

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(10)

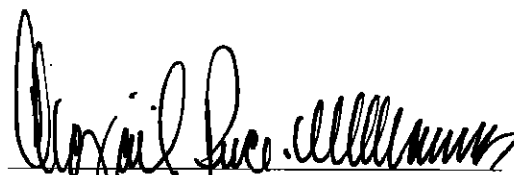
**TO:** Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** June 4, 2019

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution directing the County Mayor to (I) implement a plan to provide flexible options for current Golden Passport and Patriot Passport EASY Card holders to renew and replace a lost, stolen, or damaged card; (II) review the County's Golden Passport and Patriot Passport Program websites and update them to make them more user friendly and ensure that they accurately provide updated information on eligibility and documentation requirements; and (III) provide a report to the Board within a specified time

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Eileen Higgins, and Co-Sponsors Commissioner Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava, Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan and Commissioner Dennis C. Moss.



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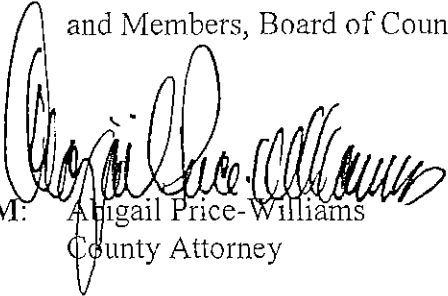
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Please note any items checked.

- "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 present \_\_\_\_, 2/3 membership \_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) \_\_\_\_, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) \_\_\_\_, or CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c)(2) \_\_\_\_) to approve
- Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

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Veto \_\_\_\_\_

6-4-19

Override \_\_\_\_\_

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

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO (I) IMPLEMENT A PLAN TO PROVIDE FLEXIBLE OPTIONS FOR CURRENT GOLDEN PASSPORT AND PATRIOT PASSPORT EASY CARD HOLDERS TO RENEW AND REPLACE A LOST, STOLEN, OR DAMAGED CARD; (II) REVIEW THE COUNTY'S GOLDEN PASSPORT AND PATRIOT PASSPORT PROGRAM WEBSITES AND UPDATE THEM TO MAKE THEM MORE USER FRIENDLY AND ENSURE THAT THEY ACCURATELY PROVIDE UPDATED INFORMATION ON ELIGIBILITY AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS; AND (III) PROVIDE A REPORT TO THE BOARD WITHIN A SPECIFIED TIME

**WHEREAS**, the Golden Passport Program was created to provide fare-free public transportation services to those residents of Miami-Dade County age 65 and older or those residents who are Social Security beneficiaries; and

**WHEREAS**, the Patriot Passport Program was created to provide fare-free transit services for disabled veterans and those veterans who fall below a certain income threshold; and

**WHEREAS**, the County website provides relevant information regarding the Golden Passport Program and Patriot Passport Program eligibility, as well as the documentation necessary to apply for the programs, or to renew or replace an existing card; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the County website, Golden Passport Program and Patriot Passport Program applications must be done in person at a Transit Service Center, 311 Service Center, or the City of Miami Neighborhood Enhancement Team (NET) Office; and

**WHEREAS**, Golden Passport and Patriot Passport EASY Cards can be renewed by mail, e-mail or fax by providing copies of the required documents; and

**WHEREAS**, the replacement of a lost, stolen, or damaged Golden Passport or Patriot Passport EASY Card must be done in person at the Government Center Transit Service Center which may severely inconvenience seniors and the disabled who are already transportation-limited, and who do not have a functioning Golden or Patriot Passport EASY Card; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the County website, the replacement costs for lost, stolen, or damaged Golden Passport and Patriot Passport EASY Cards is as follows: \$5.00 for the first replacement, \$20.00 for the second replacement, and \$50.00 for each replacement thereafter; and

**WHEREAS**, the information on the County Golden Passport Program and Patriot Passport Program websites should be reviewed periodically to ensure that all information is current and presented in a user-friendly manner in order to provide ease of access,

**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 implement a plan to provide flexible options for current Golden Passport and Patriot Passport EASY Card holders to renew and replace a lost, stolen, or damaged card. The plan should include the option to apply for the renewal or replacement of a Golden Passport and Patriot Passport EASY Card, including the payment of any applicable costs, by mail, e-mail, fax, or via the County's Golden Passport Program and Patriot Passport Program websites on a platform that is accessible and usable on mobile devices.

**Section 2.** Further directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to review the County's Golden Passport Program and Patriot Passport Program websites and to: (1) update them as necessary to make them more user friendly; (2) ensure that they accurately provide updated

information on eligibility and documentation requirements for the Golden Passport and Patriot Passport Programs including, but not limited to, information pertaining to what documentation is needed in order to apply for new or replacement Golden Passport and Patriot Passport EASY Cards or to renew an existing card.

**Section 3.** Further directs the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to prepare a status report regarding the directives identified in Sections 1 and 2 above within 90 days of the effective date of this resolution and to place said report on an agenda of this Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Eileen Higgins, and the Co-Sponsors are Commissioner Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava, Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan and Commissioner Dennis C. Moss. 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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| Audrey M. Edmonson, Chairwoman |                      |
| Rebeca Sosa, Vice Chairwoman   |                      |
| Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.           | Daniella Levine Cava |
| Jose “Pepe” Diaz               | Sally A. Heyman      |
| Eileen Higgins                 | Barbara J. Jordan    |
| Joe A. Martinez                | Jean Monestime       |
| Dennis C. Moss                 | Sen. Javier D. Souto |
| Xavier L. Suarez               |                      |

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2019. 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.

MJS

Melanie J. Spencer