



MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A) (5)

TO: Honorable Chairman Dennis C. Moss
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: January 22, 2009


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

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the County
Mayor to develop an implementation
Plan for modifying County vehicles
that currently use diesel fuel to allow
them to be able to use other available
fuel sources such as bio-diesel or
vegetable oil

Resolution No. R-83-09

This resolution was amended by the Governmental Operations and Environment Committee to delete the words stricken through and/or [[double bracketed]] and to add the words underscored and/or >>double arrowed<< as indicated in the item.

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan.



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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

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Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

Agenda Item No. 11(A) (5)
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RESOLUTION NO. R-83-09

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO DEVELOP AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR MODIFYING COUNTY VEHICLES THAT CURRENTLY USE DIESEL FUEL TO ALLOW THEM TO BE ABLE TO USE OTHER AVAILABLE FUEL SOURCES SUCH AS BIO-DIESEL OR VEGETABLE OIL

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County owns and operates numerous vehicles that are equipped with engines that use diesel fuel as their fuel source; and

WHEREAS, there are now commercially available alternatives to diesel fuel which require little or no modification to the vehicle being used in order to substitute the alternate fuel; and

WHEREAS, many of the commercially available alternative fuels are based upon vegetable oil or animal fat oils that are a renewable resource and do not rely upon petroleum for their bases; and

WHEREAS, these alternative fuels oftentimes result in less dangerous emissions and reduce the reliance on foreign petroleum products; and

WHEREAS, conversion of some or all of the County's fleet of diesel vehicles can provide benefits both in terms of cost and efficiency and protection of the environment,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that the County Mayor is directed to prepare an implementation plan for converting County vehicles that utilize diesel fuel

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to be able to use other types of fuel such as vegetable oil>>, bio-diesel>>, algae-based fuels or any other new technology type fuel<<¹. The implementation plan shall be designed to minimize costs while taking advantage of reduced emissions, reduced reliance on foreign petroleum products and potential commercial availability of alternative fuels. The implementation plan should be presented to this Board of County Commissioners within ninety (90) days of the date of this resolution.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Barbara J. Jordan. It was offered by Commissioner **Katy Sorenson**, 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

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

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

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 22nd day of January, 2009. 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.

Peter S. Tell