

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 8(M) (2)

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

DATE: November 8, 2012

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

SUBJECT: Resolution requesting the Board
of County Commissioners to
waive term limits by a 2/3 vote
for Environmental Quality
Control Board member
Dr. William E. Hopper and to
reappoint Dr. Hopper to another
three-year term

The accompanying resolution was prepared by the Regulatory and Economic Resources Department and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Vice Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson.



R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

RAC/smm

Date: November 8, 2012

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

From: Carlos A. Gimenez
County Mayor 

Subject: Resolution Requesting the Board of County Commissioners to Waive Term Limits for Environmental Quality Control Board Member Dr. William E. Hopper and to Reappoint Dr. Hopper to Another Three-Year Term

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve the attached resolution requesting that term limits for Environmental Quality Control Board member Dr. William E. Hopper be waived and that Dr. Hopper be reappointed to serve another three-year term on the Environmental Quality Control Board.

Scope

The Environmental Quality Control Board hears cases from all areas of the County.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

This resolution has no fiscal impact as members of the Environmental Quality Control Board are not compensated for their duties.

Track Record/Monitor

The Assistant Director of the Department of Regulatory and Economic Resources/Environmental Resources Management, Mr. Lee Hefty, will monitor the outcome of this resolution.

Background

On January 21, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners enacted Ordinance No. 10-06, allowing the term limit of eight (8) consecutive years for County board members to be waived by a vote of the Board of County Commissioners.

The Environmental Quality Control Board is a quasi-judicial County board that hears appeals, variances and time extension requests for highly scientific and technical matters under Chapter 24 of the Code of Miami-Dade County. The composition and membership of the Environmental Quality Control Board require advanced degrees and qualifications unique to environmental disciplines. The Environmental Quality Control Board is composed of five (5) members, of which two (2) must have Ph.D. degrees in biology, one (1) must have a Ph.D. degree in biochemistry and two (2) must have professional engineering licenses and experience in sanitary engineering. Members are appointed by the Board of County Commissioners and serve staggered 3-year terms.

Dr. Hopper has a Ph.D. degree in biochemistry, is highly qualified, and has served with distinction on the Environmental Quality Control Board. Dr. Hopper is currently a member of the Environmental Quality Control Board and his term expires in December 2012. His continued service ensures the effective operation of the Environmental Quality Control Board.

The attached resolution requests that the term limit for Dr. Hopper be waived and that he be reappointed to serve another three-year term on the Environmental Quality Control Board.



Jack Osterholt, Deputy Mayor



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(Revised)

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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 _____

Agenda Item No. 8(M)(2)
11-8-12

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO WAIVE TERM LIMITS BY A 2/3 VOTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY CONTROL BOARD MEMBER DR. WILLIAM E. HOPPER AND TO REAPPOINT DR. HOPPER TO ANOTHER THREE-YEAR TERM

WHEREAS, on January 21, 2010, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 10-06, amending Chapter 2, Section 2-11.38.2 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, to allow the Board of County Commissioners to waive term limits for advisory board members by a resolution adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of members present; and

WHEREAS, the Miami-Dade County Environmental Quality Control Board is a quasi-judicial board, highly scientific and technical in nature; and

WHEREAS, due to the highly scientific and technical nature of the matters which the Environmental Quality Control Board hears, the composition and membership of the Environmental Quality Control Board requires members with advanced degrees and qualifications unique to environmental disciplines; and

WHEREAS, Dr. William E. Hopper is highly qualified and has served with distinction on the Environmental Quality Control Board and has reached his term limit as a member of the Environmental Quality Control Board; and

WHEREAS, Dr. William Hopper's continued service ensures the effective operation of the Environmental Quality Control Board,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board hereby

waives the term limits for Dr. William Hopper by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of members present and reappoints him to serve another three-year term as member of the Environmental Quality Control Board.

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:

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 8th day of November, 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.



Abbie Schwaderer-Raurell

ATTACHMENT A

Biographical Sketch: Dr. William E. Hopper, Jr.

A. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Florida Memorial University
Miami, Florida
January 4, 1984 to present

Professor of Chemistry and Environmental Science (current)
Faculty Senate President (three terms)
Chair, Tenure and Promotions Committee
Director, Center for Urban Environmental Studies (current)
Director, Environmental Justice Institute of Florida
Director of Institutional Research
Dean of the Faculty
Special Assistant to the President for Institutional Research,
Planning, Assessment, and Self-Study
Chair, Division of Natural Sciences and Mathematics

University of Miami
School of Medicine
Miami, Florida
Department of Oncology
Division of Cell Kinetics
May 16, 1982 -December 31, 1983

Research Associate

Department of Medicine
Division of Genetic Medicine
August 15, 1980 - May 15, 1982

Research Assistant Professor

University of South Carolina
Department of Chemistry
Columbia, SC
July 1980 - August 1980
September 1974 - July 1990

Teaching Associate
Graduate Assistant (teaching and research)

EDUCATION

Florida International University, Miami, FL
MS in Environmental Science, 2001

University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC
PhD in Chemistry, with emphasis in Biochemistry, 1980
MS in Chemistry, with emphasis in Biochemistry, 1977

Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK
BS with Honors in Chemistry, 1974

MAJOR RESEARCH PROJECTS:

United Negro College Fund, 2005 (\$40,000) - Grant to increase minority participation in ecology
United Negro College Fund/The Ecological Society of America, 2004 (\$3500) - Faculty Development grant to develop course materials for Ecology of South Florida
South Florida Water Management District, 2000 (\$300,000); Contract for establishing Center for Urban Environmental Studies, community outreach, and environmental research
NIOSH - Deep South Center (\$16,500); Subcontract for establishing program for estimating exposure of farm workers in southern Miami-Dade County to pesticides
United Negro College Fund/The Ecological Society of America, 1997/1998/1999/2000/2001/2002/2003 (\$11,000/\$12,500/\$12,500/\$12,500/\$14,000/\$11,000/\$3,000) - Development of an Ecology curriculum and formation of an Ecology Club
US Environmental Protection Agency (\$4400), Subcontract from the University of South Florida -

- Development of community education programs dealing with household toxic wastes
- US Army Corps of Engineers, 1996 (\$35,000), Subcontract from the University of Miami - Geographic Information System (GIS) model of toxic threats to sea grass communities in Biscayne Bay
- United Negro College Fund, 1995 (\$96,000) - Establishment of an Institute for Environmental Justice Education and Research and Environmental Studies-Curriculum
- US Department of Energy, 1995 (\$4000), Subcontract from the University of South Florida - Planning grant to determine possible exposure of minority communities to electromagnetic radiation
- United Negro College Fund, 1992 (\$65,000) - Establishment of an Institutional Effectiveness Center at Florida Memorial College
- US Department of Education, 1985 (\$243,000) - Improvements to the Science Program at Florida Memorial College
- American Cancer Society, 1983 (\$4000) - Studies on the Anti-tumor Properties of Auromomycin

B. SELECTED REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS

- "Species Richness in Three Miami-Dade County, Florida Neighborhoods"; poster presented at the meeting of the Ecological Society of America, Savannah, Georgia, August 5-12, 2003
- "Changes in Historical Tree Cover in Three Miami-Dade County, Florida Neighborhoods"; presentation at the meeting of the Florida Academy of Sciences, Orlando, Florida, March 22, 2003
- "Changes in Historical Tree Cover in Two Miami-Dade County, Florida Neighborhoods"; poster presented at the meeting of the Ecological Society of America, Tucson, Arizona, August 3-10, 2002
- "Environmental Justice Considerations of TRI Sites in Miami-Dade, Hillsborough, and Duval Counties, Florida", *Proceedings of the First Florida Conference on Community Health*, 1997
- "Florida Memorial College Institutional Effectiveness Report", 1993, 1995, 1997
- "First Follow-Up Report to the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools", October 13, 1993
- "Experimental Pharmacology of Auromomycin," Samy, T.S.A., Siegal, P., Hopper, W.E., Jr., and Krishan, A., *Cancer Research* 44, 3202(1984)
- "Light Spectroscopic Studies of the Binary Complex of *Lactobacillus casei* Thymidylate Synthetase and 5-Fluoro-2'-Deoxyuridylate," Lewis, C.A., Hopper, W.E., Jr., Wheeler, M.R., and Dunlap, R.B., *Journal of Biological Chemistry* 256, 7347(1981)
- Studies on the Nature of the Binary and the Ternary Complexes of Thymidylate Synthetase with Nucleotides and Folate Derivatives*,
Doctoral Dissertation, University of South Carolina, 1980
- "UV-Difference, Circular Dichroism, and [¹⁹F]-NMR Studies of the Interaction of Folates with the FdUMP-Thymidylate Synthetase Binary Complex," Hopper, W.E., Jr., Lewis, C.A., Jr., and Dunlap, R.B., paper delivered at the meeting of the American Association for Cancer Researchers, San Diego, CA, 1980 and at the meeting of the American Society of Biological Chemists and the Biophysical Society, New Orleans, LA, June 1980

"The Inhibition of Thymidylate Synthetase by PO-UMP," paper delivered at the meeting of the South-East Regional American Chemical Society, Savannah, GA, November 1978

The Interaction of Thymidylate Synthetase with Periodate-Oxidized Uridylic Acid,
Master's Thesis, University of South Carolina, 1977

C. Service

Miami-Dade County Environmental Quality Control Board member - 1997 to present
Morningside Civic Association, President - 2004, 2005, 2006; Secretary - 2001-2003
City of Miami Police Department survey analyst - 1999, 2001, 2003, 2005
City of Miami Historic Preservation Office volunteer - 2004 to present