject: Resolution Authorizing the County Mayor or County Mayor's Designee to Apply for, Receive and Expend State of Florida Funds from the Department of Community Affairs to Establish a Weatherization Assistance Program for Multi-Family Units

Recommendation

The Miami-Dade County Community Action Agency Board (CAA Board) recommends that the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) authorize the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to apply for, receive and expend State of Florida funds from the Department of Community Affairs through the Miami-Dade County Community Action Agency (CAA) for the establishment and administration of a Weatherization Assistance Program for multi-family housing units funded through the American Recovery Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The CAA Board also recommends that the BCC delegate the authority to the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute such contracts, amendments, modifications, renewal, cancellation and/or termination clauses of any contracts or agreements on behalf of Miami-Dade County after approval by the County Attorney's Office (CAO) for the operation and administration of the Program for multi-family units; and to apply for, receive and expend any future subsequent grant funds should they become available for this program.

The Department of Energy awarded the State of Florida \$32 million for rehabilitation of multi-family housing units for which State approved entities such as CAA, must compete for funding. Funding will be determined on a project by project basis and each project will be awarded a separate contract and there is no limit to the number of projects an entity may submit for approval. CAA intends to submit multiple applications to the State on behalf of Miami-Dade County within the next (60) days.

Scope

The impact to Miami-Dade County for the provision of these services is undetermined as the department has not identified the multi-family housing units for which it will seek funding. However, the expectations of the State are that projects will be focused on subsidized Public Housing facilities and those that are funded with state tax credits. Eligibility will be based on Federal Poverty guidelines.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

There is no fiscal impact to the County as this grant does not require matching funds from the County.

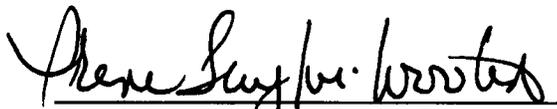
Track Record/Monitor

The Energy Program Weatherization Program Coordinator will be responsible for monitoring this grant.

Background

The Miami-Dade Community Action Agency has provided weatherization assistance services since 1993. The clients served by the Weatherization Assistance Program are low income homeowners who meet the federal poverty guidelines (\$21,855 for a family of two). Special preference is given to elderly residents and families with children. Weatherization assistance services include replacing inefficient air conditioners, refrigerators and water heaters; replacing and/or repairing windows and doors; patching cracks in walls and roofs; and providing insulation and ventilation to the attic and cooling systems. The nature and extent of repairs varies by home and is based upon what is needed in conjunction with the maximum amount permitted per home.

Given the State of Florida's availability of funding for multi-family housing units and CAA's history of funding for weatherization projects, it is anticipated that CAA will be awarded a contract to provide these services for multi-family housing units. Multi-family housing units are defined as properties with five or more units and less than five stories high. Duplexes, triplexes, and quadplexes are not considered to be multi-family housing; however they are considered to be single family dwellings and are treated as such. Each approved project will be authorized through a separate contract/agreement.


Special Assistant for Social Services



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: July 20, 2010

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

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 3(A)(1)(B)

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

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Veto _____

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Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR, RECEIVE AND EXPEND STATE OF FLORIDA FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS THROUGH THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF A WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR MULTI-FAMILY UNITS

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to apply for, receive and expend State of Florida funds from the Department of Community Affairs through the Miami-Dade County Community Action Agency for the establishment and administration of a Weatherization Assistance Program for multi-family units; and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute such contracts, amendments, modifications, renewal, cancellation and/or termination clauses of any contracts or agreements upon approval of the County Attorney's Office (CAO) on behalf of Miami-Dade County for the operation and administration of the Weatherization Assistance Program for multi-family units; and to apply for, receive and expend any future subsequent grant funds should they become available for this program on behalf of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

The foregoing resolution 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
Carlos A. Gimenez
Barbara J. Jordan
Dorrin D. Rolle
Katy Sorenson
Sen. Javier D. Souto
Audrey M. Edmonson
Sally A. Heyman
Joe A. Martinez
Natacha Seijas
Rebeca Sosa

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 20th day of July, 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.



Shannon D. Summerset