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Agenda Item No. 6A

TO: Honorable Chairman Juan C. Zapata
and Members, Strategic Planning and
Government Operations Committee

DATE: March 10, 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 Strategic Planning and Government Operations Committee:

February 10, 2015

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CLERK'S SUMMARY OF Meeting Minutes

Strategic Planning & Government Operations Cmte

Juan C. Zapata (11) Chair; Rebeca Sosa (6), Vice Chair; Commissioners Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. (13), Daniella Levine Cava (8), Sally A. Heyman (4), and Javier D. Souto (10)

Tuesday, February 10, 2015

9:30 AM

Commission Chambers

Members Present: Daniella Levine Cava, Sally A. Heyman, Rebeca Sosa, Juan C. Zapata.

Members Absent: None.

Members Late: Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. 9:49:00 AM, Javier D. Souto 9:52:00 AM.

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent County Business: None.

1 MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Report: *Alan Eisenberg, Commission Reporter*
305-375-2510

1A INVOCATION AS PROVIDED IN RULE 5.05
(H)

Report: *Chairman Zapata led the Board in a Moment of Silence.*

1B **ROLL CALL**

Report: *Chairman Zapata called the Strategic Planning & Government Operations Committee (SPGOC) meeting to order at 9:40 a.m.*

In addition to the Committee members, the following staff members were present: Deputy Mayor Edward Marquez; Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty; Ms. Jennifer Moon, Budget Director, Office of Management & Budget; and Deputy Clerk Alan Eisenberg.

Assistant County Jess McCarty announced that Commissioner Jordan requested that Item 1G3 be withdrawn, in addition to the corrections noted in Chairman Monestime's Changes Memorandum dated February 10, 2015.

It was moved by Commissioner Heyman that the February 10, 2015 SPGOC Meeting Agenda be approved with the corrections noted by Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sosa, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a 4-0 vote (Commissioners Bovo and Souto were absent).

1C **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Report: *Commissioner Sosa led the Committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.*

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

Report: *Chairman Zapata opened the floor for public comments and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee. He explained that public comments could be made either at this time or when the agenda item was presented.*

Ms. Gwendolyn McIntyre, McIntyre Maintenance, Inc., 26235 SW 130 Place, Miami, appeared before the Committee on Agenda Item 1G3. She indicated that the Prompt Payment Act would provide relief to small businesses, noting issues related to paying creditors and employees in a timely manner.

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150272 Special Presentation**Juan C. Zapata**

OMB TO PRESENT A BRIEFING ON THE COUNTY'S
EFFORTS RELATED TO RESULTS-ORIENTED
GOVERNING

Presented

Report: *Chairman Zapata noted that he intended to continue the work Commissioner Bovo started as Finance Committee Chairman. He commented that he believed the County Commission should have its own budget, set its own priorities, and establish the County's financial operating parameters. Chairman Zapata said he would discuss with Chairman Monestime the possibility of creating a Budget Director position in the Commission Auditor's office. He said the Commission Auditor would be included in every conversation he had with the Office of Management & Budget and encouraged his colleagues to do the same, noting that the Commission Auditor's Office was a valuable asset. Chairman Zapata pointed out that he would review future procurement items and compare previous contracts to new proposals, noting that additional expenditures must result in increased services. He said every effort should be made for the Commission to reduce expenditures.*

Chairman Zapata noted that Ms. Jennifer Moon, Budget Director, Office of Management & Budget (OMB) would present pertinent budget updates at future Strategic Planning and Government Operations Committee meetings; that additional meetings would be scheduled to begin work on the County's strategic plan; and that budget tools would be developed for committee use in analyzing department operations.

Ms. Moon pointed out that results-oriented governing was the basis of how the County put together and funded its organization. She presented a PowerPoint presentation reviewing the development and implementation of the County's Strategic Plan, the Results-Oriented Government Framework, the Business Plan, the Balanced Scorecard, and the Budgeting Alignment process. Ms. Moon noted that strategic planning needed to be imbedded throughout the entire organization with support at the top level in order to have an effect on the culture of the organization. She said that strategic planning was imbedded in County government and was a management tool, noting every director utilized

scorecards and individualized measurement goals within their operations.

Commissioner Levine Cava expressed her support for strategic planning; noting that Ms. Moon presented a clear and logical presentation. She commended Chairman Zapata for his efforts to advance strategic planning within County government. Commissioner Levine Cava expressed her desire for her colleagues to play a more active role in monitoring progress toward the goals. She stated that the County Commission should be imbedded in the strategic plan and that the Board's progress in achieving established goals also needed to be measured.

Chairman Zapata noted he was not aware of the impact the business plan had on the budget. He urged his colleagues to review business plans in relation to the County's Strategic Plan and pointed out that it was Chairman Monestime's desire to update the plan in the near future. Chairman Zapata said that the plan should create a vision for the County looking ahead twenty years and develop a structure today for the challenges of the future, as was done for the Sea Level Rise issue. He noted that every committee needed to be aggressive in looking at business plans and scorecards, using these tools to provide oversight and to challenge administration.

Commissioner Levine Cava mentioned a recent article in National Geographic about Sea Level Rise in Miami, noting she would provide copies to her colleagues.

1F DISCUSSION ITEM(S)

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150232 Discussion Item **Juan C. Zapata**
DISCUSSION ITEM REGARDING THE FEE SCHEDULE **Presented**
FOR PARCEL B

Report: *Chairman Zapata noted a resolution was previously adopted requesting an appraisal be obtained for Parcel B; an evaluation of rental income on this property; and a proposal for a new fee schedule.*

Mr. Lester Sola, Director, Internal Services Department, indicated that Parcel B was often used as a staging area for the Miami Heat and concert promoters at the American Airlines Arena. He noted it was also intended to serve as open park land available to the public; however, the area was fenced due to security reasons. Mr. Sola explained that rates were adopted based upon previous administration negotiations and carried on year after year. He said that an independent report would be presented to the Strategic Planning & Government Operations Committee at its March 10, 2015 meeting. Mr. Sola pointed out that the report would show the property value based upon its current zoning and optimal use as well as address the reasonableness of rental rates, noting that the County was currently charging less than it should be. He stated that the contract with Basketball Properties Limited included a provision that the County could increase its rental rates in the future.

Mr. Jose Galan, Division Director, Real Estate, Internal Services Department, explained that valet parking was currently priced at \$1,100 per day, with a recommended rate of \$4,000 per day based upon the professional appraisal analysis; that staging concerts was currently priced at \$550 per day, with a recommended rate of \$1,100 per day; and the circus was currently priced at \$650 per day, with a recommended rate of \$1,300 per day. He pointed out that concerts, parties, and carnivals were also held on Parcel B with specific rate structures established for those events.

Commissioner Bovo questioned whether these charges applied only when the parcel was in use and whether the rates were being considered in relation to the Cuban Exile Museum discussions.

Mr. Galan responded that a permit request was submitted to the County to approve each use of

Parcel B and the fees charged were based upon the type of usage. He noted that all parties involved with the Cuban Exile Museum were advised that the County would need access to Parcel B for the Miami Heat and would keep revenues associated with that property.

Mr. Sola stated that Parcel B generated approximately \$80,000 in annual revenue, noting that the revenue would increase to approximately \$230,000 with the higher daily rental rates. He said that the revenue would be used by the Parks, Recreation and Open Spaces Department and for Parcel B maintenance.

Commissioner Bovo said that a new long-term agreement with the Miami Heat was approved and inquired whether increased rental rates could be incorporated into that agreement.

Mr. Sola responded that he sent annual letters to the Miami Heat informing them that the Board passed legislation establishing new rates. He said that he did not believe the Parcel B utilization rates were covered under the existing agreement.

Chairman Zapata pointed out that the Miami Heat was originally responsible for Parcel B and conveniently gave the property back to County, without a park. He noted that the County spent \$6 million to repair seawall while receiving only \$50,000 rental income. Chairman Zapata said that the County further subsidized the outside use of Parcel B instead of recouping its investment in the property. He indicated that a good understanding about the property was needed and a plan developed to recoup our money.

Commissioner Levine Cava questioned the rate structure and why the pricing was different based upon the type of event.

Mr. Galan responded that rates were based upon the research provided by the appraiser.

Mr. Stewart J. Lieberman, MAI, Vice President, CBRE, Valuation & Advisory Services Group, 777 Brickell Avenue, Suite 900, Miami, addressed the Committee. He pointed out that the Arena was a special property and use; that Parcel B was a unique parcel; and that having separate ownership was a unique relationship. Mr. Lieberman indicated that the marketability and research of government owned special use properties was limited and that the fee schedule

data was obtained from other arenas, parks and venues. He said that more tickets could be sold in Miami at higher prices than at the BB&T Arena in Sunrise, FL; however, BB&T was Broward County owned and Florida Panther operated, thus able to give away staging uses and not charge for additional uses.

Commissioner Levine Cava noted that valet parking was not staging but an extra use, as compared to some of these other uses that related to already paying for the facility with staging included.

Mr. Lieberman responded that for-profit or not-for-profit was a consideration in the amount charged for a particular use. He said that a for-profit organization/event would be charged more than would a not-for-profit organization/event. Mr. Lieberman confirmed the rates were both market and use driven.

Commissioner Levine Cava inquired whether Mr. Lieberman would provide an opinion about rental income for each new opportunity.

Mr. Galan noted that rates were established by the County on an annual basis. He pointed out that six individual rate structures were established based upon the type of event.

Mr. Lieberman explained that this type of analysis was customized based upon specific uses and other municipalities.

In response to Chairman Zapata's inquiry whether the analysis considered any waterfront properties, Mr. Lieberman responded that South Beach, an oceanfront property in Fort Lauderdale, FL was used in the comparison. Mr. Lieberman also responded to Chairman Zapata's inquiry about land value by noting land value was heavily relied on in an open free market, however, it was skewed when considering government owned land because of subsidized usage.

Chairman Zapata stated that he did not believe the County would make money off of Parcel B; that he did not want the County to lose any additional money in the future; and that every effort should be made to recoup the County's investment. He said that the County was maintaining the property for others to make money off of and that this was not in the public's best interest. Chairman Zapata noted a great disparity between the rate structures

for various uses.

Mr. Lieberman clarified that rental rates were based on the highest and best use and the free market should determine the rental income charged.

Mr. Galan indicated that a resolution would be presented to the Strategic Planning and Government Operations Committee at its March meeting.

1G PUBLIC HEARING

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142691 Ordinance **Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.** *Amended*

ORDINANCE RELATING TO RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; AMENDING SECTION 2-1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, REGARDING PREPARATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS; ESTABLISHING A TIMEFRAME WITHIN WHICH A PRIME SPONSOR MUST REQUEST PLACEMENT OF AN ITEM ON AN AGENDA; PROHIBITING ANOTHER COUNTY COMMISSIONER FROM REQUESTING THAT THE SAME OR SIMILAR ITEM BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA DURING SUCH TIMEFRAME; ALLOWING ANOTHER COUNTY COMMISSIONER TO REQUEST THAT THE SAME OR SIMILAR ITEM BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF SUCH TIMEFRAME; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Report: NOTE: See Agenda Item 1G1 Amended. Legislative File No. 150414 for the amended version.

1G1 AMENDED

150414 Ordinance**Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.**

ORDINANCE RELATING TO RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; AMENDING SECTION 2-1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, REGARDING PREPARATION OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS; ESTABLISHING A TIMEFRAME WITHIN WHICH A PRIME SPONSOR MUST REQUEST PLACEMENT OF AN ITEM ON AN AGENDA; PROHIBITING ANOTHER COUNTY COMMISSIONER FROM REQUESTING THAT THE SAME OR SIMILAR ITEM BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA DURING SUCH TIMEFRAME; ALLOWING ANOTHER COUNTY COMMISSIONER TO REQUEST THAT THE SAME OR SIMILAR ITEM BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF SUCH TIMEFRAME; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 142691]

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)

Mover: Bovo, Jr.

Seconder: Zapata

Vote: 6-0

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

Chairman Zapata opened the floor for public comments and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee on the foregoing proposed ordinance. The floor was closed after no one appeared wishing to speak.

It was moved by Commissioner Heyman that the foregoing proposed ordinance be forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Chairman Zapata.

Commissioner Heyman noted her support for this proposal with reservations. She suggested an exception be implemented for items needing to be approved in a timely manner, such as items with deadlines required for the State legislature.

Commissioner Levine Cava indicated her support, noting that commissioners could also attempt to resolve legislative issues through Sunshine Meetings.

Commissioner Sosa shared her support; however, she pointed out that Sunshine Meetings could be used as an alternative to resolve issues prior to the six month expiration. She noted that there might be some items that could take longer than six months to obtain community involvement, to address legal challenges, or to save the County

money. Commissioner Sosa suggested scheduling Sunshine Meetings with interested commissioners the day after the six month expiration for those items requiring more time.

Commissioner Bovo noted Commissioner Heyman presented some valid concerns and that a proposed amendment to the foregoing proposed resolution might address her concerns.

Assistant County Attorney Gerald Sanchez read the amendment to the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.

Commissioner Bovo said the intent of this amendment was to give flexibility, noting issues sometimes took extra time to resolve. He said he did not want a commissioner's desire to take ownership of an issue to impede the work of other commissioners.

Commissioner Sosa expressed her support for Commissioner Bovo's proposed amendment and requested that Commissioner Bovo include a provision that a Sunshine Meeting was held before the provisions set forth in his proposed amendment were implemented.

Commissioner Bovo indicated that he would accept the provision for a Sunshine Meeting, if such meeting was requested.

Commissioner Heyman withdrew her motion.

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

The foregoing proposed ordinance was forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners as amended to include the following provision: Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the requested ordinance or resolution is not ready to be submitted to the Chairperson of the County Commission within six months from the date of request due to circumstances beyond control of the prime sponsor the Board of County Commissioners may by a motion or resolution waive the six month requirement and propose another time period within which the prime sponsor may submit the item to the Chairperson. The item was also amended to require the scheduling of a Sunshine Meeting, if requested, prior to the implementation of this proposed amendment.

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150040 Ordinance**Sally A. Heyman**

ORDINANCE RELATING TO COOPERATIVE PURCHASING; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE AS A LEAD PUBLIC AGENCY FOR U.S. COMMUNITIES GOVERNMENT PURCHASING ALLIANCE; PROVIDING THAT USER ACCESS PROGRAM FEE AND INSPECTOR GENERAL FEE SHALL NOT APPLY TO CONTRACTS SUBMITTED FOR INCLUSION INTO THE U.S. COMMUNITIES GOVERNMENT PURCHASING ALLIANCE; APPROVING LETTER OF AGREEMENT AND LEAD PUBLIC AGENCY CERTIFICATE WITH U.S. COMMUNITIES GOVERNMENT PURCHASING ALLIANCE, AUTHORIZING AMENDMENTS TO SAME VIA RESOLUTION, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME AND TO EXERCISE ALL RIGHTS CONTAINED THEREIN; DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO SUBMIT ALL LEAD AGENCY CONTRACTS TO BOARD FOR APPROVAL AND SUBMIT ANNUAL REPORTS TO BOARD ON RESULTS OF PARTICIPATION IN U.S. COMMUNITIES; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, EXCLUSION FROM THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Heyman

Secunder: Sosa

Vote: 6-0

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

Chairman Zapata opened the floor for public comments and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee on the foregoing proposed ordinance. The floor was closed after no one appeared wishing to speak.

Commissioner Heyman pointed out that this proposed ordinance was the result of a cooperative effort with the National Association of Counties (NACo). She said that the User Access Program provided the benefits of increased purchasing power, reduced costs and generated additional income for the County. Commissioner Heyman acknowledged the Procurement Department staff for their cooperation on this effort.

Commissioner Levine Cava indicated that the proposal could extend the County's purchasing power to other entities within the community such as non-profit organizations.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the

Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance, as presented.

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150029 Ordinance

Barbara J. Jordan

ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM; AMENDING SECTION 2-8.1.1.1.1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA TO REQUIRE PAYMENT TO PRIME VENDORS OF UNDISPUTED AMOUNTS WITHIN FOURTEEN CALENDAR DAYS OF RECEIPT; AND PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN CODE AND EFFECTIVE DATE

Withdrawn

Mover: Heyman

Seconder: Sosa

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Souto, Bovo, Jr.

Report: *Chairman Zapata noted that this Agenda Item was withdrawn at the request of Commissioner Jordan, the Prime Sponsor.*

Chairman Zapata opened the floor for public comments and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee on the foregoing proposed ordinance.

Ms. Dorothy Branafaro (phonetic), 266 NW 26 Street, Miami, informed the Committee that approximately twenty small business enterprises were present today (2/10), but left when they learned the Item was withdrawn. She expressed her support for this proposal, noting that payment within fourteen calendar days would benefit both the prime contractor and small businesses.

Mr. Darrell Hosendof (phonetic), representing the Miami-Dade National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Branch, noted support of this item on behalf of small businesses.

Chairman Zapata closed the floor after no one further appeared wishing to speak.

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150017 Ordinance Health & Social Services Committee

ORDINANCE RELATED TO CONDUCTING CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS; CREATING SECTION 2-30 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; CODIFYING AND REVISING THE AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS ON CERTAIN COUNTY EMPLOYEES, APPOINTEES, CONTRACTORS, VENDORS, REPAIR PERSONS, AND DELIVERY PERSONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE (SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 3A) (Human Resources)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Cava

Second: Sosa

Vote: 5-1

No: Heyman

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

Chairman Zapata opened the floor for public comments and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee on the foregoing proposed ordinance. The floor was closed after no one appeared wishing to speak.

Commissioner Heyman stated that the foregoing proposed ordinance mandated criminal history records checks for any position of county employment or appointment whether paid, unpaid, or contractual, which was identified as critical to security or public safety. She pointed out that criminal history checks could be more inclusive for certain positions, but noted concern when this requirement was applied to any vendor or anyone with access to a public facility, particularly when the County was promoting efforts to attract public/private partnerships and provide incentives to small businesses. Commissioner Heyman said that the \$80 cost for a records check already prevented many individuals from volunteering at community organizations, noting the additional cost for national screenings would make it even a greater hardship. She noted the language was so broad that the new requirement applied to everyone and would impact small businesses and independent contractors doing business with the County.

Deputy Mayor Edward Marquez indicated that the proposed legislation was intended to conform to State law.

Ms. Virginia Washington, Director, Recruitment, Testing and Career Development, Human Resources Department, clarified that the County

conducted a criminal history background check on its volunteers and applicants. She said this ordinance was needed in order to be able to continue accessing local, state and national reports. Ms. Washington noted the cost for the reports was billed to the department where the individual was assigned. She pointed out that reports were not specifically mandated for employees working for vendors and it was up to the department to determine whether a report was needed. Ms. Washington noted reports were required in instances where the individual posed a threat, had access to databases or other sensitive information.

In response to Chairman Zapata's question about the consequences should this legislation not be approved, Assistant County Attorney William Candela said that Section 125.5801 of the Florida Statutes required the County to adopt this legislation. He indicated that the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) would not provide County system access to conduct background checks if the ordinance was not adopted.

Commissioner Heyman noted that it was an unintended consequence requiring organizations to pay for their volunteers. She read the provisions of Section (b) of the third WHEREAS Clause on Page 5, noting concern over who would be responsible to pay the fees for reports and the specific level of the individuals relationship with a private contractor that would be required to comply with the requirements.

Assistant County Attorney Candela clarified that County administration had the discretion to determine individuals who were identified as critical to security or public safety when requiring the reports.

Commissioner Heyman questioned whether the County would be required to make a subjective determination on whether someone with a criminal background would be excluded or would the consideration be based upon the specific charge, the number of years or extenuating circumstances. She noted that specific implementation standards needed to be established.

Assistant County Attorney Candela pointed out that the County evaluated the offense and when that offense occurred in the hiring process and

that administration exercised its discretion in evaluating an applicant's background in relation to the position being applied for.

Chairman Zapata concurred with Commissioner Heyman's concern about costs and unintended consequences and inquired whether this item was time sensitive and needed to be approved today (2/10).

Commissioner Heyman suggested requesting additional guidelines from the State. She noted concern about the subjective determination of an individual's background and the potential consequences of not fully adhering to the law. Commissioner Heyman said this law was hurtful to small businesses and was against rehabilitation goals.

Assistant County Attorney Candela indicated the FDLE and FBI wanted this to be finalized; however, he believed that an additional thirty day delay was acceptable.

In response to Chairman Zapata's question about implementation, Deputy Mayor Marquez clarified that this legislation gave administration the option to determine the appropriate public safety areas requiring additional background checks.

Commissioner Heyman expressed concern over administration making subjective decisions, noting that public safety professionals did not even know what a criminal looked like. She reiterated that everyone was impacted because the language contained in the legislation said that the reports "shall be required".

Deputy Mayor Marquez clarified that reports would be obtained when it was critical to public safety as determined by administration.

In response to Chairman Zapata's inquiry whether the legislation could be passed but not implemented until administration presented the Committee with a clear process and plan of action, Assistant County Attorney Candela responded that would be possible.

Commissioner Heyman indicated that it would be beneficial to leverage these concerns and discuss practicality issues with the Miami-Dade Delegation.

In response to Commission Heyman's request

whether Deputy Director Juan Perez, Miami-Dade Police Department typically knew what a criminal looked like, he responded that he did not. Deputy Director Perez pointed out that the key to this discussion involved the issue of public safety, noting that individuals being hired to perform lawn work would not need the background investigation but someone working in a restricted access area or with secure data would. He offered to work with administration and department directors to identify impacted public safety areas that would warrant background investigations.

Commissioner Heyman pointed out local law enforcement could provide valuable assistance to develop a protocol to comply with this legislation.

Chairman Zapata commented that Agenda Item 3A was the Implementing Order for this legislation.

Commissioner Levine Cava questioned the difference between the requirements set forth in this proposal and the current practice. She concurred with Commissioner Heyman's concern about interfering with people's need to work; however, commented that the background investigation did not represent a bar to employment since it was up to the employer to decide whether to offer employment upon receiving that information.

Ms. Washington said background checks were not obtained for vendor's employees. She noted the offense, its time range, and how it related to a specific position was considered. Ms. Washington indicated that administration would work with departments in the future to identify specific jobs and whether those positions were determined critical to public safety.

Commissioner Souto stated we needed to be aware of what was going on in this community in an abundance of caution. He questioned whether this legislation was required by the FBI and FDLE.

Assistant County Attorney Eric Rodriguez responded that the FBI and FDLE required the County to pass by ordinance what we were already doing by administrative order.

Commissioner Souto noted we were living in very special times and that Miami-Dade County appeared to be the center of much criminal related activity. He stressed the need to support the

decisions of the FBI, FDLE and Homeland Security.

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

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

150208 Resolution**Juan C. Zapata**

RESOLUTION WAIVING THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE MASTER PROCUREMENT IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38, DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE RAND CORPORATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF EVALUATING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY'S SELF-INSURED HEALTH PLAN FOR POTENTIAL COST SAVINGS, IDENTIFY A FUNDING SOURCE FOR PAYMENT OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED, AND PRESENT AGREEMENT, OR IN THE ALTERNATIVE, A REPORT TO THE BOARD FOR ITS CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL

*Deferred to next committee meeting**Mover: Zapata**Seconder: Sosa**Vote: 6-0*

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

Chairman Zapata relinquished the chair to Vice Chair Sosa.

Commissioner Zapata inquired about finding ways to generate savings and best practices in the County's health plan. He said he received information from Mr. Arthur J. Gallagher, Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. (Gallagher), that was interesting and worth consideration.

Commissioner Zapata noted Dr. John P. White, RAND Corporation (RAND) evaluated the United Auto Workers plan, the largest self-insured fund in the country, to find ways to be more efficient. He indicated that Gallagher could provide this information according to County administration. Commissioner Zapata said the County's unions were being blocked from receiving information they requested. He indicated he wanted to look at the health plan to identify methods that would save money. Commissioner Zapata noted interesting comments on Page 9 of Gallagher's information indicating significant savings with energy services to free standing providers, but inquired about the plan to implement this strategy. He pointed out that RAND might not be needed to provide this analysis if Gallagher could provide the same information.

Commissioner Zapata said he would defer the foregoing proposed resolution in order to obtain additional information and strategies from Gallagher. He noted that the County should be more proactive and engage the workforce in efforts to lower costs. Commissioner Zapata expressed concern that the largest utilization was

at places where the services were the most expensive. He commented that a Wellness program was not implemented despite his continual efforts for the past two years to establish a program. Commissioner Zapata indicated that the County was not being aggressive enough in controlling a \$400 million program and that access was needed to the requested information. He said that decisions should be made based upon the data; that it was County data; and that AvMed should share that information with the County.

Commissioner Heyman asked Deputy Mayor Edward Marquez to provide the Committee with a report on the impact of the six month extension and request for proposals to County employees; the cost paid to RAND to provide the County with its report; and whether any other vendors were available to provide this service.

Commissioner Levine Cava inquired how this would affect the new request for proposal and whether the identified issues and questions needed to be incorporated into that document.

Deputy Mayor Marquez reported that the request for proposal would be released tomorrow (2/11); that the request for proposal would be open for industry comment; and that those comments would be incorporated into the document. He pointed out that administration could identify ways to change and redesign the plan, noting these ideas needed to be conveyed to and negotiated with the unions. Deputy Mayor Marquez indicated that Gallagher was currently the common consultant for both administration and the unions. He said administration would continue to examine medical costs and its components, noting that information was available as to the amount paid to area hospitals for specific procedures.

Vice Chair Sosa noted the County was self-insured; that the County set its own rules; and that the County needed to approve the contract with its own rules.

Assistant County Attorney Monica Maldonado responded that Vice Chair Sosa's statement was correct; however, some federal and state regulations also needed to be adhered to.

Vice Chair Sosa stated that AvMed believed that they set the rules, not the County. She said that it was the County's self-insured plan and the County should approve the contract, the coverage, and the

union's requests. Vice Chair Sosa noted AvMed was paid to administer the plan based upon decisions made by the County. She said that Chairman Zapata's suggestion for an independent review of the health plan would identify additional savings, reduce the costs for dependent employee premiums and help maintain a quality insurance plan.

Assistant County Attorney Monica Maldonado confirmed Vice Chair Sosa's comment that the final decision about the health plan was made by the Board.

Commissioner Zapata indicated that the health plan needed more transparency; that it was the County's plan and the County's data. He said the County was a partner with its employees in this process, noting everyone needed to work together upfront to control this huge expense. Commissioner Zapata noted that it needed to be made clear in the request for proposal that the service provider would be required to share all of its data. He stated that an experienced third party could bring value, a new viewpoint and analysis to this \$400 million expenditure. Commissioner Zapata noted his intention was not to delay the request for proposals but a tool to be used to make smarter decisions based upon the data.

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

The foregoing proposed resolution was deferred to the March 10, 2015 Strategic Planning & Government Operations Committee meeting.

Vice Chair Sosa relinquished the chair.

Chairman Zapata resumed the chair.

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150249 Resolution**Audrey M. Edmonson**

RESOLUTION APPROVING ISSUANCE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS IN ONE OR MORE SERIES IN AN AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$30,000,000.00 TO FINANCE CERTAIN CAPITAL PROJECTS ON BEHALF OF MIAMI COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL FOR PURPOSES OF COMPLYING WITH SECTION 159.47(F), FLORIDA STATUTES, AS AMENDED, AND SECTION 147(F), OF INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED, AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. R-1077-14 ADOPTED ON DECEMBER 2, 2014 WHICH APPROVED THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR SUCH CAPITAL PROJECT BY FLORIDA DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION

Forwarded to the BCC by the BCC Chairman with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Heyman
Seconder: Sosa
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Souto

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

Chairman Zapata opened the floor for public comments and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee on the foregoing proposed resolution. The floor was closed after no one appeared wishing to speak.

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

NOTE: The Clerk of the Board received the appropriate memorandum from Chairman Monestime, dated February 10, 2015 entitled "Request to add Item to February 18, 2015 Board of County Commissioners Meeting Agenda" approving Commissioner Edmonson's request to waive the Board's Rules of Procedures and allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be heard at the February 18, 2015 Board meeting.

3 DEPARTMENT

3A

150151 Resolution Strategic Planning & Government Operations Cmte

RESOLUTION RESCINDING ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 7-41, APPROVING IMPLEMENTING ORDER 7-41, PRE-EMPLOYMENT FINGERPRINT-BASED CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECK, AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 125.5801, FLORIDA STATUTES; AND AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 1G4) (Human Resources)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Bovo, Jr.
Seconder: Sosa
Vote: 5-1
No: Heyman

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

Chairman Zapata opened the floor for public comments and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee on the foregoing proposed resolution. The floor was closed after no one appeared wishing to speak.

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

3B

150144 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT REVENUE BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$21,000,000.00 TO REFINANCE EXISTING DEBT AND TO FINANCE CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF YOUTH CO-OP, INC. FOR PURPOSES OF AND PURSUANT TO SECTION 147(F) OF INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (Industrial Development Authority)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Bovo, Jr.

Second: Sosa

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Bovo, Jr., Heyman

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

Chairman Zapata opened the floor for public comments and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee on the foregoing proposed resolution. The floor was closed after no one appeared wishing to speak.

Commissioner Levine Cava noted she did not believe the community understood Industrial Development Bonds and the manner in which they were funded. She asked to meet with Mr. Jim Wagner, Executive Director, Industrial Development Authority and Deputy Mayor Edward Marquez to discuss the Industrial Development Authority Industrial Development Revenue Bond program, including the source of bond repayment, the methods to inform the local businesses community and non-profit organizations about the availability of bonds, and the application process.

Mr. Wagner stated that he would meet with Commissioner Levine Cava to discuss the program, noting it was a limited program available to not-for-profit corporations as well as manufacturing businesses. He pointed out that the minimum bond was \$2 million, thus more applicable to existing businesses looking to expand rather than smaller startup companies.

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

3C

150149 Resolution**Audrey M. Edmonson**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF AN EASEMENT TO FLORIDA POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY THROUGH COUNTY-OWNED LAND, FOR \$1.00, TO SERVICE THE HISTORIC HAMPTON HOUSE BEING RENOVATED AT 4240 NW 27 AVENUE, MIAMI, FLORIDA; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME AND TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Internal Services)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sosa

Secunder: Cava

Vote: 6-0

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

Chairman Zapata opened the floor for public comments and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee on the foregoing proposed resolution. The floor was closed after no one appeared wishing to speak.

Chairman Zapata expressed concern about Florida Power and Light Company (FPL) placing ugly structures on easements that were given to them by the County. He inquired what steps were being taken to limit the negative visual impact of easements.

Ms. Miriam Singer, Assistant Director, Internal Services Department responded that issues related to visually appropriateness would be addressed.

Commissioner Souto expressed great concern about transportation and traffic issues, noting that easements could be used by people for walking and bicycle paths. He said that FPL needed to better utilize its use of easements throughout the County for greater access.

Chairman Zapata noted he shared Commissioner Souto's concerns.

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

3D

150067 Resolution**Xavier L. Suarez**

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. R-168-14 TO CORRECT THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY DECLARED AS SURPLUS AND CONVEYED TO THE CITY OF MIAMI LOCATED AT 3749 OAK AVENUE, MIAMI, FLORIDA TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL PROPERTY; APPROVING THE CONVEYANCE OF THE REMAINING SURPLUS PROPERTY BY COUNTY DEED; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR THE COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE CONVEYANCE OF SAID ADDITIONAL PROPERTY; AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRPERSON OR VICE-CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD TO EXECUTE A COUNTY DEED FOR SUCH PURPOSES (Internal Services)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Bovo, Jr.

Secunder: Heyman

Vote: 6-0

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

Chairman Zapata opened the floor for public comments and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee on the foregoing proposed resolution. The floor was closed after no one appeared wishing to speak.

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

3E

150196 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCESS OF FLORIDA SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION CONTRACT 14-22-0904 FOR THE PURCHASE OF POLICE RELATED, ADMINISTRATIVE, UTILITY VEHICLES, TRUCKS AND VANS IN THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF \$13,147,000; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME AND EXERCISE ANY CANCELLATION, RENEWAL AND OTHER RIGHTS AND PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN

(Internal Services)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Heyman

Seconder: Bovo, Jr.

Vote: 6-0

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

Chairman Zapata opened the floor for public comments and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee on the foregoing proposed resolution. The floor was closed after no one appeared wishing to speak.

Commissioner Levine Cava noted her support for the replacement of aging vehicles; however, inquired about the overall need and the impact of this purchase toward achieving that goal.

Deputy Director Juan Perez, Miami-Dade Police Department (MDPD), responded that 642 vehicles would be purchased; that there were a total of 3,300 vehicles; that 37 percent of the vehicles had over 100,000 miles; that 20 percent of vehicles had over 72,000 miles; that 263 vehicles were retired without replacement; and that there would be approximately 460 retired vehicles by the time the new vehicles subject to this purchase would arrive. He noted that the new vehicles would arrive on a staggered basis and that he anticipated additional vehicle purchases over the next four fiscal years.

Commissioner Sosa pointed out that the vehicles continued to age as we delayed the purchase cycle, noting that plans needed to be established to prevent this from happening. She questioned where the funding was coming from for this foregoing proposed resolution.

Deputy Mayor Edward Marquez responded that a line of credit loan was being obtained through the competitive process.

Commissioner Sosa inquired about the funding source to pay the obligation secured by the line of credit and whether it was already included in the budget.

Ms. Jennifer Moon, Budget Director, Office of Management and Budget, responded that the payment was included in the Miami-Dade Police Department's operating budget and funded through the General Fund for Fiscal Year 2014-15.

Commissioner Souto inquired about money acquired from criminal activities, noting these funds could be used to offset the costs associated with this purchase and other MDPD needs.

Director J.D. Patterson, Jr., Miami-Dade Police Department, explained that acquired assets went through a legal process and were placed in the Law Enforcement Trust Fund (LETF), noting that these assets were included in the Department's budget.

Commissioner Souto indicated that the County Commission was not informed about the status of the LETF and the amount of money recovered by the Department. He said that efforts to accelerate the process of converting these assets to cash were needed to purchase items needed by the MDPD.

Director Patterson responded that MDPD submitted resolutions to the County Commission to take money from the LETF. He said there were limitations as to how the money could be spent and that the legal process could not be accelerated just to acquire additional funding for specific needs. Director Patterson indicated that he would meet with Commissioner Souto to further discuss this issue.

Chairman Zapata asked Mr. Charles Anderson, Commission Auditor to provide the Strategic Planning & Government Operations Committee with a report detailing the amount of money forfeited annually into the LETF by individuals committing criminal acts in Miami-Dade County; how those funds were spent; and the limitations on the use of those funds.

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

NOTE: The foregoing proposed resolution was

waived to the Febuary 18, 2015 Board of County Commissioners meeting agenda.

3F

150133 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING AWARD OF CONTRACT NO. FB-00074 FOR CHILLERS AND WATER TREATMENT SERVICE CONTRACT IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,177,000.00; AND AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME AND EXERCISE ANY CANCELLATION, RENEWAL AND OTHER PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Internal Services)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Heyman
Seconder: Sosa
Vote: 6-0*

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

Chairman Zapata opened the floor for public comments and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee on the foregoing proposed resolution. The floor was closed after no one appeared wishing to speak.

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

3G

150134 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ESTABLISHMENT OF PREQUALIFICATION POOL RTQ-00112 IN A TOTAL AMOUNT UP TO \$19,026,000.00 FOR FOOD AND BEVERAGE PRODUCTS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO CONDUCT SPOT BIDS, AWARD SUBSEQUENT CONTRACTS, ADD VENDORS TO THE POOL AT ANY TIME, SUBJECT TO RATIFICATION BY THE BOARD ON A BI-ANNUAL BASIS, EXECUTE CONTRACTS, AND EXERCISE OPTIONS TO RENEW AND CANCELLATION PROVISIONS, AND ANY OTHER RIGHTS CONTAINED THEREIN (Internal Services)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Heyman

Secunder: Cava

Vote: 6-0

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

Chairman Zapata opened the floor for public comments and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee on the foregoing proposed resolution. The floor was closed after no one appeared wishing to speak.

Chairman Zapata noted the major portion of the proposed purchase was for the Corrections and Rehabilitation Department (CRD) and inquired whether there were multiple vendors.

Ms. Miriam Singer, Assistant Director, Internal Services Department, confirmed that CRD was the major component of the agreement and indicated that there were six vendors in the prequalification pool.

In response to Chairman Zapata's question about the eight year term, Ms. Singer explained that the qualification requirements remained the same and it was more efficient in terms of easy access not requiring vendors to go through the prequalification process multiple times. She pointed out that there were pricing benefits associated with spot market competitions.

Chairman Zapata inquired whether additional firms could be added to the pool later.

Ms. Singer responded that the pool remained open for the entire eight years to additional firms.

Commissioner Sosa noted a previous task force designed to close the revolving door in the CRD resulted in the Board approving the Breaking the

Cycle recommendations. She indicated that that administration was not successful in implementing these recommendations. Commissioner Sosa pointed out that culinary employment was a viable option for inmates upon their release. She said that the County already had teaching relationships established with local educational institutions in its correctional facilities that could provide culinary training. Commissioner Sosa said preparing inmates for future employment with a vocational/technical certificate would help save money and close the revolving door in the County jails.

Commissioner Sosa asked Assistant County Attorney McCarty and Deputy Mayor Edward Marquez to prepare a resolution authorizing a review of the Breaking the Cycle recommendations previously approved by the County Commission.

Ms. Singer said she would address Commissioner Sosa's concerns with Director Marydell Guevara, Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department.

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

3H

150147 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A ONE YEAR EXTENSION AND ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY IN A TOTAL AMOUNT UP TO \$432,000.00 FOR CONTRACT 4919-8/14-8 FOR PURCHASE OF LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE SERVICES FOR THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES DEPARTMENT, AND AUTHORIZING A ONE-YEAR OPTION TO RENEW NOT TO EXCEED \$432,000.00; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THOSE CONTRACTS (Internal Services)

Amended

Report: *NOTE: See Agenda Item 3H Amended. Legislative File No. 150306 for the amended version.*

3H AMENDED

150306 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A ONE YEAR EXTENSION AND ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY IN A TOTAL AMOUNT UP TO \$432,000.00 FOR CONTRACT 4919-8/14-8 FOR PURCHASE OF LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE SERVICES FOR THE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES DEPARTMENT [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 150147] (Internal Services)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)

Mover: Heyman

Seconder: Zapata

Vote: 6-0

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

Chairman Zapata opened the floor for public comments and called for persons wishing to appear before the Committee on the foregoing proposed resolution. The floor was closed after no one appeared wishing to speak.

Commissioner Levine Cava noted the foregoing proposed resolution authorized an eighth and ninth option to renew. She inquired whether the eighth option could be authorized now and the ninth option for the long distance service later.

Mr. Angel Petisco, Director, Information Technology Department (ITD) indicated that it would be an acceptable option to delay the ninth option to renew and to present a new invitation to bid for new services to the Board during the extension period.

Chairman Zapata inquired about the reason the contract did not run concurrent with the County's budget cycle, noting this would make it easier to track expenses. He also inquired about the savings generated by this contract; how those savings were incorporated into this proposal; and whether all services were needed throughout the entire term of the agreement.

Mr. Petisco explained that the contract was divided into four independent services and that all services would continue through the term of the agreement. He noted that domestic long distance was being removed, new connections were being added, and domestic long distance included at no charge. Mr. Petisco explained that international long distance and conferencing services were still needed and would be addressed in the new solicitation. He concurred with Chairman Zapata's suggestion to align contracts with the

fiscal year, noting that the first period of the new solicitation could expire on September 30th with the renewal beginning on October 1st.

Ms. Miriam Singer, Assistant Director, Internal Services Department, clarified that the contract cycle could be adjusted to begin on October 1st and that the ninth option could be bid out later.

Chairman Zapata noted that many items were approved without fully understanding the budget authority. He asked Ms. Singer and Deputy Mayor Edward Marquez to incorporate budget authority information into all future agenda items, showing the availability of funds in the current fiscal year to cover the requested expenditure as well as for multi-year agreements.

Assistant County Attorney Hugo Benitez indicated that the current vendor would need to accept a contract extension.

Mr. Petisco clarified that the proposed resolution was to extend the contract through February 2016 and for an additional option to renew. He said that the option to renew could be eliminated at Commissioner Levine Cava's request. Mr. Petisco said that the new solicitation process once awarded would expire in September and the renewal period would be effective October.

Commissioner Heyman noted the budget was based on a calendar year; however, the procurement and legislative process could be quite extensive and dates were determined based upon the date the contract was awarded. She explained that conforming to the budget cycle was discussed during previous attempts to streamline the procurement process, noting it was sometimes difficult to align contracts with the fiscal year cycle.

Ms. Singer indicated that the eight option to renew ended February 28, 2016; that authority was needed to extend the contract through September 30, 2016; and that the new contract would become effective October 1, 2016.

Commissioner Levine Cava noted that this would be acceptable. She requested that the Item be amended to authorize the renewal of the eighth option and to remove the ninth option.

Ms. Singer clarified that aligning with the fiscal year would cause a gap in service since the eighth

option to renew would end February 29, 2016 and the new contract would begin October 1, 2016. She indicated that authority to cover this gap and provide countywide uninterrupted services during this period was needed.

Assistant County Attorney Benitez pointed out that the amendment should be in the form of an authorization to negotiate with the vendor for a lesser period.

Ms. Singer said she would negotiate with the vendor and report the results.

Chairman Zapata clarified the agreement was to negotiate under the parameters established by the Committee.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee voted to forward the foregoing proposed resolution to the Board of County Commissioners as amended.

The foregoing proposed resolution was forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners as amended to authorize the eighth option to renew (OTR) to commence October 1, 2016 consistent with the County's fiscal year; and to provide staff the authority to negotiate with the current vendor to maintain uninterrupted long distance telephone service for the period March 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016.

NOTE: The foregoing proposed resolution was waived to the February 18, 2015 Board of County Commissioners meeting agenda.

4 COUNTY MAYOR

5 COUNTY ATTORNEY

6 CLERK OF THE BOARD

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150273 Report

APPROVAL OF CLERK'S MEETING MINUTES FOR THE
JANUARY 13, 2015 FINANCE COMMITTEE (Clerk of the
Board)

Approved
Mover: Heyman
Seconder: Sosa
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Souto

7 REPORT(S)

7A

142818 Report

Dennis C. Moss

ORAL REPORT RE: THE STEPS TAKEN TO IMPROVE
ACCESSIBILITY TO MDT'S WEBSITE PARTICULARLY
FOR VISUALLY IMPAIRED CONSUMERS

Accepted
Mover: Heyman
Seconder: Sosa
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Souto

8 ADJOURNMENT

Report: *There being no further business, the Strategic
Planning & Government Operations Committee
was adjourned at 12:00 noon.*