

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(2)

---

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

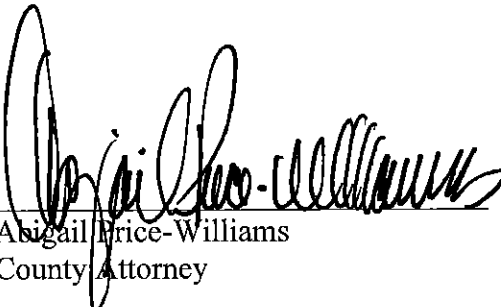
**DATE:** December 17, 2019

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

**SUBJECT:** Resolution supporting House Bill  
4591 or similar legislation that  
provides state funding for the  
Miami-Dade County Anti-  
Violence Initiative (AVI); urging  
the Florida Legislature to  
appropriate state funding for AVI

---

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson.

  
Abigail Price-Williams  
County Attorney

APW/uw



**MEMORANDUM**  
(Revised)

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

**DATE:** December 17, 2019

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

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No. 11(A)(2)

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 \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(2)  
12-17-19

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

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING HOUSE BILL 4591 OR SIMILAR  
LEGISLATION THAT PROVIDES STATE FUNDING FOR THE  
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY ANTI-VIOLENCE INITIATIVE (AVI);  
URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO APPROPRIATE  
STATE FUNDING FOR AVI

**WHEREAS**, over the last decade, crime statistics in Miami-Dade County related to youth who are victims of gun violence have been grim; and

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to address and curtail said violence, this Board has approved and funded a number of strategic community safety and gun violence initiatives; and

**WHEREAS**, the Miami-Dade County Anti-Violence Initiative (“AVI”) is one such initiative; and

**WHEREAS**, AVI is a collaborative endeavor developed with community partners to engage at-risk youth and reduce gun deaths that disproportionately impact young black men in Miami-Dade County by incorporating best and promising practices of successful evidence-based models as well as tenets that have been successfully implemented locally; and

**WHEREAS**, AVI is designed to reduce group violence and consists of the following components:

(1) Prevention – Early identification of at-risk youth through risk factors based on screening, assessment, and other data elements and the provision of services to community members in high crime areas;

(2) Intervention – Provision of evidence-based case management services to at-risk youth, ex-offenders, and potential victims of violence and their families;

(3) Suppression – Implementation of the Group Violence Intervention model, which identifies high-risk individuals and groups that have documented potential to be perpetrators or victims of violence and provides said individuals or groups with assistance to rebuild their lives that includes, but is not limited to, substance abuse and mental health services and emergency relocation assistance; and

(4) Re-entry – Provision of services to address the complex needs of individuals re-entering their communities after incarceration to reduce recidivism; and

**WHEREAS**, youth violence can be prevented through the use of comprehensive and multi-layered community wide strategies geared to address such violence and its underlying and contributing causes; and

**WHEREAS**, AVI is one such strategy that targets at-risk populations in an attempt to quell youth gun violence; and

**WHEREAS**, early anecdotal evidence suggests that AVI will result in measurable and sustainable reductions in gun related crimes in communities throughout Miami-Dade County that are plagued by said violence; and

**WHEREAS**, House Bill (“HB”) 4591 has been filed for consideration during the 2020 legislative session by Representative Dotie Joseph (D – Miami); and

**WHEREAS**, HB 4591 seeks the appropriation of \$2 million from the General Revenue Fund to support AVI; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board desires to assist at-risk populations and is committed to curbing gun violence 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.** Supports House Bill 4591 or similar legislation that provides state funding for the Miami-Dade County Anti-Violence Initiative and urges the Florida Legislature to appropriate state funding for AVI.

**Section 2.** Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Governor, Senate President, House Speaker, Representative Dotie Joseph, and the Chair and remaining Members of the Miami-Dade County State Legislative Delegation.

**Section 3.** Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the legislative action set forth in section 1 above, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to amend the 2020 State Legislative Package to include this item.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson. 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 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 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.



Shanika A. Graves