

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(21)

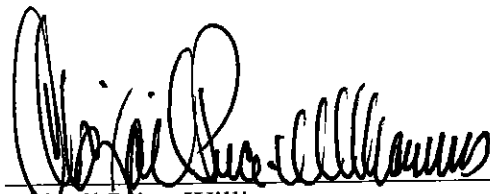
**TO:** Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** June 4, 2019

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution directing the County Mayor to develop, in conjunction with the Beacon Council, a targeted campaign to present the opportunities available in Miami-Dade County in the Human and Agricultural Genetics Industries to prospective operators and developers, if feasible, within a concentrated area to be known as the "Center For Genetics of the Americas"; and further directing the County Mayor to prepare a written report within 90 days and subsequent updates to that report on a quarterly basis and to place said reports on an agenda of the Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Senator Javier D. Souto and Co-Sponsors Commissioner Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. and Commissioner Xavier L. Suarez.



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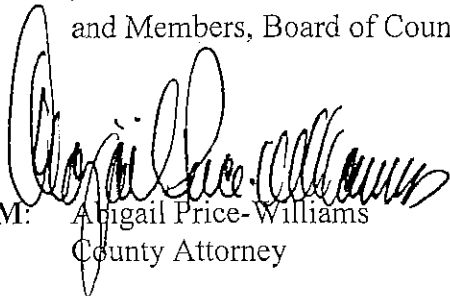
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Please note any items checked.

- "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  
Veto \_\_\_\_\_  
Override \_\_\_\_\_

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6-4-19

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

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO DEVELOP, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE BEACON COUNCIL, A TARGETED CAMPAIGN TO PRESENT THE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY IN THE HUMAN AND AGRICULTURAL GENETICS INDUSTRIES TO PROSPECTIVE OPERATORS AND DEVELOPERS, IF FEASIBLE, WITHIN A CONCENTRATED AREA TO BE KNOWN AS THE "CENTER FOR GENETICS OF THE AMERICAS"; AND FURTHER DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO PREPARE A WRITTEN REPORT WITHIN 90 DAYS AND SUBSEQUENT UPDATES TO THAT REPORT ON A QUARTERLY BASIS AND TO PLACE SAID REPORTS ON AN AGENDA OF THE BOARD PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 14-65

**WHEREAS**, on February 6, 2018, this Board approved Resolution No. R-147-18, directing the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to prepare a report analyzing the means and methods by which the County could encourage the development of the agricultural and human genetics industry within Miami-Dade County, all with the goal of creating the "Center for Genetics of the Americas"; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 27, 2018, the County Mayor produced a report titled "Report Regarding the Development of the Agricultural and Human Genetics Industries in Miami-Dade County – Directive No. 172715" (the "Report"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Report outlined some of the existing work in Miami-Dade County concerning agricultural and human genetics, including work being done at the University of Miami, Florida International University, Nicklaus Children's Hospital's Division of Genetics, and one known fish farm using hybridization techniques; and

**WHEREAS**, the Report concluded that “[g]iven the current investment and practice in genetics occurring within Miami-Dade County and the worldwide recognition of the advancements here, we are well positioned for growth in this sector”; and

**WHEREAS**, the Report further suggested the development of “[a] more targeted campaign . . . to present the opportunities available to prospective operators and developers, through the Beacon Council, to entice the further development of this industry in Miami-Dade County,”

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

**Section 1.** Adopts, approves, and incorporates herein each of the foregoing recitals.

**Section 2.** Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to develop, in conjunction with the Beacon Council, a targeted campaign to present the opportunities available in Miami-Dade County in the human and agricultural genetics industries to prospective operators and developers. In conjunction with its development of the aforementioned campaign, and to the greatest extent feasible, the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee is directed to identify a specific area within Miami-Dade County where such industries may be encouraged to concentrate (and any means by which such a concentration can be encouraged), which area would be identified as the “Center for Genetics of the Americas.”

**Section 3.** Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to present a written status report to the Board, within 90 days of the effective date of this resolution, reporting on the progress made on the directive contained within Section 2 of this resolution. Thereafter, the County

Mayor or County Mayor's designee shall present written updates to the Board on a quarterly basis. Each written report required under this Section 3 shall be placed on an agenda of the Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolutions is Senator Javier D. Souto, and the Co-Sponsors are Commissioner Esteban L. Bovo, Jr. and Commissioner Xavier L. Suarez. 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:

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 this 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.

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Miguel A. Gonzalez

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