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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(5)

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

DATE: April 8, 2008

FROM: R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution directing Mayor to apply for U.S. EPA Smart Growth Implementation Assistance related to the UDB

Resolution No. R-416-08

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Natacha Seijas, Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz and Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson.

R. A. Cuevas, Jr.
County Attorney

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(Revised)

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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

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(5)
4-8-08

RESOLUTION NO. R-416-08

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S SMART GROWTH IMPLEMENTATION ASSISTANCE RELATED TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY'S URBAN DEVELOPMENT BOUNDARY

WHEREAS, the Smart Growth Implementation Assistance ("SGIA") Program is an annual, competitive solicitation open to governmental units that wish to incorporate smart growth techniques into their future development; and

WHEREAS, the United States Environmental Protection Agency's ("EPA") Office of Policy Economics and Innovation is currently seeking applications from governmental units for policy analysis and public participatory processes associated with smart growth; and

WHEREAS, selected communities receive assistance in the form of a multi-day visit from a team of national experts to work with local leaders; and

WHEREAS, at the end of the process the team submits a final report to the applicant incorporating the team's findings and recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the underlying growth management policies and the process for amending the Urban Development Boundary ("UDB") line are issues that were discussed in depth by the Charter Review Task Force; and

WHEREAS, because debate surrounding the process for amendment of the UDB line is often acrimonious and divisive, the opportunity to have national experts objectively assess and analyze our UDB policies and procedures could greatly benefit the cohesiveness of our County; and

WHEREAS, this Board directs the County Mayor or his designee to submit an application in response to the EPA's SGIA 2008 Request for Applications specifically for the purpose of providing an evaluation and assessment of the County's UDB policy and the process related to the amendment of the UDB line; and

WHEREAS, this Board supports the application for the purpose provided herein,

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

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated in this resolution and are approved.

Section 2. This Board directs the County Mayor or his designee to submit an application in response to the EPA's SGIA 2008 Request for Applications specifically for the purpose of providing an evaluation and assessment of the County's UDB policy and the process related to the amendment of the UDB line.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Natacha Seijas, Commissioner Jose "Pepe" Diaz and Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson and offered by Commissioner **Natacha Seijas** ,who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Bruno A. Barreiro** 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	**absent**	Dennis C. Moss	**aye**
Dorrin D. Rolle	**absent**	Natacha Seijas	**aye**
Katy Sorenson	**aye**	Rebeca Sosa	**absent**
Sen. Javier D. Souto	**aye**		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 8th day of April, 2008. 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

By: **Kay Sullivan**
Deputy Clerk

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

Geri Bonzon-Keenan