

# MEMORANDUM

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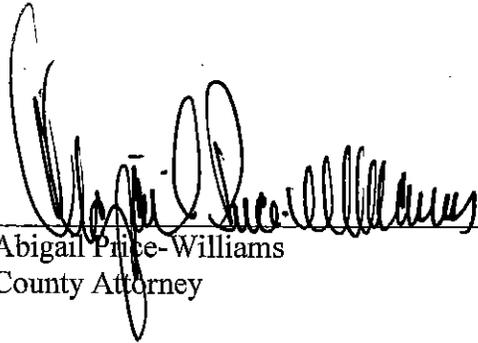
**TO:** Honorable Chairman Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** February 22, 2017

**FROM:** Abigail Price-Williams  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution directing the County Mayor to A) make every effort to prioritize the use of plants in County landscaping that do not pose a threat of becoming mosquito breeding grounds; B) limit the use of bromeliads in County landscaping whenever possible; and C) include a provision in all newly entered, renewed, or extended County contracts that the contractor or vendor shall, whenever applicable, make every effort to prioritize the use of plants in County landscaping that do not pose a threat of becoming mosquito breeding grounds and to limit the use of bromeliads

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz and Co-Sponsors Vice Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson and Commissioner Sally A. Heyman.



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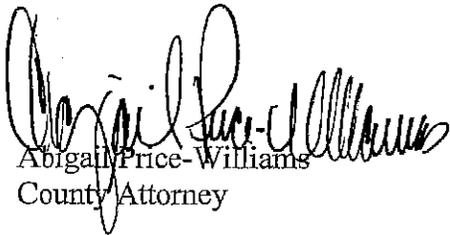


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Please note any items checked.

- "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
- Statement of social equity required
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- No committee review
- Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's \_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_ ) to approve
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

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

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2-22-17

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

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO A) MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO PRIORITIZE THE USE OF PLANTS IN COUNTY LANDSCAPING THAT DO NOT POSE A THREAT OF BECOMING MOSQUITO BREEDING GROUNDS; B) LIMIT THE USE OF BROMELIADS IN COUNTY LANDSCAPING WHENEVER POSSIBLE; AND C) INCLUDE A PROVISION IN ALL NEWLY ENTERED, RENEWED, OR EXTENDED COUNTY CONTRACTS THAT THE CONTRACTOR OR VENDOR SHALL, WHENEVER APPLICABLE, MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO PRIORITIZE THE USE OF PLANTS IN COUNTY LANDSCAPING THAT DO NOT POSE A THREAT OF BECOMING MOSQUITO BREEDING GROUNDS AND TO LIMIT THE USE OF BROMELIADS

**WHEREAS**, bromeliads are popular ornamental plants that are attractive and easy to maintain; and

**WHEREAS**, certain types of bromeliads, however, such as tank bromeliads, can hold water between their leaves—making it a great place for mosquitoes to breed; and

**WHEREAS**, the mosquito eggs hatch when water is present and after a few days, become adult mosquitoes that can spread diseases such as yellow fever, dengue fever, chikungunya, and Zika; and

**WHEREAS**, the following measures may be taken to help keep bromeliads from becoming a breeding ground for mosquitoes:

- a) flush the water—and the mosquito larvae and eggs—out of the bromeliads at least once a week to disrupt the mosquitoes' life cycle;

- b) coat the water in the bromeliads with a small amount of food-grade oil. The oil will cover the surface of the water and keep any mosquito larvae present from breathing; or
- c) treat the water in bromeliads with a safe larvicide; and

**WHEREAS**, while these measures can help prevent bromeliads from becoming mosquito breeding grounds, limiting the number of bromeliads found throughout the County will also help minimize the threat of mosquito borne illnesses,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that this Board directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to a) make every effort to prioritize the use of plants in County landscaping that do not pose a threat of becoming mosquito breeding grounds; b) limit the use of bromeliads in County landscaping whenever possible; and c) include a provision in all newly entered, renewed, or extended County contracts which include landscaping that the contractor or vendor shall, whenever applicable, make every effort to prioritize the use of plants in County landscaping that do not pose a threat of becoming mosquito breeding grounds and to limit the use of bromeliads.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz and the Co-Sponsors are Vice Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson and Commissioner Sally A. Heyman. It was offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Chairman  
Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman  
Bruno A. Barreiro  
Jose "Pepe" Diaz  
Barbara J. Jordan  
Jean Monestime  
Rebeca Sosa  
Xavier L. Suarez  
Daniella Levine Cava  
Sally A. Heyman  
Joe A. Martinez  
Dennis C. Moss  
Sen. Javier D. Souto

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2017. 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.



Annery Pulgar Alfonso