MEMORANDUM

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Agenda Item No. 6A

TO: Honorable Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz and Members, Public Safety and Healthcare Administration Committee

DATE: April 12, 2011

FROM: Diane Collins, Division Chief
Clerk of the Board Division

SUBJECT: Approval of Commission Committee Minutes

Diane Collins

The Clerk of the Board's office is submitting the following Clerk's Summary of Minutes for approval by the Public Safety and Healthcare Administration Committee:

March 8, 2011

Attachment
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111 N.W. 1st Street
Miami, FL 33128

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF

Meeting Minutes

Public Safety & Healthcare Admin Cmte

Jose "Pepe" Diaz (12) Chair; Sally A. Heyman (4) Vice Chair; Commissioners Lynda Bell (8), Audrey M. Edmonson (3), Barbara J. Jordan (1), and Javier D. Souto (10)

Tuesday, March 8, 2011 **9:30 AM** **COMMISSION CHAMBERS**

Members Present: Lynda Bell, Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Barbara J. Jordan, Javier D. Souto.

Members Absent: None.

Members Late: None.

Members Excused: Audrey M. Edmonson, Sally A. Heyman.

Members Absent County Business: None.

1 MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Report: *Alan Eisenberg, Commission Reporter*
305-375-2510

1A INVOCATION

1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Report: *The Committee convened in a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.*

1C ROLL CALL

Report: *The following staff members were present: Assistant County Manager Alina Hudak; Assistant County Attorney Gerald Sanchez; Mr. Christopher Agrippa, Transitional Chief, Clerk of the Board; and Deputy Clerks Doris Dickens and Alan Eisenberg.*

Assistant County Attorney Gerald Sanchez noted the only changes to today's agenda were those reflected in the County Manager's memorandum, dated March 8, 2011.

It was moved by Commissioner Souto that the Committee approve the agenda with the changes requested in the County Manager's memorandum. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Bell and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 4-0 (Commissioners Edmonson and Heyman were absent).

1D SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1D1

110475 **Service Awards** **Joe A. Martinez**

1. KRISTINE MILLER - ANIMAL SERVICES - 30 YEARS *Presented*

2. FRANCIS J. BROPHY - CORRECTIONS & REHAB - 30 YEARS

3. MICHAEL J. LEFLORE - CORRECTIONS & REHAB - 35 YEARS

4. MARVIN L. RAMSEY - CORRECTIONS & REHAB - 30 YEARS

1E PUBLIC HEARINGS

1E1

110141 **Ordinance** **Joe A. Martinez**

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-1312 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, RELATING TO THE DIAL-A-LIFE BOARD; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER APPOINTED TO THE BOARD TO APPOINT AN INDIVIDUAL TO SIT IN HIS OR HER PLACE ON THE BOARD; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Bell
Seconder: Souto
Vote: 4-0
Excused: Edmonson , Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Gerald Sanchez read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.*

Chairman Diaz opened the public hearing and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee in connection with this proposed ordinance. After hearing no one wishing to speak, Chairwoman Bell closed the public hearing.

There being no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.

1E2

110085 **Ordinance** **Audrey M. Edmonson, Lynda Bell, Jean Monestime**

ORDINANCE RELATING TO SCRAP METAL PROCESSORS AND JUNK DEALERS; AMENDING SECTIONS 8A-203 AND 8A-237 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; CREATING SECTIONS 8A-9 – 8A-9.6 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; FLORIDA; REGULATING SCRAP METAL PROCESSORS AND JUNK DEALERS; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR RECORDKEEPING AND INSPECTION; PROHIBITING CASH TRANSACTIONS AND RESTRICTING PURCHASES OF CERTAIN ITEMS; PROVIDING APPLICABILITY, ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Withdrawn

Report: *See Agenda Item 1E2 SUB., Legislative File Number 110128.*

1E2 SUB.

110128 **Ordinance** **Audrey M. Edmonson, Lynda Bell, Jean Monestime, Sen. Javier D. Souto, Barbara J. Jordan, Jose "Pepe" Diaz**

ORDINANCE RELATING TO SCRAP METAL PROCESSORS AND JUNK DEALERS; AMENDING SECTIONS 8A-203 AND 8A-237 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; CREATING SECTIONS 8A-9 – 8A-9.6 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; FLORIDA; REGULATING SCRAP METAL PROCESSORS AND JUNK DEALERS; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR RECORDKEEPING AND INSPECTION; PROHIBITING CASH TRANSACTIONS AND RESTRICTING PURCHASES OF CERTAIN ITEMS; PROVIDING APPLICABILITY, ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 110085] *Amended*

Report: *See Agenda Item 1E2 SUB. AMENDED, Legislative File Number 110613 for amended version.*

1E2 SUB. AMENDED

110613 **Ordinance** **Audrey M. Edmonson, Lynda Bell, Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Barbara J. Jordan, Jean Monestime, Sen. Javier D. Souto, Sally A. Heyman, Dennis C. Moss**

ORDINANCE RELATING TO SCRAP METAL PROCESSORS AND JUNK DEALERS; AMENDING SECTIONS 8A-203 AND 8A-237 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; CREATING SECTIONS 8A-9 – 8A-9.6 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; FLORIDA; REGULATING SCRAP METAL PROCESSORS AND JUNK DEALERS; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING FOR RECORDKEEPING AND INSPECTION; PROHIBITING CASH TRANSACTIONS AND RESTRICTING PURCHASES OF CERTAIN ITEMS; PROVIDING APPLICABILITY, ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTIES; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NOS. 110085 AND 110128]

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Bell
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Edmonson, Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Gerald Sanchez read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.*

Chairman Diaz opened the public hearing and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee in connection with this proposed ordinance. The following persons appeared:

Mr. James Burke, Director of Corporate Security, Florida Power & Light Company (FPL), 700 Universe Boulevard, Juno Beach, 33408, spoke in support of the foregoing proposed ordinance. He noted that copper was frequently stolen from FPL service centers and substations and presented electrocution concerns. Mr. Burke supported law enforcement efforts that required scrap metal dealers to positively identify individuals bringing copper and other metals to sell

Major Garry Jeanniton, Miami-Dade Police Department (MDPD), Northside District, noted an increase in burglaries and complaints of non-operational street lighting within the District. He said that Sergeant Paul Angelo, MDPD, had been effective in implementing various enforcement strategies relating to burglary and the metal recycling ordinance. Major Jeanniton noted the scrap metal and copper wire crimes had affected the community's quality of life and presented safety concerns. He commented on MDPD's support of this proposed ordinance and its close cooperation with Commissioner Edmonson and

the County Attorney's Office to draft the legislation.

Lieutenant Raul Nunez, MDPD, noted the upcoming PowerPoint presentation would depict the scope of scrap metal theft in Miami-Dade County and the MDPD's enforcement efforts.

Sergeant Angelo presented the PowerPoint presentation and distributed hard copies to Commissioners. He noted that scrap metal theft was a nationwide problem; that all areas of the County were affected; and that his squad had been addressing this issue since June 2010.

Ms. Amy Lee (address withheld) noted she lived on the same street as the two largest scrap metal processors in the County and spoke about numerous incidents of unsavory and violent behavior she has endured from scrap metal thieves who set up a homeless camp beside her home. She noted her support of the ordinance, however, she commented on the need for additional enforcement due to the high crime and violence in her particular area, and suggested the creation of a five member task force in the Northside District. Ms. Lee also commented on her efforts to address the issues of the scrap metal crisis and quality of life in her neighborhood. With the assistance of Ms. Carmen Caldwell, Victim Services Coordinator, MDPD, Ms. Lee started a Citizens Crime Watch, which consisted of 53 homes, Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, and Martin Luther King Elementary School.

Ms. Isabella Rosetti, 2835 NW 50 Street, Miami, noted that she was a Brownsville resident; a Hampton House Restoration Board Member; and supported the ordinance. She noted that the Hampton House was located across the street from a scrap metal business. Ms. Rosetti suggested that the relocation of that scrap metal business should be considered since it was deemed an obstacle for the implementation of the Model City Urban City District and the Model City/Brownsville Charrette.

Mr. Clarence Woods, 49 NW 5 Street, Suite 100, Miami, 33128, Assistant Director, Southeast Overtown/Park West Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), spoke in support of the ordinance. He noted in May 2010, the CRA experienced several incidents of theft, including 2,000 feet of copper wire from lighting surrounding the Performing Arts Center and a CRA lot, costing taxpayers $6,500. Mr. Woods also noted manhole

covers, drainage covers, tree grates, water meter covers, and street light covers were stolen from throughout the Overtown community in February 2011, and in a single night, 18 tree grates, worth $1,000 each, were stolen.

Ms. Enid Pinkney, Founding President and CEO, Historic Hampton House Community Trust, 4990 NW 31 Avenue, Miami, 33142, informed the Committee that historical materials for a planned museum at the Hampton House were stolen and that she was able to retrieve some of those stolen items that had not already been disposed of from a local scrap metal business, paying for them with her personal funds. She also noted that many streets in the neighborhood, including NW 54 Street and NW 32 Avenue, were in the dark. Ms. Pinkney supported the ordinance, noting that scrap metal theft was a serious problem and asked that the ordinance be implemented on an emergency basis.

Commander Lazaro Ferro, City of Miami Police Department, 400 NW 2 Avenue, Miami, spoke in support of the ordinance, noting the problems affected the community and the City of Miami.

Officer Kelly, City of Miami Police Department, 400 NW 2 Avenue, Miami, commended Sergeant Angelo for the PowerPoint presentation and noted support for the ordinance.

Mr. Mario Artecona, CEO, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Miami (Habitat), 3800 NW 22 Avenue, spoke in support of the ordinance and additional enforcement efforts. He explained that Habitat was a County partner for building homes in the Liberty City community using infill lots and noted the copper wire problem was not exclusive to Liberty City. He indicated Habitat had experienced similar thefts Countywide, each incident costing $4,500 for $25 worth of copper wire, which added to the costs of home construction and resulted in homes being sold at a loss to promote affordable homeownership.

Ms. Elaine Black, Liberty City Trust, 4800 NW 12 Avenue, acknowledged Commissioners Edmonson, Monestime and Bell for their support of this ordinance. She spoke in support of removing scrap metal business from the area, noting the negative impact and detrimental effect the thefts had on the community.

Mr. Eric Thompson, Chairperson, Liberty City

Trust and Liberty Square Tenant Council Member, 6304 NW 14 Avenue, Miami, said the ordinance was a quality of life and safety issue for Liberty City residents. He urged Committee members to support the ordinance and stressed the need for adequate enforcement efforts.

Mr. Christopher Mazello, Inspector General (IG), noted his support for the proposed legislation. He asked that the ordinance be amended to enable the IG to inspect records that were required to be maintained by scrap metal processors and junk dealers in order to provide oversight and to ensure the proper compliance to ordinance provisions.

Mr. Hershel Haynes, Chairman, Abbott Park Model Cities Homeowners Association, noted support for the ordinance; however, he asked that it be strengthened to include more enforcement efforts.

Mr. Levert Jordan, Sr., President, New Horizons Tenant Association, located at NW 7 Avenue and 60 Street, thanked Commissioner Edmonson for restoring street lighting to the area. He noted that law enforcement officers needed additional support to enforce the provisions of this ordinance.

After hearing no one further wishing to speak, Chairwoman Bell closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Bell noted the Board fully supported the ordinance; however, the penalty provision, Section 8A-9.6, needed additional strength. She said this was an expensive problem and many lives were at risk and noted examples of copper pipe and air conditioner theft from homes and other metal thefts in the community. She expressed concern that the penalty provision was vague and asked whether the fine was per item, per incident, or if a perpetrator caught with a quantity of copper wire would be considered one violation.

Assistant County Attorney Henry Gillman responded that the penalty was per violation of any section of the ordinance and noted, as an example, a cash payment by a scrap metal processor or junk dealer would be one violation and then acceptance of a prohibited item without proof of ownership would be a second violation. Mr. Gillman clarified that the penalty for the first violation was $500 and $1,000 for a subsequent violation and that an individual caught with a quantity of copper wire, without proof of

ownership, would be a single violation.

Assistant County Attorney Gillman noted that scrap metal processors and junk dealers were regulated by State Statute and were registered with the State Department of Revenue (DOR). Mr. Gillman said that the DOR could deny or revoke a registration for violation of the State Statute. He noted that the ordinance was stricter than the State Statute in not allowing the use of cash payments. Mr. Gillman said that State penalties were more severe with a $1,000 penalty and one-year imprisonment for the first violation and a $5,000 penalty and five-year imprisonment for the third and subsequent violation. He noted that the MDPD enforced and monitored scrap metal processors and junk dealers' adherence to State Statutes, including maintaining records that identified the sellers of scrap metals. Mr. Gillman said these records included a photo and thumbprint of the seller, as well as a completed transaction report, which must maintained by the business for five years.

Commissioner Bell requested definitive clarification about the quantity sold per violation. She noted the ordinance should be forwarded to the Board; however, the specific details of these violations should be made more stringent, specific and narrow.

Commissioner Jordan questioned details about enforcement of this ordinance.

Assistant County Attorney Gillman responded that enforcement was handled by local law enforcement officials. He noted that once notified of a theft, police officials would have probable cause to issue a Hold Notice to scrap metal processors and junk dealers requiring that subject materials be held and not disposed of for a designated period of time, allowing time for the victim to identify the stolen property.

Commissioner Jordan noted that regularly scheduled inspections were needed in order to address this problem.

Major Jeanniton responded that random inspections were performed as part of the enforcement effort and noted a more organized inspection process with weekly inspections could be implemented.

Commissioner Jordan questioned whether the

renewal of a County license could be linked to an inspection process similar to a restaurant's requirement to pass an inspection in order to continue their operations.

Assistant County Attorney Gillman responded that the MDPD could notify the DOR that a particular scrap metal processor or junk dealer had violated a section of the Statute or Ordinance, at which point the DOR would then determine whether or not to suspend, revoke, or deny the registration that enabled the scrap metal processor or junk dealer to conduct business. He said the County would be unable to link a registration to the local business tax receipt.

Commissioner Jordan asked Assistant County Attorney Gillman to explore the possibility of the County scheduling a regular inspection process that would automatically generate reports to the Department of Revenue or the responsible entity of any violations.
(Note: Assistant County Attorney Gillman's findings will be submitted to the County Commission along with this proposed ordinance.)

Major Jeanniton noted that the Department could easily inform the DOR of inspection violations.

Commissioners Jordan and Bell asked Assistant County Attorney Henry Gillman to explore options to amend the penalty provision of this ordinance to increase the penalties for violators based on the quantity (i.e., one item versus multiple items) of scrap items purchased; and submit his findings to the County Commission for consideration along with this proposed ordinance.

Commissioner Souto asked Assistant County Attorney Gillman to explain changes to this legislation which were implemented in 2008.

Assistant County Attorney Gillman responded that the significant changes required obtaining a description of the seller, a thumbprint, vehicle information, a photo of materials being sold, and a photo of the seller receiving money. He noted it also allowed law enforcement to inspect scrap metal processors' and junk dealers' records; provided a 15-day hold notice; prohibited cash transactions over $1,000, required scrap metal processors and junk dealers to register with the State; prohibited purchases of regulated metals between 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.; required purchases to take place at a fixed location; and

required purchase transactions to occur from a transported motor vehicle.

Commissioner Souto asked Assistant County Attorney Gillman to prepare a resolution creating a database to monitor scrap metal processors' and junk dealers' business activities on a daily basis. He asked Assistant County Attorney Gillman to also prepare a zoning ordinance providing that scrap metal processor and junk dealer businesses be located within designated areas, outside of the central city and residential neighborhoods.

Chairman Diaz questioned whether the majority of scrap metal processors and junk dealers businesses were legitimate.

Sergeant Angelo responded that the MDPD began enforcement in the Northside District in June 2010 and discovered most of the two dozen secondary metals recyclers possessed the required DOR license; however, those business owners without a license were in violation of Florida Statutes and were arrested and charged with a felony offense. Sergeant Angelo noted that surveillance efforts monitored the methods by which customers were coming to the scrap metal processors and junk dealers businesses to determine whether they were complying with the Statute which prevented the business from accepting walk-up customers.

Chairman Diaz noted the County must be careful not to hurt an industry that was doing the right thing and questioned the percentage of operators that were conducting business within the parameters of the law versus those who were not.

Lieutenant Nunez responded that most businesses were operating properly and that this proposed legislation would not hurt any legitimate business.

Chairman Diaz concurred with Commissioner Souto's concerns regarding to the need to re-designate uses away from residential areas and questioned whether sufficient input from the industry had been received.

Sergeant Angelo responded that the majority of scrap metal processors and junk dealers lawfully conducted their businesses, with the most common infraction relating to compliance with appropriate record keeping requirements.

Chairman Diaz noted support for this proposed legislation, provided it did not impact the

legitimate business and improperly target homeless individuals.

Commissioner Souto asked Assistant County Attorney Gillman to evaluate the possibility of enacting an ordinance requiring scrap metal processors and junk dealers to post a bond, which would be forfeited in the event they were found guilty of dealing with stolen property.

Commissioner Jordan asked Assistant County Attorney Henry Gillman to explore whether a fine could be levied against scrap metal processors and junk dealers in violation of the Department of Environmental Resource Management regulations.

Commissioner Jordan and Chairman Diaz asked to be listed as co-sponsors of the foregoing proposed ordinance.

Chairman Diaz suggested that proper notice of this proposed ordinance be provided to scrap metal processors and junk dealers to ensure that all businesses were fully aware of this legislation and its impact on the industry.

There being no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.

Assistant County Attorney read a technical amendment into the record.

It was moved by Commissioner Jordan that the foregoing proposed ordinance be forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) with a favorable recommendation with Committee amendments) to correct the language contained on Handwritten page 5, Section 1 of the ordinance to read as follows: "that the above recitals of legislative intent and findings are fully incorporated herein as part of this ordinance;" to remove the language contained under Section 1 and insert that language under Section 2; and to renumber subsequent sections accordingly. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Bell, and upon being put to a vote, passed 4-0 (Commissioners Edmonson and Heyman were absent).

1E2 SUB. SUPP.

110519 **Supplement**

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION TO ORDINANCE RELATING TO SCRAP METAL PROCESSORS AND JUNK DEALERS

Presented

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

110396 **Resolution** **Sally A. Heyman**

RESOLUTION DIRECTING COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT A WRITTEN REPORT TO THE BOARD REGARDING THE SOUTH FLORIDA ENVIROMENTAL TASK FORCE AND FLORIDA ENVIRONMENTAL TASK FORCE TRUST FUNDS

Deferred to no date certain
Mover: Bell
Seconder: Diaz
Vote: 4-0
Excused: Edmonson
, Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Gerald Sanchez read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

There being no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.

3 DEPARTMENT

3A

110409 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE GROUND LEASE ESTOPPELS AND AGREEMENTS AND EASEMENT ESTOPPEL CERTIFICATE, AS GROUND LESSOR, FOR REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT JACKSON NORTH MEDICAL CENTER TO ALLOW FOR THE NORTHPARK PROFESSIONAL GROUP, LLC, THE GROUND LESSEE, TO REFINANCE ITS LEASEHOLD MORTGAGE (Public Health Trust)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Bell
Vote: 4-0
Excused: Edmonson , Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Gerald Sanchez read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Ms. Gerlin Escar, Governmental Relations, Jackson Health Systems noted she was available to address any questions which Committee members might have.

There being no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.

4 COUNTY MANAGER

5 COUNTY ATTORNEY

6 CLERK OF THE BOARD

6A

110456 **Report**

APPROVAL OF COMMISSION COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR THE DECEMBER 16, 2010 HEALTH, PUBLIC SAFETY AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE MEETING (Clerk of the Board)

Approved
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Bell
Vote: 4-0
Excused: Edmonson , Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Gerald Sanchez read the foregoing proposed report into the record.*

There being no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.

7 REPORT

110791 Report
NON-AGENDA REPORTS

Report: *1) Chairman Diaz welcomed eighth grade students from the Jose Marti Middle School Silver Knight Advanced Academy. He noted that the Academy required all students to maintain A's and B's in both academics and conduct. Chairman Diaz said that these students took quarterly field trips to expose themselves to high levels of education and careers. He recognized their teacher, Ms. Marisela Prieto. Certificates of Appreciation were presented to each student.*

2) Chairman Diaz commended the Miami-Dade County Health Department's Senior Leaders for an outstanding job serving our community.

Certificates of Appreciation were presented to:

•Ms. Lillian Rivera, MD, MPH; Administrator
•Mr. Fermin Leguen, MD, MPH; Chief Physician and Director of Epidemiology, Disease Control and Immunization Services
•Mr. Morton Laitner, Esq., Chief Legal Council
•Ms. Olga Connor, BA; Director, Office of Communication and Legislative Affairs
•Mr. Rene Ynestroza, MBA, MSMIS; Senior Public Health Services Manager
•Mr. Thomas Burns, MPH; Director, Sexually Transmitted Diseases Program
•Mr. Samir Elmir, PhD, PE, DEE, CEHP; Director, Environmental Health and Engineering Services
•Mr. Reynald Jean, MD, MPH; Director, Tuberculosis Program
•Ms. Alicia Reyes-Perez, RN, BSN; Director, Public Health Preparedness
•Ms. Pamela Toomer, RNC, BSN, MPH, NCSN; Assistant Community Health Nursing Director / School Health Program Director
•Ms. Yesenia Villalta, MSN, ARNP; Director, Women's Health & Preventative Services
•Ms. Karen Weller, RN, BSN, ICCE; Director, Office of Community Health and Planning
•Ms. Denise D. West, LD/N, MPH, RD, FADA; Public Health Nutrition Program Director
•Ms. Maribel Zayas, BPA, JD; Financial Administrator

3) Commissioner Souto commented that the recent killing of a girl in his neighborhood had shocked the community. He expressed concern over not

being notified of the situation or the numerous violations that had occurred in that home for many years which was located in his District. He said he did not want to read about similar instances in the newspapers before being personally advised by the Miami-Dade Police Department (MDPD). Commissioner Souto also emphasized the need to reinstate crime watch programs.

In response to Commissioner Souto's comments, Chairman Diaz asked Assistant County Manger Alina Hudak and the MDPD Director to meet with the Commissioner to address his request of being immediately notified of repeated criminal violations within his District.

8 ADJOURNMENT

Report: *There being no further business, the Public Safety & Healthcare Administration Committee was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.*