## **MEMORANDUM**

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Agenda Item No. 2A

TO:

Honorable Chairman Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

June 13, 2017

FROM:

Abigail Price-Williams

County Attorney

SUBJECT:

Resolution directing the County

Mayor to file an application in

the May 2017 cycle of amendments to the

Comprehensive Development Master Plan to allow the SR 836

Southwest Extension project

outside of the Urban Development Boundary as proposed by the Miami-Dade

**Expressway Authority** 

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz.

Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

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TO: Honorable Chairman Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. DATE: July 6, 2017 and Members, Board of County Commissioners FROM: SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 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	<u> Mayor</u>	Agenda Item No.
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RESOLUTION NO.

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO FILE AN APPLICATION IN THE MAY 2017 CYCLE OF AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT MASTER PLAN TO ALLOW THE SR 836 SOUTHWEST EXTENSION PROJECT OUTSIDE OF THE URBAN DEVELOPMENT BOUNDARY AS PROPOSED BY THE MIAMI-DADE EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, traffic and transportation are among the most significant issues impacting the lives of Miami-Dade County residents; and

WHEREAS, all the major traffic corridors between SW 137th Avenue and the Homestead Extension to the Florida Turnpike (HEFT) from 8th Street to SW 152nd Street are currently operating at maximum capacity and high levels of congestion, and these conditions will be aggravated by the anticipated population and employment growth in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the SR 836 Southwest Extension, proposed by the Miami-Dade Expressway Authority (MDX), is planned as a western beltway that would enhance mobility by providing a safe and expeditious transportation option for people and goods west of 137th Avenue from SW 8th Street to SW 152nd Street, while minimizing impacts on existing residential and environmental areas; and

WHEREAS, the SR 836 Southwest Extension tackles a long overdue transportation improvement for the Southwest Miami-Dade County and Kendall areas that will be one of the most transformative infrastructure projects in the County's foreseeable future, because it will

provide a new transportation linkage in this broad area and will not only allow commuters to travel efficiently but also alleviate traffic congestion on existing highways by creating "counter flow" traffic and redistributing peak hour traffic patterns; and

WHEREAS, the SR 836 Southwest Extension will provide a major north-south highway corridor for the underserviced population of the Southwest and Kendall areas of the county that will address the transportation needs of these communities, as well as facilitate employment, commerce and economic development, utilizing the County's assets at Miami Executive Airport (TMB) and Zoo Miami, as well as the regional hospitals, healthcare facilities, industrial and warehouse districts, and commercial developments; and

WHEREAS, the SR 836 Southwest Extension is proposed as a multi-modal facility that would allow Transit Express Bus service on the Xpress Technology Lanes and would also preserve an envelope for a multi-use path that could include a transit rail line, or new, innovative modes of mass transit, providing Miami-Dade County residents with mobility options; and

WHEREAS, providing a new beltway for those residents and businesses will not only help alleviate traffic congestion on east-west and north-south arterials but also traffic cutting through neighborhood streets throughout the Southwest, West Kendall, and all communities east and west of 137th Avenue; and

WHEREAS, MDX surveyed 45,000 daily commuters and businesses about where they wanted to invest their toll dollars, and the overwhelming, number one project identified by those who most frequently utilize MDX's five local expressways and support the system with their tolls was the SR 836 Southwest Extension; and

WHEREAS, the extension of SR 836 in this area would require building the expressway and additional multi-modal transit facilities outside of the Urban Development Boundary (UDB), which is currently prohibited by the Miami-Dade County Comprehensive Development Master Plan (CDMP); and

WHEREAS, MDX will not be able to pursue further development of the project and construction unless it is consistent with the CDMP; and

WHEREAS, the extension of SR 836 in this area would not be consistent with the CDMP unless the CDMP is amended to allow it; and

**WHEREAS**, section 2-116.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County authorizes this Board to direct the filing of an application to amend the CDMP,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board hereby directs the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee to file an application in the May 2017 cycle of applications to amend the Comprehensive Development Master Plan, to permit the extension of SR 836 and multi-modal transportation facilities outside the Urban Development Boundary into Southwest Miami-Dade County for the SR 836 Southwest Extension project proposed by the Miami-Dade Expressway Authority.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz. 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:

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Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Chairman Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman

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The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July, 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

Approved by County Attorney as to form and legal sufficiency.

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Dennis A. Kerbel