



# **MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FINAL OFFICIAL MINUTES Budget and Finance Committee**

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**Board of County Commissioners**  
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# FINAL OFFICIAL Meeting Minutes Budget and Finance Committee

Joe A. Martinez (11) Chair; Carlos A. Gimenez (7) Vice Chair; Commissioners Jose "Pepe" Diaz (12), Katy Sorenson (8), Rebeca Sosa (6), and Javier Souto (10)

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Tuesday, November 13, 2007

2:00 PM

COMMISSION CHAMBERS

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**Members Present:** Carlos A. Gimenez, Joe A. Martinez, Katy Sorenson, Rebeca Sosa, Javier D. Souto.

**Members Absent:** Jose "Pepe" Diaz.

**Members Late:** None.

**Members Excused:** None.

**Members Absent County Business:** None.

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## 1 MINUTES PREPARED BY

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

## 1A INVOCATION

**Report:** *Chairman Martinez called the meeting to order at  
2:19 pm.*

## 1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**1C**      **ROLL CALL**

**Report:** *The following staff members were present: Senior Advisor to the County Manager Cynthia Curry; Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty; and Deputy Clerks Doris Dickens and Scott Rappleye.*

**CHANGES TO TODAY'S COMMITTEE AGENDA**

*Assistant County Attorney McCarty indicated that in addition to the County Manager's memorandum entitled, "Requested Changes to the Budget and Finance Committee Agenda," the following additional changes had been requested: that Agenda Item 2E Supplement be added; that Commissioner Diaz be listed as a co-sponsor on Agenda Item 2H; and that Agenda Item 3J be deferred to the December 11, 2007 Committee meeting, as requested by the County Mayor.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Sosa that the foregoing changes to the Agenda be accepted. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sorenson, and upon being put to a vote, passed 5-0 (Commissioner Diaz was absent).*

*Commissioner Sorenson announced that Robert Is Here was in the Stephen P. Clark Center lobby displaying numerous exhibits from the County's agricultural community. She noted the displays were a benefit for the Tropical Everglades Visitors Association.*

**1D**      **OFFICE OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS**

1D1

**073337 Report**

2008 STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE  
PRELIMINARY PACKAGE

*Forwarded to BCC without a  
recommendation*

*Mover: Sosa*

*Seconded: Martinez*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed report into the record.*

*Chairman Martinez asked that the Committee consider forwarding this proposed report to the County Commission without a recommendation, notwithstanding they probably had not reviewed this proposal.*

*Commissioner Sosa noted she would call a State Intergovernmental Affairs Subcommittee meeting to consider the 2008 State Legislative Package before the December 4, 2007 County Commission meeting.*

*Referencing the October 2007 issue of "National Geographic" magazine, Commissioner Souto noted the County may use some products, including Lipton Tea, that violated Federal Embargo Laws concerning Cuba. He cited reports that indicated Unilever controlled most of the soap and detergent in Cuba; that Lipton was a branch of Unilever; and that Unilever had entered into an agreement with the Cuban Government to operate the detergent factories in Cuba. He noted he thought the County should research this report; and that the County should clarify its position to not use products from any conglomerate that violated Federal Embargo Laws concerning Cuba.*

*Pursuant to Commissioner Souto's remarks, Chairman Martinez asked Assistant County Attorney McCarty to provide Committee members with a report before December 4, 2007, regarding Unilever's business dealings in Cuba as well as any other conglomerate conducting business with the County that may have violated Federal embargo laws.*

*Chairman Martinez pointed out a large Legislative Package would receive little consideration from the Legislature and Federal Government. He recommended the County Commission streamline its Legislative Packets.*

*Following discussion concerning when Legislative Bills were filed, it was moved by Commissioner Sosa that the foregoing report be bifurcated to forward the 2008 State Legislative Package to the State Intergovernmental Affairs (SIA) Subcommittee, and to forward the 2008 Federal Legislative Package to the County Commission without a recommendation. This motion was seconded by Chairman Martinez, and upon being put to a vote, passed 5-0 (Commissioner Diaz was absent).*

*Commissioner Sosa noted she would use a priority system in the SIA Subcommittee meeting to select three legislative priorities for the County Lobbyists to focus on.*

*Chairman Martinez emphasized that the County Commission would need to adopt a resolution directing the Mayor to ensure that staff did not lobby the Legislature for issues that the County Commission opposed.*

*Following Commissioner Sorenson's comments regarding the County considering the Florida Association of Counties' Legislative Priorities to maximize advantages, Commissioner Sosa pointed out the imbalance in the County's tax revenue versus other counties in the State of Florida and noted the County deserved some priority from the Legislature. Commissioner Sosa asked Ms. Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Budget Director, Office of Strategic Business Management, to prepare a report outlining the amount of tax revenue generated by the County versus the tax revenue generated by other counties throughout the State of Florida and how other counties benefited from Miami-Dade County's revenue streams.*

*In response to Mr. Joe Rasco, Director, Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, requesting to include priorities identified by commissioners in individual meetings with him, Chairman Martinez stated Mr. Rasco could include those priorities when this report was presented to the County Commission.*

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**073689 Report**  
PROPOSED 2008 FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE

*Forwarded to the BCC by the BCC  
Chairperson without  
recommendation  
Mover: Sosa  
Secunder: Martinez  
Vote: 5-0  
Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *(See Report Under Agenda Item 1D1, Legislative  
File No. 073337.)*

*Chairman Martinez 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 report to be heard at the December  
18, 2007 County Commission meeting.*

## 2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

**073155 Resolution** **Rebeca Sosa**  
RESOLUTION DECLARING TWO 1994 FLXIBLE BUSES  
SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THEIR DONATION TO  
THE CITY OF MIAMI POLICE DEPARTMENT

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable  
recommendation  
Mover: Sosa  
Secunder: Sorenson  
Vote: 5-0  
Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the  
foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Sosa that this  
proposed resolution be forwarded to the County  
Commission with a favorable recommendation.  
This motion was seconded by Commissioner  
Sorenson.*

*In response to Commissioner Sorenson's question  
regarding the missing letter "e" in the word  
"flxible" from the title of this proposal, Ms.  
Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Budget Director, Office of  
Strategic Business Management, apprised the  
Committee that "Flxible" was the brand name of  
the buses.*

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

2B

072864 Resolution

Audrey M. Edmonson

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A REVIEW OF THE PURPOSES AND FUNCTIONS OF THE OFFICE OF THE COMMISSION AUDITOR AND A BEST PRACTICES REVIEW OF THE OFFICE

*Deferred to December 11, 2007*

*Mover: Souto*

*Seconded: Sorenson*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Gimenez that this proposed resolution be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Chairman Martinez, for discussion.*

*Commissioner Sosa questioned the fiscal impact of this proposal. She expressed concern regarding the following language: "that the role of the Commission Auditor had changed from its original function as a result of the January 26, 2007, Charter amendment," outlined in the seventh (7th) WHEREAS clause in this proposed resolution. She noted Ordinance 03-2, which created the Office of the Commission Auditor, included the objective to create a budget. She suggested the County Commission review Ordinance 03-2 and evaluate the delivery of the original functions. She expressed concern regarding the Commission using funds for this proposal without an official review process being created.*

*Chairman Martinez noted he thought the functions of the Commission Auditor had changed; and that he understood the intent of this resolution to be an evaluation and report card of the Office of the Commission Auditor. He explained the County Commission had not provided the Commission Auditor with specific guidelines; and that the County Commission could not fairly evaluate the Commission Auditor without those guidelines.*

*Responding to Chairman Martinez's comments regarding the relationship of the Commission Auditor and the County Commission Chair, Commissioner Sosa recommended the Committee take no action and allow Chairman Barreiro to put forward a recommendation regarding this Office.*

*Commissioner Sorenson spoke in support of Commissioner Sosa's recommendation to review*

*Ordinance 03-2 and evaluate the Commission Auditor's delivery of those functions.*

*Following the response by Mr. Charles Anderson, Commission Auditor, Office of the Commission Auditor, to Chairman Martinez's inquiry concerning his job function, Commissioner Sorenson suggested the County Commission hold a workshop to consider their expectations concerning this Office.*

*Hearing no objection, the Committee considered Agenda Item 2G simultaneously with Agenda Item 2B.*

*Assistant County Attorney McCarty read Agenda Item 2G into the record.*

*Commissioner Souto provided an explanation regarding the intent of Agenda Item 2G. He emphasized the County Commission was responsible to set the County budget. He noted Agenda Item 2G would allow the Commission Auditor to prepare a budget and to work with the Office of Strategic Business Management. He stated he would defer Agenda Item 2G to allow the Commission to hold a workshop.*

*Commissioner Gimenez pointed out he sponsored an ordinance for first reading on the November 6, 2007 County Commission Agenda (Legislative File No. 073189) with the intent to control the budget process. He noted the Home Rule Charter had provisions that the Mayor and County Manager would propose a budget at a time that was late in the budget process; and that the Charter limited the County Commission's ability to prepare the budget. Commissioner Gimenez explained that his proposed ordinance followed the model of another county that had followed the Strong Mayor government format for 37 years.*

*Regarding the issue of evaluating the Commission Auditor, Commissioner Gimenez noted that an evaluation would not be fair at this time; that the Commission needed to clearly delineate what functions the Commission Auditor should perform; and that the Commission Auditor should explain to the Commission how he would perform those functions.*

*In response to Chairman Martinez's inquiries regarding the Commission Auditor's access to County revenue streams, Ms. Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Budget Director, Office of Strategic*

*Business Management (OSBM), explained the Commission Auditor kept the record of revenue streams and did not have to go through OSBM to access them.*

*Mr. Anderson clarified that he had access to the funding figures; however, he did not know what assumptions the County Administration made regarding those numbers. He further clarified that the County Manager established a process that the Office of the Commission Auditor could not receive direct answers from the OSBM Budget Director; and that this process severely limited the ability of the Office of the Commission Auditor to analyze the budget.*

*Following Commissioner Gimenez's comments regarding the Commission Auditor accessing information from the County Administration and reporting to the Commission any disagreements concerning the County Administration's assumptions, Assistant County Attorney McCarty advised, notwithstanding, the Office of the Commission Auditor was created by an amendment to the Charter, Ordinance 03-2 did not address the issue of access to the administration, and that the Commission Auditor had to access the administration through the Mayor.*

*Discussion ensued between Chairman Martinez and Ms. Ines Beecher, Budget Coordinator, Office of the Commission Auditor, regarding the difficulty of preparing a zero base budget for the Police Department.*

*Hearing no other questions or comments, the Committee proceeded to vote on Agenda Items 2B and 2G.*

*Chairman Martinez asked the Commission Auditor to meet with each commissioner to get their insight into the authority and responsibilities of the Office of the Commission Auditor and how the Commission Auditor's role should be defined under the Strong Mayor System of Government; including how the office should be structured and the appropriate staffing levels.*

2C

**073009 Resolution****Audrey M. Edmonson**

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO PROVIDE OFFICE SPACE AT THE JOSEPH CALEB CENTER FOR THE HISTORIC HAMPTON HOUSE COMMUNITY TRUST, INC., A NON-PROFIT FLORIDA CORPORATION

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconded: Sosa*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

2D

**073271 Resolution****Jose "Pepe" Diaz**

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND THE MIAMI-DADE FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT FOR THE NOVEMBER 4-11, 2007 MIAMI-DADE SENIOR GAMES SPONSORED BY THE MIAMI-DADE SPORTS COMMISSION, INC, A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$8,396.00 TO BE FUNDED IN PART FROM THE COUNTYWIDE IN-KIND RESERVE FUND, AND IN PART FROM THE NON-AD VALOREM PORTION OF THE FIRE RESCUE IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Seconded: Sosa*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

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

*Commissioner Sosa questioned whether the Miami-Dade Senior Games included all Senior Citizens in the County. Upon being apprised by Chairman Martinez that the sponsor of this proposed resolution was not present, she noted she would ask her questions when this item was considered by the County Commission.*

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

2E

073237 Resolution Carlos A. Gimenez

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE PREPARE A WRITTEN STATUS REPORT REGARDING ALL PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS OR OTHER BUSINESS ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND/OR COUNTY AGENCIES AND PRIVATE ENTITIES, INCLUDING NON-PROFIT CORPORATIONS, AND RECOMMEND A PROCEDURE FOR EVALUATION AND IMPLEMENTATION REGARDING CAPITAL PROJECTS IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE COUNTY'S INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH COUNTY PROJECTS

*Withdrawn*

**Report:** *See Report Under Agenda Item 2E AMENDED, Legislative File No. 073467.*

2E AMENDED

073467 Resolution Carlos A. Gimenez,  
Barbara J. Jordan

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE PREPARE A WRITTEN STATUS REPORT REGARDING ALL PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS OR OTHER BUSINESS ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND/OR COUNTY AGENCIES AND PRIVATE ENTITIES, INCLUDING NON-PROFIT CORPORATIONS, AND RECOMMEND A PROCEDURE FOR EVALUATION AND IMPLEMENTATION REGARDING CAPITAL PROJECTS IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE COUNTY'S INVESTMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF SUCH COUNTY PROJECTS [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 073237]

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

*Mover: Gimenez*

*Seconder: Martinez*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Sosa, Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty 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, with committee amendment(s) to delete Section 2(a) through (n) and to insert the following language: "general information about projects that does not jeopardize the negotiating position of the County." This motion was seconded by Commissioner Martinez.*

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

## 2E SUPPLEMENT

**073469 Supplement**

SUPPLEMENT TO AGENDA ITEM 11A2, REQUESTING  
MAYOR TO PROVIDE WRITTEN STATUS REPORT  
REGARDING ALL PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS

*Report Received*  
*Mover: Gimenez*  
*Seconder: Martinez*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Sosa, Diaz*

## 2F

**072981 Resolution**

Barbara J. Jordan,

Rebeca Sosa, Audrey M. Edmonson, Dennis C. Moss, Sen.

Javier D. Souto

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE  
TO DESIGNATE OPA-LOCKA BOULEVARD/N.W. 135TH  
STREET FROM N.W. 7TH AVENUE TO N.W. 47TH  
AVENUE AS THE "HONORABLE ROBERT B. INGRAM,  
PH.D. BOULEVARD"; APPROVING SUCH  
DESIGNATION; AND URGING THE CITY OF OPA-  
LOCKA TO APPROVE SUCH DESIGNATION

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

## 2G

**073191 Resolution**

Sen. Javier D. Souto

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE COMMISSION  
AUDITOR TO ASSIGN A BUDGET ANALYST AND/OR  
AUDITOR TO EACH COUNTY DEPARTMENT AS WELL  
AS ENTITIES THAT RECEIVE SUBSTANTIAL COUNTY  
FUNDING, TO WORK ALONGSIDE AND IN  
COORDINATION WITH THE CORRESPONDING  
BUDGET ANALYST FROM THE OFFICE OF STRATEGIC  
BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

*Deferred to December 11, 2007*  
*Mover: Souto*  
*Seconder: Sorenson*  
*Vote: 5-0*  
*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *See Report Under Agenda Item 2B, Legislative  
File No. 072864.*

2H

073092 Resolution

Joe A. Martinez,

Jose "Pepe" Diaz, Carlos A. Gimenez, Katy Sorenson,  
Rebeca Sosa, Sen. Javier D. Souto, Audrey M. Edmonson,  
Dennis C. Moss, Dorrin D. Rolle

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING THE  
CONTINUATION OF CERTAIN COMPENSATION TO  
COUNTY EMPLOYEES ON ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable  
recommendation*

*Mover: Gimenez*

*Seconder: Sosa*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the  
following proposed resolution into the record.*

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

*Commissioners Gimenez, Sosa, Sorenson, and  
Souto asked that they be listed as co-sponsors.*

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

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071668 Resolution

Dorrin D. Rolle

Tabled

RESOLUTION URGING THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO ALLOW FLORIDA RETIREMENT SYSTEM "REGULAR CLASS" MEMBERS THE OPTION TO PURCHASE UP TO FIVE YEARS OF FRS CREDIT TO FACILITATE EARLY RETIREMENT; AND TO ALLOW FOR THE MAXIMUM PURCHASE OF RETIREMENT CREDITS THAT ARE AUTHORIZED UNDER FEDERAL LAW

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record. He noted Commissioner Rolle had requested that this proposed resolution be amended on handwritten page 4, Section 1, to accomplish the following:*

- 1. To add language to clarify that this proposal would have no cost to the County or other Florida Retirement System (FRS) employers and that the employee who chose to use this option would pay the full cost;*
- 2. To urge the Legislature to conduct an updated actuarial study, similar to the one conducted in 2005, to provide an updated fiscal analysis of the cost; and*
- 3. To add Special Risk members to the scope of this proposed resolution, including Fire, Police, and Corrections.*

*Chairman Martinez questioned whether the proposed amendments conflicted with the fiscal impact analysis indicated in Agenda Item 2I Supplement.*

*Ms. Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Budget Director, Office of Strategic Business Management, noted Agenda Item 2I Supplement was written based on the 2005 Actuarial Study and offered two different options: whether the FRS employers or the County would pick up any portion of the cost or whether the cost of purchasing the "airtime" would be borne solely by the employee. She pointed out that the purpose of the foregoing amendment was to clarify that this proposal would not result in any additional cost to the County; and that the total cost would be borne by the employee.*

*Chairman Martinez noted the proposed amendments changed the fiscal impact analysis in Agenda Item 2I Supplement.*

*In response to Chairman Martinez's question whether he had a conflict of interest with proposed amendment #3, as a former County Police Officer, Assistant County Attorney McCarty advised that proposed amendment #3 applied generally to all Special Risk employees; therefore, Chairman Martinez would not have a conflict of interest.*

*Notwithstanding Assistant County Attorney McCarty's opinion that no conflict of interest existed, Chairman Martinez relinquished the Chair to Vice-Chairman Gimenez, and excused himself from consideration of this proposal.*

*Vice-Chairman Gimenez expressed concern that this proposed resolution could not guarantee the employers would not incur any additional costs. He explained that FRS was based on the performance of investments; and that poor performance by investments after employees had purchased additional FRS credit would result in increased cost to the employer.*

*Ms. Glazer-Moon concurred with Commissioner Gimenez that the County could not guarantee any future performance of FRS.*

*Vice-Chairman Gimenez indicated this proposed resolution was a big risk and he could not support allowing employees to add up to five years of service for time that was not worked.*

*Commissioner Sorenson expressed concern regarding her unawareness of the possible unintended consequences.*

*Pursuant to Commissioner Sorenson's request that staff provide an explanation, Ms. Glazer-Moon pointed out this proposed resolution urged the Legislature to consider allowing the purchase of additional FRS credits. She noted that the State contributed the most to FRS; that the State would bear the same costs as the County; and that the Legislature would consider the State's contribution when this issue was discussed.*

*Ms. Marsha Pascual, Risk Management Director, General Services Administration, noted FRS did increase employer contributions, periodically, when additional funds were needed. She stated that if FRS conducted an analysis of the appropriate funds for this proposal and later found the amount indicated in the analysis to be inadequate, then FRS would probably compensate by increasing employer contributions.*

*Commissioner Sorenson emphasized the good employee benefits offered by the County. She questioned why the County would add more benefits during its financial struggles caused by property tax cuts.*

*Hearing no other questions or comments, the Committee failed to move this proposed resolution.*

*Assistant County Attorney McCarty advised that this proposed resolution was tabled.*

2I SUPPLEMENT

073285 Supplement

REPORT RELATED TO PURCHASE OF FLORIDA RETIREMENT SYSTEM (FRS) CREDIT

*Withdrawn*

2J

073059 Resolution

Sen. Javier D. Souto

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DESIGNATION OF N. KENDALL DRIVE BETWEEN S.W. 117 AVENUE TO S.W. 127 AVENUE AS "AMBASSADOR ARMANDO VALLADARES DRIVE"

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Souto*

*Seconder: Gimenez*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

2K

073076 Resolution

Rebeca Sosa

RESOLUTION URGING THE CITY OF MIAMI TO CODESIGNATE NW 59TH AVENUE FROM WEST FLAGLER STREET TO NW 7TH STREET AS RAMON AND POLITA GRAU ALSINA AVENUE

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Sosa*

*Seconder: Gimenez*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

3 DEPARTMENTS

3A

**073203 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AMENDING EXHIBIT B TO RESOLUTION NO. R-342-07 TO ADD CAPITAL PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27.3 MILLION FROM COUNTY'S CAPITAL ASSET ACQUISITION SPECIAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2007A (Finance Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Sorenson*

*Second: Sosa*

*Vote: 5-0*

*Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Commissioner Gimenez questioned whether the \$27.3 million in this proposed resolution were the same funds that were allocated to purchase the Martin Luther King, Jr. Building (MLK Building); and that the Health and Public Safety Committee wanted to allocate it to the Children's Courthouse.*

*Ms. Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Budget Director, Office of Strategic Business Management, clarified that the County had to use these funds sooner than the courthouse project would allow.*

*In response to Commissioner Gimenez's question whether the County would need to identify additional funds for the courthouse project, Ms. Glazer-Moon noted the County would issue additional financing for the courthouse project, if the funding was not available.*

*Discussion ensued between Commissioner Gimenez and Ms. Glazer-Moon regarding the operations and maintenance costs of the libraries in this proposal and the County Administration's approach to prepare for lower funds from property tax reform.*

*In response to Chairman Martinez's inquiry regarding the use of the \$2.4 million that was allocated for constructing the Kendale Lakes Library, Ms. Glazer-Moon noted the County Administration would come back with a recommendation to either hold the \$2.4 million and use the interest to make debt service payments for the Kendale Lakes Library, or make repairs and renovations to existing libraries.*

*Ms. Glazer-Moon noted the County Administration would provide a recommendation in December 2007 regarding the use of the \$27 million freed-up by this proposed resolution as part of an updated 5-year plan that accounted for voters passing and*

*not passing the tax reform legislation in January 2008.*

*Following comments by Commissioner Souto regarding the County paying rent for some library buildings, Commissioner Gimenez questioned Ms. Wendi Norris, Director, General Services Administration, concerning the proposed roof replacement for the Lightspeed Building; the Inspector General's report regarding the Lightspeed Building; and the County Administration's plans for the Lightspeed Building.*

*Discussion ensued regarding the time sensitivity of this proposed resolution and the issue of the appropriate size for County libraries considering the use of computers to access books, the use of libraries as child care centers, and the function of libraries as a meeting place for community councils and groups.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Sorenson that this proposed resolution be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sosa, and upon being put to a vote, passed 5-0 (Commissioner Diaz was absent).*

*It was moved by Commissioner Souto that Senior Advisor to the County Manager Cynthia Curry submit a report for review at the December 10, 2007, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Committee meeting, identifying all buildings/rental space leased by the County for libraries; the monthly and annual rental costs for those facilities; the projected cost to purchase versus renting those facilities; and a plan for the County to get out of the business of renting buildings/space for libraries. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sosa, and upon being put to a vote, passed 5-0 (Commissioner Diaz was absent).*

*Chairman Martinez pointed out the County had to rent space for some libraries due to land availability issues in those areas.*

3B

**073045 Resolution**

RESOLUTION DECLARING COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO DISPOSE OF SAID PROPERTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH FLORIDA STATUTE 125.35 AND FLORIDA STATUTE 197.592; AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 8-4 AS IT PERTAINS TO REVIEW BY THE PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD; AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF COUNTY DEEDS FOR SUCH PURPOSE (General Services Administration Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Gimenez*

*Secunder: Souto*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Sosa, Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*In response to Chairman Martinez's requests for clarification regarding items 1-6 on handwritten page 7, Ms. Wendi Norris, Director, General Services Administration, explained the County would only convey streets and the intent of this proposed resolution was for the City of Miami Gardens to be fully responsible for those streets.*

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

3C

**073069 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT WITH MARINA HOT DOGS, CORP., FOR PREMISES LOCATED AT THE SOUTH DADE GOVERNMENT CENTER, 10710 SW 211TH STREET, MIAMI, UTILIZED AS A SNACK BAR; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY 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: Souto*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Sosa, Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Sorenson that this proposed resolution be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Souto.*

*In response to Chairman Martinez's questions regarding when the Audit and Management Services' audit was finalized, Ms. Wendi Norris, Director, General Services Administration, pointed out that handwritten page eight indicated the audit was finalized on July 31, 2007.*

*Following further discussion concerning the flow of customers at the South Dade Government Center, Commissioner Sorenson expressed concern that this proposed resolution would reward a vendor for overbidding on a contract.*

*Ms. Norris clarified that the County started renovations at the same time the vendor opened; and that she did not think the vendor overbid.*

*Commissioner Sorenson noted the County should pay more attention to vendors overbidding to obtain a contract.*

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

3D

**073070 Resolution**

RESOLUTION DECLARING COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED WEST OF 1175 NW SOUTH RIVER DRIVE (PARCEL NO 111), SURPLUS; AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 8-4 AS IT RELATES TO REVIEW BY THE PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD; AUTHORIZING THE PRIVATE SALE OF THE SAME, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$208,450.00, TO THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNÉE TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE SALE OF SAID PROPERTY; AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A COUNTY DEED FOR SUCH PURPOSE (General Services Administration Department)

*Withdrawn*

**Report:** *See Report Under Agenda Item 3D AMENDED, Legislative File No. 073381.*

3D AMENDED

**073381 Resolution**

RESOLUTION DECLARING COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED WEST OF 1175 NW SOUTH RIVER DRIVE (PARCEL NO 111), SURPLUS; AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 8-4 AS IT RELATES TO REVIEW BY THE PLANNING ADVISORY BOARD; AUTHORIZING THE PRIVATE SALE OF THE SAME, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$208,450.00, TO THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH THE SALE OF SAID PROPERTY; AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A COUNTY DEED FOR SUCH PURPOSE [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 073070] (General Services Administration Department)

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

*Mover: Gimenez*

*Seconder: Souto*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Sosa, Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record. He advised that the title to this proposed resolution needed to be amended to correct a scrivener's error that existed to change the word "authoring" to "authorizing."*

*It was moved by Commissioner Gimenez that the foregoing proposed resolution be forwarded with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s) to correct a scrivener's error that existed in the sixth (6th) line of the resolution title on handwritten page four (4) by changing the word "authoring" to "authorizing." This motion was seconded by Commissioner Souto.*

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

3E

**073098 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO LEASE AGREEMENT AT 1100 N.E. 163 STREET, SUITE 303, NORTH MIAMI BEACH, WITH R-GEM CORP., FOR PREMISES TO BE UTILIZED AS A COMMISSION DISTRICT OFFICE FOR COMMISSIONER SALLY A. HEYMAN; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY 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: Gimenez*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Sosa, Diaz*

3F

**073125 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT AND ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE AGREEMENT AT 2200 NW 82 AVENUE, DORAL, WITH ADLER OFFICE ASSOCIATES, LTD., A FLORIDA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, BY ADLER OFFICE ASSOCIATES, LTD., A FLORIDA CORPORATION BY ITS GENERAL PARTNER FOR PREMISES TO BE UTILIZED BY THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, MIAMI-DADE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO STORE AND DISSEMINATE EMERGENCY SUPPLIES; 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: Souto*

*Seconded: Sorenson*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Sosa, Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Souto that this proposed resolution be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sorenson.*

*Commissioner Gimenez questioned the provision in this proposal that the County would be liable for the air conditioning after 30 days.*

*Ms. Wendi Norris, Director, General Services Administration, explained the State Health Department was paying for the space and the County would perform the service on their behalf and would assign it to the State after approving the lease.*

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

3G

**073158 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WAIVER OF SECTION 2-11.1(C) OF THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY CODE AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT AT 1454 S.W. 1 STREET, SUITE 130 WITH BARREIRO ENTERPRISES, CORP., A FLORIDA CORPORATION, FOR PREMISES TO BE UTILIZED AS A COMMISSION DISTRICT OFFICE FOR CHAIRMAN BRUNO A. BARREIRO; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY 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: Souto*

*Seconded: Martinez*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Sosa, Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Souto that this proposed resolution be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Chairman Martinez.*

*Pursuant to Commissioner Sorenson's request, Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the following language from the Comments section on handwritten page 2:*

*"Since the subject property is owned by the Chairman's immediate relatives (parents), leasing of space within the subject building for the intended purpose is required to comply with Section 2-11.1 of the Code of Miami-Dade County, Florida, Conflict of Interest and Code of Ethics Ordinance, which in effect, requires that the subject property be leased at a cost of no more than 80% of its fair market value, as certified by an approved Appraiser paid-for by the provider. Accordingly, an appraisal evaluation secured by the Landlord was conducted by Quinlivan Appraisal, P.A. on June 6, 2007, which reported a rent market value of \$22.50 per square foot. A second evaluation was secured by the County through its appraisal selection process and completed on March 28, 2007 by the firm of Investors Research Associates, Inc., which reported a rent market value of \$25.00 per square foot.*

*"Staff's negotiated lease rate of \$13.60 is well below 80% of the identified market rate, and therefore complies with the aforementioned Code requirement."*

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

3H

**073204 Resolution**

RESOLUTION APPROVING ISSUANCE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REVENUE BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,300,000 TO FINANCE CAPITAL PROJECT FOR BENEFIT OF BELLAK COLOR CORPORATION, INC. FOR PURPOSES OF AND PURSUANT TO SECTION 147(F) OF INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (Industrial Development Authority)

*Withdrawn  
Mover: Sosa  
Seconder: Sorenson  
Vote: 5-0  
Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *During consideration of the changes to today's Agenda, the foregoing proposed resolution was withdrawn.*

3I

**072665 Ordinance**

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-8.1.1.1.1 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, PERTAINING TO THE SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (SBE) PROGRAM; CHANGING THE REQUIREMENT FOR THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PRIME CONTRACTOR AND THE SBE SUBCONTRACTOR TO REFLECT THE PERCENTAGE OF WORK TO BE PERFORMED BY THE SBE SUBCONTRACTOR RATHER THAN PRICE, AND REMOVING LANGUAGE ALLOWING A SBE/MICRO ENTERPRISE TO RETAIN ITS CERTIFICATION FOR ONE ADDITIONAL YEAR FROM THE DATE IT IS FORMALLY NOTIFIED; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Procurement Management Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation  
Mover: Sorenson  
Seconder: Gimenez  
Vote: 4-0  
Absent: Sosa, Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed ordinance into the record.*

*The public hearing was opened. It was closed after no one appeared in response to Chairman Martinez's call for persons wishing to be heard.*

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

3J

**072666 Ordinance**

ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-10.4.01 OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE COMMUNITY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM FOR ARCHITECTURAL, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL, ENGINEERING, AND SURVEYING AND MAPPING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (CBE-A/E); CONSOLIDATING THE SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPATION AND LETTER OF INTENT; REPLACING BOTH WITH A LETTER OF AGREEMENT, ALLOWING PROPOSERS TO CURE DEFECTS ON THE LETTER OF AGREEMENT WITHIN FORTY-EIGHT HOURS OF NOTIFICATION, AND INCREASING THE SIZE LIMITS FOR FIRST AND SECOND TIER CBE-A/E'S; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE (Procurement Management Department)

*Deferred to December 11, 2007**Mover: Sosa**Seconder: Sorenson**Vote: 5-0**Absent: Diaz*

**Report:** *During consideration of the changes to today's Agenda, the Committee deferred the foregoing proposed ordinance.*

3K

**073294 Resolution**

RESOLUTION DECLARING COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTIES SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO CONVEY SAID PROPERTIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 3-44; AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF COUNTY DEEDS FOR SUCH PURPOSE (General Services Administration Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Gimenez*

*Seconded: Souto*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Sosa, Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Gimenez that this proposed resolution be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation. This motion was seconded by Chairman Martinez.*

*In response to Commissioner Sorenson's inquiry who would receive what properties in this proposal, Ms. Wendi Norris, Director, General Services Administration, explained that the County Commission would approve the work order process with the pool of vendors; that the County would group properties in the same geographic area and ask for responses from the qualified pool to the work order for those properties; that the responses would be evaluated based on the price, square footage, the architectural design, the enhanced features, and the energy efficiency.*

*Commissioner Sorenson asked Ms. Norris to provide a report to the County Commission outlining the developer selection process to determine who would develop each property listed in Exhibit "A."*

*Responding to Chairman Martinez's inquiry regarding the developer pool, Ms. Norris clarified the developer pool would consist of contractors.*

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

3L

**073218 Resolution**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF  
COMPETITIVE CONTRACTS, WITH AUTHORITY TO  
EXERCISE OPTIONS-TO-RENEW ESTABLISHED  
THEREUNDER, CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS AND  
AWARD OF COMPETITIVELY BID CONTRACTS OF  
OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES FOR THE  
PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES (Procurement  
Management Department)

*Withdrawn*

**Report:** *See Report Under Agenda Item 3L AMENDED,  
Legislative File No. 073388.*

3L AMENDED

## 073388 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AWARD OF COMPETITIVE CONTRACTS, WITH AUTHORITY TO EXERCISE OPTIONS-TO-RENEW ESTABLISHED THEREUNDER, CONTRACT MODIFICATIONS AND AWARD OF COMPETITIVELY BID CONTRACTS OF OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES FOR THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES (SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NUMBER 073218) (Procurement Management Department)

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

*Mover: Gimenez*

*Seconded: Sorenson*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Sosa, Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record. He advised that this proposed resolution should be amended to strike out the second paragraph under the heading "Recommendation" in Item 1.1, handwritten page 5; to change the Subtotal under "Other Departments: Existing Allocations" to \$954,500, on handwritten page 16; to change "\$23,750" to "\$26,109,500" in the third paragraph under the heading "Reason for Change" on handwritten page 19.*

*Concerning Item 4.1, Commissioner Gimenez questioned why the cost of tires increased when the size of the light fleet had decreased.*

*Discussion ensued regarding the County Administration's assumptions regarding the County's need for tires and the cost of tires.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Gimenez that Ms. Wendi Norris, Director, General Services Administration, provide a report to the County Commission regarding how the County Administration was implementing the reduction to the light fleet vehicles; and that this report include the following information regarding Item 4.1:*

- The number of tires bought with the previous contract allocation;*
- The number of tires that would be bought with the proposed contract amount;*
- The price per tire for the previous contract;*
- The price per tire for the proposed contract; and*
- The price per barrel of oil when the previous contract and this proposed contract were negotiated.*

*This motion was seconded by Chairman Martinez, and upon being put to a vote, passed 4-0 (Commissioners Diaz and Sosa were absent).*

Regarding Item 4.2, Commissioner Gimenez expressed concern regarding the County allocating \$720,000 to provide computer training to Enterprise Technology Services Department employees.

Chairman Martinez questioned whether training materials and support were provided with new software purchases.

Mr. Howard Piper, Interim Director, Human Resources Department, pointed out that the training for the Human Resources Department was to certify employees in Microsoft Office Suite; and that the training was done in advanced computer program language C+; and that CompUSA and New Horizons performed the training.

Following discussion concerning the County using in-house computer training, Commissioner Gimenez asked Ms. Jennifer Glazer-Moon, Budget Director, Office of Strategic Business Management, to provide a fiscal impact analysis regarding the County providing in-house computer software training versus hiring an outside vendor to provide training.

Discussion ensued regarding how a County employee could become a certified trainer and how many employees were trained for the recommended allocation.

Regarding Item 3.3, Chairman Martinez asked Ms. Glazer-Moon to provide a report concerning the unit price for the general purpose batteries.

Concerning Item 1.4, Chairman Martinez questioned the cost to rent a golf cart per month.

Ms. Miriam Singer, Director, Procurement Management Department, noted a two passenger, electric golf cart was \$89 per month. Ms. Singer noted the County would rent 415 golf carts at this price; that the County would rent 15 two passenger, gasoline golf carts for \$98 per month; and that the County would rent 6 one passenger, electric golf carts for \$209 per month. She pointed out that the Parks and Recreation Department used golf carts as a source of revenue by leasing them at the County golf courses.

Referencing Item 3.1, Chairman Martinez expressed concern regarding the County spending \$26 million in eight months on vehicle parts and

repair services.

*Discussion ensued regarding the upgrades to Metrorail and Metromover; the rehab contract; and the \$26 million to purchase parts for bus upkeep.*

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

3M

**073220 Resolution**

RESOLUTION WAIVING FORMAL BID PROCEDURES FOR THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO AWARD SAME, WITH AUTHORITY TO EXERCISE OPTIONS-TO-RENEW ESTABLISHED THEREUNDER (Procurement Management Department)

*Withdrawn*

**Report:** *See Report Under Agenda Item 3M AMENDED, Legislative File No. 073220.*

3M AMENDED

**073391 Resolution**

RESOLUTION WAIVING FORMAL BID PROCEDURES FOR THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO AWARD SAME, WITH AUTHORITY TO EXERCISE OPTIONS-TO-RENEW ESTABLISHED THEREUNDER [SEE ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 073220] (Procurement Management Department)

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

*Mover: Gimenez*

*Seconder: Sorenson*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Diaz, Sosa*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record. He advised that a scrivener's error existed on handwritten page two; and should be corrected to replace "PerkinElmer LABWORKS, Inc." with "iNovah Software Upgrade, Maintenance and Support Services," under Item 2.2.*

*It was moved by Commissioner Gimenez that the foregoing proposed resolution be forwarded to the County Commission with a favorable recommendation with committee amendment(s) to correct a scrivener's error that existed on handwritten page two (2) to replace "PerkinElmer LABWORKS, Inc." with "iNovah Software Upgrade, Maintenance and Support Services," under Item 2.2. This motion was seconded by Commissioner Sorenson.*

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

3N

073332 Resolution

Joe A. Martinez

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF FLORIDA, INC. FOR THE PURPOSE OF CO-DESIGNING WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY A LIMITED BENEFIT INSURANCE PRODUCT, AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR AND ON BEHALF OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND TO EXERCISE ANY CANCELLATION AND RENEWAL PROVISIONS, AND TO EXERCISE ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONTAINED THEREIN; PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL OF THE PRODUCT BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING BY OPERATION OF SECTION 5.03(D) OF THE CHARTER TO ALLOW THE MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE A CONTRACT TO PILOT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ANY APPROVED PRODUCT WITH BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF FLORIDA, INC., CONTRACT NO. 8347 (Procurement Management Department)

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation*

*Mover: Gimenez*

*Seconded: Souto*

*Vote: 4-0*

*Absent: Sosa, Diaz*

**Report:** *Assistant County Attorney Jess McCarty read the foregoing proposed resolution into the record.*

*Following Chairman Martinez's brief explanation regarding the intent of this proposed resolution, Commissioner Sorenson asked that staff further clarify this proposal.*

*Responding to Commissioner Sorenson's request for further clarification, Ms. Janet Perkins, Director, Office of Countywide Healthcare Planning, explained that this proposed resolution intended to provide a private health care insurance product with premiums and co-payments. She noted that the consumer would save through low premiums and low co-payments for comprehensive coverage. She added that this proposed resolution was designed to allow the County to limit the total yearly expenditure of the program.*

*An unidentified Blue Cross/Blue Shield Representative noted that this proposed resolution would authorize approval of a contract to develop a limited benefit product; that the monthly premium would depend on age and gender and could be \$50 or \$60 per month; that the limit of benefits would be \$25,000 of care per year. He emphasized that the limited benefit product would not provide catastrophic coverage. He clarified that this product would provide access to primary*

health care, specialists, pharmacy, dental, and diagnostic benefits; and that medical under ride was in place and would not allow preexisting conditions, if purchased by an individual; however, if a group purchased the plan, then preexisting conditions would be accepted. The Representative pointed out this proposed product would be the first of its kind and could serve as a national model for reaching individuals who did not qualify for public assistance programs and who could afford existing products in the market.

In response to Commissioner Sorenson's questions concerning the request to waive the competitive bid process, Ms. Miriam Singer, Director, Procurement Management Department, noted the request to design a limited benefit insurance product was done in an open competitive process; and that if the County Commission accepted the design, then the bid waiver would be requested to limit competition to the design only. She pointed out the County selected Blue Cross/Blue Shield through an open and full competitive process.

Chairman Martinez pointed out that all profits from this proposed product would be put back into the community; that Blue Cross/Blue Shield could design, provide, and advertise this proposed product independently; that this proposal would be a public-private partnership with zero cost to the County; and that the County would benefit by promoting the product through the Small Business Administration.

In response to Commissioner Gimenez's inquiry regarding the number of people presently uninsured who would exceed the \$25,000 benefit limit, if they were insured, the unidentified Blue Cross/Blue Shield Representative noted 95 percent of people that enrolled would not exceed the limit.

Following further discussion, Commissioner Souto questioned the impact if Jackson Memorial Hospital refused to participate in this proposed plan.

Chairman Martinez noted this proposal could provide Jackson Memorial Hospital with more paying customers.

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

4 COUNTY MANAGER

5 COUNTY ATTORNEY

6 CLERK OF THE BOARD

6A

073250 Report

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MINUTES FOR BUDGET AND  
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING: OCTOBER 9, 2007  
(Clerk of the Board)

*Approved*  
*Mover: Gimenez*  
*Seconder: Sorenson*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Diaz, Sosa*

7 REPORTS

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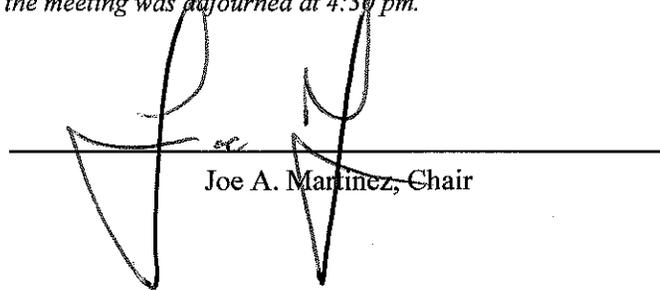
073249 Report

REPORT ON MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
MOUNTED PATROL UNIT (County Manager)

*Report Received*  
*Mover: Souto*  
*Seconder: Sorenson*  
*Vote: 4-0*  
*Absent: Sosa, Diaz*

8 ADJOURNMENT

**Report:** *There being no further business to come before the  
Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.*



Joe A. Martinez, Chair