

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(14)

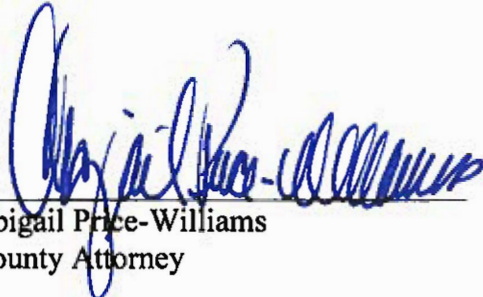
TO: Honorable Chairwoman Audrey M. Edmonson
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: May 5, 2020

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the County
Mayor to reprogram traffic
signals to automatic pedestrian
signal phasing at high pedestrian
volume areas in the Miami
Beach, Little Havana, Brickell
and Downtown, areas and to
submit a report within 120 days
of the effective date of this
resolution

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Eileen Higgins.


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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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5-5-20

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO REPROGRAM TRAFFIC SIGNALS TO AUTOMATIC PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL PHASING AT HIGH PEDESTRIAN VOLUME AREAS IN THE MIAMI BEACH, LITTLE HAVANA, BRICKELL AND DOWNTOWN, AREAS AND TO SUBMIT A REPORT WITHIN 120 DAYS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the creation of a safe and efficient transportation system for pedestrian mobility is an issue of paramount importance in Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, there are numerous densely populated areas in Miami-Dade County with a high concentration of pedestrian usage of the right-of-way, such as Miami Beach, Little Havana, and the Brickell, and Downtown areas; and

WHEREAS, the majority of the intersections in Miami-Dade County require pedestrians to press a button in order to cross the street, rather than utilizing automatic pedestrian signal phasing; and

WHEREAS, currently, notwithstanding the increasing number of pedestrians utilizing the right-of-way, traffic signals in Miami-Dade County are primarily coordinated to provide the majority of green time in the signal cycle to vehicular traffic movements as opposed to pedestrian movements; and

WHEREAS, many pedestrians do not realize they need to push a button to cross an intersection, and for those that do, the requirement unnecessarily delays pedestrian mobility, lengthening the time it takes to reach their destinations; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County's world class tourist destinations are located in pedestrian oriented zones, such as Little Havana, Miami Beach, and the downtown urban core; and

WHEREAS, reprogramming traffic signals in areas of high pedestrian usage in densely populated areas is an economical way to make the road system more pedestrian friendly, as no new infrastructure or substantial capital improvements would be required,

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

Section 1. This Board incorporates and approves the foregoing recitals as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. This Board directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee: (i) to identify the locations of traffic signals at intersections with high pedestrian usage in the key tourist destinations and densely populated areas of Miami Beach, Little Havana, and the Brickell and Downtown areas which are appropriate for reprogramming to automatic pedestrian signal phasing, which may include an analysis of census and other relevant data to assist in such determination; and (ii) after determining appropriate locations and times of day for such reprogramming, to reprogram such traffic signals, which would prioritize pedestrian mobility over vehicular mobility at such locations.

Section 3. This Board directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to provide a report to this Board within 120 days of the effective date of this resolution setting forth: (i) the locations of the intersections where such reprogramming has taken place; (ii) any additional locations which have been selected for reprogramming, but have not yet been reprogrammed, including a timetable for such proposed implementation, and any reasons such reprogramming has not yet occurred; and (iii) to place the completed report on an agenda of the Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Eileen Higgins. 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 this resolution duly passed and adopted this 5th day of May, 2020. 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.



Debra Herman