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Meeting Minutes
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Audrey M. Edmonson (3) Chair; Katy Sorenson (8) Vice Chair; Commissioners
Barbara J. Jordan (1), Dennis C. Moss (9), and Javier D. Souto (10)

Wednesday, July 18, 2007

9:30 AM

COMMISSION CHAMBERS

Members Present: Audrey M. Edmonson, Barbara J. Jordan, Katy Sorenson, Javier D. Souto.

Members Absent: Dennis C. Moss.

Members Late: None.

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent County Business: None.

1 MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Report: *Jovel Shaw, Commission Reporter, (305) 375-1289.*

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Report: *The Committee convened in a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.*

1A **ROLL CALL**

Report: *The following staff members were present: Senior Advisor to the County Manager Cynthia Curry, Assistant County Attorneys Cynthia Johnson-Stacks and Shannon Summerset; and Deputy Clerks Doris Dickens and Jovel Shaw.*

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks informed the Committee of the requested changes outlined in the July 18, 2007, County Manager's memorandum entitled, "Requested Changes to the Economic Development and Human Services Committee Agenda."

Hearing no objection, it was moved by Commissioner Jordan that the changes to today's Committee agenda, be approved. This motion was seconded by Chairwoman Edmonson, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 4-0, (Commissioner Moss was absent).

1B **OPENING REMARKS CHAIRPERSON**
EDMONSON

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing item into the record.*

Chairwoman Edmonson called the meeting to order at 9:57 a.m. and provided the Committee with opening remarks regarding the recent tax rollback. She noted in the upcoming weeks the County was being forced to make difficult decisions that would affect this community in various ways. She indicated the County was aware that those likely to suffer were those who could least afford it. She clarified that she understood the need for a trim level budget, and that social services for the children, the elderly, and affordable housing programs would be her top priority. (She indicated that private corporations and big ticketed County items must be responsible for their share of the load. We must keep this balance in mind as the Committee tackles today's agenda, Chairwoman Edmonson commented. She noted the good work of organizations in this community must be valued and preserved. She stated she would continue to encourage her colleagues to work to remedy the ills of this society, and asked Ms. Patricia Braynon, Director, Housing Finance Authority (HFA) to provide the Committee with the status of the public hearings to discuss foreclosure, which this Committee would host to address the high number of foreclosures in the County. Chairwoman Edmonson indicated immediately following Ms. Braynon's report, Mr. Milton Vickers, Executive Director, Metro-Miami Action Plan (MMAP) would provide insight on MMAP activities.

Ms. Braynon informed the Committee that HFA Staff has been working with several of the Board of County Commissioners' (BCC) members who's districts had a very high foreclosure rate. She pointed out that in May 2007, HFA worked with Chairwoman Edmonson by presenting a panel with information to many of the elderly residents. She noted that HFA had a solution that may help the Committee further define and understand the existing problem. Ms. Braynon stated HFA planned to present a panel of experts to provide the Committee with information to combat this issue. She provided an overview of the preliminary format to conduct this public forum as follows: (1)

to define the foreclosure problems with the assistance of HFA industry partners such as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, (2) to establish a panel to describe the scope of the problem, (3) to review the aspect of Geographical Information System (GIS) mapping used in other cities in addressing foreclosures, (4) to work with the Clerk of Courts, the Tax Collector, the Property Appraisal and also, the Mortgage Bankers Association and the County's Enterprise Service Technology Department to develop a GIS mapping system in order to identify where this problem was prevalent, and (5) to describe the impact of foreclosure to major cities such as the Cities of Miami, Miami Gardens, Opa-locka, Florida City and Homestead. Ms. Braynon pointed out these cities would participate as part of the panels for the public hearing to further define how it has impacted their cities. In conclusion, the United States Attorney's Office could provide assistance to HFA in defining how the County, the municipalities and the homeowners could move forward on this issue. She indicated this type of hearing would help everyone understand the impact foreclosure has on the community.

Following Commissioner Jordan's comments regarding the prevalence of predatory lending in Commission District 1, Ms. Braynon noted staff's efforts to initiate legislation to address this issue.

Commissioner Jordan stated the public forum coming forth would inform the community of this type of lending practice and make them more aware of many various techniques and strategies that were used for predatory lending practices. She concluded by stating that she looked forward to developing solutions that the County could apply locally and provide directions to the Florida legislature in addressing this issue.

Chairwoman Edmonson expressed her appreciation to Ms. Braynon for all her work with her and staff.

1C SPECIAL PRESENTATION(S)

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072181 Special Presentation Audrey M. Edmonson
STATUS OF MMAP ACTIVITIES BY MILTON VICKERS Presented

Report: *Mr. Milton Vickers, Executive Director, Metro-Miami Action Plan (MMAP), presented the status of MMAP activities to the Committee. He distributed a report entitled, "Metro-Miami Action Plan Trust's Retrospective and Future" to the Committee members. Mr. Vickers noted MMAP was gaining momentum and strengthening its programs by tying MMAP's initiatives through legislative initiatives to support MMAP's continuation and growth. He noted staff was working to identify ways to provide additional resources to MMAP's programmatic initiatives to ensure that MMAP continued to deliver its core mission of housing, economic development, education, criminal justice and health care. He noted changes were occurring in the County; therefore, staff must continue looking for innovative solutions coupled with sufficient funding levels to ensure that MMAP could adequately focus on the well being of this community. Mr. Vickers indicated this organization's scarce resources increased the difficulty of adjusting to the shift in the County's economic and social climate. He noted that skyrocketing home prices and unscrupulous lending practices threatened the impact of affordable housing initiatives and the decreasing purchase power of both low and middle-income residents. Mr. Vickers pointed out the social-economic classes such as the black middle was nearing extinction while the poor working class was expanding. Therefore, black-owned businesses were unable to flourish equal to their counterparts in the County, and the County was slowly losing talented young people and professionals to other cities. Mr. Vickers provided an overview of MMAP's accomplishments. He informed the Committee that members of the audience were present in support of MMAP.*

Chairwoman Edmonson acknowledged the following persons who appeared before the Committee in support of MMAP:

Mr. Roderick Kemp, 3275 N.W. 79 Street, One United Bank, spoke in support of funding for MMAP.

Reverend Dr. R. Joaquin Willis, 6001 N.W. 8

Avenue, Open Door, appeared on behalf of C.B.G. Miami Dade and Vicinity, spoke in support of MMAP performance.

Mr. Dario Moreno, 822 Venetia Avenue, Director, the Metropolitan Center, Florida International University, spoke regarding the study of the existing disparity between the black community and other County residents.

Mr. Philip Bacon, 150 S.E. 2 Avenue, representing the Overtown Civic Partnership, urged the Committee to continue to support MMAP.

Mr. Dale Bryan, 201 N.W. 7 Street, representing the Overtown Civic Partnership, stressed the need for MMAP to continue.

Mr. Irby McKnight, 1600 N.W. 3 Avenue, urged the Committee to continue to support MMAP.

Mr. Don Patterson, 245 N.W. 8 Street, President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO), BAME Development Corporation, urged the Committee to support MMAP.

Responding to Commissioner Jordan's inquiry regarding the current recommendation for MMAP and its structural changes, Mr. Vickers noted the County Manager's recommended to reduce MMAP staff from 30 to 4, and to merge MMAP into the newly proposed Office of Community Advocacy. He informed the Committee that MMAP staff would continue to provide staff support to the MMAP Trust Board; and the MMAP housing funds, the criminal justice funds, the economic development funds and the current dedicated source of funding would be reallocated to another County department.

Commissioner Jordan discussed the creation of MMAP and its mission to target the black community. She questioned under what authority MMAP was created.

Following Commissioner Jordan's comments, Mr. Vickers stated the MMAP Agency reported directly to the County Manager as a result of its creation in 1982. Subsequently, the County Commission created the MMAP Trust; therefore, placing the MMAP Trust Board under the County Commission. He pointed out MMAP staff were County employees, and the Executive Director was selected by the Board, then referred to the County Manager and ratified by the County Commission.

Responding to Commissioner Jordan's inquiry how the County Manager derived his recommendation pertaining to MMAP's proposed new structure, Ms. Cynthia Curry, Senior Advisor to the County Manager, provided the Committee with a brief overview of the County Manager's budget recommendation for MMAP structural changes.

Responding to Commissioner Jordan's inquiry regarding the authority, Assistant County Attorney Shannon Summerset provided an overview of the section of the Miami-Dade County Code regarding the MMAP Trust and the dedicated source of funding for MMAP's programmatic activities.

Further discussion ensued between Commissioner Jordan and Ms. Curry regarding the structure, the mission, and the authority to change MMAP and the County Manager's budget recommendation.

Commissioner Sorenson noted that the County Manager has to make budget recommendation for the County overall. She noted the potential budget cuts and the impact of those budget cuts. She concluded it was incumbent upon the County Commission to carefully review all programs during this year's budget process.

Chairwoman Edmonson questioned Mr. Vickers regarding the potential changes recommended by the County Manager.

Responding to Chairwoman Edmonson's inquiry, Mr. Vickers stated the Manager's recommendation would impact the delivery of services provided by MMAP to a particular group in this community.

Chairwoman Edmonson stated that she agreed with Mr. Vickers and some of the speakers comments regarding the black community in the County. She noted, from her personal experience, many people were moving out of the County because of the bleak future for black professionals, housing, education and a sense of not feeling welcomed in this community.

Responding to Chairwoman Edmonson's comments regarding the TECO plant project, Ms. Wendi Norris, Director, General Services Administration (GSA), noted GSA staff was currently reviewing a copy of a study provided by Mr. Vickers, and upon completion of that review, staff would present an analysis regarding the

TECO project to the Committee.

Chairwoman Edmonson asked the General Services Administration Director to prepare a report to address and to determine the following: (1) the full capacity of both the TECO Chiller Plant and the Central Support facility, (2) the revenue generated by both plants at full capacity, (3) the administrative costs associated with bringing the plants to full capacity, and (4) the amount of remaining funding available for community initiatives. She also asked the Director to work closely with the Overtown Civic Partnership and other affected organizations to include their input.

Chairwoman Edmonson stated she would not support the County dissolving or merging the Metro-Miami Action Plan (MMAP) Agency during the County's budget process. She noted the County Commission should address this issue and decide if the MMAP Agency should be dissolved. She indicated she viewed the recommendation by the Manager as a policy matter and not administrative as far as authority for the creation of MMAP.

1D PUBLIC HEARING(S)

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071925 Ordinance

Audrey M. Edmonson,

Barbara J. Jordan

Amended

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 17-106 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA RELATING TO THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD (AHAB) TO CODIFY THE RECENT AMENDMENTS TO FLORIDA STATUTE SECTION 420.9076, INCLUDING THE ADDITION OF TWO AHAB COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND REQUIRING AHAB TO REVIEW, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE RESERVATION OF INFRASTRUCTURE CAPACITY FOR HOUSING FOR MODERATE-INCOME PERSONS AND FORMULATING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ACCORDINGLY; ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT CERTAIN MEMBERS HAVE EXPERIENCE IN OR BE CONNECTED TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING WHEN, DUE TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST OR OTHER REASONABLE FACTOR, THE BOARD IS UNABLE TO APPOINT SUCH A MEMBER; RESTRICTING AHAB MEMBERSHIP TO THOSE QUALIFIED PERSONS WHO DO NOT OWN A FINANCIAL INTEREST IN, ARE NOT EMPLOYED BY OR SERVE AS AN OFFICER OF ANY ENTITY THAT RECEIVES OR APPLIES FOR FUNDING FROM MIAMI-DADE COUNTY THROUGH THE AHAB; ADOPTING IN ITS ENTIRETY THE PROVISIONS OF FLORIDA STATUTE SECTION 420.9076 OF THE STATE HOUSING INITIATIVE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM, AS AMENDED OR AS MAY BE AMENDED OR RENUMBERED FROM TIME-TO-TIME; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE (SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 2A)

Report: *See Agenda Item 1D1 Amended, Legislative File No. 072389 for the amended version.*

1D1 AMENDED

072389 Ordinance

Audrey M. Edmonson,

Barbara J. Jordan

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 17-106 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA RELATING TO THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD (AHAB) TO CODIFY THE RECENT AMENDMENTS TO FLORIDA STATUTE SECTION 420.9076, INCLUDING THE ADDITION OF TWO AHAB COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND REQUIRING AHAB TO REVIEW, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE RESERVATION OF INFRASTRUCTURE CAPACITY FOR HOUSING FOR MODERATE-INCOME PERSONS AND FORMULATING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ACCORDINGLY; ELIMINATING THE REQUIREMENT THAT CERTAIN MEMBERS HAVE EXPERIENCE IN OR BE CONNECTED TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING WHEN, DUE TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST OR OTHER REASONABLE FACTOR, THE BOARD IS UNABLE TO APPOINT SUCH A MEMBER; RESTRICTING AHAB MEMBERSHIP TO THOSE QUALIFIED PERSONS WHO DO NOT OWN A FINANCIAL INTEREST IN, ARE NOT EMPLOYED BY OR SERVE AS AN OFFICER OF ANY ENTITY THAT RECEIVES OR APPLIES FOR FUNDING FROM MIAMI-DADE COUNTY THROUGH THE AHAB; ADOPTING IN ITS ENTIRETY THE PROVISIONS OF FLORIDA STATUTE SECTION 420.9076 OF THE STATE HOUSING INITIATIVE PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM, AS AMENDED OR AS MAY BE AMENDED OR RENUMBERED FROM TIME-TO-TIME; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 071925] [SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 11A32]

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

Mover: Edmonson

Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Moss

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed ordinance and Agenda Item 2A into the record.*

Hearing no objection, the Committee considered the foregoing proposed ordinance and Agenda Item 2A simultaneously.

Chairwoman Edmonson relinquished the Chair to Vice Chairwoman Sorenson.

Vice Chairwoman Sorenson opened the public hearing.

Ms. Terry Coble, 601 N.E. 56 Street, representing the Miami Coalition for the Homeless, appeared before the Committee, and spoke in support of the foregoing proposed ordinance and Agenda Item

2A.

Hearing no one else wishing to appear before the Committee, Vice Chairwoman Sorenson closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Edmonson explained the intent of the foregoing proposed ordinance. She also provided Committee members with copies of the Final Report of the Miami-Dade County Grand Jury filed on February 9, 2007 and the Florida Statutes, Section 420.9076 regarding affordable housing.

Responding to Commissioner Edmonson's inquiry regarding the Office of Commission Auditor's review of the Affordable Housing Advisory Board (AHAB), Mr. Guillermo Cuadra, Chief Legislative Analyst, Office of Commission Auditor (OCA), stated in response to her request the OCA conducted a review of the AHAB and the following areas were reviewed: the membership composition, the qualifications criteria, the powers and duties, the Miami-Dade County Code requirements, and the staff support. He noted the report was not completed and the OCA would be meeting with Ms. Curry and the Miami-Dade Housing Agency (MDHA) staff to address specifically employee records. Mr. Cuadra noted current efforts to obtain the voting records and the minutes of the AHAB meetings.

Commissioner Sorenson offered an amendment to retain someone who had institutional knowledge and knowledge of affordable housing to serve on the AHAB.

Commissioner Edmonson explained the intent to not make it mandatory for a person to serve on the AHAB.

Responding to Commissioner Souto's inquiry regarding the application to serve on County Advisory Boards and the notation of potential conflicts to serve on advisory boards, Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks stated she would have to consult with the Clerk of the Board Division Director or her designee to review the application form used to appoint and serve on County Advisory Boards.

Commissioner Souto asked if a special explanation of the purpose and/or mission for all advisory boards could be included to those seeking to serve on an advisory board. He further noted, if this was

feasible, he would bring forth legislation to address this issue to avoid potential conflicts by those seeking to serve on County advisory boards.

Following Commissioner Souto's comments, Assistant County Attorney Johnson-Stacks stated she would meet with Commissioner Souto to address his concern in more detail and to proceed in the appropriate manner to prepare legislation.

Commissioner Edmonson did not support the amendment offered by Commissioner Sorenson.

Commissioner Jordan asked to be listed as a co-sponsor on the foregoing proposed ordinance.

Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks informed the Committee of an amendment to the foregoing proposed ordinance to insert language to the first whereas clause on page 3 to indicate the Miami-Dade Grand Jury's Report was filed February 9, 2007.

Assistant County Attorney Johnson-Stacks read the following proposed amendments to the foregoing proposed resolution as follows:

- (1) to increase the Affordable Housing Advisory Board (AHAB) membership to 17 in lieu of 15 that would increase the number of members to be appointed by the Board of County Commission to 15 in lieu of recommendation for 13,*
- (2) to indicate the AHAB appointment by the County Mayor and the Overall Tenant Advisory Council would not be vacated as outlined in this resolution and not subject to the application and the nomination ballot process,*
- (3) to require the Board to collectively appoint the AHAB members by a ballot vote, and*
- (4) to insert language to this resolution and on the application to be developed by staff that those interested in serving on the AHAB to indicate any potential conflict in serving on the AHAB.*

Hearing no objection, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed ordinance and the proposed resolution (Agenda Item 2A) as amended by Assistant County Attorney Johnson-Stacks.

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071168 Ordinance**Barbara J. Jordan**

ORDINANCE CREATING THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE; SETTING FORTH MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS, APPOINTMENT, REMOVAL AND TENURE, OF MEMBERS, SPECIFYING ORGANIZATION AND POWERS, AND DUTIES; AND PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE AND EFFECTIVE DATE (SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 6A)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Jordan

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Moss

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.*

Vice Chairwoman Sorenson opened the public hearing.

Ms. Terry Coble, 601 N.E. 56 Street, representing the Miami Coalition for the Homeless, appeared before the Committee, and spoke in support of the foregoing proposed ordinance.

Hearing no other persons wishing to appear before the Committee on this matter, Vice Chairwoman Sorenson closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Jordan asked that Agenda Item 6A, a County Manager's Report and a companion item to the foregoing proposed ordinance, be considered as well.

Following Commissioner Jordan's request, Assistant County Attorney Johnson-Stacks read the County Manager's Report into the record.

Commissioner Jordan expressed appreciation to the members of the Community Affordable Housing Strategies Alliance (CAHSA) for their work in addressing the housing crisis in the County. She noted a number of CAHSA recommendations were still being processed. She explained the need to create CAHSA as an entity that would continue to address housing issues.

Hearing no objection, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance and the County Manager's report (Agenda Item 6A) as presented.

1D3

071501 Ordinance

ORDINANCE RELATING TO VEHICLES FOR HIRE; AMENDING SECTIONS 31-76 AND 31-85 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, WHICH PROHIBIT COMPENSATION FOR THE RIGHT TO PICK UP PASSENGERS; AMENDING SECTION 31-100 (J) TO REQUIRE POSTING OF A NOTICE REGARDING CHAUFFEUR AGREEMENTS AND IMPOSING PENALTIES; INCREASING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF SECTIONS 31-76(A), 31-76(B), 31-82(J)(12), 31-85(J)(1), 31-85(J)(2), 31-100(J) AND 31-303(I)(4); AMENDING CHAPTER 8CC-10 RELATING TO CIVIL PENALTIES; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Consumer Services Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Jordan

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Moss

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.*

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing.

Mr. Roberto Fuente, a taxi driver, appeared before the Committee, and informed the Committee that the foregoing proposed ordinance address an issue raised by the taxi industry. He urged the Committee to support the foregoing proposed ordinance.

Mr. Raymond Francois, New Vision Taxi Drivers Association of Miami, Inc., appeared before the Committee, and requested the Committee to remove Section 31-100 (j) of the foregoing proposed ordinance.

Assistant County Manager Roger Carlton asked the Committee to allow Ms. Cathy Peel, Director, Miami-Dade Consumer Services Department (CSD) to explain the foregoing proposed ordinance.

Ms. Peel provided an overview and explained the intent of the foregoing proposed ordinance regarding the amendment that would require a taxicab passenger service company to post a summary of chauffeur agreement requirements. She noted Mr. Francois' comments addressed the non-reflection on the chauffeur registration the companies the taxi chauffeur may be driving for.

Ms. Angelica Cruz, 851 Bluebird Avenue, appeared before the Committee, and noted a

newspaper article featured in the News Times in 2003 regarding the taxi industry and the Buying of the Doors in the industry. She informed the Committee of her experience upon receiving fines for various violations and the request for a hearing. Ms. Cruz urged the Committee to address the fairness of the process for hearing cases by hearing officers.

Commissioner Sorenson discussed sexual harassment that women taxi drivers may experience and they should not be ticketed if they felt threaten by a passenger. She asked Assistant County Manager Carlton to review the situation raised by Ms. Cruz.

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's request, Ms. Peel informed the Committee that if a chauffeur received five (5) citations within a 12-month period their vehicle registration would be suspended. She noted a report of the citations for chauffeurs was generated on a quarterly basis and when CSD staff found that a chauffeur received five (5) in a 12-month period, staff would recommend suspension of that chauffeur's registration. Ms. Peel stated the suspension was for a specified time period. She proceeded to provide an overview of the point system utilized by CSD staff. Ms. Peel pointed out that Ms. Cruz received five (5) citations within a 12-month period and was advised of the suspension of her chauffeur registration.

Commissioner Sorenson voiced her objection to the suspension if one of those citations was a result of her being sexually threatened and refused to take a passenger on that basis.

Commissioner Jordan and Chairwoman Edmonson concurred with Commissioner Sorenson's objection.

Commissioner Jordan stated she thought women taxi drivers should not be cited for refusal of luggage due to the weight. She stressed to Ms. Peel to review these issues in one-on-one meetings with Committee members to discuss Ms. Cruz's case. She expressed concern regarding an appeal process that would engage more cost to the taxi driver.

Following Commissioner Jordan's comments, Ms. Peel informed the Committee of the appeal process outlined in Chapter 8CC of the Miami-Dade County Code and the cost involved.

Commissioner Souto asked the Consumer Services Department Director to prepare a report identifying available cameras, video and audio devices for installation in taxicab vehicles for security purposes.

Mr. Jean Lamour, a taxicab driver, appeared before the Committee, and discussed his experience as a taxicab driver and the refusal of trips for various reasons by taxicab drivers.

An unidentified speaker, a taxicab driver, appeared before the Committee, and expressed his concern with the appeal process for citations. He stressed to the Committee that to appeal citations taxicab drivers did not have a fair opportunity to appeal and that it was costly.

Hearing no other persons wishing to appear before the Committee on this matter, Chairwoman Edmonson closed the public hearing.

In response to public comment, Commissioner Sorenson questioned Ms. Peel on the process to present this proposed ordinance.

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's comments, Ms. Peel stated that taxicab drivers suggested the increase in the penalties for the Buying of Doors (BOD). Subsequently, CSD staff reviewed that suggestion and presented it to the CSD Transportation Advisory Group (TAG) who approved of the suggestion.

A brief discussion ensued between Commissioner Sorenson and Ms. Peel in connection with the attendance at the CSD TAG meetings, the composition of the TAG and the workshop meetings held to discuss the foregoing proposed ordinance.

A brief discussion ensued between Commissioner Jordan and Ms. Peel in connection with the disclosure of the respective passenger service company's and chauffeur's registration numbers on the license.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed ordinance as presented.

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072062 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ONE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION CARE, INC. TO PROVIDE COMBINATION WHEELCHAIR AND STRETCHER NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (NE CONTROL NO. 144A) (Consumer Services Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Souto, Moss

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, Chairwoman Edmonson closed the public hearing.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

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072047 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ONE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION CARE, INC. TO PROVIDE COMBINATION WHEELCHAIR AND STRETCHER NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (NE CONTROL NO. 144B) (Consumer Services Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 3-0

Absent: Moss, Souto

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, Chairwoman Edmonson closed the public hearing.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

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072046 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ONE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION CARE, INC. TO PROVIDE COMBINATION WHEELCHAIR AND STRETCHER NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (NE CONTROL NO. 144C) (Consumer Services Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Secunder: Jordan

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Moss

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, Chairwoman Edmonson closed the public hearing.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

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072064 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ONE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION CARE, INC. TO PROVIDE COMBINATION WHEELCHAIR AND STRETCHER NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (NE CONTROL NO. 144D) (Consumer Services Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Moss

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, Chairwoman Edmonson closed the public hearing.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

Ms. Cathy Peel, Director, Miami-Dade Consumer Services Department, and informed the Committee that the applicant Florida Transportation Care, Inc. has requested the Committee's consideration of forwarding the foregoing resolution to the July 24, 2007, County Commission meeting.

Chairwoman Edmonson noted she would prepare a memorandum requesting that Board of County Commission Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be considered at the July 24, 2007, County Commission meeting.

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072065 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING APPLICATION FOR ONE CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO COMFORT WHEELCHAIR CAB, INC. D/B/A COMFORT WHEELCHAIR TO PROVIDE WHEELCHAIR NONEMERGENCY MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE (NE CONTROL NO. 145) (Consumer Services Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Jordan
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Moss

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing. Hearing no one wishing to appear before the Committee, Chairwoman Edmonson closed the public hearing.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

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072051 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING REQUEST TO INCREASE THE CITY OF HIALEAH FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT'S AUTHORIZED EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES RATE SCHEDULE (Consumer Services Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Second: Jordan

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Moss

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Chairwoman Edmonson opened the public hearing.

City of Hialeah Fire Chief Otto Drozd, III, appeared before the Committee, and urged the Committee to support the foregoing proposed resolution. In addition, he requested the Committee's consideration of forwarding the foregoing proposed resolution to the next County Commission scheduled for July 24th.

Hearing no one else wishing to appear before the Committee, Chairwoman Edmonson closed the public hearing.

Hearing no objection, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

Commissioner Jordan asked Ms. Cathy Peel, Director, Miami-Dade Consumer Services Department, if the County had any emergency mechanisms for cab drivers in light of the taxicab drivers killed in Miami Gardens.

Ms. Peel noted if the taxicab driver was affiliated with radio dispatch company they would have access to a dispatcher that they could relate to if a problem aroses. She noted staff was currently reviewing emergency mechanisms, specifically one with security cameras as part of CSD technology review for taxicab improvements.

Commissioner Jordan asked Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks to prepare appropriate legislation instructing the County Manager to explore the feasibility of installing emergency dispatch mechanisms in taxicab vehicles that quietly activated for police assistance by taxi drivers.

Chairwoman Edmonson asked that she be listed as cosponsor on the proposed legislation coming forth as requested by Commissioner Jordan.

Chairwoman Edmonson noted she would prepare a memorandum requesting that Board of County Commission Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be considered at the July 24, 2007, County Commission meeting.

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

071496 Resolution

Audrey M. Edmonson,
Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION VACATING THE CURRENT AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD, IMPLEMENTING A NEW APPLICATION AND APPOINTMENT PROCESS WHEREBY THE ENTIRE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IS CHARGED WITH NOMINATING AND APPOINTING NEW MEMBERS TO THE AHAB BOARD (SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 1D1)

Amended

Report: *See Agenda Item 2A Amended, Legislative File No. 072388 for the amended version.*

2A AMENDED

072388 Resolution

Audrey M. Edmonson,

Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION VACATING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS OF CURRENT AFFORDABLE HOUSING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS, IMPLEMENTING A NEW APPLICATION AND APPOINTMENT PROCESS WHEREBY THE ENTIRE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS IS CHARGED WITH APPOINTING NEW MEMBERS TO THE AHAB BOARD BY A BALLOT VOTE, FOLLOWING SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS BY INDIVIDUAL COMMISSIONERS [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 071496] [SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 7C]

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

Mover: Edmonson

Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Moss

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the following proposed amendments to the foregoing proposed resolution as follows:*

(1) to increase the Affordable Housing Advisory Board (AHAB) membership to 17 in lieu of 15 that would increase the number of members to be appointed by the Board of County Commission to 15 instead of 13,

(2) to indicate the AHAB appointment by the County Mayor and the Overall Tenant Advisory Council would not be vacated as outlined in this resolution and not subject to the application and the nomination ballot process,

(3) to require the Board to collectively appoint the AHAB members by a ballot vote, and

(4) to insert language to this resolution and on the application to be developed by staff that those interested in serving on the AHAB to indicate any potential conflict in serving on the AHAB.

Hearing no objection, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution as amended by Assistant County Attorney Johnson-Stacks.

(NOTE: See Report Under Agenda Item 1D1 Amended, Legislative File No. 072389).

3 DEPARTMENTS

3A

072086 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT AT 9300 N.W. 32 AVENUE MIAMI, WITH MT. ZION APOSTOLIC TEMPLE, A FLORIDA NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION FOR PREMISES TO BE UTILIZED BY COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY, HEAD START PROGRAM; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (General Services Administration Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Moss

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

3B

072130 Resolution

RESOLUTION REJECTING ALL BIDS RECEIVED IN RESPONSE TO PROJECT NO. W00817: MIAMI GARDENS NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICE CENTER (OPA LOCKA HEAD START FACILITY); WAIVING THE BID PROTEST PROCESS; AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF FORMAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING PURSUANT TO SECTION 4.03(D) OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER AND SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE COUNTY CODE AND AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 255.20 OF THE FLORIDA STATE STATUTES BY A TWO-THIRD (2/3) VOTE OF THE BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,624,555.90, WITH CORELAND CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MIAMI GARDENS NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICE CENTER, FOR AND ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONTAINED THEREIN (General Services Administration Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Jordan

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Moss

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Chairwoman Edmonson inquired how the Department of Procurement Management (DPM), Office of Small Business Affairs derived at the 14% contract measure goal for the Community Work Force (CWF).

Responding to Chairwoman Edmonson's inquiry, Ms. Penelope Townsley, a Departmental Representative, Office of Small Business Affairs, appeared before the Committee, and explained that the CWF goal was based on the unemployment rate in the subject area for the Miami Gardens Neighborhood Service Center (Opa Locka Head Start Facility).

Hearing no objection, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

Commissioner Jordan asked Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks to prepare the appropriate legislation changing the name of the Opa Locka Neighborhood Center to the Miami Gardens Neighborhood Center.

Following the comments made by Commissioner Jordan, Ms. Julie Edwards, Interim Executive

Director, Community Action Agency, informed the Committee that this particular head start center was named by a resolution adopted by the County Commission that named this head start center as the Ophelia Brown Lawson Head Start Center.

Responding to Commissioner Jordan's comments, Ms. Wendi Norris, Director, General Service Administration, noted the advertisement for the solicitation of bids for the project outlined in the foregoing proposed resolution.

3C

071838 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO AMEND THE FY 2007 ACTION PLAN TO REFLECT THE REALLOCATION OF FY 2005, AND FY 2006 HODAG AND FY 2002, FY 2004, FY 2005, FY 2006 AND FY 2007 HOME FUNDS, AS INDICATED IN EXHIBIT I; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ALL CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS AND AMENDMENTS NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE ABOVE PROGRAM; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Withdrawn

Report: *(See Agenda Item 3C Substitute; Legislative File No. 072252.)*

3C SUB.

072252 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER *Amended*
TO AMEND THE FY 2007 ACTION PLAN TO REFLECT
THE REALLOCATION OF FY 2005, AND FY 2006
HODAG AND FY 2002, FY 2004, FY 2005, FY 2006 AND
FY 2007 HOME FUNDS, AS INDICATED IN EXHIBIT I;
AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE
ALL CONTRACTS, AGREEMENTS AND AMENDMENTS
NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE ABOVE PROGRAM;
AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO
EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS
CONTAINED THEREIN [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER
FILE NO. 071838] (Office of Community and Economic
Development)

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Mr. Jose Cintron, Director, Office of Community and Economic Development, informed the Committee that the substitute reflected the difference from the original proposal and provided an explanation of the intent of the foregoing proposed resolution.

Chairwoman Edmonson offered an amendment to the foregoing proposed resolution to request that the Office of Community and Economic Development Director work in conjunction with the Model City Community Advisory Council (CAC), the Martin Luther King Economic Development Corporation and the Metro-Miami Action Plan Agency for the development of a project located at 2320 NW 62 Street.

Mr. Jose Cintron, Director, Office of Community and Economic Development, stated staff has been working with and would continue to work with the CAC on the aforementioned project.

Hearing no objection, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution as amended by Chairwoman Edmonson.

3D

072128 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING TERMS AND EXECUTION OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT AMONG MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, CITY OF MIAMI, SOUTHEAST OVERTOWN/PARK WEST COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, THE OMNI REDEVELOPMENT DISTRICT COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (COLLECTIVELY "CRA'S"), AND THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING THE USE OF INCREMENTAL TAX REVENUES DERIVED FROM CHILDREN'S TRUST ONE HALF MILL AD VALOREM TAX LEVY AGAINST REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN JURISDICTION OF THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREAS (Office of Strategic Business Management)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Souto
Vote: 4-0
Absent: Moss

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

3E

072182 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXTENSION OF THE REVERTER DATE OF THE PROPERTY KNOWN AS SAWYER'S WALK BEING DEVELOPED BY THE SOUTHEAST OVERTOWN PARK WEST (SEOPW) COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CRA) AND CITY OF MIAMI AND THE ENTITY KNOWN AS CROSSWINDS AT POINCIANA, LLC (Office of Community and Economic Development)

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Chairwoman Edmonson stated after convening a community meeting in Overtown that was attended by approximately 200 business owners and residents, the main concerns of the residents were affordability of any new development in Overtown and gentrification. She noted she asked the City of Miami and Crosswinds developers to revisit their plan in order to address the concerns raised by Overtown residents. She stated negotiations were underway.

Chairwoman Edmonson spoke in support of the foregoing proposed resolution that would allow for a four (4) month extension of the existing reverter date to December 31, 2007. She pointed out she would not support the Crosswinds project if on December 31, this agreement did not provide a commitment that included housing set-aside for Overtown residents that met the less than 40% of the area median income (AMI); that provided permanent jobs as well as temporary jobs during the construction for residents; that increased small business enterprise; and that hired skilled and unskilled laborers from the community. She concluded her comments by reiterating that she would not support any further negotiations after December 31st unless these items were addressed.

Chairwoman Edmonson noted the submittal of 15 speaker cards; however, she would not allow the speakers because of time constraints and that she had heard from the community and was fully aware of concerns and issues of the residents. She asked Ms. Denise Perry, Director, Power U Center for Social Change, for the record, to submit her documents to the Clerk.

Ms. Perry expressed her concern with the

Committee not having the proper information regarding the foregoing proposed resolution.

Commissioner Sorenson stressed the need for the Committee to hear from the speakers present and respectfully requested Chairwoman Edmonson to allow the speakers to appear before the Committee.

The following persons appeared before the Committee in connection with the foregoing proposed resolution and the Crosswinds project:

Mr. Irby McKnight, 1600 NW 3 Avenue, spoke in support of the foregoing proposed resolution and provided the Committee with a historical background of the Community Redevelopment Agency in the subject area.

Mr. Reginald C. Mannings, 1130 NW 2 Avenue, representing Power U Center for Social Change, spoke in opposition to the foregoing proposed Crosswinds project.

Mr. Dale Bryan, 201 NW 7 Street, spoke in support of the foregoing proposed resolution and the Crosswinds project. He stated focus should be placed on economic viability and job creation in the subject area.

Mr. Jermaine Banks, 2020 NW 1 Avenue, representing Power U Center for Social Change, spoke in opposition to the Crosswinds project. He also informed the Committee to review the Crosswinds developer's past experience in the City of Detroit. Mr. Banks urged the Committee to oppose the Crosswinds project.

Mr. Philip Bacon, 150, SE 2 Avenue, Collins Center, spoke in support of the foregoing proposed resolution and the Crosswinds project. He expressed the need for other similar projects in the Overtown area. Mr. Bacon stressed the need for mixed-use development.

Ms. Denise Perry, Director, Power U Center for Social Change, spoke in opposition to the extension of the reverter date.

Mr. Hannef Hamidullah, 1939 NW 81 Street, spoke in connection to Overtown's history and in support of the Crosswinds project.

Ms. Melissa Sturgis, 5300 NW 26 Avenue, representing Power U Center for Social Change, spoke in opposition to the extension of the reverter

date and the Crosswinds project in Overtown.

An unidentified speaker spoke in opposition to the Crosswinds project. She noted the need to revitalize Overtown. She urged the Committee to oppose the extension of the reverter date and to identify alternatives for housing development in the Overtown area.

Ms. Cherry Carlon, 105 NW 11 Terrace, representing Power U Center for Social Change, spoke in opposition to the foregoing proposed resolution and urged the Committee to not support the Crosswinds project.

Ms. Krystal Birdsong, representing Power U Center for Social Change, spoke in opposition to the extension of the reverter date for the Crosswinds project. She spoke in support of mixed-income housing projects and stressed the need for responsible development in Overtown.

Due to a loss of a quorum and the time sensitivity of the foregoing proposed resolution, Chairwoman Edmonson noted she would prepare a memorandum requesting that Board of County Commission Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro waive the Board's Rules and Procedures to allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be considered at the July 24, 2007, County Commission meeting.

4 COUNTY MANAGER

4A

072085 Resolution

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS PROGRAM (County Manager)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Seconder: Jordan

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Moss

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Mr. John Wade, 20925 S.W. 187 Avenue, appeared before the Committee, and spoke in support of the Miami-Dade County Purchase of Development Rights (PDR) Program and asked the County to consider identifying additional funding for this Program, such as grants and matching funds from the State of Florida and the Federal Government.

Ms. Pat Wade, 20925 S.W. 187 Avenue, appeared before the Committee, and spoke in support of the foregoing proposed resolution and urged the Committee to support the establishment of the PDR Program.

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's request for the Agricultural Manager to provide comments, Mr. Charles LaPradd, Agricultural Manager, Office of the County Manager, appeared before the Committee, and informed the Committee he would meet with Ms. Pat Wade to discuss and obtain her input regarding the PDR Program.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing proposed resolution as presented.

4B

072118 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FORM OF THE CITY/COUNTY JOINT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT AND THE US HUD AMENDED PLEDGE AGREEMENT REQUIRED FOR THE CITY OF MIAMI TO ASSUME 80 PERCENT OF THE PARROT JUNGLE US HUD SECTION 108 LOAN; APPROVE AMENDMENTS TO THE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AMONG THE CITY, THE COUNTY AND PARROT JUNGLE AND GARDENS; AND MODIFY THE \$4.7 MILLION LOAN, AND AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ANY REQUIRED DOCUMENTS, AGREEMENTS, AND AMENDMENTS THAT MAY BE NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDED MODIFICATIONS (County Manager)

Amended

Report: *Assistant County Attorney Cynthia Johnson-Stacks read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Mr. Jose Cintron, Director, Office of Community and Economic Development, informed the Committee of staff's request for an amendment to page 3 of the County Manager's memorandum to clarify the Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) with the Parrot Jungle and Garden (PJG) specifically the cash flow availability on the repayment of the \$4.702 million and the \$1 million PJG obligations to the County.

Responding to Chairwoman Edmonson's inquiry regarding no notation of the days outlined in Sections 3.6 and 5.3 of the Participation Agreement, Assistant County Attorney Shannon Summerset informed the Committee that the number of days had not been agreed upon, but staff felt comfortable with bringing forth this item for consideration and to determine the days before execution of the agreement. Ms. Summerset stated the days would range between 5 to 30 business days. She advised the Committee that the recommendation would be for 10 business days.

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's comments regarding the cash flow availability and enforcement if PJG did not have the cash flow, Mr. Cintron reminded the Committee the intent of the foregoing proposed resolution was to get the City of Miami to agree through the execution of the JPA that they would pay 80% of the cost of the repayment of the loan during the interim time period. He indicated the City of Miami has agreed

with the execution of the JPA to cover 80% of the \$17 million cost.

Following further comments by Commissioner Sorenson regarding a current review of verification of the personal guarantee, Mr. Cintron noted the majority owner of PJG provided the personal guarantee. He stated staff would conduct additional research to ensure the personal guarantee and would provide this information when the County Commission considered this item.

Hearing no objection, the Committee forwarded the foregoing proposed resolution as amended by Mr. Cintron.

5 CLERK OF THE BOARD

5A

072113 Report

CLERK'S SUMMARY MEETING MINUTES FOR JUNE 19, 2007 (Clerk of the Board)

Carried over Due to Lack of a Quorum

6 REPORTS

6A

071841 Report

COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT REGARDING CREATION OF THE COMMUNITY AFFORDABLE HOUSING STRATEGIES ALLIANCE (SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 1D2) (County Manager)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Jordan

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 4-0

Absent: Moss

Report: *(NOTE: See Report Under Agenda Item 1D2, Legislative File No. 071168).*

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071932 Report

REPORT ON FEASIBILITY OF USING 311 TO RECEIVE TAXICAB COMPLAINTS (County Manager)

Carried over Due to Lack of a Quorum

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072112 Report

STATUS REPORT ON OPA-LOCKA PUBLIC HOUSING
DEVELOPMENT DISPOSITION (County Manager)

*Carried over Due to Lack of a
Quorum*

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072126 Report

TERMINATION OF MEMORANDUM OF
UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
AND THE MIAMI-DADE EMPOWERMENT TRUST, INC.
(County Manager)

*Carried over Due to Lack of a
Quorum*

6E

072157 Report

REPORT ON EMPLOYER ASSISTED HOUSING PILOT PROGRAM FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES.

Report Received

(County Manager)

Report: *Ms. Patricia Braynon, Executive Director, Housing Finance Authority (HFA), presented the foregoing County Manager's report entitled, "Report on Employer Assisted Housing Pilot Program for County Employees." She noted in the past the County has made attempts to develop a similar program and experienced a number of obstacles which still existed. Ms. Braynon stated that the County's current budgetary concerns made developing this program even more difficult. She pointed out general fund dollars would provide a more equitable basis to all County employees and/or proprietary departments would be able to provide for their employees; therefore, it would be restricted to those County employees in that particular department. Ms. Braynon stated the recommendation was to not fund at this time a matching grant for employer assisted housing programs. Ms. Braynon concluded by stating that this type of program could be used as a method in assisting County employees in educating employees on how to purchase a home.*

Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's comments regarding the continuation of the educational program, Ms. Braynon stated the program would continue and the HFA Foundation paid the cost for this program. She noted a financial management component of this program promoted financial literacy, which was a major component of the Homebuyer Education Course.

Chairwoman Edmonson announced, for the record, the arrival of Commissioner Souto to today's Committee meeting.

Commissioner Jordan asked the Housing Finance Authority Director to explore the feasibility of identifying similar Individual Development Account (IDA) funds and other potential funding mechanisms for the County-funded Employer Assisted Housing Pilot Program.

Commissioner Jordan stressed that the County Manager still consider the development of a County-funded Employer Assisted Housing

Program as a priority.

Hearing no objection, the Committee proceeded to receive the foregoing report as presented.

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072158 Report

ORAL REPORT RE: DISCUSSION WITH US HUD REGARDING THE STATUS OF THE MIAMI-DADE HOUSING AGENCY (County Manager)

Carried over Due to Lack of a Quorum

6F SUPP.

072253 Report

UPDATED REPORT OF PROPOSED U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT TAKE-OVER OF MIAMI-DADE HOUSING AGENCY NEGOTIATIONS AND MEETINGS (County Manager)

Carried over Due to Lack of a Quorum

6G

072180 Report

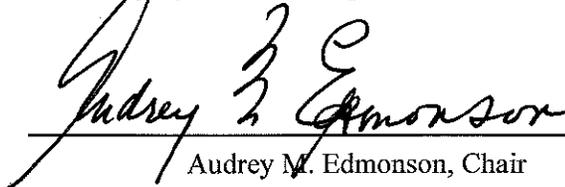
ORAL REPORT RE: THE MDHA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AUDIT (County Manager)

Carried over Due to Lack of a Quorum

7 OPEN DISCUSSION

8 ADJOURNMENT

Report: *There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 1:03 p.m.*



Audrey M. Edmonson, Chair