



MEMORANDUM

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Agenda Item No. 2(H)

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

DATE: December 13, 2011

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

SUBJECT: Resolution requesting and directing the mayor or designee to prepare and implement a plan to increase the transparency of the County government by posting on the County's website in an on-going manner the public records of the County

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro.

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

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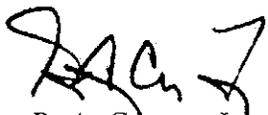


MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: January 24, 2012

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

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No.

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

Agenda Item No.

Veto _____

1-24-12

Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION REQUESTING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO PREPARE AND IMPLEMENT A PLAN TO INCREASE THE TRANSPARENCY OF THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT BY POSTING ON THE COUNTY'S WEBSITE IN AN ON-GOING MANNER THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF THE COUNTY

WHEREAS, trust in government is at an all time low and it is important to restore confidence and trust in government; and

WHEREAS, this Board embraces the ideals of government-in-the-sunshine and transparency in government administration and operations; and

WHEREAS, most of the records of the County government are public pursuant to the Constitution and the laws of Florida, and these public records are and should be open for the inspection and copying; and

WHEREAS, these important government goals would be advanced by using the resources of the internet to post on the County's website a growing amount of the County's public records on an ongoing basis to allow easy access and full transparency; and

WHEREAS, important strides in this regard have already occurred on the County's website concerning records of the Clerk of the Board, Property Appraiser, Tax Collector, Library, and the County's online check register, among others, and the County should continue to expand the public records available on the world wide web,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the Mayor or designee is requested and directed to prepare and implement a plan to expand the County public records that

are posted on the internet for easy access for the public to review and copy. This plan should review the public records of the County currently available on the internet, identify additional categories of public records that should be posted on the internet, establish a timetable and budget for such posting, and provide alternatives for some future time when all public records might automatically be posted on the internet.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Bruno A. Barreiro. 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:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman	
Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Lynda Bell
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Jean Monestime	Dennis C. Moss
Rebeca Sosa	Sen. Javier D. Souto
Xavier L. Suarez	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 24th day of January, 2012. 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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