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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

MEMORANDUM Agenda Item No. 11(A)(16)

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

DATE: July 3, 2012

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

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the Mayor to target Community Development Block Grant Funds to Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas and to revise the County's Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Plan and policy papers to require such targeting of funds

Resolution No. R-596-12

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Co-Prime Sponsors Commissioner Jean Monestime and Commissioner Lynda Bell, and Co-Sponsor Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.

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County Attorney

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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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RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR THE MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO TARGET COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS TO NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION STRATEGY AREAS AND TO REVISE THE COUNTY'S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT CONSOLIDATED PLAN AND POLICY PAPERS TO REQUIRE SUCH TARGETING OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Community Development Block Grant program has as its primary objective the development of viable urban communities, by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low and moderate income; and

WHEREAS, the amount of Community Development Block Grant funds received by the County is based on its low and moderate income populations; and

WHEREAS, on January 5, 1995, the Federal Register, which is the official daily publication for rules, proposed rules and notices of Federal agencies and organizations, published the authorization for entitlement grantees to develop comprehensive approaches to address economic development needs in a designated neighborhood within their community. These areas are referred to as Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas or NRSAs; and

WHEREAS, the focus of the strategy for NRSAs must be economic empowerment of the low- and moderate-income population of the NRSA; and

WHEREAS, Community Development Block Grant funds should be targeted to the NRSAs as areas determined by the County to have high need; and

WHEREAS, there are currently eight (8) areas designated as NRSAs within Miami-Dade County (the "County"); and

WHEREAS, NRSAs were established pursuant to the County's submission of its Consolidated Plan to HUD,

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

Section 1. Directs the Mayor or the Mayor's designee to target Community Development Block Grant funds to Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas by doing the following with respect to the forty percent (40%) of Community Development Block Grant funds not allocated to County departments or the administration of the program: requiring a minimum of fifty percent (50%) of those Community Development Block Grant funds to be used for economic development. Economic development shall mean an activity or project that creates jobs and includes, but is not limited to, technical assistance, microenterprise activities, commercial rehabilitation, commercial façade improvement, and job training; requiring that any allocation to Parks, Public Works or other infrastructure projects go to Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas and that Community Development Block Grant funds compose no more than fifty percent (50%) of the total project cost, except that Community Development Block Grant funds awarded to any infrastructure project that has been previously approved by the Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area Community Advisory Committee as part of that NRSA's Strategic Plan shall not be subject to this fifty percent (50%) limitation; any allocation of Community Development Block Grant funds allocated to infrastructure projects outside of the Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Areas must be approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of County Commissioners and the allocation may not exceed twenty-five percent (25%) of the total project cost.

Section 2. The Mayor or the Mayor's Designee is further directed to include in the County's consolidated plan, policy paper, and other necessary documents or legislation language to effectuate the targeting of Community Development Block Grant funds to Neighborhood Revitalization Areas as directed herein.

Section 3. The requirements of this resolution shall apply to recaptured and re-allocated Community Development Block Grant funds as well as new allocations of Community Development Block Grant funds. Recaptured and reallocated Community Development Block Grant funds shall be allocated in the manner provided herein and shall be awarded to projects and activities which have been designated a priority.

The Co-Prime Sponsors of the foregoing resolution are Commissioner Jean Monestime and Commissioner Lynda Bell, and Co-Sponsor Commissioner Rebeca Sosa. It was offered by Commissioner **Audrey Edmonson**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Lynda Bell** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

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

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 3rd day of July, 2012. 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.

Shannon D. Summerset