

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 7(A)

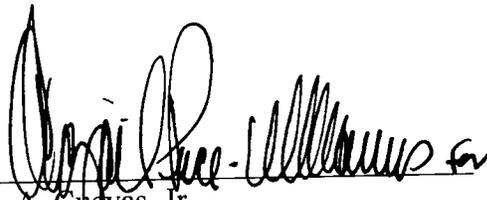
TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: (Second Reading 3-1-2011)
January 20, 2011

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

SUBJECT: Ordinance relating to Rules
of Procedure regarding
signature requirement for
special meetings

The accompanying ordinance was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez and Co-Sponsors Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson and Commissioner Sally A. Heyman.



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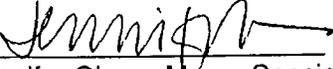
Date: March 1, 2011

To: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: George M. Burgess 
County Manager

Subject: Ordinance relating to rules of procedures of the Board of County Commissioners
regarding special meetings

The proposed ordinance amending Section 2-1 provides that whenever a special meeting is called, each signature by a commissioner to the notice constitutes, at that time, a present intention to attend the special meeting. This proposed amendment will not have a fiscal impact to the County.


Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Special Assistant/Director
Office of Strategic Business Management

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(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
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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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3-1-11

ORDINANCE NO. _____

ORDINANCE RELATING TO RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; AMENDING SECTION 2-1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, REGARDING SIGNATURE REQUIREMENT FOR SPECIAL MEETINGS; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Section 2-1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, is hereby amended to read as follows:¹

CHAPTER 2. ADMINISTRATION

ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL

Sec. 2-1. Rules of Procedure of the County Commission.

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Rule 3.02. SPECIAL MEETINGS; EMERGENCY MEETINGS.

- (a) SPECIAL MEETINGS. A special meeting of the Commission may be called by a majority of the members of the commission. Whenever a special meeting is called, a notice in writing signed by such majority shall be served upon the clerk. >>Each signature by a commissioner shall constitute a representation that, at the time of affixing his or her signature to the notice, the commissioner has the present intention to attend the special meeting.<< The clerk shall forthwith serve verbal and written notice upon each member of the commission stating the date, hour and place of the meeting and the purpose for which such meeting is called, and no other business shall be transacted at that meeting. At least twenty-four (24) hours must elapse between the time the clerk receives notice in writing

¹ Words stricken through and/or [[double bracketed]] shall be deleted. Words underscored and/or >>double arrowed<< constitute the amendment proposed. Remaining provisions are now in effect and remain unchanged.

and the time the meeting is to be held. A special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners may be cancelled (1) by resolution or motion adopted at a regular meeting by a majority of the Commission members present or (2) by seven (7) members of the Board of County Commissioners serving notice containing the required seven (7) signatures on the members of the Board of County Commissioners and upon the Clerk who shall provide public notice when a meeting is cancelled. The Commission chambers shall be made available for a special meeting whenever such a meeting is called.

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Section 2. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or provision of this ordinance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected by such invalidity.

Section 3. It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this ordinance, including any sunset provision, shall become and be made a part of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention, and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or other appropriate word.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of enactment unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

PASSED AND ADOPTED:

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency:

APW

Prepared by:

GKS

Gerald K. Sanchez

Prime Sponsor: Commissioner Carlos A. Gimenez
Co-Sponsors: Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Vice Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson
Commissioner Sally A. Heyman

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