



MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item 15(D)1

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

DATE: November 21, 2017

FROM: Honorable Harvey Ruvin, Clerk
Circuit and County Courts

SUBJECT: Ballot Appointment of
Member to the Land
Acquisition Selection
Committee

Christopher Agrippa, Director
Clerk of the Board Division

Please select one (1) nominee from the attached ballot to fill a regular membership vacancy on the Land Acquisition Selection Committee (LASC).

Chapter 24-50 of the Code of Miami-Dade County provides that the Board of County Commissioners appoint, from a list of candidates as recommended by the Mayor of Miami-Dade County, the members of LASC. In accordance with the Code, the Mayor has submitted the names of eligible candidates from which a replacement can be selected to fill the vacancy. The nominees are presented as follows:

1. Amy Creekmur (recommended by The Grove Tree-Man Trust)
2. Dennis J. Olle (recommended by The Tropical Audubon Society)

Mayor Carlos Gimenez's Memorandum; and the resumes and letters of recommendation for all nominees have been attached for review.

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Attachment

COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD BALLOT

Miami-Dade County, Florida

November 21, 2017

LAND ACQUISITION SELECTION COMMITTEE

NOMINEES FOR APPOINTMENT

Vote (✓) for One (1)

Amy Creekmur	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dennis J. Olle	<input type="checkbox"/>

Commissioner _____
(Please sign ballot)

Commission District Number _____

Memorandum



Date: October 26, 2017
To: Harvey Ruvin
Clerk of the Board
From: Carlos A. Gimenez 
Mayor
Subject: Land Acquisition Selection Committee Appointment

The Land Acquisition Selection Committee (Committee) was established by Chapter 24-50.6 of the Code of Miami-Dade County (Code) to make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners regarding land acquisitions for the Environmentally Endangered Lands (EEL) Program, propose expenditures from the EEL Trust Funds, and provide additional guidance to fulfill the purposes of the EEL Program.

The Committee is composed of seven (7) regular members and one (1) alternate. In November of 2015, a Committee member was term limited, creating a vacancy on the Committee. Pursuant to Chapter 24-50 of the Code, I am hereby recommending two (2) candidates that meet the required qualifications to fill the vacancy. The Board of County Commissioners shall vote for one (1) of the two (2) candidates to serve on the Committee.

The candidates for the regular member vacancy:

1. Amy Creekmur, 18450 Southwest 212 Street, Miami, Florida 33187
2. Dennis J. Olle, 934 Andres Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida 33134

Chapter 24-50.6 of the Code also provides that preference be given to candidates that have a record of service in environmental or civic affairs in Miami-Dade County and have been recommended by one or more bona fide environmental, civic or professional organizations. Ms. Creekmur has been recommended by the Grove Tree-Man Trust. Mr. Olle has been recommended by the Tropical Audubon Society.

The candidates' resumes and letters of recommendation are attached. Please schedule the selection and appointment for the Board of County Commissioners' agenda as soon as possible.

Attachments

AMY G. CREEKMUR
18450 Southwest 212th Street Miami, FL 33187
(305) 378 - 1863 Office / (305) 238 -7021 Home

Employment Objective:

A position in creating, organizing, coordination and implementation of sustainable projects and activities.

Qualifications:

Organizational skills.
Ability to favorably introduce change in the form of new and productive ideas.
Avid and active conservationist.

Work History:

TROPICAL AUDUBON SOCIETY

Event and Volunteer Coordinator / Toyota TogetherGreen Tree Planting Grant Administrator
Oversee events and volunteer recruitment for the not-for-profit organization known as South Florida's Voice of Conservation.. (September 2013 to present/part time)

FRIENDS OF THE EVERGLADES

Educator
Conduct environmental education sessions at K-12 schools. (March 2013 to present/part-time)

MIAMI INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY/ART INSTITUTE

Instructor: Fashion Show Production
Educate college level students the "ins and outs" of producing and organizing fashion show productions and events.
(July 2004 to present /part-time)

SOBOL FASHION PRODUCTIONS, INC.

Assist in coordination and production of special events. Specifically Miami Fashion Week annually.
(Project /term basis 1999 to 2013)

TREEMENDOUS MIAMI, INC.

Program Coordinator
Oversee a non-profit volunteer organization united to build community pride by planting, protecting and preserving trees in Miami-Dade County. Coordinate volunteer tree planting projects countywide by recruiting various volunteer organizations forming partnerships. (August 2000 to February 2013)

CITIZENS FOR A BETTER SOUTH FLORIDA

PLEA Program Director
Project PLEA, an environmental education program/workshop stressing the importance of incorporating "the environment" into curriculum. (1992)

CROSSMARK

Merchandiser
Area merchandiser concentrating in drug and department store chains.
(1999-2001)

HI-RISE RECYCLING SYSTEMS, INC.

National Education Specialist / Customer Service Coordinator
Coordinate national recycling education activities for recycling equipment manufacturer. Act as company liaison with customers. Events coordinator (internal & external). (1994 -1998)

CITIZEN WATCH COMPANY OF AMERICA

Area Service Representative / Merchandiser

Maintain customer relations with area retailers. Perform training and technical services on a monthly call basis.
(1993 - 1996)

CITIZENS TO PRESERVE FLORIDA / A GLOBAL WARMING EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

Regional Coordinator

A grass roots project informing the public about the severe impacts of global warming and implementation of remedies.
(1991 - 1993)

EXIT SHOPS OF FLORIDA

Visual Merchandiser

Responsible for overall appearance of boutiques. (1990 - 1991)

NATURAL FOOD MARKET

Recycling Coordinator / Cashier

Implemented a recycling program, introduced recycled content and environmentally safe products, cashier. (1991-92)

FASHION EVENTS

President / Production Coordinator

Organized and oversaw company with emphasis on special events. (1990 - 1993)

RUNWAYS FLORIDA MODELS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Partner

Operations Manager in charge of supervision of talent agency and fashion show productions. (1984-1990)

BURDINE'S FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES

Fashion Office Staff and Teen Board Coordinator

Organized fashion and special events for department store chain. Supervised their teen program.
(1979-1983)

EDUCATION:

INTERNATIONAL FINE ARTS COLLEGE :

Miami, Florida Associates of Arts Degree 1979

Fashion Merchandising / Design

MASTER GARDENERS PROGRAM

Degree 2002; University of Florida/Cooperative Extension Division

References Available

The Grove Tree-Man Trust
2940 SW 30th Court
Miami, FL 33133

May 9, 2016

Ms. Janet Gil
Program Director
Environmentally Endangered Lands Program
Miami-Dade Regulatory & Economic Resources Dept.
701 NW 1st Court, 5th Floor
Miami, FL 33136

Dear Ms. Gil:

I am writing on behalf of The Grove Tree-Man Trust, a not for profit tree advocacy organization in the City of Miami, in support of Ms. Amy Creekmurs' application to serve Miami-Dade County on the Land Acquisition Selection Committee.

Ms. Creekmur has an extensive background in natural habitat restoration. She dedicated twelve years to serving as the Executive Director of TREEmendous Miami, a not for profit tree advocacy organization in Miami-Dade County. She is currently employed as an Environmental Educator for Friends of the Everglades, a not for profit organization, where she educates the public about conservation issues. She also acts as the Events & Volunteer Coordinator with Tropical Audubon Society, another not for profit organization, for which she educates the community about the importance of building, protecting and preserving native bird habitats in South Florida. Her knowledge of the objectives of the Environmentally Endangered Lands Program and commitment to its success make her an ideal candidate.

Ms. Creekmur would be an asset to the committee. Thank you for your consideration of her application.

Sincerely,



James G. McMaster, President
The Grove Tree-Man Trust
305-443-1312

DENNIS J. OLLE



E-mail: dolle@carltonfields.com

Position

Shareholder
Carlton Fields Jordan Burt, P.A. (Miami office)

Practice Experience

- Dennis Olle is the past practice group leader of the Carlton Fields' Business Transactions Practice Group.
- Mr. Olle has an extensive corporate law practice including both public and private securities offerings, corporate disclosure, and mergers & acquisitions. In addition, he also counsels clients in connection with a variety of general corporate issues including corporate governance and cyber-security.

Court Admissions

- Florida

Professional and Civic Activities

- The Florida Bar
- The American Bar Association
 - Business Law Section
 - Environment, Energy & Resources Section
- Imperiled Butterfly Working Group (Strategic Planning Committee) (2004 - present)
- North American Butterfly Association (NABA)
 - Member of the Board of Directors (2008-present)
- Miami Blue Chapter of NABA (Miami, FL)
 - President (2004 - 2010)
 - Director of Conservation Projects (current)
- Tropical Audubon Society (Miami, FL)
 - Director and various offices (1982 - 2012)
 - Advisory Board Member (2013- present)
- Monarch Joint Venture (representing NABA) (2014 – present)

Education:

- Columbia University (J.D., with honors, 1976)
 - Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar
- Rice University (B.A. 1975)
 - Participant, *Accelerated Interdisciplinary Legal Education Program* (Rice University/Columbia University)

Other Information:

- Eagle Scout
- Assistant Scoutmaster Troop 767, Boy Scouts of America (1992 - 98)

- Miami-Dade County Environmentally Endangered Lands Program, Land Acquisition Selection Committee (1990-92)
- The Barnacle Society
Director (1992 - 95)
- Public Health & Environmental Degradation Task Force, Miami River
Coordinating Committee
Chairman (1994)
- Dade County/Florida Keys Water Supply Plan Advisory Committee
Member (1994)
- Citizen's Committee of the South Florida Water Management District's
South Dade Watershed Plan
Chairman (1995 - 98)
- National Audubon Society Environmental Economics Council (Miami, FL)
Member (1996 - 2001)
Biscayne Bay Partnership Initiative Regulatory Survey Team Member (2000)

