



**MIAMI-DADE COUNTY
FINAL OFFICIAL MINUTES
Recreation and Cultural Affairs Committee
(RCAC)**

Board of County Commissioners

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Miami, Florida 33128

Monday, April 14, 2008
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Recreation & Cultural Affairs Committee

Javier D. Souto (10) Chair; Dennis C. Moss (9) Vice Chair; Commissioners Audrey M. Edmonson (3), Barbara J. Jordan (1), Katy Sorenson (8), and Dorrin D. Rolle (2)

Monday, April 14, 2008

2:00 PM

COMMISSION CHAMBERS

Members Present: Audrey M. Edmonson, Barbara J. Jordan, Dennis C. Moss, Dorrin Rolle, Katy Sorenson, Javier D. Souto.

Members Absent: None.

Members Late: None.

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent County Business: None.

1 MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Report: *Zorana Gainer, Commission Reporter*
305-375-3570

1A INVOCATION

1B PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1C ROLL CALL

Report: *The following staff members were present:*

*~Assistant County Manager Alex Munoz
~Assistant County Attorney Wilfredo Ferrer
~Senior Deputy Clerk Doris Dickens
~Deputy Clerk Zorana Gainer*

*Assistant County Attorney Wilfredo Ferrer noted
Agenda Item 2D Substitute was added to today's
agenda and a scrivener's error existed within
Agenda Item 2I.*

1D DISCUSSION MATTERS

1E **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

1E1

080874 **Special Presentation**

"MAKING A DIFFERENCE" - SEGMENT FROM NBC
NIGHTLY NEWS

Presented

Report: *Mr. Jack Kardys, Director, Miami-Dade Park & Recreation Department (MDPR) noted that the Leisure Access Services Division was committed to the principles of equal access for all people. He noted the importance and the significance of programs for people with disabilities. Mr. Kardys pointed out that of 30 programs that operated out of 7 MDPR sites within the community, 1,376 were registered participants. Mr. Kardys asked Ms. Lucy Binhack, Manager, MDPR Disabilities Services to come forward.*

Ms. Binhack said the Leisure Access Services (LAS) operated programs for children and adults with disabilities as well as senior citizens. She noted the Leisure Access Foundation assisted with funding for disability sports. Ms. Binhack said her staff worked with the rest of the department to assure access for all people and that she had an inclusion team that promoted children with disabilities into general recreation programs.

Ms Binhack shared a report that aired on NBC Nightly News regarding the Friday Fencing Club, a MDPR club in which children with physical and developmental disabilities learned the techniques and rules of fencing. The report detailed the special fencing class held at Tamiami Park for children with disabilities hosted by Joaquin Maximo Tack-Fang.

1E2

080875 Special Presentation

RECOGNITION AND CERTIFICATE OF HONOR TO
 MICHAEL HERNANDEZ, PARKS DEPARTMENT
 NOMINEE FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS ANNUAL "INSPIRE
 GREATNESS AWARD"

Presented

Report: *Ms. Binhack pointed out that Leisure Access Services had a Special Olympics team which included a bowling, track/field and basketball team. She announced the nominee for the Special Olympics Inspire Greatness Award was Mr. Michael Fernandez. Ms. Binhack noted Mr. Fernandez's mother, Coach Celia Avery, along with representatives from the Knight of Columbus who had supported Mr. Fernandez, were present. Ms. Binhack presented Mr. Fernandez with the "Inspire Greatness Award" and asked committee members to come forward to take photos with Mr. Fernandez.*

2 COUNTY COMMISSION

2A

081011 Resolution

Bruno A. Barreiro

RESOLUTION DIRECTING COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS
 DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE GRANT AGREEMENT
 BETWEEN COUNTY AND NEW WORLD SYMPHONY
 TO PROVIDE CAPITAL GRANT TO FUND
 DEVELOPMENT OF NEW EXPANDED CAMPUS FOR
 NEW WORLD SYMPHONY IN AN AMOUNT OF
 \$27,000,000 TO BE FUNDED ANNUALLY FROM
 LEGALLY AVAILABLE CONVENTION DEVELOPMENT
 TAX FUNDS UNTIL PAID IN FULL AND TO PRESENT
 SUCH GRANT AGREEMENT TO THE BOARD FOR ITS
 CONSIDERATION

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable
 recommendation*

Mover: Sorenson

Seconder: Moss

Vote: 5-0

Absent: Edmonson

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

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

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2B

081028 Resolution Bruno A. Barreiro

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE APRIL 30 - MAY 4, 2008 BOTS IQ NATIONAL ROBOTICS COMPETITION SPONSORED BY BOTS IQ, INC., A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,625.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 5 IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Rolle

Seconder: Moss

Vote: 6-0

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

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

2C

081026 Resolution Carlos A. Gimenez

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE MARCH 16, 2008 ST. PATRICK'S DAY FESTIVAL SPONSORED BY THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY COMMITTEE, INC A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,166.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 7 IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 6-0

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

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

2D

080876 Resolution Carlos A. Gimenez

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PLACEMENT OF A COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE AT THE GARDENS OF THE KEY BISCAVNE BRANCH LIBRARY TO HONOR THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF ELLEN MERRITT

Withdrawn

Report: *See Agenda Item 2D Substitute; Legislative File No.081172.*

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2D SUBSTITUTE

081172 Resolution Carlos A. Gimenez

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PLACEMENT OF A
COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE AT THE GARDENS OF
THE KEY BISCAYNE BRANCH LIBRARY TO HONOR
THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF ELLEN MERRITT [SEE
ORIGINAL ITEM UNDER FILE NO. 080876]

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable
recommendation
Mover: Moss
Seconder: Sorenson
Vote: 6-0*

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

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

2E

081023 Resolution Sally A. Heyman

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-
KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND
RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE MARCH 29-30,
2008 SURFSIDE ART FESTIVAL SPONSORED BY THE
TOWN OF SURFSIDE, A NOT-FOR-PROFIT
ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED
\$3,066.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 4 IN-
KIND RESERVE FUND

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable
recommendation
Mover: Moss
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 6-0*

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

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

2F

080926 Resolution Sally A. Heyman

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 1358-07
TO ATTACH CORRECT FEE WAIVER/IN-KIND
SERVICES APPLICATION

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable
recommendation
Mover: Jordan
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 6-0*

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

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

2G

081024 Resolution Dennis C. Moss

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE MARCH 23 2008 COMMUNITY WEEKEND SPONSORED BY COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND OUTREACH, INC., A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,160.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 9 IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 6-0

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

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

2H

081049 Resolution Dennis C. Moss

RESOLUTION RETROACTIVELY AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE MARCH 15, 2008 WALK/RUN EVENT SPONSORED BY THE JUVENILE DIABETES RESEARCH FOUNDATION INTERNATIONAL, INC., A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$21,775.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE COUNTYWIDE IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 6-0

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

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

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081051 Resolution Katy Sorenson

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING IN-KIND SERVICES FROM THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT FOR THE JULY 4, 2008 41ST ANNUAL FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION SPONSORED BY THE GFWC WHISPERING PINES WOMAN'S CLUB, INC. A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$926.00 TO BE FUNDED FROM THE DISTRICT 8 IN-KIND RESERVE FUND

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 6-0*

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

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

3 PUBLIC HEARING(S)

4 DEPARTMENTS

4A

080884 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING FUNDING OF A \$20,000 GRANT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS AS FISCAL AGENT FOR THE SOUTH FLORIDA CULTURAL CONSORTIUM TO THE MUSEUM OF ART, FORT LAUDERDALE FOR THE REGIONAL EXHIBITION OF THE SOUTH FLORIDA CULTURAL CONSORTIUM'S FY 2007-2008 VISUAL AND MEDIA ARTISTS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

*Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 6-0*

(Cultural Affairs Council)

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

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

4B

080961 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF THIRTY-TWO (32) GRANTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS FY 2007-2008 COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM –THIRD QUARTER WITH BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF MIAMI, INC.; COMMUNITY CONCERT ASSOCIATION, INC. A/F/A FOR PINECREST PLAYERS, INC.; DADE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION A/F/A MIMO BISCAYNE ASSOCIATION, INC.; EARTH LEARNING, INC.; EARTHMAN PROJECT, INC.; THE FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, THE, FOR THE BENEFIT OF DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH; FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, THE, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE CUBAN RESEARCH INSTITUTION; FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES, THE, FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SCHOOL OF ART AND ART HISTORY; FLORIDA STORYTELLING ASSOCIATION, INC.; FRIENDS OF THE YOUNG MUSICIANS CAMP, INC.; GALATA, INC.; GREATER MIAMI BILLFISH TOURNAMENT; HAITIAN AMERICAN YOUTH ORGANIZATION, INC.; HAITIAN AMERICAN YOUTH TASK FORCE, INC.; HISPANIC-AMERICAN LYRIC THEATRE, INC. A/F/A EXPECTATION ARTIST PRODUCTIONS; HISPANIC-AMERICAN LYRIC THEATRE, INC. A/F/A IDUNA LITERARIA; HISPANIC-AMERICAN LYRIC THEATRE, INC. A/F/A MARTI PRODUCTIONS; HOLOCAUST DOCUMENTATION AND EDUCATION CENTER, INC.; KINAD, INC.; MASTER CHORALE OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.; MIAMI DANCE PROJECT, INC.; MIAMI OVERSEAS CHINESE ASSOCIATION, INC.; MIAMI RIVER FUND, INC. DBA MIAMI RIVER COMMISSION; MIAMI-DADE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION, INC.; MICHAEL ANN RUSSELL JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER; MYSTERY PARK ARTS DBA SOBE MUSIC INSTITUTE; NATIONAL ART EXHIBITIONS BY THE MENTALLY ILL, INC.; NEW WORLD FESTIVAL, INC.; SOCIEDAD CULTURAL SANTA CECILIA, INC.; ST. PATRICK'S DAY COMMITTEE, INC.; TALENT ARTISTIC JUVENILE, INC.; TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM AND ARTS FESTIVAL, INC.; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE THE CANCELLATION PROVISIONS CONTAINED THEREIN (Cultural Affairs Council)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 6-0

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

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

4C

081050 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF FORMAL COMPETITIVE BID PROCEDURES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 5.03(D) OF THE HOME RULE CHARTER AND SECTION 2-8.1(B) OF THE CODE OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY AND AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 255.20 OF THE FLORIDA STATUTES BY A TWO-THIRD (2/3) VOTE OF THE BOARD; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,673,246.73 WITH RECREATION DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO WESTWIND LAKES PARK, AND TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (Park & Recreation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Edmonson

Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 6-0

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

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

4D

080115 Resolution

RESOLUTION APPROVING TERMS OF AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE SEPARATE BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND GRANT AGREEMENTS WITH THE MIAMI ART MUSEUM OF DADE COUNTY ASSOCIATION, INC. (MAM) AND THE MUSEUM OF SCIENCE, INC. (MSM) TO FUND INITIAL DESIGN AND SITE ENGINEERING EXPENSES ASSOCIATED WITH THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE TWO MUSEUMS AT MUSEUM PARK; AND APPROVING TERMS OF AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AMONG THE COUNTY, THE CITY OF MIAMI, THE MIAMI SPORTS AND EXHIBITION AUTHORITY (MSEA), MAM, MSM AND THE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC. [SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 8(E)] (Office of Capital Improvements)

Forwarded to the BCC by the BCC Chairperson with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Sorenson

Seconder: Edmonson

Vote: 5-1

No: Souto

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

Chairman Souto noted that he was opposed to the foregoing proposed resolution, and would vote "no" because specific details of the proposed agreement were unclear to him.

With regard to Chairman Souto's concern, Commissioner Rolle suggested the foregoing proposed resolution be waived to the April 22, 2008 County Commission meeting.

In response to Chairman Souto's inquiry as to whether waiving the foregoing proposed resolution to April 22, 2008 would impede the City of Miami's progress in moving forward with the Museum Park Project, Assistant County Attorney Monica Rizo responded that she did not believe waiving the item would impact the City's progress.

Chairman Souto 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 April 22, 2008 County Commission meeting.

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

4E

080883 Resolution

RESOLUTION AMENDING IMPLEMENTING ORDER 4-119 RELATING TO THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE MIAMI-DADE PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT IN ORDER TO CORRECT SCRIVENER'S ERROR, REVISE PARKING FEES AND TO GRANT THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE THE AUTHORITY TO APPROVE TEMPORARY ADJUSTMENTS TO PARKING FEES FOR SPECIAL EVENTS (Park & Recreation Department)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Rolle

Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 6-0

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

In response to Commissioner Sorenson's inquiry regarding the commuter parking fee, Mr. Jack Kardys, Director, Park & Recreation Department, explained that the commuter parking fee was related to the need for surplus parking areas designated for people who parked and rode shuttle buses to their worksites. He noted the rate was set for Monday through Friday only.

Chairman Souto expressed concern regarding heavy traffic near schools due to drop off/pick up. He asked Mr. Kardys to review the possibility of using parks as drop off/pick up points for children before and after school in an attempt to alleviate traffic near schools.

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

5 COUNTY MANAGER

5A

080909 Resolution

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND MUTUAL RELEASE WITH A.C.T. SERVICES, INC., FOR WORK PERFORMED IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE GOLDEN GLADES LIBRARY; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ANY AND ALL OTHER RIGHTS CONFERRED THEREIN (County Attorney, County Manager)

Forwarded to BCC with a favorable recommendation

Mover: Jordan

Seconder: Rolle

Vote: 6-0

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

Chairman Souto expressed concern regarding the noise level at libraries, and asked Mr. Raymond Santiago, Director, Miami-Dade Libraries, to explore implementing a silence requirement within libraries. He also asked Mr. Santiago to research the feasibility of adding landscaping around library sites.

6 COUNTY ATTORNEY

7 CLERK OF THE BOARD

7A

080910 Report

CLERK'S SUMMARY OF MEETING MINUTES FOR RECREATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING(S): MARCH 17, 2008 (Clerk of the Board)

Approved

Mover: Moss

Seconder: Sorenson

Vote: 6-0

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

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

8 REPORTS

8A

080872 Report

CONCEPTUAL STUDY OF BAY OF PIGS MUSEUM AND LIBRARY ON PARCEL "B" SITE (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Rolle
Seconder: Sorenson
Vote: 5-0
Absent: Souto

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

Chairman Souto relinquished the Chair to Vice Chairman Moss.

Commissioner Jordan inquired whether workshops had been conducted to determine how the subject and surrounding area would look upon completion of the Bay of Pigs (BOP) Museum & Library and whether any open space would be left once all of the parks and museums were built.

In response to Commissioner Jordan's inquiry Mr. Lee Salomon, Asset Management Development Specialist, General Services Administration (GSA), said studies conducted to determine the most suitable usage for the subject property concluded that a majority of the property would be open space. He noted that proposed plans submitted to GSA for the BOP Museum and Library indicated it was feasible to build on the site; however, no extensive study had been conducted to determine whether or not green space would be included. Mr. Salomon said the plans submitted did not appear to have very much green space land. He pointed out that further studies would be conducted to determine how the site would look after completion.

In response to Commissioner Jordan's inquiry regarding whether the studies included alternative areas on which to build the BOP Museum & Library, Mr. Salomon said the study was conducted only to determine whether the specific use of the property was feasible.

Commissioner Edmonson asked Mr. Salomon to conduct a study in an effort to identify an alternative area for the BOP Museum & Library.

Commissioner Sorenson suggested that other parcels be considered to build the BOP Museum & Library. She further suggested developers consider collaborating with the Freedom Tower,

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the Cuban Museum, or the Historical Museum on possible sites for the BOP Museum & Library.

Vice Chairman Moss noted that this was only a report and subsequent action would have to be taken in order to move forward. He asked the County Attorney to prepare a resolution with regard to reviewing alternative sites for the BOP Museum & Library.

Commissioner Edmonson stated that she would sponsor the aforementioned resolution regarding alternative sites for the BOP Museum & Library.

Mr. Ron Nelson, Chief of Staff for City of Miami Commissioner Marc Sarnoff (Dist. 2), stated that a 1000-car parking garage on the waterfront was inappropriate and concurred with Commissioner Sorenson's comments that other sites should be considered for the BOP Museum & Library.

Mr. Nicolas Gutierrez, 2665 S. Bayshore Drive, appeared in support of the foregoing report. He noted that the staff and developers of the BOP Museum & Library were flexible and willing to incorporate any other uses which were reasonable.

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

8B

080911 Report

ADRIENNE ARSHT CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING
ARTS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MONTHLY STATUS
REPORT (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Rolle
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 6-0

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

Mr. Larry Wilker, CEO/President, Adrienne Arsht Performing Arts Center (PAC) provided a brief update regarding the PAC. He noted that ticket sales and attendance at the PAC were continuously increasing. Mr. Wilker said that many sold out performances occurred during the month of March and over 53,000 people attended the events. He noted that occupancy costs were below budget and he was confident that funds could be returned to the County at the end of the fiscal year. On March 28, 2008, noted Mr. Wilker, a payment was submitted for the Sunshine Loan. Mr. Wilker said that he hired Mr. Arturo Hernandez as the Vice President of development and he was in charge of all fund raising events. Mr. Wilker noted that in an effort to improve the ticketing process, a new initiative began in March that allowed patrons to purchase tickets online and print tickets at home.

Free Gospel Sundays continued, Mr. Wilker noted, and the next event was scheduled for April 27. He said the Target Globalbeat World Music Free Festival was held on April 12. Mr. Wilker said the largest Jazz Series in the United States outside of Jazz at Lincoln Center would be coming to the PAC. He noted the "Jazz Roots-A Larry Rosen Series" was a six-part monthly series beginning in November which included: Ramsey Lewis, Paquito D'Rivera, Arturo Sandoval, Chick Corea, Patti Austin, Sonny Rollins, Albita, and The Count Basie Orchestra. Mr. Wilker pointed out that a major education component of the Jazz Series included lesson plans for teachers, classroom activities, and visits with the artists for school children. He said that every student in Miami-Dade County schools who participated in a Jazz Band would be able to attend both rehearsals and the performances free of charge. In conclusion, Mr. Wilker noted that the upcoming performances at the PAC in April included: The Very Hungry Caterpillar, Avenue Q, and Myriam Hernandez.

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Chairman Souto asked Mr. Wilker to research the feasibility of PAC patrons utilizing the parking area at Jackson Memorial Hospital and using shuttle buses for transportation to the PAC. He also asked that Miami-Dade County's Mounted Police patrol the PAC area during events.

Chairman Souto resumed the Chair.

8C

080912 Report

ORAL REPORT RE: MONTHLY UPDATE ON THE MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AGRITECH & LIVESTOCK EXPO (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 6-0

Report: *Mr. Jack Kardys, Director, Miami-Dade Park & Recreation Department (MPRD), provided a brief report regarding the International Agritech & Livestock Expo. He pointed out that 165 head of cattle were entered into the Expo. Mr. Kardys said on Friday May 16, children from local schools and seniors would attend educational seminars. All cattle would arrive on Thursday May 15 and the media would be allowed to publicize the event, noted Mr. Kardys. He also noted that a one hour press conference would begin at 5 p.m. regarding the educational component of the show at Tamiami Blue Room, and the State of Florida's Department of Agriculture Commissioner Charles Bronson would be in attendance. Mr. Kardys said the Leon Medical Center had contributed \$10,000, as well as \$500 to be used as a cash prize for the all breed category. More than 100 volunteers were committed to working at the show, Mr. Kardys said. He noted the show included the following activities: demonstrations from the Florida Nurserymen's & Growers Association, Agricultural Exhibits, Pig Races, Livestock Judging, Goats and Dairy demonstrations, kids roping, and live entertainment.*

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080937 Report

ORAL REPORT: UPDATE ON ADRIENNE ARSHT CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS ADVERTISING EFFORTS AT THE PORT OF MIAMI (SEAPORT) AND MIAMI INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 6-0

Report: *With regard to advertising the PAC's events at the Airport and the Seaport, Mr. Wilker noted that he had met with both entities' representatives. He said Airport representatives agreed to place videos on airport terminal monitors in rotation; however, the Seaport did not have anyplace to display advertisements. Mr. Wilker noted Seaport representatives advised him that if provided with stanchions for posters, they would place them throughout the Seaport. Mr. Wilker said they had begun ordering the stanchions, which would accommodate three posters at one time.*

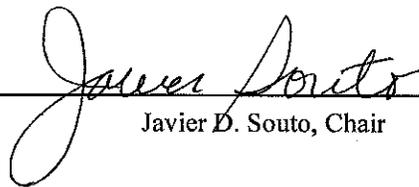
8E

080942 Report

MEMORANDUM IN RESPONSE TO COMMISSIONER JAVIER SOUTO'S REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON THE MUSEUM PROJECTS: MIAMI ART MUSEUM AND MIAMI SCIENCE MUSEUM [SEE AGENDA ITEM NO. 4(D)] (County Manager)

Report Received
Mover: Sorenson
Seconder: Edmonson
Vote: 6-0

9 ADJOURNMENT



Javier D. Souto, Chair