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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date: May 17, 2011

Agenda Item No. 3(O)(1)(A)

To: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

From: Alina T. Hudak
County Manager

Resolution No. R-401-11

Subject: Miami-Dade County Economic Development Web Portal Project Grant Application

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Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) approve the attached resolution ratifying the Mayor or his designee's action to apply for, receive, and expend grant funds from the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA), Economic Adjustment Program funds in the amount of $100,000. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the Mayor or his designee to receive and expend grant funds, and to execute such contracts, agreements, Memoranda of Understanding (MOU), and amendments, after approval by the County Attorney, as required by program guidelines. It is also recommended that the Board authorize the Mayor or his designee to apply for, receive, and expend additional funds that may become available during the term of the grant; to file and execute any amendments to the application for and on behalf of the County; and to exercise amendments, modifications, renewal, cancellation, and termination clauses of any contracts and agreements, subject to the approval of the County Attorney's Office.

Scope

Miami-Dade County will design and establish an Economic Development web portal, as a tool specifically designed to encourage economic growth in Miami-Dade County. The website will combine public databases, geographic information systems and existing County technology, culminating in a one-stop resource center for entrepreneurs exploring business opportunities in the county. The site will promote Miami-Dade as a: 1) viable community to launch new businesses; 2) ideal site for business relocation or expansion; 3) uniquely diversified for regional and global investments, with a diverse and skilled work force; and 4) community with a vibrant quality of life. The award period for this grant is 12 months.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source

Funding in the amount of $100,000 will enable the Government Information Center (GIC) to support the initial design and development of an Economic Development web portal. A required local match of $100,000 is provided by the Enterprise Technology Services Department and GIC, in the form of in-kind staff support, infrastructure and software.

Track Record/Monitor

GIC will handle the disbursement and expenditure of grant funds, and manage programmatic and fiscal reporting in accordance with the U.S. Department of Commerce guidelines.

Background

The Government Information Center will be utilizing the $100,000 U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA) grant to build Phase I of an Economic Development web portal. This tool will assist businesses in determining requirements and steps necessary to start and operate a business in Miami-Dade County.

The short turnaround time imposed by the EDA application deadline and acceptance period, did not allow sufficient time for the processing of the resolution and its submission to the Board prior to submission and acceptance of the grant. The Grant Award Agreement provided by the EDA required the County Manager to accept and execute the grant award document, and return same for processing by the EDA.

Judi Zito, Director, Government Information Center

MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: May 17, 2011

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

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No. 3(O)(1)(A)

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**

_____ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing**

✓ **No committee review**

_____ **Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous _____) to approve**

✓ **Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

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Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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RESOLUTION NO. R-401-11

RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE'S ACTION TO APPLY FOR, RECEIVE, AND EXPEND UNITED STATES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO RECEIVE, EXPEND, AND EXECUTE SUCH CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS, MEMORANDA OF UNDERSTANDING, AND AMENDMENTS AFTER APPROVAL BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR, RECEIVE, AND EXPEND ADDITIONAL FUNDS THAT MAY BECOME AVAILABLE

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 of County Commissioners (Board) ratify the Mayor or Mayor's designee's action to apply for, receive, and expend for U.S. Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA) Economic Adjustment Program funds in the amount of $100,000. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the Mayor or Mayor's designee to receive and expend grant funds, and to execute such contracts, agreements, Memoranda of Understanding (MOU), and amendments, after approval by the County Attorney, as required by program guidelines. It is also recommended that the Board authorize the Mayor or Mayor's designee to apply for, receive, and expend additional funds that may become available during the term of the grant; to file and execute any amendments to the application for and on behalf of the County; and to exercise

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner **Sally A. Heyman**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Jose "Pepe" Diaz** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman			absent
Audrey M. Edmonson, Vice Chairwoman			aye
Bruno A. Barreiro	absent	Lynda Bell	aye
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	aye	Sally A. Heyman	aye
Barbara J. Jordan	aye	Jean Monestime	aye
Dennis C. Moss	aye	Rebeca Sosa	aye
Sen. Javier D. Souto	absent		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 17th day of May, 2011. 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.

Hugo Benitez