

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(29)

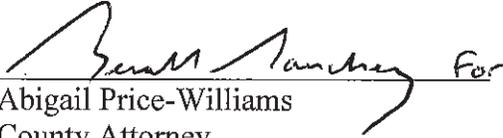
TO: Honorable Chairman Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: November 7, 2017

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution opposing Florida Power & Light's proposal to increase customers' electricity bills and pass the costs associated with restoring electricity due to the effects of Hurricane Irma to customers; and urging the Florida Public Service Commission to deny Florida Power & Light's request for such increase

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.


Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

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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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11-7-17

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION OPPOSING FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT'S PROPOSAL TO INCREASE CUSTOMERS' ELECTRICITY BILLS AND PASS THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH RESTORING ELECTRICITY DUE TO THE EFFECTS OF HURRICANE IRMA TO CUSTOMERS; AND URGING THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION TO DENY FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT'S REQUEST FOR SUCH INCREASE

WHEREAS, on Thursday, October 26, 2017, Florida Power & Light's (FPL) parent company announced its proposal to charge FPL customers an estimated \$1.3 billion to recoup the costs associated with restoring power after Hurricane Irma; and

WHEREAS, FPL's proposal must be presented to and approved by the Florida Public Service Commission (PSC); and

WHEREAS, under this proposal, FPL residential customers who use 1,000 kilowatt hours of electricity a month would pay \$4 per month in Hurricane Irma charges beginning in March 2018, with an increase to about \$5.50 per month in 2019, and continuing at that rate until Hurricane Irma related costs are paid off, which is expected to be the end of 2020; and

WHEREAS, FPL was previously granted approval to recover costs related to Hurricane Matthew and increase its residential customers' electricity bills to \$3.36 per month; and

WHEREAS, FPL began collecting Hurricane Matthew costs in March 2017 and is expected to finish collecting such costs in February 2018, just one month before it plans to begin collecting the Hurricane Irma costs; and

WHEREAS, these cost increases to residents of Miami-Dade County and those throughout the state are quite concerning especially considering the hurricane preparedness tools and mechanisms FPL stated that it put in place prior to Hurricane Irma; and

WHEREAS, as a result, this Board opposes FPL's rate increase due to Hurricane Irma and urges the PSC to deny FPL's request to impose such increase,

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

Section 1. Opposes Florida Power & Light's proposal to increase customers' electricity bills and to pass the costs associated with restoring electricity due to the effects of Hurricane Irma to customers.

Section 2. Urges the Florida Public Service Commission to deny Florida Power & Light's request to increase customers' electricity bills and pass the costs associated with restoring electricity lost due to the effects of Hurricane Irma to customers.

Section 3. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Members of the Florida Public Service Commission and the President and Chief Executive Office of Florida Power & Light.

Section 4. Directs the County's state lobbyists to oppose the actions set forth in Sections 1 and 2 above, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to amend the 2018 State Legislative Package to include this item.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Rebeca Sosa. 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	Daniella Levine Cava
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Sally A. Heyman
Barbara J. Jordan	Joe A. Martinez
Jean Monestime	Dennis C. Moss
Rebeca Sosa	Sen. Javier D. Souto
Xavier L. Suarez	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 7th day of November, 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.

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