

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 7(A)


TO: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: (Second Reading: 12-16-25)
November 18, 2025

FROM: Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Ordinance relating to the Dr.
Antonio Jorge Social and
Economic Development Council
("SEDC"); creating section 2-
1446 of the Code; amending
section 2-1446—2-1460 of the
Code; establishing a Social and
Economic Development Council
Trust Fund

The accompanying ordinance was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Natalie Milian Orbis.



Geri Bonzon-Keenan
County Attorney

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Date: December 16, 2025

To: Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Daniella Levine Cava 
Mayor

Subject: Fiscal Impact and Social Equity Statement for Ordinance Relating to the Dr. Antonio Jorge Social and Economic Development Council

The proposed ordinance creates the Miami-Dade County Social and Economic Development Council Trust Fund (Trust Fund) which will place all donations, contributions, and funds received by the Council for public purposes as defined in the Code. The Clerk of the Court and Comptroller would be authorized and directed to establish the Trust Fund and disburse the monies, following approval by the Council.

Social Equity Statement

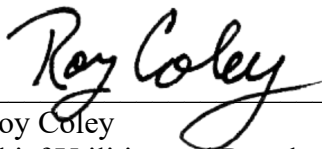
Social equity impacts of this legislation cannot be determined at this time.

Fiscal Impact Statement

The implementation of this Ordinance will not have a fiscal impact to Miami-Dade County. This Ordinance provides for the creation of the Miami-Dade County Social and Economic Development Trust Fund to place all donations, contributions, and funds received by the Dr. Antonio Jorge Social and Economic Development Council for public purposes as defined in the Code. The Clerk of the Court and Comptroller is authorized and directed to establish and manage the Trust Fund, with disbursements made following approval by the Council.

In alignment with the County's broader commitment to fiscal transparency and accountability, the Trust Fund and the Council will be subject to the oversight provisions outlined in Ordinance No.

25-53. This includes the potential for annual independent financial audits, as well as the authority of the County Mayor or designee to place the Council's supporting office under management watch if warranted. These measures ensure that funds are managed responsibly and that there is a clear framework for financial oversight and corrective action when necessary.

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Roy Coley
Chief Utilities and Regulatory Services Officer



MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

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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 ____, majority plus one ____, 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) ____, 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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12-16-25

ORDINANCE NO. _____

ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE DR. ANTONIO JORGE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (“SEDC”); CREATING SECTION 2-1446 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; AMENDING SECTION 2-1446–2-1460 OF THE CODE; ESTABLISHING A SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL TRUST FUND; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, in 2002, this Board created and established the Dr. Antonio Jorge Social and Economic Development Council (“SEDC”) to address, among other things, the socioeconomic impacts of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, the SEDC is charged with recommending to this Board and the Mayor appropriate policies and measures to reactivate the economy of Miami-Dade County, with special attention to the needs of low-income segments of the population; and

WHEREAS, the SEDC is also charged with actively participating in and coordinating efforts for the conceptualization, formulation and implementation of a long-run strategy for the acceleration of the social and economic development of Miami-Dade County; and

WHEREAS, the SEDC currently does not have the ability to accept donations; and

WHEREAS, the ability to accept donations and other funding through a trust fund would enable the SEDC coordinate projects, events, and conferences to implement their charge under the Code; and

WHEREAS, accordingly, this Board desires to amend the Code to create the SEDC Trust Fund,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA:**

Section 1. Section 2-1446 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, is hereby created to read as follows:¹

Sec. 2-1446. Financial Support for the Council.

There is hereby created the Miami-Dade County Social and Economic Development Council Trust Fund (the "Trust Fund"), in which will be placed all donations, contributions, and funds received by the Council for the public purposes provided in this article. The Clerk of the Court and Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed to establish the Trust Fund and disburse monies in accordance with the provision in this article. All monies in the Trust Fund shall be disbursed following approval by the Council. The funds placed into the Trust Fund shall be used to fund special projects, events, conferences, and activities which further the purposes of the Council.

Section 2. Section 2-1446–2-1460. of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. ~~[[2-1446]]~~>>2-1447<<-2-1460. - Reserved.

Section 3. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or provision of this ordinance is held invalid, the remainder of this ordinance shall not be affected by such invalidity.

Section 4. It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this ordinance, including any sunset provision, shall become and be made a part of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida. The sections of this ordinance may be renumbered or relettered to accomplish such intention, and the word "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or other appropriate word.

¹ Words stricken through and/or ~~[[double bracketed]]~~ shall be deleted. Words underscored and/or >>double arrowed<< constitute the amendment proposed. Remaining provisions are now in effect and remain unchanged.

Section 5. This ordinance shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of enactment unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

PASSED AND ADOPTED:

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency:

MAG for GBK

Prepared by:

LCK

Leigh C. Kobrinski

Prime Sponsor: Commissioner Natalie Milian Orbis