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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: July 21, 2009

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

From: George M. Burgess, County Manager

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(44)

Resolution No. R-1012-09

Subject: Resolution Authorizing the Disbursement of $260,000 from the Biscayne Bay Environmental Enhancement Trust Fund to Conduct Environmental Enhancement through the County's Biscayne Bay Restoration and Enhancement Program

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Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners authorize the disbursement of $260,000 from the Biscayne Bay Environmental Enhancement Trust Fund (BBEETF) for bay environmental restoration, habitat maintenance, biological monitoring and removal and disposal of bay island trash and solid waste in connection with the County's Biscayne Bay Restoration and Enhancement Program.

Scope

This Biscayne Bay disbursement request will benefit coastal areas of Districts 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

This resolution authorizes the disbursement of funds from the BBEETF for activities that are consistent with the goals and intent of the BBEETF Ordinance as described in Section 24-40 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

Track Record/Monitor

The Director of the Department of Environmental Resources Management (DERM) will monitor the activities performed with the BBEETF funds.

Background

Under the Biscayne Bay Restoration and Enhancement Program, DERM conducts environmental restoration and enhancement activities throughout Biscayne Bay. These highly successful and popular projects are generally implemented on public lands and are assisted financially through various state and federal programs. Some of the funding agreements require long-term activities at the restored or enhanced sites. Such activities include routine trash and solid waste removal, supplemental plantings, exotic vegetation control and biological monitoring.

This disbursement request ($260,000) will provide funding for restoration planning, permitting and monitoring ($100,000), exotic plant control ($30,000), restoration planting ($50,000), and for the removal and disposal of bay island trash and solid waste ($80,000). Restoration efforts are underway in north and central Biscayne Bay (City of North Miami, City of Miami, Florida International University, Oleta River State Park, Virginia Key, Chapman Field Park). These activities, conducted by outside contractors and County staff, are consistent with the goals and intent of the BBEETF Ordinance described in Section 24-40 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

I have received and considered the attached recommendation of the Director of DERM.

Assistant County Manager

Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: June 18, 2009

To: George M. Burgess
County Manager

From: Carlos Espinosa, PE, Director
Environmental Resources Management

Subject: Recommendation for Disbursement of $260,000 from the Biscayne Bay Environmental Enhancement Trust Fund to Conduct Environmental Enhancement through the County's Biscayne Bay Restoration and Enhancement Program

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Pursuant to Section 24-40 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, I am recommending the disbursement of $260,000 from the Biscayne Bay Environmental Enhancement Trust Fund (BBEETF) to conduct environmental enhancement through the County's Biscayne Bay Restoration and Enhancement Program.

This disbursement request ($260,000) will provide funding for restoration planning, permitting and monitoring ($100,000), exotic plant control ($30,000), restoration planting ($50,000), and for the removal and disposal of bay island trash and solid waste ($80,000). Some of the funding agreements between Miami-Dade County and the funding agencies require long-term activities at the restored or enhanced sites. This disbursement will be used to meet such long-term commitments.

Restoration efforts are underway in north and central Biscayne Bay (City of North Miami, City of Miami, Florida International University, Oleta River State Park, Virginia Key, Chapman Field Park). These restoration activities are conducted by outside contractors and County staff members. The proposed activities are consistent with the goals and intent as described in Section 24-40 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

The $260,000 requested to be disbursed are encumbered BBEETF monies that were deposited into the BBEETF through donations, interest and revenues (eg. State of Florida Boat Tag Registration Fee). The proposed activities are consistent with the goals and intent of the Biscayne Bay Environmental Enhancement Trust Fund Ordinance as described in Section 24-40 of the Code of Miami-Dade County.

Please contact me as needed at 305-372-6754.

MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

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

DATE: July 21, 2009

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

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 14(A)(44)

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 Mayor'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. 14(A)(44)
7-21-09

RESOLUTION NO. R-1012-09

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISBURSEMENT OF $260,000 FROM THE BISCAYNE BAY ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT TRUST FUND TO CONDUCT ENVIRONMENTAL ENHANCEMENT THROUGH THE COUNTY'S BISCAYNE BAY RESTORATION AND ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

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 pursuant to Section 24-40 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, authorizes the disbursement of funds not to exceed $260,000 from the Biscayne Bay Environmental Enhancement Trust Fund to provide funding for restoration planning, permitting and monitoring, exotic plant control, restoration planting and for the removal and disposal of bay island trash and solid waste through the County's Biscayne Bay Restoration and Enhancement Program.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner Joe A. Martinez, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rebeca Sosa and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Dennis C. Moss, Chairman aye
Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Vice-Chairman aye

Bruno A. Barreiro	aye	Audrey M. Edmonson	aye
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		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 21st day of July, 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: **DIANE COLLINS**
Deputy Clerk

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

Peter S. Tell