

# MEMORANDUM

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Agenda Item No. 2(F)

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

**DATE:** June 8, 2026

**FROM:** Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution authorizing the County Mayor to: (1) negotiate an agreement with ANDE Corporation to purchase three ANDE Rapid DNA systems and to present such agreement to the Board along with any recommendations regarding same; (2) apply for and receive grant funds from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement in the approximate amount of \$7,903,270.00; and (3) execute necessary documents and agreements for the receipt of such grant funds and exercise all provisions set forth therein; and waiving Resolution No. R-130-06

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The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Chairman Anthony Rodriguez.

  
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Geri Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

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**MEMORANDUM**  
(Revised)

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

**DATE:** July 21, 2026

**FROM:**   
Gen Bonzon-Keenan  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Agenda Item No.

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**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3’s present \_\_\_\_, 2/3 membership \_\_\_\_, 3/5’s \_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_, majority plus one \_\_\_\_, CDMP 7 votes (majority of membership) \_\_\_\_, CDMP 2/3 members present but not less than 7 votes (majority of membership) \_\_\_\_, CDMP 9 votes (2/3 membership) \_\_\_\_\_) 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.

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

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR’S DESIGNEE TO: (1) NEGOTIATE AN AGREEMENT WITH ANDE CORPORATION TO PURCHASE THREE ANDE RAPID DNA SYSTEMS AND TO PRESENT SUCH AGREEMENT TO THE BOARD ALONG WITH ANY RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING SAME; (2) APPLY FOR AND RECEIVE GRANT FUNDS FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT IN THE APPROXIMATE AMOUNT OF \$7,903,270.00; AND (3) EXECUTE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND AGREEMENTS FOR THE RECEIPT OF SUCH GRANT FUNDS AND EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS SET FORTH THEREIN; AND WAIVING RESOLUTION NO. R-130-06

**WHEREAS**, section 943.325, Florida Statutes, requires DNA samples to be taken from every person arrested for a felony, anyone convicted of a felony or certain misdemeanors, regardless of age, and anyone in custody of a law enforcement agency who is subject to an immigration detainer issued by a federal agency; and

**WHEREAS**, the DNA profiles developed from such samples are maintained by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Miami-Dade Corrections and Rehabilitation Department’s (“MDCR”) intake staff processed 49,579 bookings in 2024 and 49,356 in 2025, including 23,507 and 23,793 felony bookings, respectively, in 2024 and 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, during the intake process, MDCR staff routinely encounter individuals whose identities cannot be immediately confirmed; and

**WHEREAS**, the inability to promptly identify individuals often results in processing delays and requires staff to consult with outside agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, the use of a DNA profile is a more reliable method of identification than using fingerprints or other biometric data; and

**WHEREAS**, rapid DNA technology allows for the fully automated generation of a DNA profile in less than two hours, without the need for a technical user or laboratory; and

**WHEREAS**, the ANDE Rapid DNA system can analyze a wide range of sample types including, but not limited to, buccal swabs, blood, bodily fluids, body tissue, bone, touch items, beverages, cigarettes, steering wheels, weapons, and clothing; and

**WHEREAS**, by using the ANDE Rapid DNA system, MDCR staff will be able to identify individuals in significantly less time than it currently takes to confirm certain identities; and

**WHEREAS**, after a sample is processed through the ANDE Rapid DNA system, the DNA profile is automatically uploaded to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Combined DNA Index System (CODIS) database, and an automatic notification is made if a matching profile is identified; and

**WHEREAS**, MDCR intends to deploy the ANDE Rapid DNA system in its Intake and Release Bureau, two units will be in the intake area and the other will be in the Release Unit; and

**WHEREAS**, among other benefits, deployment of this technology in these areas will enable MDCR to identify violent offenders during the booking process and provide two opportunities to match individuals in custody to unsolved cases prior to their release; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition, to directly improving MDCR operations, the ANDE Rapid DNA system will also support MDCR's work with local, state, and federal law enforcement partners, including the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to section 908.1033, Florida Statutes, the purchase of the ANDE Rapid DNA system may be funded by a Florida Department of Law Enforcement State Board of Immigration Enforcement (“SBIE”) grant; and

**WHEREAS**, MDCR received a quote in the amount of \$7,903,270.00 for three ANDE Rapid DNA systems including three booking devices, installation, training, consumables, and a five-year warranty, and will seek SBIE grant funding in said amount; and

**WHEREAS**, this Board supports efforts to promptly identify individuals who may be connected to outstanding, unresolved, or unsolved criminal activity while they are in custody and recognizes that such efforts enhance the safety of law enforcement officers and the community at large,

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

**Section 1.** Approves the foregoing recitals, which are incorporated herein by reference.

**Section 2.** Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to negotiate an agreement with ANDE Corporation to purchase three ANDE Rapid DNA systems. The Board further directs the County Mayor or Mayor’s designee to present such agreement to the Board along with any recommendations regarding same.

**Section 3.** Authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor’s designee to apply for and receive grant funds from the Florida Department of Law Enforcement in the approximate amount of \$7,903,270.00 as reimbursement for three ANDE Rapid DNA systems.

**Section 4.** Authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to execute necessary documents and agreements for the receipt of the grant funds described in section 3 and to exercise all provisions set forth therein.

**Section 5.** Waives the provisions of Resolution No. R-130-06 requiring that agreements with non-governmental entities be executed by all other parties prior to presentation to this Board for approval.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairman Anthony Rodriguez. 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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| Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman     |                        |
| Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman |                        |
| Marleine Bastien                | Juan Carlos Bermudez   |
| Sen. René García                | Oliver G. Gilbert, III |
| Roberto J. Gonzalez             | Keon Hardemon          |
| Danielle Cohen Higgins          | Vicki L. Lopez         |
| Natalie Milian Orbis            | Raquel A. Regalado     |
| Micky Steinberg                 |                        |

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2026. 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

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.



Shanika A. Graves