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Agenda Item No. 8(M)(1)(C)

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OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

RESOLUTION NO R-48-07

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ESTABLISHMENT OF THE MIAMI METROZOO WILDLIFE CONSERVATION TRUST FUND TO ACCEPT DONATIONS TO BE USED FOR WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AND RESEARCH; AND AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 3-38 FOR EXPENDITURE OF SUCH FUNDS

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA; that this Board hereby approves the establishment of the Miami Metrozoo Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund for wildlife conservation and research and finds it is in the best interest of the County to waive the requirements of Administrative Order 3-38 for expenditure of such funds.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner Sally A. Heyman , who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dennis C. Moss and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Bruno A. Barreiro, Chairman	aye		
Barbara J. Jordan, Vice-Chairwoman	aye		
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	aye	Audrey M. Edmonson	aye
Carlos A. Gimenez	aye	Sally A. Heyman	aye
Joe A. Martinez	aye	Dennis C. Moss	aye
Dorrin D. Rolle	aye	Natacha Seijas	absent
Katy Sorenson	aye	Rebeca Sosa	aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto	absent		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 25th day of January, 2007. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK



KAY SULLIVAN

Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency. DDC

Diamela del Castillo

Memorandum



Date: January 25, 2007

To: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: George M. Burgess
County Manager

Subject: Establishment of the Miami Metrozoo Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund

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RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board authorize the establishment of the Miami Metrozoo Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund to accept donations for wildlife conservation and research activities; and waive Administrative Order 3-38 governing procurement procedures for the expenditure of such funds.

BACKGROUND

As part of Miami Metrozoo's mission, and as a requirement of accreditation by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA), there is an institutional commitment to wildlife conservation and research. The establishment of a specific Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund will encourage donations to help Miami Metrozoo fulfill that mission. While the Zoological Society has accepted donations in the past, Metrozoo has an opportunity through the support of its new food and gift shop concessionaire, Service Systems Associates, and the capabilities of its new ticketing system to request donations through its Point Of Sale outlets. Other zoos are successful using this technique to raise funds to support their wildlife conservation efforts.

Miami Metrozoo will use the donated funds to support both in-situ (in the wild) and ex-situ (in a captive setting) wildlife conservation and research activities with endangered species or species of special concern. A waiver of Administrative Order 3-38 governing purchasing procedures is requested to allow Miami Metrozoo to expend the funds in support of individual researchers and organizations working with endangered species or species of special concern. To qualify for support from Metrozoo, individual researchers must have at least one recommendation from an AZA or WAZA (World Association of Zoos and Aquariums) accredited institution, and organizations must receive at least one recommendation from AZA or WAZA representatives. Individual researchers or organizations may contact Miami Metrozoo or be referred by AZA or WAZA representatives for funding. Disbursements from the fund would be made annually or semi-annually depending on funding availability by recommendation of the Miami Metrozoo Director and approval by the Park and Recreation Department Director. Expenditures and revenues to the Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund will be monitored monthly, consistent with the current monthly reporting process for existing trust funds by the Park and Recreation Department's Finance Division.

Alex Muñoz,
Assistant County Manager



MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: January 25, 2007

FROM: Murray A. Greenberg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 8(M)(1)(C)

Please note any items checked.

- "4-Day Rule" ("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
- Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- No committee review