

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FINAL OFFICIAL MINUTES Airport and Tourism Committee

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FINAL OFFICIAL Meeting Minutes Airport and Tourism Committee

Jose "Pepe" Diaz (12) Chair; Sally A. Heyman (4) Vice Chair; Commissioners Carlos A. Gimenez (7), Joe A. Martinez (11), Dorrin D. Rolle (2), and Rebeca Sosa (6)

Thursday, May 17, 2007

9:30 AM

Commission Chambers, SPCC

Members Present: Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Carlos A. Gimenez, Dorrin Rolle, Rebeca Sosa.

Members Absent: None.

Members Late: None.

Members Excused: Joe A. Martinez.

Members Absent County Business: Sally A. Heyman

1 MINUTES PREPARED BY

Report: *Scott Rappleye, Commission Reporter,
(305) 375-5108*

1A INVOCATION

Report: *Chairman Diaz called the Committee to order at 9:50 am, followed by a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.*

Chairman Diaz recognized Mr. Bruce Drum, Deputy Director, Aviation Department, whom he noted would be retiring shortly. He expressed appreciation to Mr. Drum for his work.

1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1C ROLL CALL

Report: *The following staff members were present: Assistant County Manager Ian Yorty; Assistant County Attorney Abigail Price-Williams; and Deputy Clerks Doris Dickens and Scott Rappleye.*

CHANGES TO TODAY'S COMMITTEE AGENDA

Assistant County Attorney Price Williams noted that Agenda Item 3A contained a scrivener's error and the word "twenty" needed to be inserted in Section 1.01 on handwritten page 7.

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

071403 Resolution **Barbara J. Jordan**

RESOLUTION RELATING TO OPA-LOCKA EXECUTIVE AIRPORT; DIRECTING COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE CARRIE MEEK FOUNDATION, INC., FOR A DEVELOPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT INVOLVING PREMISES FORMERLY LEASED TO THE OPA-LOCKA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION; FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT SUCH PREMISES CONSTITUTE AN AIRPORT FACILITY PERMITTING A DEVELOPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT TO BE NEGOTIATED FOR SUCH PREMISES; AND DIRECTING COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO RETURN TO THIS BOARD FOR APPROVAL OF THE NEGOTIATED DEVELOPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT

The motion that this matter be Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation failed.

Mover: Rolle

Seconder: Diaz

Vote: 2-2

No: Gimenez, Sosa

Absent,OCB: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Abigail Price-Williams read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Commissioner Jordan, sponsor of the foregoing proposed resolution, explained that this resolution requested the County Mayor or his designee to enter into negotiations with the Carrie Meek Foundation, Inc. for the premises made available at Opa-locka Executive Airport due to the lease termination on April 20, 2007, with the Opa-locka Community Development Corporation (CDC), based on the conditions and goals of the original lease.

Commissioner Sosa questioned if the County Commission had previously recommended a lessee for a lease agreement. She expressed concern that this proposed resolution would direct the Opa-locka Executive Airport to enter into negotiations with a specific Community Based Organization (CBO).

In response to Commissioner Sosa, Mr. Miguel Southwell, Assistant Aviation Director for Business Development, Aviation Department, said this lease agreement was a revenue generating item, but he was unsure how much revenue would be generated.

Commissioner Sosa asked Mr. Southwell to provide a report reflecting how much Stagecoach, Falcon Trust Air, Renaissance Aviation, Lacross Aviation, UPS, and FedEx, paid for their leases at the Opa-locka Executive Airport; including the amount of acreage and the rate (per square foot)

paid by each company.

Following Commissioner Jordan's explanation that the intent of this proposed resolution was to provide jobs to the community and development at the airport by a not-for-profit organization that could pay rent, Commissioner Gimenez asked why the same terms from the terminated lease needed to be used for this agreement.

Commissioner Jordan clarified that the same terms referred to the following goals:

- 1. To achieve a viable economically successful Airpark on the designated 294 acre site in the Opa-locka Airport Master Plan;*
- 2. To achieve maximum job entry opportunities for the Black Community of Northwest Dade (Opa-locka, Liberty City, Bunch Park, etc.);*
- 3. To achieve maximum opportunities for Black upward mobility;*
- 4. To achieve maximum opportunities for Black entrepreneurship; and*
- 5. To focus on labor intensive uses.*

Commissioner Jordan noted the fiscal aspects would be part of the negotiations and she pointed out that the County Commission had asked departments to consider specific lessees for other lease agreements.

Commissioner Gimenez clarified that this proposal directed the County Mayor to negotiate. He noted that the Carrie Meek Foundation, Inc. and other CBOs were aware of this opportunity and could contact the airport to negotiate, which was the normal process.

Responding to Commissioner Rolle's concern that the new lease agreement would have the same financing obstacles as the Opa-locka CDC agreement, Mr. Southwell clarified the major financing obstacle was the 40 year term for the \$150 million lease and a 50-55 year term would have been better.

Commissioner Jordan noted the Committee would have to recommend approval of the lease agreement to the County Commission and Commissioner Rolle's concerns could then be addressed.

Following comments by Chairman Diaz, Commissioner Sosa expressed concern that the County Administration was aware of the financial obstacles in the Opa-locka CDC agreement and subsequently terminated that agreement, and

would enter into a new agreement without those obstacles in lieu of removing those obstacles from the Opa-locka CDC agreement.

Commissioner Sosa asked Assistant County Manager Ian Yorty to prepare a complete report on the terms of the agreement with the Opa-locka CDC and to include in this report, specific information on any knowledge the County Administration had on the CDC's ability or inability to secure financing to develop the property within the prescribed timeframe.

Following comments by Commissioner Gimenez regarding his preference that the airport follow the normal process to develop a lease agreement, Commissioner Jordan noted she had a list of over 12 private companies, plus a report from the Beacon Council of companies, who were unable to agree to the Opa-locka CDC's difficult demands for development. She pointed out that the Opa-locka CDC gladly accepted the financial terms of the former lease agreement.

Commissioner Rolle asked that the known obstacles from the Opa-locka CDC agreement not reappear in a new lease agreement.

Responding to Chairman Diaz, Assistant County Attorney Price-Williams stated, for the record, that this proposed resolution asked the Committee to take action that had been taken before and was legally acceptable.

Discussion ensued regarding the process that would be used to develop the terms of the new lease agreement and the process that the Aviation Department should use to enter into a lease agreement.

Following further discussion, it was moved by Commissioner Rolle that this proposed resolution be forwarded with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Chairman Diaz, and upon being put to a vote, failed 2-2. (Commissioners Gimenez and Sosa voted "no") (Commissioners Martinez and Heyman were absent).

Chairman Diaz explained that he supported this proposed resolution because of the five goals and the character of the Carrie Meek Foundation, Inc. He expressed concern that this proposal would have set a new policy of the County Commission recommending a specific entity.

Commissioner Sosa clarified she had no problems with the Carrie Meek Foundation, Inc. She explained that she did not support this proposal because it would set a precedent that the County Commission could recommend lessees for lease agreements and noted the potential problems that precedent would have on Miami International Airport.

Commissioner Gimenez explained he did not support this proposal because he did not wish the Commission to start directing who received lease agreements with the County. He noted that he supported the five goals and would support the Carrie Meek Foundation, Inc. if that entity was selected through the normal lease agreement process.

2B

071464 Resolution

Dennis C. Moss,

Carlos A. Gimenez, Rebeca Sosa

RESOLUTION DIRECTING MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO INCLUDE AMONG TERMS TO BE NEGOTIATED BY AND AMONG COUNTY, CITY OF MIAMI, FLORIDA MARLINS, LP, AND MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL FOR DEVELOPMENT OF NEW BALLPARK A NAME CHANGE TO MIAMI MARLINS AND AGREEMENT TO PLAY MARLINS' SPRING SEASON GAMES AT HOMESTEAD BASEBALL COMPLEX

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sosa

Secunder: Gimenez

Vote: 4-0

Absent,OCB: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Price-Williams read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Commissioner Moss noted that he wanted the name of the Florida Marlins changed to Miami Marlins and the Marlins to move their Spring Training to the Homestead Baseball Complex as part of the agreement for the County to fund the Marlins' new stadium.

Commissioner Moss noted, for the record, he was misquoted in the May 17, 2007, "Miami Today." He clarified that he did not call Homestead a "sloppy, back water town" but said Homestead was not the "sleepy, back water town" it was viewed as in the past.

Following comments from Chairman Diaz, Commissioner Sosa pointed out that the public supported the new Marlins Stadium; that the proposed name change would provide commitment to the Miami area and it was appropriate considering the County and the City of Miami provided funds for the stadium but the State did not. She asked Assistant County Manager Ian Yorty to ensure that the County Manager and the Mayor present to the Commission alternatives for completing the deal to build the Marlins Baseball Stadium and to hold the Marlins' spring training in Homestead.

It was moved by Commissioner Sosa that this proposed resolution be forwarded with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Gimenez.

Commissioner Gimenez noted the cost of the stadium had probably increased hundreds of millions of dollars while waiting for State funds. He said he preferred a downtown location for the stadium and he thought the Orange Bowl was a

viable location.

Following comments by Chairman Diaz that the stadium would be funded by hotel and sports taxes and negotiations would soon be underway for a Fisher Cut Bay site, Commissioner Gimenez emphasized and clarified that the revenue used for the stadium could not be used for other purposes.

Commissioners Gimenez and Sosa asked to be listed as co-sponsors.

Hearing no other questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.

2C

071402 Resolution Rebeca Sosa

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO PREPARE A REPORT RECOMMENDING HOW THE MIAMI-DADE AVIATION DEPARTMENT WILL REDUCE COSTS TO AIRLINES OPERATING AT MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (MIA) AND IMPROVE MIA'S COMPETITIVENESS

Amended

2C AMENDED

071591 Resolution Rebeca Sosa

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO PREPARE A REPORT RECOMMENDING HOW THE MIAMI-DADE AVIATION DEPARTMENT WILL REDUCE COSTS TO AIRLINES OPERATING AT MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (MIA) AND IMPROVE MIA'S COMPETITIVENESS [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 071402]

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)

Mover: Sosa

Seconder: Gimenez

Vote: 4-0

Absent, OCB: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Price-Williams read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Following Commissioner Sosa's request to amend this proposed resolution, the Committee forwarded the foregoing resolution to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation, with committee amendment(s) to direct the County Manager to present the report referenced in the resolution within sixty (60) days of the effective date of the resolution, in lieu of thirty (30) days.

Chairman Diaz noted that he had addressed the items in this proposed resolution with staff.

Hearing no other questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.

2D

071351 Resolution

Dennis C. Moss,

Audrey M. Edmonson

RESOLUTION CONCERNING MIAMI-DADE TELEVISION, DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO ESTABLISH YEAR-ROUND, ONGOING PROGRAMMING FOR "MOM & POP SUCCESS STORIES" WHICH HIGHLIGHTS SUCCESS STORIES IN EACH COMMISSION DISTRICT

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Sosa

Vote: 4-0

Absent,OCB: Heyman

Report: Assistant County Attorney Price-Williams read the foregoing resolution into the record.

It was moved by Commissioner Gimenez that this proposed resolution be forwarded to the Board of County Commissioners with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sosa.

Following comments by Commissioner Moss regarding the importance of the "Mom and Pop Success Stories" program being broadcast on Miami-Dade Television year round to show the assistance the County provided these businesses, the Committee proceeded to vote.

3 DEPARTMENT

3A

071291 Resolution

RESOLUTION RELATING TO KENDALL-TAMIAMI EXECUTIVE AIRPORT (TMB); APPROVING LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE CUBAN PILOTS ASSOCIATION (CUPA) FOR A BAY OF PIGS MEMORIAL AT TMB; APPROVING LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR CUPA TO MAKE USE OF A B-26B BOMBER PROVIDED TO THE COUNTY BY THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE MUSEUM TO BE MADE PART OF THE MEMORIAL SITE; AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SUCH LEASE AND LICENSE AGREEMENT AND TO EXERCISE TERMINATION PROVISIONS THEREOF (Aviation Department)

Amended

3A AMENDED

071662 Resolution

RESOLUTION RELATING TO KENDALL-TAMIAMI EXECUTIVE AIRPORT (TMB); APPROVING LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE CUBAN PILOTS ASSOCIATION (CUPA) FOR A BAY OF PIGS MEMORIAL AT TMB; APPROVING LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR CUPA TO MAKE USE OF A B-26B BOMBER PROVIDED TO THE COUNTY BY THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE MUSEUM TO BE MADE PART OF THE MEMORIAL SITE; AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SUCH LEASE AND LICENSE AGREEMENT AND TO EXERCISE TERMINATION PROVISIONS THEREOF [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 071291] (Aviation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s)

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Sosa

Vote: 4-0

Absent,OCB: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Abigail Price-Williams read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

It was moved by Commissioner Gimenez that this proposed resolution be forwarded with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s) to add the word "twenty" to Section 1.01 on handwritten page 7. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sosa.

Hearing no other questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.

3B

071419 Resolution

RESOLUTION RELATING TO KENDALL-TAMIAMI EXECUTIVE AIRPORT; APPROVING SECOND AMENDMENT TO DEVELOPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT WITH FALCON TRUST AIR, LLC, TO CLARIFY THAT RENT ON THE IMPROVEMENT CONSTRUCTED BY THE TENANT IS NOT PAYABLE DURING THE INITIAL TERM OF THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AND TO CLARIFY OTHER MISCELLANEOUS TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT TO REFLECT THE CURRENT STATE OF THE LEASE; AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SUCH SECOND AMENDMENT AND ANY ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS UPON APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO EFFECT THE PURPOSES OF THE SECOND AMENDMENT (Aviation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Sosa

Vote: 4-0

Absent,OCB: Heyman

3C

071399 Resolution

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE COUNTY'S AIRPORT SYSTEM; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO ADVERTISE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS RELATING TO THE AVAILABILITY OF DESIGNATED INVESTMENT AREA PARCELS AT BOTH MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND KENDALL-TAMIAMI EXECUTIVE AIRPORT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH PARCELS UNDER TERMS TO BE NEGOTIATED BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE PROPOSERS OFFERING THE GREATEST FINANCIAL RETURN TO THE AIRPORT SYSTEM; DIRECTING THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO RETURN TO THIS BOARD FOR APPROVAL OF EACH ACCEPTABLE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT APPLICABLE TO EACH SEPARATE INVESTMENT AREA PARCEL (Aviation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sosa

Seconder: Gimenez

Vote: 4-0

Absent,OCB: Heyman

3D

071421 Resolution

RESOLUTION AWARDDING TO AIR-TRANSPORT IT SERVICES, INC. THE CONTRACT FOR OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE AIRPORT OPERATION INFORMATION SYSTEM AT MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT AND ANY RENEWAL, CANCELLATION OR TERMINATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BID REQUIREMENTS (Aviation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Sosa

Vote: 4-0

Absent,OCB: Heyman

3E

071433 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 TO THE CONTRACT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND THE POOLE AND KENT COMPANY FOR THE MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT CENTRAL CHILLER PLANT EAST AND WEST EXPANSION, PROJECT NO. A014A, INCREASING THE CONTRACT AMOUNT BY A MAXIMUM OF \$1,975,987.70, AND AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME (Aviation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Rolle

Vote: 4-0

Absent,OCB: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Price-Williams read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

It was moved by Commissioner Gimenez that the foregoing resolution be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Rolle.

Commissioner Gimenez expressed concern that the Airport decided to take an action that would increase revenues from parking, even after the Poole and Kent Company apprised the Airport that this action would restrict them from having a storage location, would cause delays, and would cost the County \$1.9 million. He asked the Airport Director to ensure that the consequences of future decisions were weighed properly.

Following further discussion between Commissioner Gimenez and Mr. John Cospers, Deputy Director, Aviation Department, regarding the effects of the decision and what changes would be made, Commissioner Rolle asked Mr. Jose Abreu, Director, Aviation Department, to provide a list of the Community Small Business Enterprises that participated on the Central Chiller Plant East and West Expansion project.

Hearing no other questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.

3F

071262 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF TWENTY-EIGHT (28) GRANTS FROM THE FY2006-2007 SECOND QUARTER TOURIST DEVELOPMENT ROOM TAX PLAN AND SURTAX CATEGORY TO PROMOTE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TOURISM WITH: ACTORS' PLAYHOUSE PRODUCTIONS, INC.; AMERICAN CHORAL DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION; CENTER FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF JEWISH EDUCATION, INC.; CITY OF MIAMI GARDENS; COCONUT GROVE ARTS & HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION, INC; COMEDY FESTIVAL PRODUCTIONS, LLC; DAVE AND MARY ALPER JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER, INC.; DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PARADE & FESTIVITIES COMMITTEE, INC.; FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT; HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN FLORIDA, INC.; ITALY-AMERICA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SOUTHEAST, INC.; MIAMI DADE COLLEGE FOUNDATION, INC.; MIAMI DESIGN PRESERVATION LEAGUE, INC.; MIAMI HISPANIC BALLET CORP. F/A CUBAN CLASSICAL BALLET; NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR ADVANCEMENT IN THE ARTS; NATIONAL GAY AND LESBIAN TASK FORCE FOUNDATION, INC.; NEW WORLD SYMPHONY, INC.; NORTH BEACH DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF MIAMI BEACH, INC.; ORANGE BOWL COMMITTEE, INC., THE; PERFORMING ARTS CENTER TRUST, INC.; PREMIERE RACING, INC.; ROTARY FOUNDATION OF SOUTH MIAMI, INC.; SOUTH FLORIDA COMPOSERS ALLIANCE, INC.; ST. STEPHEN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, INC.; TRINIDAD & TOBAGO SAGA BOYS INTERNATIONAL, INC.; UNCONSERVATORY, INC., THE; UNITED HAITIAN AMERICAN ARTISTS, INC.; WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL FILM & ARTS FESTIVAL, INC. AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS FOLLOWING COUNTY ATTORNEY APPROVAL OF FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY AND TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Cultural Affairs Council)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Sosa

Vote: 4-0

Absent,OCB: Heyman

3G

071266 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FUNDING OF NINETEEN (19) GRANTS FROM THE FY2006-2007 THIRD QUARTER TOURIST DEVELOPMENT ROOM TAX PLAN AND SURTAX CATEGORY TO PROMOTE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TOURISM WITH: CENTER FOR EMERGING ART, INC.; CITY THEATRE, INC.; COMMUNITY ARTS AND CULTURE, INC. F/A PHULORIDA BHANGRA, INC.; COUNCIL OF LATIN AMERICAN FASHION DESIGNERS, INC.; FLORIDA DANCE ASSOCIATION, INC.; GALATA, INC.; GREATER MIAMI BILLFISH TOURNAMENT; HOMESTEAD RODEO ASSOCIATION, INC.; INFINITO ART & CULTURAL FOUNDATION, INC.; ISRAFEST FOUNDATION, INC; MIAMI GAY & LESBIAN FILM FESTIVAL, INC.; MIAMI MOMENTUM DANCE COMPANY, INC.; MIAMI OVERSEAS CHINESE ASSOCIATION, INC.; MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION, INC.; MICHAEL-ANN RUSSELL JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER, INC.; PATRONS OF EXCEPTIONAL ARTISTS, INC.; ROOTS AND CULTURE, INC.; SOUTH FLORIDA YOUTH SYMPHONY, INC.; SUNRISE COMMUNITY PROMOTIONS, INC. AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS FOLLOWING COUNTY ATTORNEY APPROVAL OF FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY AND TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Cultural Affairs Council)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sosa

Seconder: Gimenez

Vote: 4-0

Absent,OCB: Heyman

4 COUNTY MANAGER

5 COUNTY ATTORNEY

6 CLERK OF THE BOARD

6A

071425 Report

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES FOR THE
APRIL 12, 2007 AIRPORT AND TOURISM COMMITTEE

Approved

Mover: Gimenez

Seconder: Rolle

Vote: 4-0

Absent, OCB: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Price-Williams read the foregoing report into the record.*

It was moved by Commissioner Gimenez that this report be approved. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Rolle.

Commissioner Sosa expressed appreciation to the Aviation Department for the report on current and future revenue from banking and ATM services included in the County Commission Agenda kit for May 8, 2007, pursuant to her request regarding the April 12, 2007, Agenda Items concerning Communitel and Bank of America.

Hearing no other questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote.

7 REPORTS

7A

071472 Report

MIAMI-DADE AVIATION DEPARTMENT CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM REPORT

Presented

Report: *Mr. Jose Abreu, Director, Aviation Department, provided an overview of the Capital Improvement Program (CIP). He noted that the County would save \$21 million with the better than expected pricing and interest rate on the Bond Offering in New York; the pricing of insurance was 25-50% below what was expected; checkpoint E was opened two weeks ahead of schedule and the County saved \$200,000, by utilizing in-house personnel. He pointed out the contract with Parsons/Odebrecht Joint Venture (POJV) that would grant a Notice to Proceed was placed on the May 22, 2007 Commission Agenda for approval, and emphasized the importance of that contract being adopted.*

Mr. John Cospes, Deputy Director, Aviation Department, noted smoke evacuation testing in the South Terminal started that week and explained that during the tests the department found some issues that needed to be resolved. He said the first flights out of South Terminal would be in August.

Responding to Commissioner Gimenez's question regarding how less demand for construction and lower prices for concrete and steel could benefit the County, Mr. Abreu explained the contract was a fixed sum total that would not change based on demand and material price.

In response to Commissioner Sosa, Mr. Abreu said the control panel test passed, with the exception of the smoke evacuation test; the inspections for the loading bridges and fuel line lateral for H-J paving had been done; and the first flight date would not be impacted by the modifications due to AHJ requests and the contractor's failure to reach milestones 5, 6, and 7.

Following comments by Chairman Diaz urging the committee members to tour the South Terminal, Commissioner Gimenez asked Assistant County Manager Ian Yorty to develop a process to expedite the permitting, the decision-making, and the inspections processes at the airport, similar to the process developed by the City of Miami. He

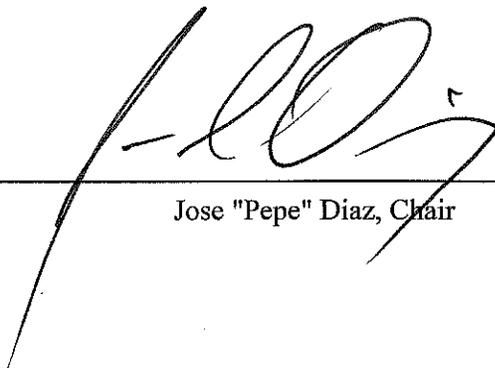
also asked that the County Manager identify a strike team and a point person who would be stationed at the airport and available on demand.

Following Mr. Abreu's comment that the County Manager had assigned Assistant County Manager Alex Munoz as the point person, Commissioner Gimenez asked that the point person stationed at the airport be identified at the assistant director level, rather than the director level.

Mr. Irving Fourcand, Director, Protocol & International Affairs, noted the number of protocol assignments had recently increased with the increased number of consulates in Miami. He said the protocol office was reviewing the Quality Support Manual to ensure the notification process was respected.

Chairman Diaz asked Mr. Fourcand to provide each committee member with a copy of the Quality Support Manual after revisions were complete. He also asked for a report with a breakdown of the Protocol lounges and ideas on how to improve the efficiency of Protocol, including the feasibility of having one Protocol office versus seven (7) satellite offices.

8 ADJOURNMENT



Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Chair