



MEMORANDUM
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Agenda Item No. 6A

TO: Honorable Chair Barbara Jordan
and Members, Economic Development and
PortMiami Committee

DATE: January 15, 2015

FROM: Christopher Agrippa
Director, Clerk of the Board Division

SUBJECT: Approval of Commission
Committee Minutes

The Clerk of the Board's office is submitting the following Clerk's Summary of Minutes for approval by the Economic Development and PortMiami Committee:

July 10, 2014

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Attachment



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Miami, FL 33128

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF Meeting Minutes

Economic Development & Port Miami Committee

Lynda Bell (8) Chair; Javier D. Souto (10) Vice Chair; Commissioners Jose "Pepe" Diaz (12), Barbara J. Jordan (1), and Juan C. Zapata (11)

Thursday, July 10, 2014

2:00 PM

Commission Chambers

Members Present: Lynda Bell, Barbara J. Jordan, Javier D. Souto.

Members Absent: None.

Members Late: Jose "Pepe" Diaz 2:09:00 PM, Juan C. Zapata 2:10:00 PM.

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent County Business: None.

1 MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Report: *Cindy Allen, Commission Reporter
(305) 375-1299*

**1A INVOCATION AS PROVIDED IN RULE 5.05
(H)**

Report: *The Committee convened in a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.*

1B ROLL CALL

Report: *In addition to the Committee members, the following staff members were present: Deputy Mayor/Director, Regulatory and Economic Resources Jack Osterholt, Assistant County Attorneys Jess McCarty, Monica Maldonado, and Juliette Antoine; Deputy Clerks Jovel Shaw, Loren Smith, and Alicia Stephenson.*

1C PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**1D REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE
PUBLIC TO BE HEARD AS PROVIDED IN
RULE 6.06**

1E SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S)

1F DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

1G PUBLIC HEARING

1G1

141211 Ordinance

Rebeca Sosa,

Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Sally A. Heyman

ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AMENDING SECTION 2-1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO REQUIRE THAT IN ALL AGENDA ITEMS RELATED TO PLANNING, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE A STATEMENT BE INCLUDED THAT THE IMPACT OF SEA LEVEL RISE HAS BEEN CONSIDERED; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Diaz
Vote: 5-0*

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.*

Chair Bell opened the public hearing and called for persons wishing to be heard on the foregoing proposed ordinance. She closed public hearing after no one appeared wishing to speak.

Hearing no further comments or questions, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance, as presented.

1G2

141127 Ordinance**Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.,**

Lynda Bell, Audrey M. Edmonson, Rebeca Sosa
 ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSION TO WAIVE THE REQUIREMENT FOR COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF LEGISLATION RELATED TO DEBT OBLIGATIONS AND THE 4-DAY RULE WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS RELATED TO DEBT OBLIGATIONS; APPROVING PLACEMENT OF PUBLIC HEARING OF ORDINANCES RELATED TO DEBT ON THE NEXT COMMISSION AGENDA AFTER FIRST READING SUBJECT TO NOTICE REQUIREMENTS; AND PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Finance Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Bell

Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 5-0

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.*

Chair Bell opened the public hearing on the foregoing proposed ordinance and the following individual appeared before the Committee:

Mr. Sam Gilmore, 2230 NW 193 Terrace, Miami, FL 33056, asked the following questions not related to the foregoing item regarding:

1.The Airport City Project: Direction or timeline of Disparity Study to come out possibly January 2015. Mr. Gilmore asked to meet with Commissioner Jordan on this matter.

2.The Community Small Business Enterprise (CSBE) Program was conditioned to do certain things yet he didn't know if they were given enough manpower or authority to be as effective as desired. Mr. Gilmore asked to meet with Commissioner Jordan and Mr. Gary Hartfield, Internal Services, Small Business Division regarding resourcefulness / effectiveness of program.

Chair Bell closed public hearing after no one else appeared in connection with this proposed ordinance.

Hearing no further comments or questions, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance, as presented.

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

141504 Resolution Dennis C. Moss

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S
DESIGNEE TO EVALUATE THE MARKETING
BENEFITS TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR HOSTING A
SUPER BOWL AND TO PRESENT A REPORT OF THOSE
FINDINGS TO THE BOARD WITHIN SIXTY (60) DAYS

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable
recommendation
Mover: Diaz
Secunder: Jordan
Vote: 5-0*

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the
foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Hearing no comments or questions, the Committee
proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed
resolution, as presented.*

2B

141494 Resolution Juan C. Zapata

RESOLUTION DIRECTING MAYOR OR MAYOR'S
DESIGNEE TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO ESTABLISH A
CHINESE CONSULATE-GENERAL IN MIAMI

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable
recommendation
Mover: Zapata
Secunder: Diaz
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Souto*

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the
foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Hearing no comments or questions, the Committee
proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed
resolution, as presented.*

3 DEPARTMENT

3A

141517 Resolution

Lynda Bell,

Audrey M. Edmonson

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S
DESIGNEE TO SUPPORT PORTMIAMI IN HOSTING THE
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF PORT AUTHORITIES
ANNUAL CONVENTION IN OCTOBER 2015;
APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF
A STANDARD MEETINGS CONTRACT WITH
INTERCONTINENTAL MIAMI IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO
EXCEED \$400,992; AND RECOGNIZE THE
CONVENTION HOST PORT RESPONSIBILITIES (Port of
Miami)

*Forwarded to the full Board by
BCC Chairperson*

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty advised
the Committee that Agenda Item 3A was waived to
July 15, 2014 Board of County Commissioners
meeting.*

3B

141288 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION REGARDING PAYMENT OF STATE COMPREHENSIVE ENHANCED TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM TAX FUNDS TO COUNTY TO PAY DEBT SERVICE ON SEAPORT REVENUE BONDS ISSUED TO FUND PORTION OF COUNTY'S CONTRIBUTION TO PORTMIAMI TUNNEL PROJECT (Port of Miami)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Jordan

Seconder: Zapata

Vote: 5-0

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

It was moved by Commissioner Jordan that the Committee forward the foregoing proposed resolution. Commissioner Zapata seconded this motion for discussion.

Commissioner Diaz requested further explanation of the guaranty for Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) funds. In response to Commissioner Diaz' request, Mr. Juan Kuryla, Seaport Director, Seaport Department, explained the Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) was to draw down funds from the State Comprehensive Enhanced Transportation System (SCETS) dollars. He stated that the annual appropriation was not guaranteed through year 2042. Mr. Kuryla noted the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) committed and prioritized the project through year 2042 to fund the JPA.

Commissioner Diaz expressed the need for reassurance that the MPO would continue to prioritize project funds. Mr. Kuryla further explained that the MPO would continue to support funds coming to support this project and this project was subject to appropriation by State legislature as well.

Commissioner Diaz questioned what would happen if Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) did not appropriate funding. In response to Commissioner Diaz' question, Mr. Kuryla stated that it is highly unlikely that the State wouldn't appropriate funding; and the revenues have already been pledged by bond holders.

Commissioner Diaz noted the bond holders would guaranty payment in case the State didn't appropriate funding. Mr. Kuryla stated the State

was further compromised to make funds available as their annual appropriations take place; and the MPO designation of this project as a priority.

Commissioner Diaz reiterated that this project could maintain itself in case State funding was not allocated for this project.

Mr. Kuryla informed the Committee that the Department had been frugal with its funding for the Port; and the Department had sufficient reserve funding to cover two to three years in case State funding didn't materialize.

In response to Commissioner Jordan's comments that Mr. Kuryla mentioned Miami-Dade County MPO had prioritized resources to make funds available, Mr. Kuryla reiterated the MPO must continue to make funds available for this project. He noted that Miami-Dade County receives \$100 million in State Comprehensive Enhanced Transportation System Tax (SCETS) funds every year. Mr. Kuryla informed the Committee that the State appropriations start at \$8 million in FY 2018 and \$17 million in FY 2019.

Commissioner Jordan also expressed her desire for reassurance that this project remained a priority for the MPO in order to prevent problems in the future. Mr. Kuryla noted the Miami-Dade County work plan included the project.

Hearing no further comments or questions, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution, as presented.

3C

141514 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THREE TEQUESTA POINT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,200 PER MONTH, FOR FOUR YEARS WITH FOUR ONE YEAR OPTIONS TO RENEW, FOR A TOTAL AUTHORITY OF \$115,200.00 OVER EIGHT YEARS, PLUS POSSIBLY THE COST FOR ELECTRICITY, FOR THE PURPOSES OF INSTALLING AND MAINTAINING HOMELAND SECURITY SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY CANCELLATION AND RENEWAL PROVISIONS AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (Port of Miami)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Jordan

Secunder: Diaz

Vote: 5-0

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Hearing no comments or questions, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution, as presented.

3D

141539 Resolution**Lynda Bell**

RESOLUTION WAIVING ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT 124 OF BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM AND APPROVING ALLOCATION OF \$5,000,000.00 FROM PROJECT 124 TO PARKSIDE AT PALMETTO BAY TO FUND CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (Regulatory and Economic Resources)

*Deferred to next committee meeting**Mover: Diaz**Seconder: Bell**Vote: 3-1**No: Jordan**Absent: Souto*

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty stated that the foregoing proposed resolutions / agenda items (Agenda Items 3D, 3E, 3F, 3G, 3H, 3I, 3J, 3K, 3L, 3M, 3N, 3O, 3P and 3Q) were proposed resolutions approving allocations of funds for Building Better Communities General Obligation Bond (BBC GOB) Program. He indicated in some cases, these items waived administrative rules, and the Committee could consider all items simultaneously or individually.*

Following a brief discussion among the Committee members regarding whether to hear all items simultaneously or individually, the Committee proceeded to hear each item separately.

Chair Bell opened floor for public comments on the foregoing item, Agenda Item 3D and the following persons appeared before the Committee:

Ms. Cindy Lerner, 5901 Moss Ranch Road, Pinecrest, FL 33156, spoke against waiving the administrative rules. She expressed her concern that when the residents of Miami-Dade County approved the BBC GOB Program, promises and commitments were made for major economic development programs which were still waiting to occur. Ms. Lerner expressed the need for the Oversight Committee and claimed no one was present from Palmetto Bay. She claimed Palmetto Bay opposed this \$5 million project due to litigation over this project.

Ms. Nancy Lee, 20448 NE 34th Court, Aventura, FL 33180, stated Project 124 was supposed to be for large scale job creation projects that Miami needed. She spoke against waiving the administrative rules for this project due to insufficient job creation. Ms. Lee raised questions regarding consultation on projects being dissolved and being diverted to small projects. She claimed this project would benefit the mixed use project

developer Rich Rosen. Ms. Lee also claimed Mr. Rosen's eligibility was only due to his property being located near the Perrine Enterprise Zone. She expressed many of these projects were too small for job creation that was needed in Miami-Dade County; therefore, the project funding should not be separated.

Ms. Jean Baker, 6022 Paradise Point Drive, Palmetto Bay, FL 33157, a resident of Palmetto Bay Village spoke in opposition to this project. She claimed the Palmetto Bay administration wasn't present and twice rejected this project due to a lawsuit. Ms. Baker claimed the residents of Palmetto Bay were against this project. She indicated it was her understanding that this project was for a parking garage adjacent / attached to a school, and a small project that would benefit only one developer in one localized area. Ms. Baker informed the Committee that the citizens approved the BBC GOB Program for large projects such as roads, mass transit, and industrial parks to help large segments of the community.

Chair Bell clarified that there were fourteen (14) of these projects with reallocation of economic development funding under the Mayor's purview. Chair Bell explained the process: the project requests came from different municipalities, went to the Mayor's Office for selection, and were sponsored by the Commissioners depending upon the location within their districts.

Village of Palmetto Bay Councilman Tim Schaffer, District 2, 7600 SW 164th Street, Palmetto Bay, FL 33157, appeared and explained that in January of 2013, the Council kicked off the Downtown Development Task Force under his direction along with Building Director Edward Silva. Councilman Schaffer informed the Committee that the Village of Palmetto Bay reviewed an area between SW 168th Street south to SW 184th street (northern and southern boundaries) and east and west of Franjo Road (97th Avenue) to the west side of US 1, otherwise known as "The Triangle", and Palmetto Bay's only commercial area. He stated a Task Force, comprised of 40 volunteers (business owners, land owners / developers, business operators), were brought together to discuss options to increase the area's viability (jobs and tax base). Due to the area being 80% residential, Councilman Schaffer stated Palmetto Bay was unable to raise the tax base other than to raise property taxes or

revitalize this commercial area. Councilman Schaffer informed the Committee that the Village of Palmetto Bay had allocated \$1 million to repair Franjo Road, \$1.8 million for additional projects, and approved \$250,000 for Task Force studies. Councilman Schaffer further informed the Committee that the private sector was willing to invest in the area and the Task Force (public sector) would provide additional support. Councilman Schaffer stated any additional assistance / partnership from Miami-Dade County (public or private funding) would help revitalize this South Dade area.

In response to Chair Bell's comments regarding this item being driven by the Village of Palmetto Bay, Councilman Schaffer agreed, stating this project was the Council's number one priority. He further stated that it met many criteria, including not tapping into their tax revenues which would deplete reserves and it would keep taxes down for residents. Councilman Schaffer asked for any questions. Commissioner Diaz stated he had questions and he would call Councilman Schaffer later.

Mr. Taylor Smith, Educator, 2233 Seminole Road, Atlantic Beach, FL 32233, spoke as a future tenant / employer of the project. He indicated he was excited about the County's participation in this Enterprise Zone. Mr. Smith mentioned that the County had a \$10 million waiver, to spread investment of job creation funding throughout the County. He noted he attended a previous County Commissioners' meeting when the Village of Palmetto Bay, the Mayor, the Commissioners, and Councilman Schaffer all approved the site plan. He reiterated his excitement about being a part of creating jobs in the south end of the County.

Ms. Cristina Cruz, Educator, 8700 SW 153rd Terrace, Palmetto Bay Village, FL 33157, Principal of Somerset Academy in South Homestead and a resident of Palmetto Bay expressed that she was hoping to be the Principal of the new school when it opened in Palmetto Bay. In addition to creating jobs, she believed the school would be a benefit to the community.

Chair Bell closed the floor for public comments, after no one else appeared wishing to speak.

Commissioner Zapata commented that he was not happy with any of these projects. He stated since these decisions were made before his time as

Commissioner, he requested clarification from Chair Bell as to whether these projects were supported by the Mayor.

In response to Commissioner Zapata's comments, Chair Bell restated that these economic development dollars were under the Mayor's purview. She explained that the application for Item 3D was selected by the Mayor, and she sponsored it due to the project being located in her district.

Commissioner Zapata referred his questions to Deputy Mayor Jack Osterholt. He stated he did not want his comments / questions to be misinterpreted in a negative light towards any of the individuals associated with these projects. Commissioner Zapata noted his review of a resolution adopted in June 2010 that provided amendments to the administrative rules governing this program. He read a portion of the resolution which stated, "This portion of economic development fund will fund new public infrastructure projects that incentivize real property investments by innovative businesses willing to relocate to Miami-Dade County". Commissioner Zapata asked Mr. Osterholt for clarification on which projects were innovative and which ones were being relocated to Miami-Dade County.

Deputy Mayor Jack Osterholt stated the Administration focused the process on projects that would provide a positive impact on infrastructure and job creation. He further stated that at the time, both infrastructure and job creation were dire needs, and he was given the direction to follow these two criteria.

Commissioner Zapata read the language in the resolution that stated, "Our staff still encourages further development of industry clusters, five strategic areas are referenced below: Aviation, Global Logistics, Life Science, Maritime / Homeland Security / Defense, and Clean Energy companies. He asked for clarification on the industries covered by these projects other than the Opa-Locka Airport. " Deputy Mayor Osterholt stated the Administration didn't use that set of criteria.

In response to Commissioner Zapata's question regarding the Mayor's decision to go in a different direction than what the County Commission directed, Deputy Mayor Osterholt stated it was not

the intention of the staff not to follow the Commission's directives.

Commissioner Zapata stated that he was not questioning the beneficial impact of the projects yet he was questioning the change in policy from what the voters wanted and the Commission approved. He expressed his concern that \$62 million were being allocated for these projects (two-thirds of the program), and he questioned how these projects lined up with what the Commission wanted according to the resolution. Commissioner Zapata stressed the projects weren't in line with the industry clusters or five strategic areas mentioned in the resolution.

Commissioner Zapata questioned whether Deputy Mayor Osterholt conferred with any of the entities listed on Page # 10 of the Resolution with regards to how the applications would be reviewed or whether they should be recommended. He noted the language on Page # 10 under administrative rules referred to consulting, "assist in the review of funding application packages by the Department of Housing and Community Development, Coalition of Chambers of Commerce, Task Force on Urban Revitalization, Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust, Beacon Council, Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, and the League of Cities."

In response to Commissioner Zapata's question, Deputy Mayor Osterholt stated the Administration conferred with the Beacon Council among other consultants on the list for questions about each project and its impact.

In response to Commissioner Zapata's question regarding whether the Beacon Council considered the projects in line with the One Community One Goal Strategic Planning, Deputy Mayor Osterholt answered no; they did not ask that question. He stated that the question the Beacon Council asked usually dealt with job creation.

Commissioner Zapata stated there were over a thousand different ongoing projects generating jobs. He emphasized the real purpose was to create a specific amount of funding for specific kinds of businesses that would have specific outcomes and impact. In his opinion, Commissioner Zapata stated the Commission policy and the Mayor's directives were completely different compounded with the waiver of the administrative rules. He noted his understanding

was to invest a significant amount of funds on these ventures that would have significant, targeted impact.

Commissioner Zapata asked for the timeline on the financing of the projects. Deputy Mayor Osterholt stated the projects would be financed on the back end of their completion. He explained the contract, evaluation, and implementation processes. Mr. Osterholt noted the implementation would be staggered over the next seven to ten years.

In response to Commissioner Zapata's question regarding County debt issued after funding of projects, Deputy Mayor Osterholt answered no, the projects would be staggered in time.

Commissioner Zapata said the resolution referred to new businesses. He asked for clarification on new businesses generated and ongoing projects to be funded.

Deputy Mayor Osterholt provided a status of the following projects: Ave Aviation Commerce Center; Carrie Meek International Business Park; Renovation of Flagler Street; Larkin Health Science Education Campus; Miami Ocean Studios; and Parkside at Palmetto Bay.

Commissioner Zapata questioned the background clearance process performed on the applicants, specifically the due diligence taken with each applicant. Deputy Mayor Osterholt said the Administration met several times with each individual who submitted an application.

Commissioner Zapata stated he received a press release from the Department of Justice that mentioned a \$15.4 million settlement to resolve a fraud case. He indicated that the individual named in this case is one of the principals of one of the applicants. Commissioner Zapata stressed he objected to how the application and selection process was handled, and believed it was a disservice to the public interest. He noted the Administration's willful deviation from established Commission policy was concerning and upsetting; therefore, he would not support the projects.

Commissioner Diaz stated that Commissioner Zapata made some key points that need to be addressed and he had questions on some of the projects as well. Like Commissioner Zapata, he noted these economic-based projects were to

develop game-changing situations to benefit the whole community. He read from the same resolution that Commissioner Zapata referred to earlier. He asked the Assistant County Attorneys to explain what the general goal of the Commission was at the time.

Assistant County Attorney Geri Bonzon-Keenan answered that there were two line items under one of the ballot questions regarding public infrastructure that the voters approved. She noted the one line item referred to the whole County and the other referred to targeted urban areas, both totaling \$90 million. Assistant County Attorney Bonzon-Keenan stated that both line items referred to an economic development fund “to provide for infrastructure improvements, to spur economic development, to attract businesses to the community, and to create jobs.”

In response to Commissioner Diaz’ request for clarification regarding how this process was supposed to work, Deputy Mayor Osterholt stated there were not many rules to follow. Therefore, the Administration made choices based on the four criteria that Assistant County Attorney Bonzon-Keenan just referenced. He reiterated that the projects would be paid on the back end, and there were no loans to be paid.

Commissioner Diaz questioned the timing of payment for the projects. Deputy Mayor Osterholt further explained that no project would be paid for unless it met the criteria stipulated in the contract. He noted that the projects listed in the agenda were recommended by the staff since they met the four criteria referenced previously, and the Administration would begin the contracting process after the County Commissioners’ approval. Deputy Mayor Osterholt further noted that the project contracts would be monitored for compliance to ensure funding was spent only on publicly available infrastructure.

Commissioner Diaz expressed he wanted to ensure that the projects met what the voters wanted. He agreed that it was unfortunate not to be given specific guidelines for the scope of work on each project.

Deputy Mayor Osterholt stated the Administration would monitor the projects from beginning to completion to ensure contract compliance. He indicated only after the contract compliance was achieved would the applicants come back to the

Commissioners to request reimbursement of funds.

Commissioner Diaz questioned the type of projects the Committee were discussing, meaning were the projects shovel ready or ongoing. Deputy Mayor Osterholt stressed the Administration tried not to entertain projects that were near completion or underway, and was only interested in projects that created publicly accessible infrastructure, not administrative offices. He pointed out that some of the selected projects were ready to go and some of the projects needed the funding to get started.

Commissioner Diaz stated that it was unfortunate the projects were so varied and had open-ended scopes of work. He noted his intention was that the projects were well structured and well underway, projects that were game changers and provided significant impact. Commissioner Diaz expressed he wanted the projects to follow the four criteria mentioned earlier that went before the voters. He expressed his concern regarding a couple of the projects which had been on the books for a long time and questioned whether these projects were moving forward.

Commissioner Diaz noted that the scope of work on some of the projects needed to be further reviewed. He believed that critical decisions were beyond this Committee, and these decisions should be brought before the full Board of County Commissioners. Commissioner Diaz stated he was comfortable with deferring all items to the full Board of County of Commissioners.

In response to Commissioner Diaz' question if any of these projects were time sensitive, Deputy Mayor Osterholt stated the Administration ensured that all selected applicants understood the timelines and scheduling of selection, contract, and implementation processes.

Deputy Mayor Osterholt pointed out that the Flagler Street project was in dire need of funding and the County Commission acted on this project separately last week at the July 1, 2014 Board of County Commissioners (BCC) meeting.

In response to Commissioner Diaz' inquiry regarding the item number related to the Flagler Street project, Deputy Mayor Osterholt stated this project was not on the list anymore due to the BCC action last week.

Commissioner Diaz reiterated that this project was brought before the Committee for review and

it was moving forward. Commissioner Diaz reemphasized the need for deferring the items to the next Committee meeting or to the next full Board of Commissioners meeting.

Commissioner Diaz requested clarification from Deputy Mayor Osterholt that the Flagler Street project was the only one with major economic issues now moving forward. In response to Deputy Mayor Osterholt's request if the Flagler Street project was waived to the full BCC, Assistant County Attorney Bonzon-Keenan referred to the Legislative Master Report for the Flagler Street Renovation, Resolution # R-616-14, which allocated funds from Project 124 and was approved by the Board. She indicated she would research if this item was waived and provide that information to the Committee.

Commissioner Diaz made a motion to defer to the next Committee meeting for more information on this and other projects. He stressed the importance for all parties involved being on the same page moving forward, doing the will of the people and benefiting everyone. Commissioner Diaz stated he wanted everyone to reanalyze the intent of the people and the resolution adopted by the BCC. Chair Bell seconded this motion for discussion.

In response to Commissioner Jordan's question if the Committee was deferring only Agenda Item 3D or the whole list of recommendations (Agenda Items 3D – 3Q), Commissioner Diaz clarified the Committee was deferring all the above-mentioned items. He stated the Flagler Street Renovation project was the only one voted upon by the BCC.

Assistant County Attorney Bonzon-Keenan reiterated that the resolution allocating funds for the Flagler Street Renovation project was adopted by the full Board of County Commissioners on July 1, 2014. She noted it appeared as though the Committee's waiver request was granted and she would research further to confirm.

Commissioner Diaz stated the Flagler Street Renovation project was supported by the Beacon Council. Deputy Mayor Osterholt clarified that the Miami Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and the City of Miami supported the project.

Commissioned Diaz wanted to defer all of the items except for the Flagler Street Renovation

project for one month to be fair to everyone.

Commissioner Jordan spoke against the deferral due to items she had on the agenda (Agenda Items 3H, 3I, 3J, 3K, 3L, and 3M) that referred to projects in her district. She understood there have been questions on one of her projects, especially concerning the timeline. Commissioner Jordan noted that Commissioner Zapata pointed out that the Commission gave a directive in the resolution to focus on a number of communities and five strategic areas. She expressed she does not consider the items district items. Commissioner Jordan stated the projects were based on the priorities set by the bond issue passed and the regional areas that were identified; and Opa-Locka Airport was definitely on the list.

Commissioner Jordan referred to Agenda Item 3H regarding the Meek Foundation project at \$5 million. She reminded the Committee that the BCC initially set the rule for \$10 million. She noted that the Opa-Locka Airport projects had timelines tied to the projects, and the Meek Foundation project was the only one that required 85% non-aviation development. Out of the 124 acres, Commissioner Jordan noted only 24 acres was aviation related, which had favorable rates. She stated the Meek Foundation had a viable development partner to move forward with the project, and they were still resolving rate issues for the non-aviation portion. Commissioner Jordan stated that the Meek Foundation was almost completed with their evaluation process for appraisal values. She noted that another small non-aviation project at Opa-Locka Airport had not moved forward either due to the unfavorable rates.

In connection with Agenda Item 3J, Commissioner Jordan pointed out that the Ave Aviation Commerce Center received matching funds of \$5 million from the State, and plans were in place.

Commissioner Jordan reminded the Committee of the significant impact the downturn in the economy had on development. She emphasized these applicants have worked hard on their projects for two years, and no one wanted to lose the opportunity for viable projects to move forward. She recommended that the Committee discuss the projects one at a time to give merit to each. She stressed that if the Committee deferred all of the projects together, the Committee would impede viable projects from moving forward on

their own merits.

Deputy Mayor Osterholt clarified that with respect to Opa-Locka Airport, the Administration looked for a series of projects that would lift the whole airport to a higher level of business.

Commissioner Jordan explained that the request of waivers were not meant to circumvent the intent of what the public; they were meant to ensure the accommodation of infrastructure needs, the economic development of each project, and maximize the resources from the public. She stated that instead of allocating \$10 million to each project, the Administration expected the private sector to invest more of their own money into their projects first. Commissioner Jordan indicated the Board of County Commissioners would then allow cost reimbursements after the projects were completed. She reiterated her recommendation not to defer the entire group of projects, especially the ones located in Commission District 1.

Commissioner Zapata reiterated his main concern was that the Commission previously established policy. He referred to the Manager's background that stated, "game changing economic development opportunities likely to have very significant impacts on the entire County or South Florida region rather than specific neighborhoods / sections of the County." Commissioner Zapata recommended that during the deferral, they reset priorities, change the policy to include local impact projects, and open the competitive bidding process to the entire community.

Commissioner Monestime spoke in connection to Agenda Items 3N and 3Q within Project 320. He noted his understanding was that the rules were different for Project 320 (targeted urban area economic development) than for Project 124 (game changer projects). He pointed out to the Commission that he requested the smallest amount of funds to move small business operations forward in Commission District 2. Commissioner Monestime stated that he agreed with Commissioner Jordan that growth expansion was needed at Opa-Locka Airport to compete with Miami International Airport. He also briefly mentioned that Agenda Item 3G Beach Re-Nourishment would attract more tourists. Commissioner Monestime recommended that they separate the two major projects and not defer the projects all together.

Chair Bell agreed with Commissioner Monestime's comments regarding Opa-Locka Airport. She clarified that the Committee was discussing deferring all projects for only one month.

Although Commissioner Diaz agreed with Commissioner Monestime's and Commissioner Jordan's comments regarding Opa-Locka Airport, he maintained his recommendation for deferral of all projects for 30 days. He stressed that he still had questions regarding some of the projects and wasn't fully briefed by staff.

Hearing no further comments or questions, the Committee proceeded to vote for the deferral of the foregoing proposed resolutions (Agenda Items 3D, 3E, 3F, 3G, 3H, 3I, 3J, 3K, 3L, 3M, 3N, 3O, 3P and 3Q) to the next Committee meeting scheduled for August 28, 2014.

3E

141538 Resolution Audrey M. Edmonson

RESOLUTION WAIVING ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT 320 OF BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM AND APPROVING ALLOCATION OF \$3,000,000.00 FROM PROJECT 320 TO WYNWOOD PLAZA TO FUND CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (Regulatory and Economic Resources)

*Deferred to next committee meeting**Mover: Diaz**Seconder: Bell**Vote: 3-1**No: Jordan**Absent: Souto*

Report: *See Report under Agenda Item 3D; Legislative File No. 141539.*

3F

141577 Resolution Audrey M. Edmonson

RESOLUTION APPROVING ALLOCATION OF \$1,000,000.00 FROM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT 320 OF BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL BOND PROGRAM TO MIAMI DESIGN DISTRICT NE 2ND AVENUE PROJECT TO FUND CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (Regulatory and Economic Resources)

*Deferred to next committee meeting**Mover: Diaz**Seconder: Bell**Vote: 3-1**No: Jordan**Absent: Souto*

Report: *See Report under Agenda Item 3D; Legislative File No. 141539.*

3G

141582 Resolution**Sally A. Heyman,****Bruno A. Barreiro, Xavier L. Suarez**

RESOLUTION APPROVING EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS
IN AMOUNT OF \$18,500,000.00 FROM ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT 124 OF BUILDING
BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION
BOND PROGRAM TO PAY COST OF BEACH RE-
NOURISHMENT (Regulatory and Economic Resources)

*Amended and Deferred to the next
committee meeting*

Report: *See Agenda Item 3G Amended, Legislative File
No.141866 for the amended version, which the
Committee deferred to its next meeting scheduled
for August 28, 2014.*

3G AMENDED

141866 Resolution**Sally A. Heyman,****Bruno A. Barreiro, Xavier L. Suarez**

RESOLUTION APPROVING ALLOCATION OF FUNDS IN
AMOUNT OF \$18,500,000.00 FROM ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT 124 OF BUILDING
BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION
BOND PROGRAM TO PAY COST OF BEACH RE-
NOUSHMENT [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO.
141582] (Regulatory and Economic Resources)

*Amended and Deferred to the next
committee meeting*

*Mover: Diaz
Seconder: Jordan
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Zapata*

Report: *The Committee amended the foregoing proposed
resolution to change the word "Expenditure" in
the title to "Allocation" and deferred it to the next
Committee meeting scheduled for August 28, 2014.*

3H

141515 Resolution**Barbara J. Jordan**

RESOLUTION WAIVING ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT 124 OF
BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL
OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM AND APPROVING
ALLOCATION OF \$5,000,000.00 FROM PROJECT 124 TO
CARRIE MEEK INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS PARK TO
FUND CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
PROJECTS (Regulatory and Economic Resources)

Deferred to next committee meeting

*Mover: Diaz
Seconder: Bell
Vote: 3-1
No: Jordan
Absent: Souto*

Report: *See Report under Agenda Item 3D; Legislative
File No. 141539.*

3I

141524 Resolution Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION APPROVING ALLOCATION OF \$3,000,000.00 FROM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT 320 OF BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM TO THE REGIONAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS CENTER AND THE CULINARY ENTERPRISE CENTER TO FUND CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (Regulatory and Economic Resources)

*Deferred to next committee meeting**Mover: Diaz**Seconder: Bell**Vote: 3-1**No: Jordan**Absent: Souto*

Report: See Report under Agenda Item 3D; Legislative File No. 141539.

3J

141535 Resolution Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION WAIVING ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT 124 OF BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM AND APPROVING ALLOCATION OF \$5,000,000.00 FROM PROJECT 124 TO AVE AVIATION COMMERCE CENTER TO FUND CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (Regulatory and Economic Resources)

*Deferred to next committee meeting**Mover: Diaz**Seconder: Bell**Vote: 3-1**No: Jordan**Absent: Souto*

Report: See Report under Agenda Item 3D; Legislative File No. 141539.

3K

141536 Resolution Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION WAIVING ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT 124 OF BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM AND APPROVING ALLOCATION OF \$500,000.00 FROM PROJECT 124 TO AVIATION CORPORATE HANGAR TO FUND CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (Regulatory and Economic Resources)

*Deferred to next committee meeting**Mover: Diaz**Seconder: Bell**Vote: 3-1**No: Jordan**Absent: Souto*

Report: See Report under Agenda Item 3D; Legislative File No. 141539.

3L

- 141537 Resolution** **Barbara J. Jordan**
 RESOLUTION WAIVING ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT 124 OF BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM AND APPROVING ALLOCATION OF \$5,000,000.00 FROM PROJECT 124 TO ORION JET CENTER TO FUND CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (Regulatory and Economic Resources)
Deferred to next committee meeting
Mover: Diaz
Seconder: Bell
Vote: 3-1
No: Jordan
Absent: Souto
- Report:** *See Report under Agenda Item 3D; Legislative File No. 141539.*

3M

- 141576 Resolution** **Barbara J. Jordan**
 RESOLUTION WAIVING ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT 124 OF BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM AND APPROVING ALLOCATION OF \$5,000,000.00 FROM PROJECT 124 TO MIAMI OCEAN STUDIOS TO FUND CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (Regulatory and Economic Resources)
Deferred to next committee meeting
Mover: Diaz
Seconder: Bell
Vote: 3-1
No: Jordan
Absent: Souto
- Report:** *See Report under Agenda Item 3D; Legislative File No. 141539.*

3N

- 141531 Resolution** **Jean Monestime**
 RESOLUTION APPROVING ALLOCATION OF \$2,000,000.00 FROM PROJECT 320 OF BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM TO SUNSHINE PLAZA 79/MIAMI MERCHANTS MART TO FUND CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (Regulatory and Economic Resources)
Deferred to next committee meeting
Mover: Diaz
Seconder: Bell
Vote: 3-1
No: Jordan
Absent: Souto
- Report:** *See Report under Agenda Item 3D; Legislative File No. 141539.*

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141543 Resolution **Dennis C. Moss**
 RESOLUTION WAIVING ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT 124 OF BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM AND APPROVING ALLOCATION OF \$5,000,000.00 FROM PROJECT 124 TO LARKIN HEALTH SCIENCE EDUCATION CAMPUS TO FUND CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (Regulatory and Economic Resources)

Deferred to next committee meeting
Mover: Diaz
Seconder: Bell
Vote: 3-1
No: Jordan
Absent: Souto

Report: See Report under Agenda Item 3D; Legislative File No. 141539.

3P

141518 Resolution **Xavier L. Suarez**
 RESOLUTION APPROVING ALLOCATION OF \$3,000,000.00 FROM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT 320 OF BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM TO GROVE VILLAGE ON GRAND TO FUND CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (Regulatory and Economic Resources)

Deferred to next committee meeting
Mover: Diaz
Seconder: Bell
Vote: 3-1
No: Jordan
Absent: Souto

Report: See Report under Agenda Item 3D; Legislative File No. 141539.

3Q

141534 Resolution **Jean Monestime**
 RESOLUTION WAIVING ADMINISTRATIVE RULES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND PROJECT 320 OF BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND PROGRAM AND APPROVING ALLOCATION OF \$200,000.00 FROM PROJECT 320 TO ST. JAMES SMOKEHOUSE TO FUND CERTAIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (Regulatory and Economic Resources)

Deferred to next committee meeting
Mover: Diaz
Seconder: Bell
Vote: 3-1
No: Jordan
Absent: Souto

Report: See Report under Agenda Item 3D; Legislative File No. 141539.

4 COUNTY MAYOR

5 COUNTY ATTORNEY

6 CLERK OF THE BOARD

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140410 Report

APPROVAL OF CLERK'S MEETING MINUTES FOR THE
FEBRUARY 13, 2014 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND
PORT MIAMI COMMITTEE (Clerk of the Board)

Approved
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Diaz
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Souto

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the
foregoing report into the record.*

*Hearing no objections, the Committee proceeded
to vote on the foregoing report, as presented.*

7 REPORT(S)

8 ADJOURNMENT

Report: *Hearing no further business to come before the
Committee, the meeting adjourned at 3:27 p.m.*