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OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(7)

TO: Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: October 6, 2015

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

SUBJECT: Resolution directing the Mayor to promote and encourage the use of the County's expedited plan review program for green buildings, develop a marketing strategy, and provide a report to this Board detailing those efforts; directing the Mayor to provide annual reports to this Board related to the green building expedited plan review program

Resolution No. R-879-15

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava.

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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 Mayor'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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10-6-15

RESOLUTION NO. R-879-15

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO PROMOTE AND ENCOURAGE THE USE OF THE COUNTY'S EXPEDITED PLAN REVIEW PROGRAM FOR GREEN BUILDINGS, DEVELOP A MARKETING STRATEGY, AND PROVIDE A REPORT TO THIS BOARD DETAILING THOSE EFFORTS; DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE ANNUAL REPORTS TO THIS BOARD RELATED TO THE GREEN BUILDING EXPEDITED PLAN REVIEW PROGRAM

WHEREAS, in 2005, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 05-115, which provided for a program to expedite the review and approval of permit applications for "green buildings" whose design, construction, and operation promote the preservation of resources and environmentally sensitive construction practices, systems, and materials; and

WHEREAS, this Board also adopted Resolution No. 684-05, which amended Administrative Order No. 4-120 to provide for an expedited plan review program for "green buildings," upon the written request of the permit applicant, provided that the request meets certain criteria; and

WHEREAS, this expedited plan review program is designed to create incentives for "green building" and encourage more of the built environment of Miami-Dade County to be developed with structures that save energy, incorporate renewable energy, reduce water consumption, use locally sourced materials, connect to mass transit, and otherwise make the County a more sustainable community; and

WHEREAS, to date, this expedited plan review program for "green buildings" has not been commonly used, and it is possible that many individuals and companies are not aware of the program; and

WHEREAS, with greater awareness of the County's "green building" expedited plan review program, there would likely be more "green buildings" constructed in Miami-Dade, fulfilling one of Miami-Dade's sustainability goals,

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 Mayor's designee to actively promote and encourage the use of the expedited plan review program for "green buildings" and develop a marketing strategy that includes but is not limited to: (1) prominently displayed posters or signs in the applicable County offices that receive applications which could potentially be eligible for the program; (2) inclusion of the option to request the "green building" expedite in the building permit forms; (3) more prominent and complete information about how to apply for the "green buildings" expedite program on the County's website; and (4) advertisement in appropriate trade journals and community publications. The Mayor or Mayor's designee shall commence these efforts no later than 180 days after the effective date of this resolution.

Section 2. Directs the Mayor or Mayor's designee to provide a report to this Board within 90 days describing the "green building" expedite marketing strategy and shall place the completed report on an agenda of the Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

Section 3. Directs the Mayor to report annually on the number of building applications that have used the "green building" expedited plan review program as compared to standard applications and those using other expedite programs and shall place the annual report on an agenda of the Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava. It was offered by Commissioner **Dennis C. Moss**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Rebeca Sosa** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Jean Monestime, Chairman **aye**
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Vice Chairman **aye**

Bruno A. Barreiro	**aye**	Daniella Levine Cava	**aye**
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	**aye**	Audrey M. Edmonson	**aye**
Sally A. Heyman	**absent**	Barbara J. Jordan	**aye**
Dennis C. Moss	**aye**	Rebeca Sosa	**aye**
Sen. Javier D. Souto	**aye**	Xavier L. Suarez	**aye**
Juan C. Zapata	**absent**		

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 6th day of October, 2015. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the 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.

Abbie Schwaderer-Raurell