MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(12)

TO:

Honorable Chairman Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.

and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE:

September 5, 2018

FROM:

Abigail Price-Williams

County Attorney

SUBJECT:

Resolution directing the

County Mayor to determine the feasibility of creating and staffing County employees at telecommuting centers in Miami-Dade County and to prepare a

report to this Board

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Co-Prime Sponsors Commissioner Dennis C. Moss and Commissioner Jean Monestime.

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RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO DETERMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF CREATING AND STAFFING COUNTY EMPLOYEES AT TELECOMMUTING CENTERS IN MIAMIDADE COUNTY AND TO PREPARE A REPORT TO THIS BOARD

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners is interested in pursuing a comprehensive approach to addressing traffic congestion in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, plans to remedy traffic congestion may include alternative work arrangements; and

WHEREAS, transportation initiatives such as creating telecommuting centers have been used in other locales to alleviate traffic congestion and to provide an alternative means of maximizing the efficient use and capacity of roadways; and

WHEREAS, telecommuting is, broadly, an alternative work arrangement used where individual job and supervisory tasks are well-suited for working remotely, on the road, at home, or in a satellite location for all or part of a regular work week while maintaining the traditional total number of hours per work week; and

WHEREAS, workers who telecommute do not need to generate overtime hours, experience no changes in their salaries, benefits, or job responsibilities, and by working remotely, may mitigate overall roadway congestion; and

WHEREAS, in addition, a reduction in the length of a work commute for County workers will improve employee morale; and

WHEREAS, many County employees, particularly those who work in locations considerably south and west of the downtown Miami Central Business District ("CBD"), would be well-served by the availability of an alternative work location; and

WHEREAS, those County employees who work in "back office" capacities – human resources, accounting, compliance, information technology, and operations, among others, are well-suited to make use of telecommuting centers or other alternative work arrangements; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Trust and some County departments under the purview of the Mayor, including the Aviation Department and Information Technology Department, utilize telecommuting arrangements; and

WHEREAS, this Board believes that developing telecommuting centers and allowing telecommuting arrangements that do not have a negative impact upon public service or impede a department from accomplishing its mission in an efficient and cost effective manner will enhance the County's ability to attract and retain employees, meet the needs of an ever-changing work force, and provide long-term operational cost savings,

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

Section 1. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to determine the feasibility of creating and staffing County employees at telecommuting centers in Miami-Dade County. Such a study shall, at a minimum: 1) identify the number of County employees who occupy "back-office" functions that could make use of a telecommuting center; 2) identify potential telecommuting center sites and evaluate the feasibility of utilizing sites such the Homestead Air Reserve Base; 3) determine whether the benefits of utilizing telecommuting centers necessitates the creation of a pilot program; 4) estimate the impact of traffic mitigation from

diverting County workers from the CBD to telecommuting centers; and 5) provide recommendations as to how telecommuting centers, home-based telecommuting, or flexible working hours might be implemented in order to create better work-life balance for County employees and ensure compatibility with the County's long-term transportation goals.

Section 2. Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to prepare a report containing the findings and recommendations resulting from the study identified in Section 1. The completed report shall be placed on an agenda of the Board within 120 days of the effective date of this resolution pursuant to Miami-Dade County Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Co-Prime Sponsors of the foregoing resolution are Commissioner Dennis C. Moss and Commissionner Jean Monestime. 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

Daniella Levine Cava
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Barbara J. Jordan
Jean Monestime
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Eileen Higgins
Joe A. Martinez
Dennis C. Moss
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The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 5th day of September, 2018. 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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Javier Zapata