

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(10)

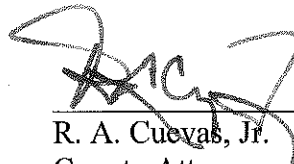
TO: Honorable Chairwoman Rebeca Sosa
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: November 5, 2013

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

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the County
Mayor to investigate recent
security incidents at Turner
Guilford Knight Correctional
Center

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan, and Co-Sponsors Commissioner Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson, and Commissioner Sally A. Heyman.



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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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11-5-13

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO INVESTIGATE RECENT SECURITY INCIDENTS AT TURNER GUILFORD KNIGHT CORRECTIONAL CENTER, AND TO REPORT TO THE BOARD WITHIN NINETY DAYS ON THE CAUSES OF SAID INCIDENTS AND HOW FUTURE SECURITY INCIDENTS CAN BE AVOIDED

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County owns and operates five correctional facilities within the County, together holding thousands of inmates at any given time; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department is charged with the responsibility for operating all of these correctional facilities, including the Turner Guilford Knight Correctional Center ("TGK"); and

WHEREAS, operation of all such facilities is accompanied by the expectation that inmates, correctional staff, and the surrounding communities will be reasonably protected from harm; and

WHEREAS, on June 13, 2013, an incident occurred at TGK which allowed some inmates to leave their individual cells and attack a fellow inmate, resulting in serious bodily injury; and

WHEREAS, similar security incidents may have occurred at TGK prior to June 13, 2013; and

WHEREAS, in order to avoid future security incidents and reasonably protect inmates, correctional staff, and the surrounding communities from harm, the causes of these security incidents must be promptly and thoroughly investigated,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee is directed to investigate, or direct the Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department to investigate the June 2013 security incident at TGK, and earlier similar incidents, if any, and to report to the full Board of County Commissioners not later than 90 days from the date of this resolution regarding the cause(s) of any such security incident(s) at TGK, and what measures can be implemented to avoid future similar security incidents at County correctional facilities.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan, and the Co-Sponsors are Commissioner Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson, and Commissioner Sally A. Heyman. 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 5th day of November, 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.



Ben Simon