

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(25)

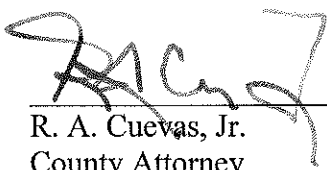
TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: November 8, 2012

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

SUBJECT: Resolution directing County
Mayor to consider and analyze
whether vacant parcel of land
that is for sale and is adjacent
to a park should be purchased
by the County

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Senator Javier D. Souto and the Co-Sponsor is Vice Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson.



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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

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Veto _____

11-8-12

Override _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S
DESIGNEE TO CONSIDER AND ANALYZE WHETHER
VACANT PARCEL OF LAND THAT IS FOR SALE AND IS
ADJACENT TO A PARK SHOULD BE PURCHASED BY THE
COUNTY TO EXPAND SUCH PARK AND, IF SO, TO
ATTEMPT TO ACQUIRE THE PARCEL

WHEREAS, from 2000 to 2010, the population in Miami-Dade County increased by approximately ten percent (10%), thus increasing the need for additional parks and park and recreation facilities to serve the expanding population; and

WHEREAS, accordingly, the vision of the County's Park, Recreation and Open Spaces Department ("PROS") is that every resident to should have equitable access to parks and activities and that every neighborhood within the County should be upgraded, if necessary, to meet residents' needs; and

WHEREAS, moreover, the PROS's Parks and Open Space Master Plan provides that "every park should be designed to contribute to the environmental, social and economic well-being of the surrounding neighborhood and community"; and

WHEREAS, one way to accomplish this planning and design principle as well as to ensure that the County continues to add and develop park space is to encourage the acquisition by the County, whenever feasible, practical and necessary, of land adjacent to existing parks in order to expand parks; and

WHEREAS, the County should take advantage of any opportunity to annex adjacent parcels if they become available in order to maximize the limited resources to provide recreation and sporting facilities and programs to the public at the most economical cost, as it is more

expensive to acquire and develop a new park and then provide new staffing than to expand existing park add more space for more fields, more green space and more recreational facilities, while utilizing existing operational dollars and staff,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that, anytime the County becomes aware that a parcel of vacant, undeveloped land adjacent to an existing County park is being offered for sale, this Board directs the County Mayor or Mayor's designee to consider and analyze whether such parcel could be purchased and used to expand the park and, if so, to make good faith attempts to acquire the parcel. The aforementioned consideration and analysis performed by the County Mayor or Mayor's designee should include, but not be limited to, determining whether the expansion of the park in question is necessary to serve an increased population, whether the expansion of the park in question would contribute to the environmental, social and economic well-being of the surrounding neighborhood and community, and whether funds are available to acquire the parcel.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Sen. Javier D. Souto and the Co-Sponsor is Vice Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson. 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 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.



Monica Rizo