MEMORANDUM

IMFR Agenda Item No. 1(F)1

то:	Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez and Members, Board of County Commissioners	DATE:	March 13, 2012
FROM:	R. A. Cuevas, Jr. County Attorney	SUBJECT:	Ordinance relating to Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance; amending Sec. 2-11.1(q) of the Code, to prohibit the Mayor and County Commissioners from lobbying the County for specified time period after County service

The accompanying ordinance was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Lynda Bell and Co-Sponsor Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.

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R. A. Cuevas, Jr. County Attorney

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	Memorandum MIAMI-DADE
Date:	
То:	Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez and Members, Board of County Commissioners
From:	Carlos A. Gimenez
Subject:	Ordinance prohibiting the County Mayor and Commissioners from lobbying the County

The proposed ordinance amending Section 2-11.1 of the Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance, prohibits any elected official, after March 1, 2012, to lobby any county officer, department personnel or employee in connection with any judicial or other proceeding, application, Request for Proposal (RFP), Request for Quotations (RFQ), bid, request for ruling, or other determination, contract, claim, controversy, charge, accusation, arrest or other particular subject matter in which Miami-Dade or one (1) of its agencies or instrumentalities is a party or has any interest for at least four (4) years after his or her county service has ceased. This proposed amendment will not have a fiscal impact to the County.

Office of the Mayor

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TO:	Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez and Members, Board of County Commissioners	DATE:	January 24, 2012		
FROM:	R. A. Cuevas, Jrl County Attorney	SUBJECT:	Agenda Item No. 4(C)		
Please note any items checked.					
	"3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised				
	6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing				
<u> </u>	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 report for public hearing	detailed Coun	ty Manager's		

_____ 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. 4(C)
Veto		1-24-12
Override		

ORDINANCE NO.

ORDINANCE RELATING TO CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND CODE OF ETHICS ORDINANCE; AMENDING SECTION 2-11.1(q) OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO PROHIBIT THE MAYOR AND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FROM LOBBYING THE COUNTY FOR SPECIFIED TIME PERIOD AFTER COUNTY SERVICE; 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 2-11.1(q) of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, is hereby

amended to read as follows:¹

Sec. 2-11.1. Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance.

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- (q) *Continuing application after county service.*
 - (1) No person who has served as an elected county official, i.e., mayor, county commissioner, or a member of the staff of an elected county official, or as county manager, senior assistant to the county manager, department director, departmental personnel or employee shall, for a period of two (2) years after his or her county service or employment has ceased, lobby any county officer, departmental personnel or employee in connection with any judicial or other proceeding, application, RFP, RFQ,

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.

bid, request for ruling, or other determination, contract, claim, controversy, charge, accusation, arrest or other particular subject matter in which Miami-Dade County or one (1) of its agencies or instrumentalities is a party or has any interest whether direct indirect. whatever. or >>Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, no person who has served as an elected county official (i.e., Mayor or County Commissioner) after March 1, 2012 shall for a period of four (4) years after his or her county service has ceased lobby any county officer, departmental personnel or employee in connection with any judicial or other proceeding, application, RFP, RFQ, bid, request for ruling, or other determination, contract, claim, controversy, charge, accusation, arrest or other particular subject matter in which Miami-Dade County or one (1) of its agencies or instrumentalities is a party or has any interest whatever, whether direct or indirect.<< Additionally, no person who has served as a community council member shall, for a period of two (2) years after his or her county service or employment has ceased, lobby, with regard to any zoning or land use issue, any county officer, departmental personnel or employee in connection with any judicial or other proceeding, application, request for ruling, or other determination, contract, claim, controversy, charge, accusation, arrest or other particular subject matter in which Miami-Dade County or one (1) of its agencies or instrumentalities is a party or has any interest whatever, whether direct or indirect. Nothing contained in this Subsection (q)(1) shall prohibit any individual included within the provisions of this subsection from submitting a routine administrative request or application to a county department or agency during the [[two-year]] period after his or her county service has ceased.

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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:

Prepared by:

Gerald K. Sanchez

Prime Sponsor: Commissioner Lynda Bell Co-Sponsor: Commissioner Rebeca Sosa

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