

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(11)

TO: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: May 7, 2013

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

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the Mayor to prepare a report identifying guidelines and criteria for converting vacant or surplus County land into community parks and provide the report to the Board of County Commissioners within ninety days

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa.



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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 Mayor’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 _____

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5-7-13

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S
DESIGNEE TO PREPARE A REPORT IDENTIFYING
GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA FOR CONVERTING VACANT
OR SURPLUS COUNTY LAND INTO COMMUNITY PARKS
AND PROVIDE THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS WITHIN NINETY DAYS

WHEREAS, improving the accessibility of residents and visitors to parks throughout Miami-Dade County promotes a healthy lifestyle and increases the quality of life; and

WHEREAS, creating more parks in various locations throughout the County improves residents' and visitors' accessibility to parks; and

WHEREAS, the County is in possession of vacant or surplus land, including land which is currently serving no purpose to the general public; and

WHEREAS, converting vacant or surplus County land into community parks would provide increased access to parks and take advantage of land already in the County's possession; and

WHEREAS, increasing the number of community parks throughout the County improves the quality of life of residents and visitors within the various Commission Districts; and

WHEREAS, a report creating guidelines and procedures targeting vacant land for conversion into community parks is an important step for establishing such parks; and

WHEREAS, identifying revenue sources for the construction and maintenance of these community parks is an important part of any set of guidelines and criteria,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the Mayor or Mayor's designee is directed to prepare a report identifying guidelines and criteria for converting vacant or surplus County land into community parks and provide the report to the Board of County Commissioners within ninety days of the effective date of this Resolution.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa. 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:

Rebeca Sosa, Chairwoman
Lynda Bell, Vice Chair

Bruno A. Barreiro
Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Sally A. Heyman
Jean Monestime
Sen. Javier D. Souto
Juan C. Zapata

Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.
Audrey M. Edmonson
Barbara J. Jordan
Dennis C. Moss
Xavier L. Suarez

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 7th day of May, 2013. 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