MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
FINAL OFFICIAL MEETING MINUTES
Airport and Tourism Committee (ATC)

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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, October 11, 2007 **9:30 AM** **COMMISSION CHAMBER, SPCC**

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

Members Absent: None.

Members Late: None.

Members Excused: Sally A. Heyman.

Members Absent County Business: None.

1 MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Report: *Judy Marsh, Commission Reporter, (305) 375-1967*

1A INVOCATION

Report: *A Moment of Silence was observed prior to the commencement of today's meeting, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.*

1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1C ROLL CALL

Report: *The following staff members were present: Assistant County Attorneys Cynji Lee and David Murray; and Deputy Clerk Judy Marsh.*

Chairman Diaz called the meeting to order at 9:53 a.m.

Assistant County Attorney David Murray noted Agenda Item 3G was added to today's agenda and Agenda Item 7E should be listed as Item 7B.

It was moved by Commissioner Martinez that the Committee approve the foregoing changes to the October 11, 2007 Airport and Tourism Committee agenda. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sosa, and upon being put to a vote, passed by a vote of 5-0, (Commissioner Heyman was absent).

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

072842 **Resolution** **Bruno A. Barreiro, Sally A. Heyman**

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE GREATER MIAMI CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU IN URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO PASS LEGISLATION ALLOWING FOR LOCAL LICENSING OF TOUR GUIDES

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Martinez
Seconder: Sosa
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney David Murray 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.

3 DEPARTMENT

3A

072964 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING DEVELOPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND SKYKAR, INC., FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A CORPORATE HANGAR AND ASSOCIATED TAXI LANE AT KENDALL-TAMIAMI EXECUTIVE AIRPORT; AUTHORIZING MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SUCH AGREEMENT AND TO EXERCISE TERMINATION PROVISIONS THEREOF (Aviation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sosa
Seconder: Gimenez
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney David Murray read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

In response to Commissioner Martinez' inquiry regarding rent payments to the County, Mr. Miguel Southwell, Assistant Aviation Director for Business Development, Miami-Dade Aviation Department, said during the initial 25-year term of the lease agreement, Skykar Aviation, Inc. would pay rent on the land; not on the proposed building that would be constructed.

Commissioner Martinez noted he would support the foregoing proposed resolution, however, he did not believe this would increase revenues for the Aviation Department.

Responding to Commissioner Sosa, Mr. Southwell said the developers would construct the facilities that would become County property and the developers would subsequently be charged rent.

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

3B

072966 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE CITY OF MIAMI RELATING TO THE CITY OF MIAMI'S ACCEPTANCE OF BUILDING HEIGHT RESTRICTIONS AND OTHER PROVISIONS CONTAINED WITHIN THE COUNTY'S ZONING CODE APPLICABLE TO MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT; AUTHORIZING MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SUCH INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT AND TO EXERCISE THE TERMINATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Aviation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sosa
Seconder: Gimenez
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney David Murray read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

In response to Commissioner Sosa's inquiry, Mr. Sunil Harman, Manager, Planning, Miami-Dade Aviation Department, noted the Interlocal Agreement referenced in the foregoing proposed resolution was to ensure that the City of Miami complied with the Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA's) rules.

Mr. Harman noted the FAA was using the County Commission's approval of the Miami International Airport (MIA) Zoning Ordinance as a model to be implemented in Phoenix, San Fransisco, San Jose and Boston.

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

3C

072967 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION RELATING TO OPA-LOCKA EXECUTIVE AIRPORT; APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1 TO THE "OTHER TRANSACTION AGREEMENT" BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION FOR ADDITIONAL FEDERAL FUNDING IN THE SUM OF $4.2 MILLION FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER AT THE AIRPORT; AUTHORIZING MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 1 AND TO TAKE ALL STEPS REQUIRED TO OBTAIN SUCH ADDITIONAL FUNDING (Aviation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gimenez
Seconder: Rolle
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney David Murray read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

Responding to Commissioner Sosa's inquiry, Mr. Sunil Harman, Manager, Planning, Miami-Dade Aviation Department (MDAD), noted the Airport Traffic Control Tower would be competitively bid and MDAD would manage construction of the Tower along with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). He also noted the FAA's controllers had signed off on the design of the Tower.

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

3D

072968 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND BFFE, INC. FOR FIXED BASE OPERATIONS AT HOMESTEAD GENERAL AVIATION AIRPORT AND OPERATION OF A FUEL FARM THEREON; AUTHORIZING MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SUCH AGREEMENT AND TO EXERCISE TERMINATION PROVISIONS THEREOF (Aviation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gimenez
Seconder: Rolle
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney David Murray read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

In response to Commissioner Rolle's inquiry, Mr. Miguel Southwell, Assistant Aviation Director for Business Development, Miami-Dade Aviation Department, said the 25-year lease agreement was not standard at the Airport and depended upon the investment amount. He noted the investment ratio was not the same and was a negotiated term. Mr. Southwell said generally, the Federal Aviation Administration would not approve a lease for more than 25 years at a General Aviation Airport if less than $10 million was invested.

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

3E

072970 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING DEVELOPMENT LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND REGIONAL PROPERTIES, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A CORPORATE HANGAR AND AN ASSOCIATED RAMP AT KENDALL-TAMIAMI EXECUTIVE AIRPORT; AUTHORIZING MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SUCH AGREEMENT AND TO EXERCISE TERMINATION PROVISIONS THEREOF (Aviation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Gimenez
Seconder: Sosa
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney David Murray 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.

3F

072985 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT NUMBER TWO TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND DADE AVIATION CONSULTANTS FOR LIMITED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE SOUTH TERMINAL PROGRAM, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED $7.5 MILLION DOLLARS, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR TO EXECUTE SAME AND TO EXERCISE THE TERMINATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Aviation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sosa
Seconder: Gimenez
Vote: 4-1
No: Martinez
Absent: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney David Murray read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record. He noted the proposed resolution contained a scrivener's error in the text of the resolution and the resolution should read as follows: "...in an amount not to exceed $7.5 million dollars for a one-year period, in substantially the form attached hereto, and authorizes the County Mayor or his designee to execute Amendment Number Two for and on behalf of Miami-Dade County; and to execute the terms thereof, including the termination or cancellation provisions."*

In response to Commissioner Rolle's inquiry whether the one year option to renew included minority goals, Mr. Max Fajardo, Deputy Aviation Director, Miami-Dade Aviation Department, said goals were not established by the Goals Committee. He noted the Joint Venture included minority participation and the participants would continue to provide support in the Joint Venture according to Dade Aviation Consultants.

Responding to Commissioner Rolle's request that he be provided with a list of minority participants in the Joint Venture, Mr. Fajardo said he provided Commissioner Rolle's staff with a copy of the participants yesterday (10/10).

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

3G

073028 **Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT AMONG MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND THE GREATER MIAMI CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU (GMCVB), ROMERO BRITTO AND BRITTO FOUNDATION, INC. FOR PURCHASE OF AN ARTWORK TO BE DISPLAYED AT MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND TO BE USED IN MDAD UNIFORMS, IN THE AMOUNT OF $15,000 TO BE PAID BY GMCVB PLUS $150,000 OF ADVERTISING AND PROMOTIONAL DISPLAY VALUE AT MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT; WAIVING SECTION 5.03(D), MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CHARTER; AUTHORIZING COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SAME AND TO EXERCISE TERMINATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN. (Aviation Department)

Forwarded to the BCC by the BCC Chairperson with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Martinez
Seconder: Gimenez
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney David Murray 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.

Chairman Diaz asked staff to prepare the appropriate memorandum requesting that the County Commission's Chairman Bruno A. Barreiro waive the Committee's rules and allow the foregoing proposed resolution to be heard at the October 16, 2007 County Commission meeting.

4 COUNTY MANAGER

5 COUNTY ATTORNEY

6 CLERK OF THE BOARD

6A

072894 **Report**

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 25, 2007 AIRPORT AND TOURISM COMMITTEE MEETING (Clerk of the Board)

Approved
Mover: Sosa
Seconder: Martinez
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman

Report: *Assistant County Attorney David Murray read the foregoing report into the record.*

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

7 REPORTS

7A

072957 **Report**

MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ON THE MIAMI INTERMODAL CENTER (County Manager)

Report received and forwarded to BCC without recommendation
Mover: Gimenez
Seconder: Sosa
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman

Report: *In response to Commissioner Martinez' inquiry, Mr. Jose Abreu, Director, Miami-Dade Aviation Department, said he was not aware whether the Miami Intermodal Center (MIC) project was over budget.*

Commissioner Martinez noted the progress report should indicate whether there were cost overruns.

Chairman Diaz noted the Assistant County Manager responsible for this item was called to an emergency meeting in the Mayor's office. He asked that a comprehensive report be provided to the County Commission.

Hearing no further questions or comments, the Committee forwarded the foregoing report to the County Commission without a recommendation.

7B

072994 **Report**

REPORT RE: DBE GOALS COMPLIANCE REVIEW OF MDAD CONTRACTS AWARDED IN THE LAST FIVE (5) YEARS (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Sosa
Seconder: Gimenez
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman

Report: *Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing report as presented.*

7C

072995 **Report**

REPORT RE : COMPLIANCE WITH PROMPT PAYMENT AND DBE MEASURES ON MDAD CONTRACTS WITHIN THE LAST THREE (3) YEARS (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Martinez
Seconder: Sosa
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman

Report: *Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing report as presented.*

7D

072997 **Report**

MIAMI DADE AVIATION DEPARTMENT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM REPORT (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Sosa
Seconder: Martinez
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Heyman

Report: *Hearing no questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on the foregoing report as presented.*

073200 **Report**

NON-AGENDA REPORT ITEM FOR THE OCTOBER 11, 2007, AIRPORT AND TOURISM COMMITTEE (ATC) — ***Presented***

Report: *Mr. Bill Talbert, President and Chief Executive Officer, Greater Miami Convention and Visitors Bureau (GMCVB), appeared before the Committee. He acknowledged the presence of Mr. George Neri, Cultural Tourism Programs; and Ms. Jeanne Guiterrez, Community Relations Director.*

Mr. Talbert provided an overview on travel and tourism in Miami for the past seven months, pursuant to County Commission Chairman Bruno A. Barrreiro's request. He noted the Convention Development Tax, the only Countywide tourism tax that was collected, increased to 26% in August, the highest increase in any month in the last five years. Mr. Talbert noted using County funds, the GMCVB strived to develop year-round tourism and for the last two years, Miami had tourism twelve months of the year. He said tourism was the number one employer in the community and people from every zip code was employed by the tourism industry. Mr. Talbert noted the GMCVB had its sixth American Express Restaurant Month in August and September, the first restaurant months in the world widely successful and now copied by many other jurisdictions, and this was also part of the program to develop year-round tourism. He noted the GMCVB faced competition from places such as Dubai and Panama as 45% of tourism customers were not from the United States. He expressed appreciation to the Committee and the County Commission for promoting tourism programs.

Mr. Talbert noted the GMCVB was part of the national coalition that traveled to Washington in the last two weeks to support the Travel Promotion Act of 2007 which would establish a tourism bureau for the United States of America. He invited the Committee members to the GMCVB's annual meeting which would be held Monday, October 29, 2007 at the Dolphin Stadium and noted a new customer service program would be unveiled. Mr. Talbert noted many four and five-star hotels were located in Miami-Dade County and customer service would be improved. He also noted the GMCVB was working with representatives of Miami

International Airport on visa and entry issues. Mr. Talbert requested the Committee's support to modernize and expand the Convention Center.

Chairman Diaz noted tourism played a big part in producing jobs in the community, especially in light of the downturn in real estate. He asked Mr. Talbert to apprise the Committee of any assistance the GMCVB may need regarding tourism.

Commissioner Sosa noted customer service skills needed to be improved because Miami-Dade County was sometimes criticized for the lack of these skills.

Mr. Talbert noted a new customer service program would be discussed at the GMCVB's annual meeting and the goal was to develop a five-star, world class, customer service program.

8 ADJOURNMENT

Report: *There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 10:18 a.m.*

Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Chair