

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(14)

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**TO:** Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** June 30, 2015

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution directing the County  
Mayor to provide a written report  
to the Board within 45 days  
regarding the status and progress  
of the Adopt-A-Park Program  
over the past five years

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Senator Javier D. Souto.

  
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Please note any items checked.

- "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised**
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing**
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing**
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget**
- Budget required**
- Statement of fiscal impact required**
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing**
- No committee review**
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's \_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_ ) to approve**
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(14)  
6-30-15

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR  
MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE A WRITTEN REPORT  
TO THE BOARD WITHIN 45 DAYS REGARDING THE  
STATUS AND PROGRESS OF THE ADOPT-A-PARK  
PROGRAM OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS

**WHEREAS**, in 2004, this Board approved Resolution No. R-1254-04 establishing an Adopt-A-Park Program for County parks; and

**WHEREAS**, adopting a park encourages individual neighborhood residents or community groups to raise money for worthy park improvement projects like playground equipment, picnic tables, grills, trash receptacles, park benches, park landscaping and trees, as well as repairs and renovation of existing park buildings and facilities in their neighborhood park; and

**WHEREAS**, for businesses and companies in Miami-Dade County, adopting a park allows them a means to "give back" to the community and their clients and show corporate responsibility and generosity by developing and/or maintaining a beautiful place that everyone can enjoy, while saving scarce County maintenance dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, adopting a park gives donors a sense of pride, investment and ownership in their community and parks; and

**WHEREAS**, over the past decade, the County's Adopt-A-Park Program has raised millions of dollars in cash and in-kind services from individuals, community groups and businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, the County has been operating its Adopt-A-Park Program through the Parks Foundation of Miami-Dade, Inc. ("Foundation"), a Florida not-for-profit corporation; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board wishes to expand the Adopt-A-Park Program, continue its support of the Foundation, and increase the amount of funds raised through the Adopt-A-Park Program, all for the betterment of County parks and for the benefit of County residents and visitors; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to ascertain how best this Board can expand the Adopt-A-Park Program, this Board first requires information on the status and progress of the Adopt-A-Park Program over the past five years and desires to receive same via a written report to the Board,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that:

**Section 1.** The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this resolution and are approved.

**Section 2.** This Board hereby directs the County Mayor or Mayor’s designee to provide a written report to the Board within 45 days of the effective date of this resolution on the status and progress of the County’s Adopt-A-Park Program over the past five years. The report shall include, at a minimum, the various facets of the Adopt-A-Park Program such as the adopt-a-tree and adopt-a-bench components, the means by which the program is implemented and contributors and volunteers are solicited, the amount of support raised over the past five years (be it through cash and/or in-kind contributions), and the future plans for the program (“Report”). The County Mayor or Mayor’s designee shall place the completed Report on an agenda of the Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Senator Javier D. Souto. It was offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Jean Monestime, Chairman

Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Vice Chairman

Bruno A. Barreiro

Jose "Pepe" Diaz

Sally A. Heyman

Dennis C. Moss

Sen. Javier D. Souto

Juan C. Zapata

Daniella Levine Cava

Audrey M. Edmonson

Barbara J. Jordan

Rebeca Sosa

Xavier L. Suarez

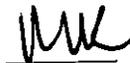
The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 30<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2015. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.



Monica Rizo Perez

**MEMORANDUM**

Agenda Item No. 7(M)(2)(D)

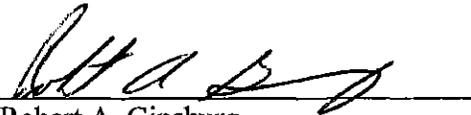
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**TO:** Honorable Chairperson Barbara Carey-Shuler, Ed.D. and Members, Board of County Commissioners      **DATE:** October 19, 2004

**FROM:** Robert A. Ginsburg  
County Attorney      **SUBJECT:** Resolution directing County Manager to establish an Adopt-A-Park Program

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Senator Javier D. Souto.

  
Robert A. Ginsburg  
County Attorney

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(Revised)

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and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** October 19, 2004

**FROM:** Robert A. Ginsburg  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No. 7(M)(2)(D)

Please note any items checked.

- "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- Budget required
- Statement of fiscal impact required
- Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- No committee review

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

Agenda Item No. 7(M)(2)(D)

Veto \_\_\_\_\_

10-19-04

Override \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION DIRECTING COUNTY MANAGER TO ESTABLISH AN ADOPT-A-PARK PROGRAM AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO PROVIDE QUARTERLY REPORTS ON THE STATUS OF THE PROGRAM

**WHEREAS**, adopting a park encourages individual neighborhood residents or community groups to raise money for worthy park improvement projects like playground equipment, picnic tables, grills, trash receptacles, park benches, park landscaping and trees, as well as repairs and renovation of existing park buildings and facilities in their neighborhood park; and

**WHEREAS**, adopting a park gives park users the satisfaction of knowing that they are maintaining a beautiful place that everyone can enjoy; and

**WHEREAS**, adopting a park gives park users a sense of pride, investment and ownership in their neighborhood park, while saving scarce County maintenance dollars; and

**WHEREAS**, Adopt-A-Park is a way to package and promote philanthropy and volunteerism; and

**WHEREAS**, many groups, leagues and individuals already provide in-kind donations to their local parks by cleaning, weeding, maintaining the landscaping, maintaining the ball fields, donating equipment and donating other services to their parks; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of New York recently created a very successful adopt-a-park program, and other cities throughout the United States have initiated successful adopt-a-park bench or adopt-a-park tree programs to raise funds earmarked for improvements in neighborhood parks,

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:**

Section 1. The Board of County Commissioners directs the County Manager to establish an Adopt-A-Park program intended to reach out to more neighborhood residents, neighborhood associations, civic groups, and neighborhood businesses with a mechanism for making smaller monetary or in-kind donations to be earmarked to a specific neighborhood park and to a specific need or project in their neighborhood park. The program should encourage neighbors and neighborhood groups and businesses to take a more active role in assisting with the general care and maintenance of their local park.

Section 2. This Board also directs the County Manager to provide quarterly reports on the status of the program.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Senator Javier D. Souto and offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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| Dr. Barbara Carey-Shuler, Chairperson |                  |
| Katy Sorenson, Vice-Chairperson       |                  |
| Bruno A. Barreiro                     | Jose "Pepe" Diaz |
| Betty T. Ferguson                     | Sally A. Heyman  |
| Joe A. Martinez                       | Jimmy L. Morales |
| Dennis C. Moss                        | Dorin D. Rolle   |
| Natacha Seijas                        | Rebeca Sosa      |
| Sen. Javier D. Souto                  |                  |

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The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2004. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.

M.M.C.

Mariela Martinez-Cid