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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(19)

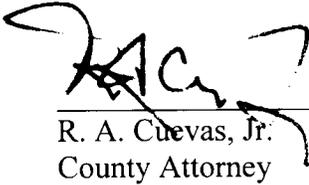
TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: October 4, 2011

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

SUBJECT: Resolution designating as the
"Westchester Financial/Research
District" that section of the Bird Road
corridor in Miami-Dade County that
is bounded on the east by the
Palmetto Expressway and on the west
by the Florida Turnpike
Resolution No. R-888-11

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Senator Javier D. Souto.



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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**

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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10-4-11

RESOLUTION NO. R-888-11

RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AS THE “WESTCHESTER FINANCIAL/RESEARCH DISTRICT” THAT SECTION OF THE BIRD ROAD CORRIDOR IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY THAT IS BOUNDED ON THE EAST BY THE PALMETTO EXPRESSWAY AND ON THE WEST BY THE FLORIDA TURNPIKE

WHEREAS, there are banks along almost every block of this four mile corridor of Bird Road, with three new banks currently under construction; and

WHEREAS, there are three major urban commercial shopping nodes anchoring this corridor with one at Bird Road and 79th Avenue, the other at Bird Road and SW 87th Avenue and the final one at Bird Road between 117th Avenue and 114th Avenue; and

WHEREAS, this Corridor is anchored between two major State of Florida Arterial Highways, the Florida Turnpike and the Palmetto Expressway; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County funded and completed a Charrette which involved the participation of significant business interests, residents and stake holders to create a blueprint for the Bird Road corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Bird Road Corridor Study Steering Committee, area residents, and business owners worked together to build consensus on the future of the Bird Road Corridor study area; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Zoning held 20 public meetings, including the Bird Road Corridor Study Town Hall meeting and two-day Charrette Design Workshop from September 23 to September 25, 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Zoning, in coordination with the Bird Road Corridor Study Steering Committee, issued the Bird Road Corridor Study Report in August 2009; and

WHEREAS, at their meeting of September 16, 2009, the members of the Bird Road Corridor Study Steering Committee discussed the Bird Road Corridor Study Report, its recommendations, and implementation; and

WHEREAS, at their meeting of October 07, 2009, the members of the Westchester Community Council 10 supported the Bird Road Corridor Study Report and its recommendations; and

WHEREAS, at their meeting of January 11, 2010, the members of the Planning Advisory Board recommended approval of the Bird Road Corridor Study Report and endorsed its recommendations; and

WHEREAS, the Bird Road Corridor Study Report is generally consistent with the County's Comprehensive Development Master Plan, although further implementation of some of the recommendations may require changes to the County's comprehensive plan and land development regulations, and

WHEREAS, the Bird Road Charrette identified the lack of Water and Sewer infrastructure as the single most important impediment to the commercial redevelopment of Bird Road; and

WHEREAS, infrastructure improvements along the Bird Road corridor would help commercial property owners bring in new tenants, thereby aiding businesses during a weak economy, and

WHEREAS, designation of that portion of the Bird Road corridor between the Palmetto Expressway and the Florida Turnpike as the Westchester Financial/Research District may encourage the needed infrastructure improvements to advance the commercial redevelopment of Bird Road,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board having conducted a public hearing, designates as the ‘Westchester Financial/Research District’ that section of Bird Road in Miami-Dade County that is bounded on the east by the Palmetto Expressway and on the west by the Florida Turnpike.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Senator Javier D. Souto. It was offered by Commissioner **Rebeca Sosa**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Jean Monestime** 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
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr.	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	aye
Xavier L. Suarez	aye		

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The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 4th day of October, 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: **Christopher Agrippa**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

JM

John McInnis